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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Applied Linguistics The Pennsylvania State University, GPA: 4.0	2023 (Projected)
M.A. Spanish (Hispanic Linguistics) The Pennsylvania State University, GPA: 3.84	2018
B.A. (Summa Cum Laude) Double Major in Linguistics and Spanish Ohio University, GPA: 3.97 <i>Thesis: Effects of Inter-word Spacing in Chinese Texts During Second Language Reading: Evidence from Eye Movements</i>	2016
Conservatory Degree in Music Theory and Piano Performance Official Conservatory of Music Hermanos Berzosa	2012

RESEARCH, TEACHING, AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

First American Financial Corporation User Experience Researcher	2022-Present
The Pennsylvania State University Department of Applied Linguistics Co-Instructor , APLNG 493 – Teaching English as a Second Language TA (Instructor) , ESL 116G – ESL Composition for Academic Disciplines (Graduate) TA (Instructor) , ESL 15 – ESL Composition for American Academic Communication II TA (Instructor) , AI 120 – Academic Interactions	2019-2022 <i>2 sections</i> <i>2 sections</i> <i>8 sections</i> <i>2 sections</i>
Department of Philosophy TA (Instructor) , PHIL 589 – Philosophical Translation Seminar, Spanish to English (Graduate)	2022
Department of Spanish, Italian, and Portuguese Lecturer , SPAN 316 – Morphosyntax and Variation in Spanish Lecturer , SPAN 215 – Introduction to Hispanic Linguistics Lecturer , SPAN 003 – Intermediate Spanish Lecturer , LING 100 – Foundations of Linguistics (World Campus)	2018-2019 <i>3 sections</i>
Department of Spanish, Italian, and Portuguese Graduate Research Assistant , Dr. Paola Dussias' Brain Tracking Lab	2017-2018

Summer Language Institute 2017
TA (Instructor), SPAN 003 – Intensive Intermediate Spanish

Department of Spanish, Italian, and Portuguese 2017
TA (Instructor), SPAN 003 – Intermediate Spanish 2 sections

Ohio University

Ohio Program of Intensive English 2013-2016
Assistant Coordinator, Pronunciation Lab
Tutor, Pronunciation Lab
Tutor, Reading Lab

PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

1. **Garcia-Alonso, A.** (2022). Narrative-based mentorship and mediation in an English for Academic Purposes context. *The European Journal of Applied Linguistics and TEFL*, 11(1), 151-167.

PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS, PRESENTATIONS, AND INVITED TALKS

1. **Garcia Alonso, A.** & Kurtz, L. M. (Accepted; withdrawn due to personal reasons; 2023, March). *Strategic Interaction in Legal Education*. American Association of Applied Linguistics, Portland, OR.
2. **Garcia Alonso, A.** & Kurtz, L. M. (Accepted; withdrawn due to personal reasons; 2022, June). *Strategic Interaction in Legal Education*. International Conference on Sociocultural Theory and L2 Learning, Pamplona, Spain.
3. **Garcia Alonso, A.** (2022, March). *Language teacher identity in a multidisciplinary English for Academic Purposes context: A Narrative Inquiry approach*. Paper presented at the American Association of Applied Linguistics, Pittsburg, PA.
4. **Garcia Alonso, A.** (2022, March). *Corpus tools and their applications in graduate and undergraduate ESL/ESP educational contexts*. Guest lecture in APLNG 412: Teaching Second Language Writing (Deryn Verity, Instructor), Department of Applied Linguistics, The Pennsylvania State University, State College, PA.
5. **Garcia Alonso, A.** (Accepted; conference cancelled due to COVID-19, 2020, June). *Narrative reflection as mediational means of non-native English teacher development*. IV International Conference on Sociocultural Theory and L2 Learning, Pamplona, Spain.
6. **Garcia Alonso, A.** (2018, July). *GRE Experiencias*. Invited synchronous online talk for Education USA.
7. **Garcia Alonso, A.** & Dussias, P.E. (2018, May). *The impacts of added inter-word spacing on the processing of Chinese texts by native English speakers: An eye-tracking study*. Poster presented at The International Meeting of the Psychonomic Society, Amsterdam, The Netherlands.
8. **Garcia Alonso, A.** (2017, June). *Methodological overview: Eye-tracking to explore the impacts of added inter-word spaces on the processing of Chinese text by native English speakers*. Invited talk at Dr. Guoli Yan's Lab, Academy of Psychology and Behavior, Tianjin Normal University, Tianjin, China.

9. **García Alonso, A.** (2017, May). *NSF PIRE impacts of added inter-word spaces on the processing of Chinese text by native English speakers: An eye-tracking study*. Invited talk at Dr. Hua Shu's lab, The Key Laboratory for Cognitive Neuroscience and Learning, Beijing Normal University, Beijing, China.
10. **García Alonso, A.** (2017, March). *Impacts of added interword spacing in Chinese texts on L2 reading processes: An eye-tracking analysis*. Roundtable paper presented at the American Association of Applied Linguistics, Portland, OR.
11. **García Alonso, A.** (2016, April). *Los funerales de la Mamá Grande de Gabriel García Márquez y una identidad real maravillosa*. Paper presented at 36th Cincinnati Conference on Romance Languages and Literatures, Cincinnati, OH.
12. **García Alonso, A.** (2015, March). *La Guerra Civil en la España Rural: Vivencias de Extremadura*. Guest lecture at SPAN 3349 – Survey of Spanish American Literature (Amado Láscar, Instructor), Department of Modern Languages, Ohio University, Athens, OH.

GRANTS, AWARDS, AND HONORS

1. **Spanish Basic Language Program Teaching Excellence Award** (2018), Department of Spanish, Italian, and Portuguese, The Pennsylvania State University
2. **Graduate Student Award for Master's Degree** (2018), Department of Spanish, Italian, and Portuguese, The Pennsylvania State University
3. **NSF PIRE Grant to Beijing Normal University, 北京师范大学** (2017), Center for Language Science, The Pennsylvania State University
4. **The National Collegiate Chinese Honor Society** (2016), Chinese Language Teachers Association, USA (CLTA)
5. **Outstanding Undergraduate Student** (2016), Department of Linguistics, Ohio University
6. **Dean's List** (2012-2016, all terms), College of Arts and Sciences, Ohio University
7. **Maxine McCrory Memorial Scholarship** (2013), Department of Modern Languages, Ohio University
8. **Outstanding Work in Spanish Courses** (2012-2014), Department of Modern Languages, Ohio University

CERTIFICATES

The Pennsylvania State University	
Teaching with Technology	2017
Online Graduate Teaching	2016
Ohio University	
Empirical Study of Language	2016
Chinese Language and Culture	2016
Computer Assisted Language Learning	2015
Teaching English as a Foreign Language	2015

PROFESSIONAL AND DEPARTMENTAL MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS

Research & Reading Groups, The Pennsylvania State University	
Sociocultural Theory Reading Group Member (Led by James Lantolf)	2019-Present
Brain Tracking Lab, Member (Led by Paola Dussias)	2016-Present
Research & Reading Groups, Ohio University	
Working Memory & Language Learning Research Group Member (Led by Scott Jarvis)	2015-2016
Institute for the Empirical Study of Language Member	2013-2016
American Association of Applied Linguistics Member	2016-Present
The Psychonomic Society Member	2016-Present
The Phi Beta Kappa Society Member	2015-Present

ASSESSMENT

Interactive Performance Test (IPT): Administration & Rating	2019-2022
<i>Department of Applied Linguistics, The Pennsylvania State University</i>	
AEOCPT International Teaching Assistant Exam: Administration & Rating	2018-2022
<i>Department of Applied Linguistics, The Pennsylvania State University</i>	
International Teaching Assistant SPEAK Test: Rater	2015-2016
<i>English Language Improvement Program, Department of Linguistics, Ohio University</i>	

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND SERVICE

Academic Integrity Committee Member	2017-Present
College of the Liberal Arts <i>The Pennsylvania State University, State College, PA</i>	
Novice Instructor Mentor	2020-2022
Department of Applied Linguistics <i>The Pennsylvania State University, State College, PA</i>	
Graduate Student Travel Funding Committee Member	2020-2022
Department of Applied Linguistics <i>The Pennsylvania State University, State College, PA</i>	
Graduate Student Representative	2020, 2022
Department of Applied Linguistics <i>The Pennsylvania State University, State College, PA</i>	

Webmaster Department of Spanish, Italian, and Portuguese <i>The Pennsylvania State University, State College, PA</i>	2018-2019
Graduate Student Representative Spanish, Italian, and Portuguese Graduate Student Organization <i>The Pennsylvania State University, State College, PA</i>	2017-2018
Graduate Exhibition Judge <i>The Pennsylvania State University, State College, PA</i>	2017-2018
AAAL Conference Volunteer <i>Portland, OR</i> <i>Pittsburgh, PA</i>	2017, 2022
iHear Penn State Spanish Translator and Voice Recorder <i>The Pennsylvania State University, State College, PA</i>	2016-2017
First-year Graduate Student Representative Spanish, Italian, and Portuguese Graduate Student Organization <i>The Pennsylvania State University, State College, PA</i>	2016-2017
Online English Tutoring <i>University of Chiapas, México</i>	2015
Volunteer Spanish Instructor Foreign Languages in Elementary Schools (FLES) Department of Modern Languages <i>Ohio University, Athens, OH</i>	2012-2013

LANGUAGES AND COMPUTER SKILLS

Spanish (Native)
English (Superior)
French (Superior)
Mandarin Chinese (Intermediate)
Portuguese (Intermediate)

Programming:

Python 3.9
MacOS Command Line
HTML 5

Corpus and Natural Language Processing Tools:

Antconc (Anthony, 2020) and related tools

Statistical Tools:

SPSS

R and RStudio

General and Speech Analysis tools:

iBook authoring tools

PRAAT

Qualtrics

Microsoft Office Suite

Adobe Creative Suite

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