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## EDUCATION

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- 2019 – present    **Ph.D. in Hispanic Languages & Literatures** (expected by June 2023)  
University of California, Los Angeles, Department of Spanish & Portuguese  
Dissertation: Intervention and Interference in Native and L2 Spanish  
Advisor: Dr. Victoria Mateu
- Spring 2021        **C.Phil in Hispanic Languages & Literatures**  
University of California, Los Angeles, Department of Spanish & Portuguese
- 2018-2019        **MA in Hispanic Languages & Literatures** (specialization in linguistics)  
University of California Los Angeles, Department of Spanish & Portuguese
- 2014-2018        **BS in Latin American, Latino & Iberian Studies and Mathematical Economics** (double major)  
University of Richmond, Richmond, VA

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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- 2021 – present    **Teaching Fellow, University of California, Los Angeles**
- Teaching Assistant, **Introduction to the Study of Language (LING 1)** – Winter 2022, Spring 2022
  - Teaching Assistant, **Spanish, Portuguese, and the Nature of Language (SPAN M35)** – Fall 2021
  - Instructor, **Spanish 3 – Elementary Spanish Asynchronous (SPAN 3)** – Summer 2021
- 2020 – 2021        **Teaching Associate, University of California, Los Angeles**
- Instructor, **Introductory Spanish for Heritage Speakers (SPAN 7A)** – Spring 2021
  - Teaching Assistant, **Spanish, Portuguese, and the Nature of Language (SPAN M35)** – Winter 2021
  - Instructor, **Spanish 5 – Intermediate Spanish (SPAN 5)** – Fall 2020
- 2019 – 2020        **Teaching Assistant, University of California, Los Angeles**
- Instructor, **Spanish 1 – Elementary Spanish (SPAN 1)** – Summer 2020, Fall 2019

- Instructor, **Spanish 3 – Elementary Spanish** (*SPAN 3*) – Spring 2020
- Instructor, **Spanish 2 – Elementary Spanish** (*SPAN 2*) – Winter 2020

2015 – 2018

**Assistant Teacher, *University of Richmond***

- Assistant Teacher, **Spanish for Advanced Beginners** (*LAIS 151*) – Spring 2018
- Assistant Teacher, **Intensive Intermediate Spanish** (*LAIS 221*) – Fall 2015, Spring 2016

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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Repiso-Puigdelliura, Gemma, **Benvenuti, Isabel** and Kim, Ji Young, “Heritage Speakers’ Production of Palatal Fricatives”, Hispanic Linguistics Symposium, Oct. 25, 2019.

## PUBLICATIONS

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Repiso-Puigdelliura, Gemma, **Benvenuti, Isabel**, & Kim, Ji Young, (forthcoming). Heritage Speakers’ Production of the Spanish Voiced Palatal Obstruent /j/: A Closer Look at Orthography and Universal Phonetic Principles. *Heritage Language Journal*, 1–30.  
<https://doi.org/10.1163/15507076-12340005>

## PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

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**UCLA Annual TA Conference 2020**

University of California, Los Angeles, Fall 2020

Workshops attended: Interrupting Bias to Cultivate Inclusivity, UDL and Accessible Instruction

**UCLA Fall Teaching Forum: Leaning Into Remote Teaching**

University of California, Los Angeles, Fall 2020

Workshops attended: Antiracism for Educators, Parts I and II

**Pedagogy Seminar: Teaching Spanish at the College Level**

University of California, Los Angeles, Fall 2019

**UCLA Annual TA Conference 2019,**

University of California, Los Angeles, Fall 2019

## RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS

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- May 2018 – January 2019 Assisted Dr. Elizabeth Kissling with creation of Spanish language teaching materials based in cognitive linguistics (University of Richmond)
- May 2018 – June 2018 Assisted Dr. Ted Peebles with updating Spanish assistant teachers' exercise manual

## **SERVICE**

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- Sept. 2021 – present **Basic Needs Program Coordinator & Policy Advocate, UCLA Graduate Student Resource Center**
- August 2021 **Committee Member, UCLA Graduate Division Search Committee for Diversity, Inclusion & Admissions (DIA) Assistant Dean**
- May 2021 – August 2021 **Vice President – Academic Affairs, UCLA Graduate Student Association**
- June 2021 **Committee Member, UCLA Graduate Division Search Committee for Dean of Graduate Education**
- Sept. 2020 – June 2021 **Graduate Student Association Representative to Graduate Council, UCLA Academic Senate**
- Sept. 2020 – June 2021 **Graduate Student Association Representative to Legislative Assembly, UCLA Academic Senate**
- Sept. 2020 – June 2021 **Committee Co-chair, Graduate Writing Center Oversight Committee**
- June 2020 – June 2021 **Director of Academic Affairs & Academic Senate, UCLA Graduate Student Association**
- April 2020 – June 2021 **Vice President, Spanish & Portuguese Graduate Student Association**
- September 2019 – June 2021 **Committee Member, Spanish & Portuguese Professional Development Committee**
- July – September 2020 **Student Assistant, UCLA Online Teaching and Learning Initiative**
- January 24, 2020 **Panelist, Graduate Outreach & Advising Link “Yes, You Do Belong Here: Impostor Syndrome Workshop”**