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## Education

- In Progress University of California, Davis, Ph.D. in Linguistics  
2018 University of California, Davis, Master of Arts in Linguistics  
2015 University of California, Los Angeles, Bachelor of Arts in Linguistics and Anthropology

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## Certificates/Institutes

- 2019 70<sup>th</sup> Linguistic Society of America Institute: Linguistics in the Digital Era  
2014 Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam, The 7th Annual Summer School on Black Europe:  
“Interrogating Citizenship, Race and Ethnic Relations”




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## Dissertation Advisors

- Co-advisor Vaidehi Ramanathan, UC Davis Department of Linguistics  
Co-advisor Robert Bayley, UC Davis Department of Linguistics

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## Publications

- Under Review Torres PJ, (Under Review). Modality and interpretive spaces in policies. In B.A. Diaz & R.W. Schrauf (Eds). *Applying linguistics in health research, education, and policy: Bench to bedside and back again*. De Gruyter Mouton.
- 2021 Torres PJ. (2021), The role of modals in policies: The US opioid crisis as a case study. *Applied Corpus Linguistics*. 
- 2020 Torres PJ, Henry SG., and Ramanathan V. (2020), Let's talk about pain and opioids: Low pitch and creak in medical consultations. *Discourse Studies* 22(2). 174–204. 
- 2020 Henry SG, White AE, Magnan EM, Hood-Medland EA, Gosdin M, Kravitz RL, Torres PJ, & Gerwing J. (2020) Making the most of video recorded clinical encounters: Optimizing impact and productivity through interdisciplinary teamwork. *Patient Education and Counseling* 103(10). 2178-2184. 
- 2015 Torres PJ. “Iráhü táu ában funátu kápa” (“The Boy with a Red Cape”), *The International Journal of Garifuna Creative Writing* 3(1).

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## Academic Positions



UC Davis, Department of Linguistics	Davis, CA
Associate Instructor of Linguistics (Introduction to Linguistics)	2019, 2021
Teaching Assistant of Linguistics (Introduction to Linguistics, Language and Body, Global English and Communication, Language and Society, Applied Linguistics, American Voices, and Multilingualism)	2016-present

*Note: Links to supplemental materials are embedded in this document for easy access when viewed on a computer.*

<b>UC Davis, School of Education</b> Associate Instructor of Education (Transfer Student Experience: Successful Transitions)	<b>Davis, CA</b> 2021
<b>UC Davis, Division of Continuing and Professional Education</b> Instructor of English as a Second Language (U.S. Society and Culture)	<b>Davis, CA</b> 2017
<b>UCLA East Asian Languages Department</b> Teaching Assistant of Filipino (Advanced Filipino 4, 5, and 6)	<b>Los Angeles, CA</b> 2013-2015

#### Other Academic Positions/Involvements

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<b>UC Davis, Office of Educational Opportunity, and Enrichment Services</b>  Success Coach	<b>Davis, CA</b> 2020-present
<b>Davis Discourse Lab</b>  Lab Director/Manager	<b>Davis, CA</b> 2019-present

#### Fellowships and Grants

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Jan 2022	<b>External:</b> Linguistic Society of America (LSA) Elizabeth Dayton Award in Sociolinguistics    
Sep 2021	<b>Internal:</b> UC Davis Teaching Assistant Consulting Fellow—Professional Dev't Facilitator '21-'22 
Aug 2021	<b>Internal:</b> UC Davis Dissertation Year Fellowship 21-22
Dec 2020	<b>External:</b> LSA Committee on Ethnic Diversity in Linguistics (CEDL) Award 
Dec 2020	<b>External:</b> Verilogue Racial Equity in Healthcare—Research for the Public Good Grant
Sep 2020	<b>Internal:</b> UC Davis Teaching Assistant Consulting Fellow—Digital Initiatives Lead '20-'21 
Aug 2020	<b>Internal:</b> UC Davis College of Letters and Sciences Dean's Summer Graduate Fellowship
Apr 2020	<b>Internal:</b> UC Davis Professors for the Future Fellow '20-'21 
Feb 2020	<b>Internal:</b> UC Davis Graduate Student Association—Travel Award
Dec 2019	<b>Internal:</b> UC Davis Graduate Studies—Graduate Student Travel Award
Sep 2019	<b>Internal:</b> UC Davis Teaching Assistant Consulting Fellow—Peer Facilitator '19-'20 
July 2018	<b>Departmental:</b> UC Davis Linguistics Steven Lapointe Award

#### Peer-Reviewed Presentations at Meetings & Conferences

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Jan 2022	<b>"Creak and low pitch as prosodic features for misery and pain"</b> 2022 LSA Annual Meeting   Washington DC   Jan 6-9, 2022
Mar 2021	<b>"Analyzing modality in policy text: How California policies respond to the opioid crisis"</b> 2021 American Association for Applied Linguistics (AAAL) Annual Meeting   Remote Conference   Mar 20-23, 2021
Mar 2021	<b>"The language of opioid policies"</b> 2020/2021 Advancing Pain Relief Symposium   UC Davis   Mar 3, 2021

- Jan 2021 **“Under the influence: configuring the interpretive spaces in opioid policies”**  
 “The local in language and public policy” organized session  
 2021 LSA Annual Meeting | Virtual Conference | Jan 7, 2021
- Dec 2020 **“One too many plural(s): Taglish code-switching”**  
 2020 Linguistweets - First International Twitter Conference on Linguistics |  
 Brazilian Association of Linguistics | Virtual Conference via Twitter | Dec 5, 2020
- Feb 2020 **“We can, we should, we must, and we will fight the opioid crisis”** ©  
 2020 Final Round | UC Davis Gradslam UC Davis | Feb 13, 2020 [April 7 Final Round cancelled due  
 to Corona Virus]
- July 2019 **"If I may, shall we address pain or should we focus on addiction: A talk about the language of  
 opioid policies."** ©  
 2019 LSA Linguistic Institute Three-Minute Thesis Competition (3MT) | July 17, 2019
- July 2019 **"Enacting opioid policies in text and speech: A multi-'modal' type of fix"** ©  
**[Poster Presentation]** 2019 LSA Linguistic Institute | July 14, 2019
- Jun 2019 **“Modality in policy text: How California addressed the opioid crisis”** ©  
 2019 LSA Linguistic Institute Workshop: Local in Language Policy | June 26, 2019
- May 2019 **"When heroin was a hero and solutions created problems: The discourse of opioid policy  
 enactments"**  
 6th Annual UC Davis Symposium on Language Research | May 24, 2019
- Nov 2018 **"Immigrant speech in healthcare: Ideologies and intelligibility"**  
 2018 American Anthropological Association Annual (AAA) Meeting |  
 San Jose Convention Center | Nov 14-18, 2018
- May 2018 **"On a Scale of 1 to 10, How much pain are you in?' Conversations on chronic pain and controlled  
 substances"**  
 Most Innovative Panel: 5th Annual UC Davis Symposium on Language Research | May 25, 2018
- Apr 2018 **"Register shift as a pragmatic resource: Manifesting pain in medical consultations"**  
 24th Annual Conference on Language, Interaction, and Culture (CLIC) | UCLA | Apr 6, 2018.
- Mar 2018 **"Discussing opiates in medical consultations: Expressing pain, mitigated questions, implicit  
 requests and formulating credibility"** ©  
**[Poster Presentation]** Georgetown University Roundtable on Languages and Linguistics:  
 Approaches to Discourse (GURT) | Georgetown University | Mar 10, 2018
- Feb 2018 **"Low pitch and creaky voice as linguistic resources: Describing pain, narrating symptoms, and  
 requesting for opiates in medical interactions"**  
 UC Davis Gradslam | Feb 8, 2018

Apr 2016 **"Memory loss is not identity loss: The complex language participation frameworks of the elderly with dementia"**  
22nd Annual Conference on Language, Interaction, and Culture (CLIC), UCLA | Apr 22-23, 2016.

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**Organization: Panels and Colloquia**

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Mar 2021 **[Organizer]** "Applying linguistics in health research, education, and policy: Bench to bedside and back again"  
2021 American Association for Applied Linguistics (AAAL) Annual Meeting | Remote Conference | Mar 20-23, 2021

Nov 2018 **[Chair & Organizer]** "Intersections of Language Policies, Ideologies, and Identities Across Cultural Contexts"  
2018 American Anthropological Association Annual (AAA) Meeting | San Jose Convention Center | Nov 14-18, 2018

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**Select Academic and Service Awards**

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May 2020 Nominee, UC Davis Outstanding Graduate Student Teaching Award 2019-2020

Feb 2020 Top 10 Finalist, 2020 UC Davis Gradslam (Final round canceled due to COVID) 🌐

July 2019 Runner-up, LSA Linguistic Society of America Institute Three-Minute Thesis 🌐

May 2018 Runner-up, UC Davis Symposium on Language Research-Most Innovative Research 🌐

Jun 2015 Magna Cum Laude, UCLA Linguistics and Anthropology

Jun 2015 UCLA Senior of the Year Award 🌐

Jun 2015 UCLA College Honors

Oct 2014 Marcia Berger Scholarship, UCLA

Apr 2014 Kramer Scholarship for study abroad, UCLA

Nov 2013 Vice Provost Recognition Award, UCLA

Sep 2013 UCLA Academic Achievement Recognition Award

Aug 2013 MacDowell Scholarship for undergraduate research

Jun 2013 Asian American Pacific Islander Advisory Committee - Sugimoto Scholarship for Leadership

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**Ad-Hoc Reviewing**

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Oct 2017 Journal of Communication and Medicine.

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**Facilitated and Designed Workshops**

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*CEE – Center for Educational Effectiveness; TAC – Teaching Assistant Consultant Fellowship*

Oct 2021 Anti-Racism: Applications to Teaching (Oct 25, 2021)  
UC Davis CEE - TAC Workshop Series

Sep 2021 Working as a TA at UC Davis (Sep 20 & 21, 2021)  
UC Davis TAC



May 2021 Moving Forward: Applying Lessons Learned from Remote Instruction (May 26, 2021)  
UC Davis CEE [ Video Links: 🌐 🌐 ]

Mar 2021 Anti-Racism: Applications to Higher Ed Pedagogy (Mar 5, 2021)  
UC Davis CEE – New Year, Same Pandemic: Engaging and Supporting Students through Remote Instruction Workshop Series [ Video Links: 🌐 🌐 ]

- Feb 2021 Engaging and Supporting International Students in Remote Learning (Feb 8, 2021)  
UC Davis CEE – New Year, Same Pandemic: Engaging and Supporting Students through Remote Instruction Workshop Series [ Video Links:   ]
- Nov 2020 Building an Anti-Racist Classroom Environment (Nov 16, 2020)  
UC Davis CEE – Remote Instruction Workshop Series [ Video Links:   ]
- Sep 2020 Starting Out: Working as a TA at UC Davis (Sep 28 & 29, 2020)  
UC Davis Teaching Assistant Orientation
- Sep 2020 Planning for Student Success: From Lesson Plans to Active Learning Activities (Sep 28 & 29, 2020)  
UC Davis Teaching Assistant Orientation
- Sep 2020 Grading and Assessing Effectively, Efficiently, and Equitably (Sep 28 & 29, 2020)  
UC Davis Teaching Assistant Orientation
- Jun 2020 Integrated Design for Remote Learning (June 2, 2020)  
UC Davis CEE – Spring Workshop Series [ Video Links:   ]
- May 2020 Supporting First Generation Graduate Students (May 28, 2020 via Zoom)  
UC Davis First Gen Grads Initiative
- May 2020 Supporting First Generation Students (May 26, 2020)  
UC Davis CEE – Spring Workshop Series [ Video Links:   ]
- May 2020 Going Remote for Graduate Students: Preparing for Online Summer Instruction (May 1, 2020)  
UC Davis CEE – Spring Workshop Series [ Video Links:  ]
- Apr 2020 Engaging with Students (Apr 3, 2020 via Zoom)  
UC Davis Engineering Teaching Assistant Orientation
- Jan 2020 Hybrid and Online Course Design for Diversity and Inclusivity (Jan 27, 2020)  
UC Davis Center for Educational Effectiveness - Hybrid and Online Courses Workshop Series
- Oct 2019 Beyond Grades: Assessment and Feedback for Student Learning (Oct 28, 2019)  
UC Davis Center for Educational Effectiveness - Foundations in Teaching Workshop Series
- Sep 2019 Starting Out: Teaching Strategies for New Instructors (Sep 23 & 24, 2019)  
UC Davis Teaching Assistant Orientation
- Sep 2019 Creating Presentations for Student Learning (Sep 23 & 24, 2019)  
UC Davis Teaching Assistant Orientation

#### Invited Panels



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- Sep 2021 Adapting Strategies From Remote to Face-to-face Instruction: Leveraging Technology and Building Community (Sep 9-10, 2021)   
2021 Summer Institute on Teaching and Technology | UC Davis
- Aug 2021 Holistic U panel for First Gen and Under-represented Students (Aug 26, 2021)  
UC Davis Graduate Studies
- Jun 2021 Publishing in the Language and Public Policy section of Language (Jun 4, 2021)  
Linguistic Society of America 
- May 2021 UCD Mental Health Initiative: Transfer, Re-entry, and First Gen students and faculty Panel (May 10, 2021)
- Nov 2020 Faculty Mentor Workshop on Supporting First-generation Graduate Students (Nov 12, 2020)  
UC Davis Graduate Studies

- Sep 2020 Holistic U panel for First Gen and Diverse Students (Sep 17, 2020)  
UC Davis Graduate Studies
- Jun 2020 First Gen Faculty Forum (June 1, 2020)
- Feb 2020 Grad school 101 (Feb 27, 2020)  
UC Davis Linguistics Department
- Nov 2019 Undergraduate Linguistic Research Panel (Nov 19, 2019)  
UC Davis Orange Cluster
- Nov 2018 Apply-a-thon for Undergraduates (Nov 3, 2018)  
UC Davis Office of Educational Opportunity and Enrichment Services,
- May 2018 Career and Graduate School Round Table for Undergraduates (May 24, 2018)  
UC Davis Orange Cluster



**Service to the University, Academy, and Community - Selected**

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- 2020 -2021 First-Gen Peer Mentor, UC Davis First Gen Grads Initiative
- 2019 -present Public Policy Committee, Linguistic Society of America 
- 2020 -2021 First-Gen Peer Mentor, UC Davis First Gen Grads Initiative
- 2016 -2021 Planning Committee, UC Davis Symposium on Language Research 
- 2019 -2020 Co-chair, UC Davis Cluster on Language Research 
- 2016 -2020 Chair, UC Davis Linguistics Graduate Student Association
- 2018 -2019 Publicity Director, 2019 Linguistic Society of America Summer Institute 
- 2014 -2015 Scholars Program Assistant, UCLA Academic Advancement Program Center for Community College Partnership
- 2014 -2015 Financial Coordinator, UCLA Pilipino Transfer Student Partnership
- 2013 -2014 Peer Mentor, UCLA Academic Advancement Program Center for Community College Partnership
- 2011 -2012 President, Omicron Mu Delta Service and Academic Honor Society
- 2010 -2013 Member, Alpha Gamma Sigma Service and Academic Honor Society
- \*Since 2015 Member, Golden Key Service and Academic National Honor Society
- \*Since 2015 Member, Tau Sigma Service and Academic National Honor Society



**Designed courses (Remote)**

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- Feb 2020 Unlocking the Inspiring Aspects of Teaching: Grad student course on Mentorship, Inclusivity, and Engagement | See course here  | See post-course report here 

**Funded working groups**

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- 2021 -2022 Getting Data: Linguistic Data Collection in The Age of Pandemic   
Universitas 21  : U21 Researcher Resilience Fund 