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Education

Columbia University School of Social Work, New York, NY.
Doctor of Philosophy in Social Work (Ph.D.)
Major: Social Policy
1996-2000

Boston University School of Social Work
Master's Degree in Social Work (M.S.W.)
Major: Community Organization, Management and Planning
Minor: Clinical Practice with Families
1988-1990

University of Puerto Rico, Río Piedras, PR
Bachelor's Degree in Arts (B.A.)
Major: Social Work
Minors: Education and Theater
1983-1987 *Magna Cum Laude*

Selected Honors and Awards

2018 Third Place in the best papers competition about Good Government sponsored by the Center of Multidisciplinary Studies about Government and Public Affairs (CEMGAP, for its acronym in Spanish) University of Puerto Rico in Río Piedras.

- 2018 Association of Puerto Rican Professors (APPU, for its acronym in Spanish) Travel Award
- 2004 Teaching and Student Support Award. Hunter College Silberman School of Social Work, City University of New York.
- 1996-2000 National Research Service Pre-Doctoral Fellow, National Institute of Mental Health Fellowship Program at Columbia University.
- 1998-1999 Doctoral Student Representative for the Dean's Advisory Council at Columbia University School of Social Work.
- 1998 Fellow at the Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research Program on Poverty, Risk, and Mental Health at University of Michigan School of Social Work.
- 1995 Recognition for outstanding teaching and the development of an award-winning community organizing curriculum titled "Leadership to improve neighborhood communications and services" for the city of Boston, MA.
- 1988-1990 Awarded Child Welfare Grant and Ramsey Fund Scholarship Boston University School of Social Work.
- 1987 University of Puerto Rico, Río Piedras Campus. Graduated with High Honors. *Magna Cum Laude*.
- 1985-1987 President of the Student Association of Social Work University of Puerto Rico Río Piedras Campus.

Teaching and Academic Experience

University of Puerto Rico, UPR, Río Piedras Campus, PR.

College of Social Sciences

Graduate School of Social Work Beatriz Lassalle (EGTSBL) Associate Professor

January 2009-2012; August 2013 – Present

Teaching and academic responsibilities for the UPR EGTSBL Doctoral Program:

TSOC 8016 Models for the Administration of Social Programs

TSOC 8501 Doctoral Dissertation

Reviewer of Doctoral Qualifying Papers

Doctoral Dissertation Committee Director

Alicea, L. (proposal accepted, December 2020). Custodia compartida: Un análisis crítico de los discursos del Tribunal de Apelaciones en Puerto Rico en los procesos de Adjudicación de Custodia en la Ley 223 del 2011.

Álvarez, G. (proposal defense, January 2021). Evaluación responsiva al servicio de supervisión de libertad condicional de la Ley de Menores de Puerto Rico: Un acercamiento crítico de trabajo social a la implementación de la política pública.

Doctoral Dissertation Committee Advisor

Dissertation Advisor: Crespo, E. (2011). “Voces de los menores inmigrantes en sistema de Cuidado Sustituto en Puerto Rico, servicios y política pública”.

Member of the Doctoral Committee (January 2014 to Present)

- Collaborate in the preparation and evaluation of program curriculum.
- Collaborate in student’s recruitment efforts and admission process.
- Offer student’s advisement.
- Collaborate in the coordination of Institute of Social Policy annual meeting/conference between academia and community.

Teaching responsibilities for the UPR EGTSBL Master Program:

TSOC 6091	Professional Advanced Practice of Social Work with Individuals and Families
TSOC 6165	Theory and Methodology for Social Work with Families
TSOC 6057	Analysis of the Theories of Human Behavior
TSOC 6345	Independent Course: Techniques for Social Work Interviews
TSOC 6229	Social Work Supervision
TSOC 6093	Professional Practice in Social Work Administration
TSOC 6099	Management in the Organizational Context of Social Programs
TSOC 6288	Proposal Development and Program Evaluation
TSOC 6131	Investigation and Thesis Seminar I
TSOC 6132	Investigation and Thesis Seminar II
TSOC 6021	Field Practicum Supervision I
TSOC 6027	Field Practicum Supervision II
TSOC 6028	Field Practicum Supervision III

Director of Selected Theses:

Delgado Rodríguez, J., Martínez Peña, A., & Valenzuela Encarnación, Y. (2020). *Un diagnóstico de VIH/SIDA en plena juventud: Experiencias de vida, estrategias de afrontamiento, y acceso a servicios.*

Novoa, Y., Ramírez, J., & Reyes, A. (2015). *Mujeres que viven con VIH/SIDA: El efecto de los grupos de apoyo en su percepción de estrés, depresión, estrategias de afrontamiento y la apertura a recibir servicios de salud en San Juan, Puerto Rico.*

Alicia, F., Quiñones, Y., & Vega, E. (2010). *Belleza Femenina: Percepción, construcción y discurso de la imagen corporal de mujeres solteras y estudiantes de facultades en programas graduados.*

Cartagena, A. & Rodríguez, R. (2009). *Trabajo social con personas de edad avanzada: Conocimientos, actitudes y destrezas en la prevención de suicidio en escenarios geriátricos del área metropolitana de Puerto Rico.*

Supervisor of Field Practicum Settings:

- Department of Education (Middle School)
- Proyecto Enlace del Caño Martín Peña y Organización G-8
- University of Puerto Rico - Programa de Ayuda al Empleado (Employment Support Program)
- University of Puerto Rico - Departamento de Consejería para el Desarrollo Estudiantil (Department of Counseling and Student Development)
- New York Foundling (Head Start Program in Río Piedras)
- Centro Acogida Personas sin Hogar (Center for Homeless People)
- Department of the Family (Day Care Center for Elderly Persons)

Master's Program Committee membership and leadership responsibilities:

- Coordinator of Student Affairs Committee
- Coordinator of the Social Administration Programs Curriculum Area of Expertise
- Member of the Family Practice Committee Area of Expertise
- Member of the Master's degree Program Committee
- Collaborator on the Human Relations Workshop for Incoming Students
- Member of the Admission and Recruitment Committee
- Member of the Research Unit
- Member of the Core Team for the CSWE Accreditation
- Member of the 80th Anniversary's School Committee (2014)
- Member of the Committee for the Dorothy D. Bourne Conference (2018)

Coordinator of the Administration of Social Programs Area (2014 – 2016)

- Coordinate the revision of course syllabus, reports and other documents for the reaccreditation process of the Council of Social Work Education.
- Coordinate meetings, symposiums, and forums with students and professors.
- Provide student's academic counseling and advisement.
- Collaborate in the student's recruitment and orientation process.
- Collaborate with the Field Education Coordinator in the evaluation of practicums.
- Promote linkages with other programs such as public administration and policy.
- Provide orientation and support to new professors.

- Promote community research initiatives related to social work administration.
- Collaborate with interdisciplinary initiatives and diverse community sectors.

Coordinator of the Field Education Program (August 20013 – May 2014)

- Promote external community relations between agencies and the University.
- Identify and evaluate prospective government agencies and not-for-profit community organizations for field practicum.
- Coordinate and manage contracts between the agencies and the University.
- Ensure that all master program students initiate and complete their field practicum requirements. This includes the coordination and facilitation of the student's assessment and interview process as well as their assignment to identified agencies according to their academic concentration such as Families, Community Organizing, and Administration.
- Coordinate and facilitate orientation and training activities to support students in their field practicum semester's courses for micro and macro practice.
- Establish community linkages and research-related activities regarding social work field education.
- Elaborate, revise, and disseminate written reports, assessments, and educational materials, including the field practicum manual, protocols, and evaluation scales.
- Recruit, train, supervise, and support field instructors and supervisors.
- Organize and facilitate meetings, focus groups, and other activities.
- Prepare and review documents for the re-accreditation process.

Teaching responsibilities for the UPR Bachelor Program in Social Work:

TSOC 4011 Generalist Practice and Intervention with Individuals and Families I

TSOC 4012 Generalist Practice and Intervention with Individuals and Families II

TSOC 4047 Administration of Social Welfare Administration

Hunter College, City University of New York, NY January 2006 – Present

Silberman Graduate School of Social Work

Research Affiliate to the National Center for Child Welfare Excellence

- Work on a research project on the Best Social Work Practices for Child Welfare.
- Develop, coordinate, and facilitate training and technical assistance for Social Work Practitioners and Supervisors in Child Welfare.

Inter American University of Puerto Rico School of Social Work, Metro Campus

Associate Professor

August 2012 – July 2013

Teaching responsibilities:

SOWO 4931 Generalist Social Work Practice with Individuals and Families

SOWO 3802 Report Writing in Social Work

SOWO 4873 Social Research Methodology
SOWO 4912 Ethics and Social Work
SOWO 2503 Introduction to Social Work

Committee responsibilities:

Student's Academic Counsel; Advisor for the Student Association of Future Social Workers; and Faculty Committee.

Hunter College School of Social Work, New York, NY.

Silberman Graduate School of Social Work

Assistant Professor.

September 2000 - 2005

Teaching responsibilities:

SSW 750 Multicultural Social Work Practice
SSW 741 Community Organization and Planning I
SSW 742 Community Organization and Planning II
SSW 747 Community Organization for non-major students
SSW 701 Social Welfare Policy and Services
SSW 780 Administration of Social Work Agencies
SSW 715 Foundations of Social Work Practice
SSW 711 Human Behavior in the Social Environment I
SSW 712 Human Behavior in the Social Environment II
SSW 790 Professional Seminar

Hunter College School of Social Work committee responsibilities: Community Organizing and Planning Method (Interim Acting Chair 2001-2002); Awards and Faculty Development Committee (2000-2005); Women's Committee (2000-2005); Social Work Curriculum Committee (2001-2004); Diversity, New Populations, and Emerging Issues Committees (2000-2004); Field Instructor for the Community Organizing and Planning Method (2003-2004); Academic and Field Placement Faculty Advisor.

College committee appointments and responsibilities: Research collaborator of the National Resource Center for Family Connections and Permanency Planning (2000-2005); Collaborator of the Center for Puerto Rican Studies and the Caribbean Exchange Program of the City University of New York (2000-2005), Member of the selection committee for Presidential Shuster Grants (2004); Member of the selection committee for Library Essay Student Competition (2003); Member of the Presidential Grants committee (2003).

Columbia University School of Social Work, New York, NY.

Adjunct Lecturer.

January – May 1999.

Taught course in Health Care Issues, Policies, and Programs.

Wheelock College, Department of Social Work, Boston, MA.

Instructor.

January 1995 – May 1996.

Taught course in Dynamics of Oppression and Discrimination.

Healthy Boston Coalition, Boston, MA.

Curriculum Developer/Teacher.

September 1993 - May 1996.

Co-developed the city award winning community organizing curriculum titled “Leadership to Improve Neighborhood Communications and Services” (LINCS). A nine-month leadership training program which trains culturally and linguistically diverse residents to serve as bridges between their communities and local health and human service providers. Taught community organizing course and assisted participants to develop community projects such as voter registration campaigns and cultural competence conferences to improve neighborhood communication and services.

Academic Consulting

Universidad del Este, Sistema Universitario Ana G. Méndez, Carolina, PR.

Department of Social Work. February – June 2012 Academic

Consulting Services:

- Coordinated and facilitated a comprehensive evaluation of the social work bachelor’s program. Prepared technical report with recommendations regarding competencies required for the accreditation of the academic program.

Universidad Central de Bayamón, Bayamón, PR.

Department of Social Work Academic

Consulting Services:

- Provided training to the social work faculty on the topic of Evidence-Based Social Work Practice. (December 2010)
- Developed course syllabus: Community organizing and Social Action. (May 2012).

Selected Professional Social Work Practice Experience

Government of Puerto Rico, Department of Family, San Juan, PR. Special Assistant to the Secretary. Appointed Position.

October 2006 – December 2008

Responsible for overseeing the development of diverse child welfare policy initiatives including the following:

- Evaluation of a law mandating inter-agency coordination of child protective services and inter-agency sexual abuse prevention and services for children.
- Design of a collaborative model for the delivery of comprehensive and integrated child welfare services.
- Collaborate in the planning of the First Children's Cabinet in Puerto Rico.
Worked on the planning, development, and divulgation of the National Interdisciplinary Plan to Violence Prevention and the first Integrated Protocol for the Coordination of Inter-Agency Child Welfare Service; and the first National Plan for Child Abuse Prevention.

Administración de Tribunales San Juan, PR. September 2012 **Social Work Consultant**. Coordinated and provided training to forensic social work supervisors on the topic of: *Social Work Supervision: Administrative, Educational, and Support Components*.

Institute for Consulting Services. 2010 - 2011.

Head Start Program Consultant, Caguas, PR.

Prepared educational materials and provided training to teachers, nurses, social workers, and administrative staff on the following issues:

- Effective Services for Addressing Domestic Violence
- Confidentiality and Ethical Issues
- Raising Children without Violence

National Resource Center for Permanency Planning and Family Connections Hunter College School of Social Work, New York, NY. 2000 - 2006.

Consultant. Responsible for the development of curriculum, provision of on-site training, and research technical assistance to publicly supported child welfare agencies on the topic of Culturally Competent Practice for Latino families. Training sites: New York, NY and San Juan, PR.

Instructional Access, Inc., Riverside, CA. Summer 2006

Consultant. Responsible for the coordination and facilitation of the 2006 Youth Conference "Buscando Oportunidades, Creando el Futuro" for 300 youth (13-19 years old) involved in the Administration of Children and Families in Puerto Rico. This conference was held in the Albergue Olímpico in Salinas, P. R. (August 3 - 6, 2006).

Education Development Center, Newton, MA. 1993-1996.

Head Start Consultant. Responsible for conducting site evaluations at Head Start Programs in states of the northeast area to determine grantee compliance with the federal guidelines of the U.S. Administration of Children and Families. Areas of expertise: Social Services, Parent Involvement, and Mental Health.

The New England Home for Little Wanderers, Boston, MA. Director of Planning and Program Development. 1994-1996.

Responsible for the management of the agency's strategic planning efforts, quality assurance, and operating plan. Developed new program initiatives and supervised the outcome evaluation of 14 residential and community-based programs serving 900 children and youth. Developed federal and state awarded grant proposals.

Alliance for Young Families, Boston, MA. 1992-1993

Coordinator for the Boston Initiative for Teen Pregnancy Prevention Coalition.

Responsible for the management of a citywide coalition of over 320 members including representatives from the government, not-for-profit agencies, community organizations, and youth. Organized legislative and advocacy efforts to raise awareness.

Conducted fundraising activities, submitted proposals, and managed private and public grant awards for subcontracting agencies.

Children's Hospital, AIDS Program, Boston, MA. 1990-1992.

Social Worker.

Responsible for the provision of psychosocial, case management, counseling, and support services to children and their families affected by HIV/AIDS. Worked with an interdisciplinary team.

Oxfam America, Boston, MA. 1993-1994.

Consultant. Responsible for the analysis of data gathered from community organizations in Guatemala, San Salvador, Honduras, and Nicaragua. Prepared final report titled "The Potential for Equitable Development in the Rural Sector in Central America."

Hispanic Office for Planning and Evaluation, Boston, MA. 1990-1991.

Consultant. Responsible for the development of a comprehensive need assessment and a bilingual HIV/AIDS guide featuring community resources and services.

Latino Health Institute, Boston, MA.

Social Worker. Master of Social Work Graduate Internship. 1989-1990.

Responsible for the development, implementation, and evaluation of an innovative curriculum to promote HIV/AIDS education and prevention among Latino youth.

Department of Mental Health, Metro Boston Region, Boston, MA.

Social Worker. Master of Social Work. Graduate Internship. 1988-1989.

Responsible for the development of a needs assessment to assess the assets and needs of the mentally ill young adult population in inpatient and outpatient care programs.

Inquilinos Boricuas in Acción (Puerto Rican Tenants in Action), Boston, MA.

Social Worker. 1987-1988.

Responsible for the provision of support services for Latino children, youth in Boston Public Schools. Coordinated community education and family prevention services.

Selected Academic Research and Grant Awards

Natural Hazards Center. Research Award.

Project Title: *The effect of school disruptions due to three consecutive natural hazard events on educational outcomes.*

Principal Researcher: Dr. Eileen Segarra-Alméstica (with Drs. Yolanda CorderoNieves; Indira Luciano-Montalvo; Héctor Cordero-Guzmán; José CaraballoCueto; Sylvia Martínez-Mejías; Hilda Rivera-Rodríguez).

Centro de Estudios Multidisciplinarios sobre Gobierno y Asuntos Públicos – Observatorio de Educación en Universidad de Puerto Rico.

Period: November 2020 – October 2021 Amount: \$49,992.00

Casey Family Programs Foundation. Intramural Service Award.

Project Title: *Collaboration with Casey Family Programs for the planning and evaluation of a Pilot Project on the Leadership and Supervision Model in the Administration for Families and Children at the Government of Puerto Rico Department of Family.*

Principal Researcher: Dr. Hilda Rivera-Rodríguez

Period: July – December 2020 Amount: \$24,000.00

Project Title: *Collaboration with Casey Family Programs for training services on the Leadership and Supervision Model in the Administration for Families and Children at the Government of Puerto Rico Department of Family.* Principal

Researcher: Dr. Hilda Rivera-Rodríguez

Period: September – December 2019 Amount: \$9,000.00

Instituto de Desarrollo Juventud. Research Award

Project Title: *Impacts of Hurricane Maria on Children and the Private and Public Response in the Aftermath.*

Principal Researcher: Dr. Maria Enchautegui-Román (with Drs. Eileen SegarraAlméstica; Yolanda Cordero-Nieves, Sylvia Martínez-Mejías; Hilda Rivera-Rodríguez).

Period: May – December 2018 Amount: \$100,000.00

Other Selected Research Projects:

Gobierno de Puerto Rico. Oficina de Administración de Tribunales.

Oficina de Servicios Sociales.

Project Title: Estudio sobre la complejidad para rendir informes sociales forenses.

Principal Researcher: Dr. Hilda Rivera Rodriguez Period:

August 2016 – December 2020

Hunter College Silberman School of Social Work

National Resource Center for Family Connections and Permanency Planning

CUNY Research Foundation Award – September 2012 – September 2013

Project Title: *Training and Technical Assistance on the Child Protection and Safety Model for Child Welfare Supervisors.*

City University of New York's Diversity Award. January - August 2004.
Research Project: *Evaluating the Social Work Field of Practice with Immigrant Community Based Organization.*

Social Science Research Council. Social Sciences Grant Award. December 2002
Research Project: *Collaboration on a social work academic exchange program with the University of La Habana, Cuba*

Presidential Faculty Incentive and Teaching Grant Award at Hunter College.
July 2000 - June 2002
Research Project: *Working with Latino Children and Families: The Community Organizing Approach.*

Faculty Fellow at the Center for Puerto Rican Studies
The City University of New York, Hunter College. September 2001 - September 2002.
Research Project: *Puerto Rican Grassroots Organizing Movement*

Intercambio/Exchange Research Grant, Center for Puerto Rican Studies. June 2001.
Research Project: *New York and Puerto Rico: Community Organizing Field Practices.*

New York State Psychiatric Institute, Department of Child Psychiatry, New York, NY
NIMH-NSA Predoctoral Research Practicum. Research Trainee. 1997-2000.
Responsible for all the research phases of a four-year quantitative study on cross systems of care assessment of service utilization by children and adolescents with serious emotional disturbances and their families living in Westchester County, NY. Principal investigators: Dr. Christina W. Hoven and Dr. Robert Moore.

Columbia University, Center for the Study of Social Work Practice, New York, NY.
NIMH-NSA Predoctoral Research Practicum. Research Fellow. 1996-1997.
Responsible for the implementation of a quantitative study that sought to measure the impact of introducing a computerized version of the Diagnostic Interview Schedule for Children (C-DISC) in child and adolescent mental health programs. Principal investigator: Dr. Edward J. Mullen.

The New England Medical Center, Health Institute, Boston, MA. 1994-1995
Responsible for the recruitment and interview of participants for a qualitative and ethnographic study titled *Ethnicity, Functioning and Health Issues for Puerto Rican Women.* Principal investigator: Dr. Hortensia Amaro.

Institute for Responsive Education, Boston, MA. 1990-1995.

Responsible for all the research phases of a longitudinal study titled *Puerto Rican Natural Support Systems: Impact on Families, Communities, and Schools*. Principal investigator: Dr. Melvin Delgado.

University of Massachusetts, Mauricio Gastón Institute, Boston, MA. 1991-1992.
Responsible for conducting interviews for a research study titled *Poverty, Resilience, and Academic Achievement among Latino College Students and High School Dropouts*.
Principal investigator: Dr. Castellano Turner.

Children's Hospital, AIDS Program, Boston, MA. 1991-1992.
Responsible for conducting interviews for a research study on women's views on HIV screening during pregnancy and with newborns. Principal investigator: Dr. Barbara Mawn.

Selected Publications

Doctoral Dissertation

Rivera, Hilda P. (2000). Youth Involved in the Juvenile Justice System: What Factors Affect the Use of Mental Health Services? Columbia University School of Social Work.

Book Chapters

Rivera-Rodríguez, H., Silva-Martínez, E., & Vázquez-Pagán, J.M. (2021, provisional acceptance). Violence against women: response and policies needed for disaster recovery. In Baikady, R., Sajid, S.M., Przeperski, J., Nadesan, V, Rezaul Islam, M., Jianguo, G. (eds.). *The Palgrave Handbook of Global Social Problems: A major reference work*. United Kingdom: Palgrave Macmillan.

Rivera-Rodríguez, H. & Álvarez Rosario, G. (2020, accepted). Elementos para desarrollar colaboraciones entre universidades y agencias del sector público: Una agenda para la investigación. In *Actas y Ponencias del Congreso Universitario Internacional sobre la Comunicación en la profesión y en la universidad de hoy: Contenidos, Investigación, Innovación y Docencia*. Editorial Tirant.

Silva-Martínez, E. & Rivera-Rodríguez, H. (2018, accepted). Madres sobrevivientes a la violencia de género: un estudio de las políticas y servicios en los albergues de Puerto Rico. In Zavala-Mendoza, E. (ed.). *El Trabajo Social ante contextos de vulneración y exclusión: Lecturas sobre Género, Derechos Humanos y Retos Profesionales en la Construcción Social y Política*. Espacios Editorial.

Rivera Rodríguez, H. (2014). Engaging Latino Families. In Mallon, G.P. and McCartt, P. (eds.). *Child Welfare for the Twenty-First Century: A handbook of practices, policies, and programs*. 2nd edition. NY: Columbia University Press.

Rivera, H. & Burghardt, S. (2006). It takes a village: Mobilizing Urban

Communities for Improved Child Welfare Services. In Phillips, N.K. and Ashenberg Straussner, S.L. (eds.). *Children in the Urban Environment: Linking Social Policy and Clinical Practice*. 2nd edition. Springfield, Illinois: Charles C. Thomas Publisher.

Book Review

Rivera, H. [Cover book review of the book *Child Welfare for the 21st Century: A Handbook of Children, Youth, and Family Services: Practices, Policies, and Programs* by Mallon, G. and Hess, P. (editors.). New York: Columbia University Press, 2005].

Edited Volume of a Refereed Journal

Earnar, I. & Rivera, H. (2005). Special Issue: Immigrants and Refugees in the Child Welfare System. *Child Welfare*, 84(5).

Selected Articles in Refereed Journals

Cordero-Nieves, Y., Rivera-Rodríguez, H., Berrios-Rivera, R., & Rodríguez-Carrasquillo, D. (2020). Jóvenes en Puerto Rico: empleo, migración y política pública. *Revista Umbral*, 16. (in press).

Rivera-Rodríguez, H. & Oliveras-del Río, J. (2020). Child welfare services: Considerations for Disaster Planning Preparedness, *Child welfare*, 98(6). (in press).

Vázquez-Pagan, J., Rivera-Rodríguez, H., Silva-Martínez, E., & González-Castro, V. (2019). Huracán María: Reflexiones de lucha, alianzas y formación profesional. *Voces desde el Trabajo Social*, 7(1), 178-202. <https://doi.org/10.31919/voces.v7i1.80> Rivera-Rodríguez, H. & Zavala-Mendoza, E. (2017). Gobernanza y planificación estratégica: ¿Hay espacio para la participación ciudadana? *Revista de Administración Pública*, 48, 67-93.

Rivera, H. and Earnar, I. (2006). A model of collaboration between schools of social work and immigrant-serving community-based organizations to ensure child well-being. *Protecting Children*, 21(2): 36-52.

Dodd, S.J. & Rivera, H. (2003). Addition and subtraction: Cost-benefit analysis as a tool for teaching diversity content in social policy. *Social Policy Journal*, 2(2/3):107-121.

Rivera H. (2002). Developing collaborations between child welfare agencies and Latino communities. *Child Welfare*, 81(2):371-384.

Delgado, M. & Rivera, H. (1997). Puerto Rican natural support systems: Impact on families, communities, and school. *Urban Education*, 32(1): 81-97.

Selected Technical Reports

Enchautegui Román, M. E., Segarra Alméstica, E.V., Cordero Nieves, Y., Martínez Mejías, S., Rivera Rodríguez, H. (diciembre 2018). *Los efectos del huracán María en la niñez en Puerto Rico*. Instituto de Desarrollo de la Juventud, San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Other Selected Publications and Press Coverage

Una mudanza al año: el trauma y el rezago ignorados por el Departamento de Educación por Tatiana Diaz Ramos del Centro de Periodismo Investigativo publicado el 3 de diciembre de 2020. <https://periodismoinvestigativo.com/2020/12/una-mudanza-al-ano-ultrauma-y-el-rezago-ignorados-por-el-departamento-de-educacion/>

Afirman que María afectó la niñez en la Isla. Publicado en el Periódico El Vocero de Puerto Rico por Yaritza Rivera Clemente. 25/enero/2019.
https://www.elvocero.com/actualidad/afirman-que-mar-a-afect-la-ni-ez-en-laisla/article_9d4c696a-204b-11e9-a865-6f4c9f195195.html#:~:text=El%20Instituto%20del%20Desarrollo%20de,o%20menos%20tuvo%20dificultad%20para

Puerto Rico: Presentan hallazgos sobre los efectos del huracán María en la niñez boricua. Publicado en el Periódico Metro de Puerto Rico por Cybernews. 24/enero/2019.
<https://www.metro.pr/pr/noticias/2019/01/24/presentan-hallazgos-los-efectos-del-huracanmaria-la-ninez-boricua.html>

Puerto Rico: Presentan hallazgos sobre los efectos del huracán María en la niñez boricua. En Otras Voces en Educación por Metro Puerto Rico. 28/enero/2019.
<http://otrasvoceseneducacion.org/archivos/299471>

Instituto de estadísticas establece nueva sección en su portal de Internet con Estudios sobre el Impacto Económico y Social del Huracán María. Comunicado de prensa por Dr. Orville M. Disdier Flores. <https://estadisticas.pr/en/media/3229>

Vázquez Pagán, J., Rivera Rodríguez, H., & Silva Martínez, E. (2017). La solidaridad como camino. *Boletín del Centro para la Excelencia Académica*. Universidad de Puerto Rico Recinto de Río Piedras.

Sigue la “Caravana Violeta”, servicios de salud gratuitos a mujeres por Mariela Fullana Acosta publicado en el Periódico el Nuevo Día publicado el 24 de noviembre de 2017.
<https://www.elnuevodia.com/noticias/locales/notas/sigue-la-caravana-violeta-serviciosde-salud-gratuitos-para-mujeres/>

Rivera, H. (Sunday, February 3, 2002). Impacto del 11-S en las Organizaciones Comunitarias. *El Hoy Newspaper*, New York, NY.

Rivera, H. (Summer 2001). Child Welfare Agencies: Developing working connections with the community. *The Semi-Annual Newsletter of the National Resource Center for Foster Care and Permanency Planning at the Hunter College School of Social Work*, p. 1415.

Refereed Presentations at National and International Professional Meetings

Rivera-Rodríguez, H. & Álvarez-Rosario, G. (octubre 2020) Elementos para desarrollar colaboraciones entre universidades y agencias del sector público: Una agenda para la investigación. *Congreso Universitario Internacional sobre la Comunicación en la profesión y en la universidad de hoy: Contenidos, Investigación, Innovación y Docencia (CUICIID 2020)*. Universidad Complutense, España. Online: Youtube Channel

Álvarez Rosario, G. & Rivera Rodríguez, H. (aceptado junio 2020). Complexities in comprehensive forensic social work reports involving cases of family relations. Poster presentation. *2020 National Association of Social Work (NASW) Conference: Social workers make a difference*. Washington, DC.

Vázquez-Pagán, J., Rivera-Rodríguez, H., Álvarez Soto, S., Torres Zayas, R., González Castro, V. (moderadora: Silva-Martínez, E.) (abril 2019). Conversatorio: Lloviendo sobre mojado: Género, desastres socio-naturales y resistencias desde los juntas solidarios. *XII Coloquio Nacional sobre las Mujeres*. Programa de Estudios de Mujer y Genero en la Facultad de Estudios Generales de la Universidad de Puerto Recinto de Rio Piedras.

Rivera-Rodríguez, H. & Zavala-Mendoza, E. (noviembre 2018) Frameworks for Social Policy Analysis through Citizen Participation and Interprofessional Education. *64th Annual Program Meeting: Expanding Interprofessional Education to Achieve Social Justice*. Council of Social Work Education. Orlando, FL.

Silva-Martínez, E., Rivera-Rodríguez, H., Vázquez-Pagán, J. (noviembre 2018). Joining efforts after Hurricane Maria in Puerto Rico through interprofessional collaboration. *Council of Social Work Education, 64th Annual Program Meeting: Expanding Interprofessional Education to Achieve Social Justice* en Orlando, Florida, US.

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Rivera-Rodríguez, H. (October 10, 2014). Nuevos Horizontes para la formación de la maestría y el doctorado. *Panel Presentation at the 80th Anniversary of School of Social Work Beatriz Lassalle: Trayectoria, legados y nuevos horizontes. University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras Campus.*

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Rivera-Rodríguez, H.P. (March 28, 2014). Derechos económicos, sociales y culturales, ciudadanía y cuestión social: Afirmación ante la crisis desde contextos diversos. Keynote Panel Moderator at the *4th Encounter of Research and Community at the Institute for Social Policy*, University of Puerto Rico, Río Piedras Campus.

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Rivera, H. (October 26, 2012). Ethics and Professionalism in Social Work: Leadership and Communication Skills. *Social Work Seminar at the Interamerican University, School of Social Work*, San Juan, Puerto Rico.

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Rivera, H. (April 2008). What we know about women and children's in welfare. Keynote *50th Anniversary of the Hunter College School of Social Work*, New York, NY.

Rivera, H. (March 2008). De la teoría a la práctica de trabajo social basada en la evidencia: Retos y oportunidades. Keynote Presentation at the *Annual Assembly, National Association of Social Work, Puerto Rico Chapter*, San Juan, PR.

Rivera, H. (August 2007) Iniciativas de prevención: Trabajando para la paz familiar. *Annual Conference on Violence in Puerto Rico: Challenges and Alternatives of Action, University Central of the Caribbean*, San Juan.

Hendricks, C. & Rivera, H. (February 2005). Developing the Latino social work workforce: Responding to community in crisis. *51st Annual Program Meeting, Council of Social Work Education*, New York, NY.

Rivera, H. (March 2004). Developing collaborations between child welfare agencies and community-based organizations. Presented at the Independent Living Project, *National Resource Center for Family-Centered Practice and Permanency Planning*, New York, NY.

Rivera, H. (February 2004). Getting united to respond to global oppression: A network for Latino/a Community Organizers. *50th Annual Program Meeting, Council of Social Work Education*, Anaheim, CA.

Hendricks, C., Mizrahi, T., Rivera, H. & Dodd, S.J. (February 2004). Comparative study of social work students' career paths, social activism, and method choice. *50th Annual Program Meeting, Council of Social Work Education*, Anaheim, CA.

Rivera, H. (February 2004). Expanding community organizing horizons: The development of overseas collaborations. Poster Presentation at the *50th Annual Program Meeting, Council of Social Work Education*, Anaheim, CA.

Rivera, H. (June 2003). Social Action Research Approach: The role of the organizer. *VII Taller Internacional de Estudio y Trabajo Social en la Comunidad*, Santiago, Cuba.

Rivera, H., Dodd, S.J., & Mizrahi, T. (February 2003). Experiences and expectations of incoming M.S.W. students: Understanding commitment to social change. *48th Annual Program Meeting, Council of Social Work Education*, Atlanta, GA.

Rivera, H. (September 2003). Developing culturally competent services for Latino youth and families. Presented at the *Independent Living Project, National Resource Center for Family-Centered and Permanency Planning*, New York, NY.

Dodd, S.J. & Rivera, H. (June 2002). Addition and subtraction: Cost-benefit analysis as a tool for teaching diversity content in social policy. *3rd Annual Social Policy Conference*, Charleston, SC.

Rivera, H. (April 2001). Exploring a community/academia exchange: Community organizing program with the University of Puerto Rico and City University of New York. Presented at the *City University of New York-Wide Conference: Research and Teaching Puerto Rican/Latino Studies*, New York, NY.

Hoven, C., Mandell, D., Rivera, H., Wu, P., Chiang, P. Versenyi, A., Musa, G., Fan, B., & Moore, R. (September 2000). Psychiatric and Substance Use Disorders among Juvenile Offender: One American County. *9th International Congress of World Federation of Public Health Associations: Challenges for Public Health at the Dawn of the 21st Century*, Beijing, China.

Mizrachi, T. & Rivera, H. (May 2000). Community Organizing: Teaching and practicing. *Community Development New York City-Caribbean Action Research Teleconference Colloquium*. CUNY/Hunter College, New York, NY.

Glied, S., Rivera, H., Hoven, C., Moore, R., Litwak, E., Grosser, R. & Chace, R. (November 1998). Economic factors related to service use by youth with emotional disturbance.” Poster presentation at *The Public Health Annual Conference on Public Health and Managed Care*, Washington, DC.

Glied, S. & **Rivera, H.** (June 1998). “Multi-system service use among children and adolescents with serious emotional disorder: The role of insurance status.” Poster presentation at the Association of Health Services Research Conference, Washington, DC.

Delgado, M. & **Rivera, H.** (June 1995). Natural support systems: Impact on Puerto Rican families, communities, and school success.” Presented at the *John and Kelly Hartman Conference on Children and their Families, Schools, and Families: Implications for Learning and Social Services*, New London, CT.

Rivera, H. (October 1995). Understanding Social Work and Macro-Service Practice. *Committee on Ethnic and Racial Affairs of the National Association of Social Workers, Massachusetts Chapter Conference*, Boston, MA.

Recent Certifications and Continuing Education

Certificado de “Orientación a Profesores Nuevos 2016. Enseñanza-aprendizaje Parte A Certificación 032, Año 2000-2001” el 30 de septiembre de 2016 (4 horas contacto) ofrecido por el Decanato de Asuntos Académicos, Centro para la Excelencia Académica, Universidad de Puerto Rico Recinto de Río Piedras.

Asistencia al Taller titulado: “5 best resources to help victims of domestic violence” por Casey Keene, Director of Capacity Building and Education at the National Resource Center on Domestic Violence. Webinar a través de www.SocialWork.Career el 7 de octubre, 2016.

Certificado de “Orientación a Profesores Nuevos 2017” el 13 de enero de 2017 (6.5 horas contacto) ofrecido por el Decanato de Asuntos Académicos, Centro para la Excelencia Académica, Universidad de Puerto Rico Recinto de Rio Piedras.

Asistencia a la conferencia titulada: *Trabajo, Pobreza y Asistencia Social en Puerto Rico: mitos y realidades*. Auspiciada por el Instituto de Relaciones del Trabajo en el anfiteatro de 123 del Edificio Ramon Emeterio Betances de la Facultad de Ciencias Sociales en la Universidad de Puerto Rico Recinto de Rio Piedras el 16 de marzo de 2017 (3 horas contacto).

Participación en el *11mo Congreso de Investigación y Creación Académica: De la investigación a la acción: las poblaciones invisibles*. Universidad de Puerto Rico en Carolina durante los días 17 y 18 de mayo de 2018. La Dra. Rivera Rodríguez participó en talleres y presentaciones sobre investigaciones de acción participativa en bloques de 8 horas por día a lo largo de dos días.

Participación en el *Network for Social Work Management 29th Annual Management Conference. “Disruptive Leadership: Maximizing Inclusion, Invention, and Innovation in Human Services”* en San Diego State University, CA del 14 al 15 de junio de 2018. La Dra. Rivera Rodríguez participó en talleres y presentaciones sobre planificación, administración y evaluación de programas sociales en bloques de 8 horas por día a lo largo de dos días.

Certificación en *Social & Behavioral Research; Basic Course from Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI Program)*. (4.5 horas contacto) Completado el 3 de agosto de 2018 con fecha de expiración 2 de agosto de 2021. Record ID: 25573654

Certificación en “Tecnologías para la educación a distancia” (módulo #1 para la Construcción de Ambientes Virtuales de Aprendizaje) el 9 de enero de 2018 (6 horas contacto) ofrecido por el Decanato de Asuntos Académicos, Centro para la Excelencia Académica, Universidad de Puerto Rico Recinto de Rio Piedras.

Certificación en “Diseño instruccional para la educación a distancia” (módulo #2 para la Construcción de Ambientes Virtuales de Aprendizaje) el 29 de enero de 2018 (6 horas contacto) ofrecido por el Decanato de Asuntos Académicos, Centro para la Excelencia Académica, Universidad de Puerto Rico Recinto de Rio Piedras.

Certificación en “Aspectos legales en la educación a distancia” (módulo #3 para la Construcción de Ambientes Virtuales de Aprendizaje) el 16 febrero de 2018 (6 horas contacto) ofrecido por el Decanato de Asuntos Académicos, Centro para la Excelencia Académica, Universidad de Puerto Rico Recinto de Rio Piedras.

Certificación en “Producción de objetos de aprendizaje para cursos en línea” (módulo #4 para la Construcción de Ambientes Virtuales de Aprendizaje) el 7 de marzo de 2018 (6 horas contacto) ofrecido por el Decanato de Asuntos Académicos, Centro para la Excelencia Académica, Universidad de Puerto Rico Recinto de Rio Piedras.

Participación al *XII Coloquio Nacional sobre las Mujeres por el Programa de Estudios de Mujer y Género* en la Facultad de Estudios Generales de la Universidad de Puerto Rico Recinto de Rio Piedras del 3 al 5 de abril 2019. La Dra. Rivera Rodríguez participó en talleres y presentaciones sobre género y derechos, y prensa e imagen en un bloque de 8 horas a lo largo de un día.

Certificación en “Evaluación para cursos a distancia” (módulo #6 para la Construcción de Ambientes Virtuales de Aprendizaje) el 13 de abril de 2018 (6 horas contacto) ofrecido por el Decanato de Asuntos Académicos, Centro para la Excelencia Académica, Universidad de Puerto Rico Recinto de Rio Piedras.

Participación en la conferencia del *Council of Social Work Education, 64th Annual Program Meeting: Expanding Interprofessional Education to Achieve Social Justice* en Orlando, Florida del 8 al 11 de noviembre de 2018. La Dra. Rivera Rodríguez participó en talleres y presentaciones sobre la educación en trabajo social en bloques de 8 horas por día a lo largo de tres días.

Certificación en “Políticas en torno a la prevención del hostigamiento sexual en la Universidad” el 1 de septiembre de 2019 (2 horas contacto) ofrecido por el Decanato de Asuntos Académicos, Centro para la Excelencia Académica, Universidad de Puerto Rico Recinto de Rio Piedras.

Asistencia a la conferencia del *Council of Social Work Education, 65th Annual Program Meeting. Social Work Education: Looking back, looking forward.* en Denver, CO del 24 al 27 de noviembre de 2019. La Dra. Rivera Rodríguez participó en talleres y presentaciones sobre la educación en trabajo social en bloques de 8 horas por día a lo largo de tres días.

Certificación en “La Relación de Mentoría: Principios básicos, destrezas y estrategias para el desarrollo de investigadores/as” el 16 de noviembre de 2019 (6 horas contacto) ofrecido por UPR-IPERT - Instituto de Investigaciones Interdisciplinarias de la Universidad de Puerto Rico Recinto de Cayey.

Certificación por completar el adiestramiento “*Fundamentals of Disaster Mental Health*” el 27 de enero de 2020 (8 horas contacto) ofrecido por el New York Office of Mental Health y el Institute for Disaster Mental Health State University of New York in New Paltz en la Universidad de Puerto Rico Rehabilitation Counseling Graduate Program.

Asistencia a la presentación (por invitación solamente) de los hallazgos de la investigación “*Un futuro de pobreza infantil en Puerto Rico: cuánto nos cuesta y qué podemos hacer*” el 22 de enero de 2020 (3 horas contacto) por el Instituto del Desarrollo de la Juventud celebrada en el Conversatorio de Música de Puerto Rico, Miramar, San Juan, PR.

Certificación Profesional de Educador en Línea y Creación de Cursos Virtuales para docentes de la UPR-RP el 20 de marzo de 2020 (30 horas contacto) ofrecido por la División de Educación Continua y Estudios Profesionales en la Universidad de Puerto Rico Recinto Río Piedras.

Certificado en “Prácticas educativas: *Photovoice* y Sociodramas” el 30 de septiembre de 2020 (1.5 contacto) ofrecido por el Decanato de Asuntos Académicos, Centro para la Excelencia Académica, Universidad de Puerto Rico Recinto de Río Piedras.

Certificado en “Configuración y dinámicas de los grupos de Investigación Transdisciplinaria” el 2 de octubre de 2020 (2 horas contacto) ofrecido por el Decanato de Asuntos Académicos, Centro para la Excelencia Académica, Universidad de Puerto Rico Recinto de Río Piedras.

Participación en el *Congreso Universitario Internacional sobre la Comunicación en la profesión y en la universidad de hoy: Contenidos, Investigación, Innovación y Docencia (CUICIID 2020)* auspiciado por la Universidad Complutense en España del 7 al 8 de octubre de 2020. El Congreso se llevó a cabo de manera virtual. Ella asistió a talleres y presentaciones sobre programas académicos innovadores y estrategias para la educación a distancia ante la nueva realidad de la pandemia del COVID-19, en bloques de 6 horas por día a lo largo de dos días.

Certificación en la “Carta de Derechos de las personas con Impedimentos Ley 238 del 31 de agosto de 2004” el 4 de noviembre de 2020 (1 hora contacto) ofrecido por el Decanato de Asuntos Académicos, Centro para la Excelencia Académica, Universidad de Puerto Rico Recinto de Río Piedras.

Certificación en “Garantías de accesibilidad universitaria: Implicaciones según la Ley 238” el 4 de noviembre de 2020 (1 hora contacto) ofrecido por el Decanato de Asuntos Académicos, Centro para la Excelencia Académica, Universidad de Puerto Rico Recinto de Río Piedras.

Certificación en Línea en asuntos de la Ley 238 “Cuando el impedimento no se ve: retos y oportunidades” el 4 de noviembre de 2020 (1 hora contacto) ofrecido por el Decanato de Asuntos Académicos, Centro para la Excelencia Académica, Universidad de Puerto Rico Recinto de Río Piedras.

Selected Community Service

- Casa Julia de Burgos. December 2020 – Present
- Coalición Coordinadora Paz para la Mujer – September 2017 – Present
- Colectivo Siempre Vivas Metro University of Puerto Rico. August 2019 – Present.
- Editorial Boards:
Elected Member of the Editorial Board of the *Asociación Nacional de Escuelas de Trabajo Social (ANAETS)* en Puerto Rico. September 2015 – 2016.

Editorial Board Reviewer: *Revista Análisis* and *Revista Voces del Trabajo Social*

- Colegio de Profesionales de Trabajo Social de Puerto Rico. Member of Commission of Public Relations and Publicity. 2015 – 2016.

Moderator and Presenter of “Para Servirte” 810 AM Radio Program, sponsored by the Colegio of Profesionales de Trabajo Social de Puerto Rico. Live Program produced with the collaboration of Emirilly Vega Vega, M.T.S. and special guests.

Selected Topics of Radio Programs:

- ✦ Luchas Ambientales en Puerto Rico (Saturday, April 18, 2015).
 - ✦ Cuidadores informales: Retos y Servicios en Puerto Rico (Saturday, May 16, 2015).
 - ✦ Descolonización de Puerto Rico (Saturday, June 20, 2015).
 - ✦ Las Personas sin Hogar en Puerto Rico (Saturday, August 15, 2015).
 - ✦ Educación y Racismo (Saturday, October 17, 2015).
 - ✦ La influencia de los medios de comunicación en asuntos de la mujer (Saturday, November 21, 2015).
 - ✦ Tradición e identidad puertorriqueña (Saturday, December 19, 2015). ✦
La Trata Humana y Hogares Sustitutos (Saturday, February 20, 2016).
 - ✦ Trabajo no remunerado del Hogar en Puerto Rico (Saturday, March 19, 2016).
 - ✦ Prevención de Maltrato hacia la Niñez (Saturday, April 16, 2016).
- Member of Committee for Social Work Best Practices, Colegio de Profesionales de Trabajo Social de Puerto Rico. August 2012 – November 2013.
 - Co-founder and member, Latino Community Organizers Network, (LCON) Hunter College Silberman School of Social Work. New York, NY. September 2003 – December 2005

- Member, Latino Social Work Task Force, National Association of Social Workers, New York City Chapter, New York. September 2004 – May 2005
- Elected member, National Committee on Nominations and Leadership Identification, National Association of Social Workers, Washington, DC. December 2003 - December 2005
- Elected Board Member, Association of Community Organization and Social Administration (ACOSA). February 2002 – February 2004
- Board Member, Fund for the Advancement of Social Services, New York, NY. March 2001 March 2004
- Board Member, Sociedad Latina (a non-profit community based-organization), Boston, MA. February 1991 – February 1995
- Hostess/Producer of Raíces Eternas, a Latino Program at the WUMB 91.9 FM Public Radio, University of Massachusetts at Boston, MA. May 1989 -May 1992
- Community Organizer, Nuevo Amanecer. Sites: Mexico and Puerto Rico. June 1981 – July 1985 (Summer Program)
Organized communities tremendously affected by poverty issues.

Professional Accreditation

Certified at Colegio de Profesionales de Trabajo Social de Puerto Rico.

Professional License: Social Work Licensed (Number 11289) in Puerto Rico.

Membership in Professional Associations

- Asociación Puertorriqueña de Profesores Universitarios, UPR.
- Association of Community Organization and Social Administration (ACOSA).
- Association of Latina and Latino Social Work Educators.
- Colegio de Profesionales de Trabajo Social de Puerto Rico.
- Council of Social Work Education (CSWE).
- National Women’s Studies Association
- Society for Social Work Research (SSWR).

- Network for Social Work Management.

Other Interests and Skills

- Actress and co-founder of Escena Latina (Community Theater Company).
- Fluent in English and Spanish (born and raised in Puerto Rico).
- Extensive traveling experience throughout North America, Latin America, and Europe.

References available upon request.