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### **Education**

Experimental Psychology, Ph. D., Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL. August 2013

Major Area: Cognitive Psychology

Dissertation: *False recognition driven by meaning and form: The dynamics of bilingual memory representations*

Dissertation Committee Chairs: Erika Hoff, Ph.D., Alan Kersten, Ph.D.

Dissertation Committee Members: David Bjorklund, Ph.D., Monica Roselli, Ph.D., John Morris, Ph.D.

Experimental Psychology, M.A., Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, FL. 2010

Thesis: *Phonological memory and the development of vocabulary and grammar in young Spanish-English bilinguals*

Thesis Committee Chair: Erika Hoff, Ph.D.

Romance Languages, M.A., University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL. 2006

Major Area: Spanish, Applied Linguistics

Psychology, B.A., Honors. Universidad Católica de Colombia, Bogotá, Colombia, 1997

### **Accademic Appointments**

Lecturer, University of Central Florida, Department of Psychology, 2013-Present

### **Non-accademic Appointments**

Clinical Psychologist, Military Forces of Colombia. Medical Dispensary of 12 Service Battalion, Florencia, Caquetá, Colombia, 2002

Clinical Psychologist, Famisanar, Bogotá, Colombia, 2000

Clinical Psychologist, Infant Therapeutic Foundation, Bogotá, Colombia, 1997 to 1998

### **Teaching Experience**

Lecturer, University of Central Florida, Department of Psychology, 2013-Present

Instructor of Cognition at Florida Atlantic University, Department of Psychology- Spring 2011, 2012, 2013, Summer 2012, and Fall 2012

Instructor of Intermediate Statistics Lab at Florida Atlantic University, Department of Psychology- Fall 2011

Instructor of Research Laboratory at the University of Alabama, Department of Psychology- Spring 2008

Instructor of Spanish 103 at the University of Alabama, Department of Modern Languages and Classics- Spring 2006

Instructor of Spanish 101 at the University of Alabama, Department of Modern Languages and Classics- Fall 2005

Teaching Assistant at Florida Atlantic University, Department of Psychology- Fall 2008, 2009, 2010, Summer 2009,2010, 2011, and Spring 2009, 2010

Teaching Assistant at the University of Alabama, Department of Psychology- Fall 2006, 2007

### **Courses Taught**

Cognitive Psychology

Perception

Statistical Methods in Psychology

Psychology of Language

Psychology of Diversity

### **Service**

Co-Advisor of Psi Chi International Honor Society, UCF Cocoa Chapter, 2013-Present

### **Publications**

Hoff, E., Core, C., Place, S., Rumiche, R., Senor, M., Parra, M. (2012). Dual language exposure and early bilingual development. *Journal of Child Language*,39, 1-27.  
doi: 10.1017/SO305000910000759

Parra, M., Hoff, E., & Core, C. (2011). Relations among language exposure, phonological

memory, and language development in Spanish-English bilingually developing 2-year olds. *Journal of Experimental Child Psychology*, 108, 113-125.  
doi: 10.1016/j.jecp.2010.07.011

Hoff, E., & Parra, M. (2011). Mechanisms linking phonological development to lexical development – a commentary on Stoel-Gammon’s ‘Relationships between lexical and phonological development in young children. *Journal of Child Language*, 38, 46-50.  
doi:10.1017/S0305000910000462

### **Presentations at Scientific and Professional Meetings**

Parra, M., & Hoff, E. (2010, April). *Phonological memory at 22 months as an unlearned language acquisition skill: Evidence from Spanish-English bilingual first language learners*. Poster session presented at the biennial Conference on Human Development, New York, NY.

### **General Research Interests**

Psycholinguistics  
Memory and Language  
Memory and Cognition  
Memory and Language Development  
Bilingual Memory

### **Membership in Professional Associations**

American Psychological Association