**Curriculum Vitae**

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**EDUCATION**

Expected 2025 Doctor of Philosophy, Sociology, Certificate in gender and women’s

 studies

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

2017 - 2019 Bachelor of Arts in Sociology (Minor in Women’s and Gender Studies)

University of Central Florida

Thesis: Gender Negotiation Among People in Poly/Consensual Non-Monogamous Relationships

Advisor: Michael Armato

**RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Gender, Race, Sexualities; Latinx Diaspora; Hispanic Caribbean; Culture and Life Course

**PUBLICATIONS**

2019 Rijo - Sánchez, Vanessa. 2019. “Gender Negotiation Among People in Poly/Consensual Non-Monogamous Relationships.” BA Honors Thesis, Department of Sociology, University of Central Florida.

**CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

2019 Rijo Sánchez, Amaury V.. “Gender Negotiation Among People in Poly/Consensual Non-Monogamous Relationships.” Mid-South Sociological Association Annual Conference, Jackson, MS.

 *\*Invited Panelist*

**RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

2018 – 2019 **Undergraduate Honor’s Thesis**: “Gender Negotiation Among People in

Poly/Consensual Non-Monogamous Relationships” Topic: By looking at reported communication strategies between polyamorous individuals, this study found that the social location of marginalized sexual and gender identities fosters a sense of solidarity through which people redefine the meaning in their interactions as they inform people’s identity. Nevertheless, these dynamics result in the resistance of some aspects of the dominant social order and the reproduction of others.

2018 **Research Assistant**: “Restoration and Resilience in Coupled Human-

Natural Systems: Reciprocal Dynamics of a Coastal Lagoon” Topic: NSF-funded, interdisciplinary research project that explored the role of small-scale, community-based restoration projects in facilitating enhanced resilience within both human and ecological systems.

2017 – 2018 **Undergraduate Research**: “Social Standards for Femininity and its

correlation to Rape Culture” Topic: A female, frequently, finds her self-

worth in the approval of socially established feminine standards. In the

present study, 300 female college students completed a survey addressing

both social standards for femininity and their experience of sexual

harassment.

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**Graduate Teaching Assistantships**

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Department of Sociology (2019 – Present)

SOC 101: Sociology of Gender - Fall 2019

SOC 170: Integration, Assimilation, and Multiculturalism: America's Immigrant Society

SOC 350: Technology and Society - Spring 2020

SOC 378: Sociology of Law - Spring 2020

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

2018 Presider for the paper session “Social Standards for Femininity and its correlation to Rape Culture.” Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA.

**UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

2019 – Present **Graduate Student Association Committe**e at UIUC – Officer

2019 – Present **Alpha Kappa Delta** International Honor Society of Sociology – Member

2018 **Service Learning –** Community service at Latino Leadership Inc. in data

entry for hurricane María response

2018 **Pulso Caribe** at UCF – President and Instructor

2017 **Puerto Rican Student Association** at UCF – Member

2016 **Theatre Workshop**, Southwestern Educational Society, Mayaguez,

Puerto Rico. May 2016. Personality Assessment and Stage Performance.

2017 **Pulso Caribe** at UCF - Chair of Event Planning and Instructor

2017 **Latin Rhythm** at UCF – Member

2016 **Theatrical performance**, Jacksonville University, Florida. “The Laramie

 Project” Worked on production of set. Casted as Barbara Pitts, Zackie

Salmon, and Romaine Patterson.

2016 **Sociology Club** at Jacksonville University - Member

2016 **Gender and Sexuality Alliance** at Jacksonville University – Secretary

**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

2019 CITI (Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative) Ethics Training Certification

– Social and Behavioral Responsible Conduct of Human Subject Research

Curriculum Completion. Valid until 2023.

**LANGUAGES**

English: Fluent

Spanish: Native speaker

**PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES**

Available upon request.