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EDUCATION

- 2018 Ph.D. in Sociology with concentration in Gender and Women's Studies from the University of Illinois at Chicago
- 2012 M.A. in Sociology from the University of Illinois at Chicago
- 2008 B.A. in Spanish Language and Literature from Grand Valley State University
Graduated with Honors, *magna cum laude*

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2026 - present Donald W. and Betty J. Buik Endowed Chair, Elmhurst University
- 2025 – present Chair of the Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice, Elmhurst University, Elmhurst IL
- 2024 – present Associate Professor of Sociology, Elmhurst University, Elmhurst, IL
- 2018 - 2024 Assistant Professor of Sociology, Elmhurst University, Elmhurst, IL

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Migration	Gender	Teaching Sociology
Humanitarianism	Motherhood	Qualitative Methods
Detention/Deportation	Childhood and Youth	

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- Ruehs-Navarro, Emily and Maya Kosiarek. May 2026. “‘It Looked Like I Was Going Through a Break Up’: Extinction-Based Sleep Training and the Dilemmas of Motherhood.” *Qualitative Sociological Review* 0(0).
- Ruehs-Navarro, Emily, Lina Caswell, and Sarah Diaz, editors. 2024. *Kids in Cages: Surviving and Resisting Child Migrant Detention*. Tucson, AZ: University of Arizona Press.
- Crowley, Patricia, Kathlyn Mulcahy, Jessica Alaniz, Darlene Gramigna and Emily Ruehs-Navarro. 2024. “Alternatives to Detention: Reflection from Bethany House.” In *Kids in Cages: Surviving and Resisting Child Migrant Detention*, edited by Emily Ruehs-Navarro, Lina Caswell, and Sarah Diaz. Tucson, AZ: University of Arizona Press.

- Caswell, Lina and Emily Ruehs-Navarro. 2022. "Unaccompanied and Undocumented Immigrant Children and the Structural and Legal Violence of the U.S. Immigration System: A View from the Child Advocate" in *Children Crossing Borders: An Intersectional Approach to Latin American Migrant Childhoods*, edited by Alejandra Josiowicz and Irasema Coronado. Tucson, AZ: University of Arizona Press. (<https://uapress.arizona.edu/book/children-crossing-borders>).
- Ruehs-Navarro, Emily. 2022. *Unaccompanied: The Plight of Immigrant Youth on the Border*. New York: NYU Press. (<https://nyupress.org/9781479806423/unaccompanied/>).
- Ruehs, Emily, Regina Pessagno, Rachel Lovis, William J. Scarborough, Michael De Anda Muñiz, Max Cuddy and Dennis Kass. 2018. "A Relevant Pedagogy: Outcomes from a High School Sociology Research Practicum." *Journal of Public and Professional Sociology* 10(2): 1-22.
- Ruehs, Emily. 2018. "Front Door, Backdoor, No Door? An Exploration of Formal and Informal Means for Recruiting Unaccompanied Immigrant Youth for Research." *SAGE Research Method Cases Part 2*. London: Sage Publications Ltd. DOI: 10.4135/9781526428011
- Ruehs, Emily. 2016. "Adventures in El Norte: Masculinity and the Immigration of Unaccompanied Minors." *Men and Masculinities* 20(3): 364-384. DOI: 10.1177/1097184X16634796.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS, COMMENTARIES, AND REVIEWS

- Navarro, Emily. 2026. "Decentering Technology: A Pedagogy of the Sense." *First Publics*. The Society Pages.
- Ruehs-Navarro, Emily. 2025 "Teaching Neoliberalism through Political Cartoons." *Teaching Resources and Innovations Library for Sociology*. Washington, DC: American Sociological Association.
- Ruehs-Navarro, Emily. 2024. "Book Review: Racial Baggage: Mexican Immigrants and Race Across the Border." *New Mexico Historical Review* 99(3).
- Ruehs-Navarro, Emily. 2023. "Commentary: Avoiding the Re-traumatization of Unaccompanied Immigrant Youth in the United States." *International Migration*. 61(2): 369-371. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1111/imig.13131>.
- Ruehs-Navarro, Emily and Sarah Friedman. 2022. "Defining Families: A Case Study Assignment." *TRAILS: Teaching Resources and Innovations Library for Sociology*. Washington, DC: American Sociological Association. (<https://trails.asanet.org/article/view/defining-family-a-case-study-activity>).
- Ruehs-Navarro, Emily. 2021. "The Mother of Exiles." *New Letters* 87(3/4).
- Ruehs-Navarro, Emily. 2021. "The Figure of the Feminist from Postcards to Memes." *TRAILS: Teaching Resources and Innovations Library for Sociology*. Washington, DC: American Sociological Association. (<http://trails.asanet.org/Pages/Resource.aspx?ResourceID=13952>).

Ruehs-Navarro, Emily. 2018. "Negotiating Migration: How Youth Decide to Migrate." *Youth Circulations*. (<http://www.youthcirculations.com>).

Ruehs, Emily. 2018. Instructor's Guide and Ancillary Materials for *Men's Lives*. 10th Ed. Edited by Michael S. Kimmel and Michael A. Messner. New York: Oxford University Press.

Ruehs, Emily. 2016. "Book Review: Traveling Heavy: A Memoir in between Journeys." *Teaching Sociology* 44(2): 142-143.

Ruehs, Emily. 2016. "Film Review: The Hand That Feeds." *Teaching Sociology* 44(2): 144-145.

UNDER REVIEW/IN PROGRESS

Ruehs-Navarro, Emily, and Tristen Clifton. "'I Slept in the Toddler's Bed': The Micropractices that Gender Family Sleep Work." (Under review at *The Journal of Family Issues*.)

Ruehs-Navarro, Emily. "Mothers Who Bedshare: Negotiating the Limits of Medical Advice." (Under Review at *Sociology and Health and Illness*)

Ruehs-Navarro, Emily and Erika McCombs. "The Imagined Community of ICE's Social Media in the Era of Mass Deportations." (Data collection finished; writing)

Ruehs-Navarro, Emily and Erika McCombs. "New Memes, Old Racism: The Social Media Account of Immigration and Customs Enforcement in the Era of Mass Deportation." (Data collection finished; writing)

Ruehs-Navarro, Emily. "'The Are Brutalizing My Neighbors': The (De)legitimation of Mass Deportation in the Rhetoric of 911 Calls." (Data collection in process)

Ruehs-Navarro, Emily and Kelly Mikenas. *A City of Trees*. Illustrated by Dawn Kramlich. (Writing in progress).

Khurram, Sajid and Emily Ruehs-Navarro. *The Logistics of Undocumented Movement* (Writing in progress.)

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2026	Creative and Scholarly Endeavors Fellows Grant. Elmhurst University "911 Calls and ICE Operations" with Amiya Tongson (\$1500 per faculty member and student)
2025	OER Adoption Grant, Elmhurst University (\$500)
2025	Creative and Scholarly Endeavors Fellows Grant. Elmhurst University "The Propaganda of Immigration and Customs Enforcement," with Alia El-Hindi and Rhea Pajazetovic (\$1500 per faculty member and student)
2024	Summer Faculty Research Grant, "Kids in Cages." (\$3000)
2022	Creative and Scholarly Endeavors Fellows Grant, Elmhurst University, "Racially Charged: The Effect of Online News Media on Immigration Detention Policy, a Content

2021	Analysis” with Amanda Bisceglie (\$1500 per faculty member and student)
2021	Small Research Grant, Faculty Development Committee, Elmhurst University, Unaccompanied: The Plight of Immigrant Youth at the Border (\$750.00)
2021	Creative and Scholarly Endeavors, First Year Scholars Grant, Elmhurst University “Mapping Detention Facilities for Immigrant Children in the United States” with Fhel Vince Mejia (\$1500 per faculty member and student)
2019	Creative and Scholarly Endeavors Fellows Grant, Elmhurst University, “Immigrant Youth and Integration into School Districts across the United States, with co-mentor with Andrea Krieg and students Jailene Ascencio, Elizabeth Melvin and Lilian Solis (\$1500 per faculty member and student)
2019	Faculty Summer Research Grant, Elmhurst College (\$3000.00)
2016	Dean’s Scholar Fellowship, University of Illinois at Chicago
2016	Rue Bucher Memorial Award for Qualitative Studies. University of Illinois at Chicago
2015	Chancellor’s Graduate Research Award Renewal, University of Illinois at Chicago
2015	Provost Award for Graduate Research, University of Illinois at Chicago
2014	Carla B. Howery Teaching Enhancement Fund. American Sociological Association
2014	Chancellor’s Graduate Research Award, University of Illinois at Chicago

HONORS AND AWARDS

2026 - present	Donald W. and Betty J. Buik Endowed Chairholder, Elmhurst University
2025	Elmhurst Excellence in Teaching Award Nominee
2016	SAGE Teaching Innovations & Professional Development Award, ASA Section on Teaching and Learning in Sociology
2016	UIC Excellence in Undergraduate Mentoring Award, University of Illinois at Chicago
2015	UIC Excellence in Undergraduate Mentoring Award Honorable Mention, University of Illinois at Chicago
2014	Sociology Graduate Student Teaching Award, University of Illinois at Chicago
2014	UIC Excellence in Undergraduate Mentoring Award Honorable Mention, University of Illinois at Chicago
2013	David P. Street Masters Paper Award, University of Illinois at Chicago

INVITED TALKS AND OTHER PRESENTATIONS

2026	“The New Era of Immigration Enforcement: Old Policies, New Cruelty, Bigger Spectacle.” [National organization name redacted.] Canceled due to organization’s fear of being targeted for political speech.
2025	“Supporting Immigrant Youth in Your Community: A Workshop for Faith Leaders.” [Seminary name redacted.] Canceled due to seminary’s fear of being targeted for funding cuts
2025	“Book Talk: <i>Kids in Cages: Surviving and Resisting Child Migrant Detention</i> .” Elmhurst University.
2023	“Children Crossing Borders,” with Alejandra Josiowicz and Irasema Coronado. 21 st Century Borders Webinar Series. Borders in Globalization.
2022	“The Dilemmas Faced by Immigration Attorneys” with Chiara Galli. Vera Institute for

- Justice Brown Bag Discussion.
- 2022 “Book Presentation: *Children Crossing Borders: Latin American Migrant Childhoods*,” with Alejandra Josiowicz and Irasema Coronado, Arizona State University
- 2022 “Migrant Youth and the Broken Immigration System.” New York State Library Public Webinars.
- 2019 “Writing Legends: Youth and Asylum Law.” In Search of Asylum, Weissbourd Conference, University of Chicago
- 2018 “The Humanitarian Borderlands.” Chicago Immigration Scholars Network.
- 2017 “Child Advocate Round Table.” Young Center for the Rights of Immigrant Children, University of Chicago
- 2014 “Content Based Learning.” Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México-Chicago Centro de Enseñanzas de Lenguas Extranjeras

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2026 “Old Racism, New Memes: The Propaganda of Mass Deportations.” Midwest Sociological Association. St. Louis, MO.
- 2025 “Sleeping through the Night: Family Sleep Work and Authoritative Sleep Culture.” Session on Intensive Parenting Practices from Early Childhood to the Transition to Adulthood. American Sociological Association. Chicago, IL
- 2025 “Buying Baby Sleep: Mothers, the Marketplace, and a Good Night Sleep.” Cultures of Motherhood Roundtable. Midwest Sociological Association. Chicago.
- 2021 “Court Watch: The Opportunities for Students in the Chicago Court System,” with Andrea Krieg. Chicago Research Summit 2021 (virtual)
- 2021 “Trajectories of Violence: Unaccompanied Immigrant Children, Advocates, and the Multiple Violences of Immigration Detention,” with Lina Caswell. Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting (virtual)
- 2021 “Advocating for Best Interests in Violence Structures.” Midwest Sociological Association Annual Meeting (virtual)
- 2020 “Resisting Feminism: Addressing a Feminist Framework in Gender Courses.” Associated Colleges of the Chicago Area Scholarship of Pedagogy Symposium (virtual)
- 2019 “Ethics and Access: Research on Unaccompanied Immigrant Youth.” Midwest Sociological Society, Chicago
- 2017 “The Stories of Unaccompanied Youth.” Association of Humanist Sociologists, Havana Cuba
- 2017 “Borderland Legendry: The Paradoxes of Ideal Victimhood for Unaccompanied Minors.” Chicago Ethnography Conference, Chicago
- 2016 “Thugs or Refugees? Unaccompanied Immigrant Minors in 2014 Newspaper Coverage.” Social Science History Association, Chicago
- 2016 “Thugs or Refugees? The Discourse on Unaccompanied Immigrant Minors.” Society for the Study of Social Problems, Seattle
- 2016 “Deserving Thugs? Unaccompanied Minors in the US Immigration System.” Chicago Ethnography Conference, Chicago
- 2015 “Clandestine Youth: Unaccompanied Minors in the Borderlands.” Crossing Over Symposium, Cleveland State University, Cleveland
- 2015 “Clandestine Youth: Securitization, Humanitarianism, and Unaccompanied Minors in

- 2014 the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands.” Society for the Study of Social Problems. Chicago, IL
 “Becoming a Man in El Norte: Intersections of Identity for Unaccompanied Minors.”
 Society for the Study of Social Problems Roundtable, San Francisco, CA
- 2012 “Adventures in El Norte: Masculinity and the Experience of Unaccompanied Minors.”
 Chicago Ethnography Conference, Chicago, IL
- 2012 “Adventures in El Norte: Masculinity and the Experience of Unaccompanied Minors.”
 Midwest Sociological Society, Minneapolis, MN

CAMPUS TALKS

- 2026 “Civil Disobedience.” Democracy Teach In Panel. Panelist.
- 2026 “Civil Disobedience.” May Day Gathering. Speaker.
- 2022 “Beyond the Headlines: The Changing Landscape of Reproductive Rights.” Panelist.
- 2021 “Making Elmhurst a Welcoming Campus: Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Training.”
 Workshop for Alpha Phi Sorority.
- 2021 “The Structures of Poverty.” Sociology and Criminal Justice Department Discussion
 with the Elmhurst Votes Lecture Series
- 2021 “Feminism and the Long Movement for Civil Rights.” Make Good Trouble Teach In
- 2020 “Social Movements.” Elmhurst Votes Lecture Series
- 2018 “Men and Violence.” Elmhurst College Anti-Violence Teach-In
- 2015 “Discussion Techniques.” Colloquium on College Teaching of Sociology, UIC
- 2014 “Learning Through Discussion Method.” Colloquium on College Teaching of Sociology,
 UIC
- 2014 “More Than What You Read in the News: Immigration Scholars Speak about Their
 Research.” Department of Sociology Alumni Event, UIC
- 2014 “Immigration in the Suburbs: Insights from the 2010-2011 Chicago Area Study.” Jewels
 of UIC Lecture Series
- 2013 “Masculinity and Immigration.” Latin American and Latino Studies Brown Bag, UIC
- 2012 “Masculinity, Power and Choice for Unaccompanied Minors.” Real Talk Seminar, UIC

GUEST LECTURE

- 2025 “Immigration Q&A.” English 106 with Bridget O-Rourke. Elmhurst University
- 2025 “Studying Immigrant Youth in the Trump Era and Beyond.” Psychology Colloquium
 with Liz Majka. Elmhurst University.
- 2025 “Researching Immigrant Youth under Trump.” Research Ethics. Wilfried Laurier
 University, Ontario.
- 2025 “Immigration Policies under the Trump Administration.” Special Topics: Election 2024
 with Connie Mixon. Elmhurst University
- 2024 “Ethics of Research with Immigrant Youth.” Research Ethics. Wilfrid Laurier
 University, Ontario.
- 2023 “Researching Youth Migrants.” Elmhurst University. Social Research Methods with
 Andrea Krieg.
- 2022 “Youth Migration as a Social Justice Issue.” Explorations in Social Justice: Elmhurst
 University in Partnership with District 88 High Schools.
- 2020, 2021 “How to Build a Social Movement.” Elmhurst University. Introduction to Politics with

	Teri Walker.
2020	“Childhood and Immigration.” Elmhurst University. Child Development with Catherine Gaze.
2020	“Jóvenes inmigrantes en Chicago.” Elmhurst University. Chicago Hispanohablante with Chris Travis.
2019	“Family Reunification and Immigrant Youth.” University of Illinois at Chicago. Marriage and Family
2018	“Unaccompanied Children and Refugee Youth.” University of Chicago. Masters in Social Work
2016	“Unaccompanied Minors: The Basics.” Depaul University. The Immigrant Experience
2016	“The Experience of Unaccompanied Youth Immigrants.” Dominican University

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2018 – Present	Elmhurst University Capstone+ Class and Status Global and Transnational Sociology+* Introductory Sociology+ Latina/os in the United States* Marriage and Family Race and Ethnic Relations+ (also taught as an Honors course) Sex and Gender in Society+ Social Problems+ Social Research Methods Society, Health, and Illness Sociology of Childhood and Youth*+ Explorations in Social Justice: Immigration (taught jointly) Explorations in Social Justice: Food (taught jointly) *Classes developed for new curriculum +Classes that have been taught online
2010 – 2018	University of Illinois at Chicago Gender and Society Global Theoretical Frameworks of Women (Discussion Leader) Race and Ethnicity Social Theory (Teaching Assistant) Sociological Research Methods Sociology of Asians and Asian Americans (Teaching Assistant) Sociology of Childhood and Youth Special Topics in Race, Class and Gender: Borders and Human Rights
2012 – 2018	Northeastern Illinois University

Introduction to Sociology
 Men and Masculinities
 Race and Ethnic Relations
 Social Inequalities and Social Change
 Sociological Research Methods
 Sociology of Intimacy, Marriage and Family
 Women, Gender, and the “F-Word”

2016 – 2018 **Dominican University**
 Critical Race Theory (hybrid course)
 Introduction to Sociology
 Race and Race Relations in the US (hybrid course)
 Research Methods (hybrid course)

2011 - 2014 **Universidad Autónoma de México-Chicago**
 Various courses in English as a second language

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2020 Motherscholar Collective. Collective member, researching the impact of Covid-19 on academic mothers (various publications)

2011 American Cities Survey. Columbia University. Research assistant, surveying community members about feelings towards race and migration

2011 Chicago Area Studies. National Science Foundation. University of Illinois at Chicago. Research assistant, conducting interviews and focus groups on immigrant incorporation

SERVICE TO THE DISCIPLINE

2026 Reviewer for *Sociology Compass*

2025 Reviewer for the *Journal on Migration and Human Security*

2024 Book Reviewer for University of Arizona Press

2023 - present Book Reviewer for New York University Press

2021 Session Organizer in Race and Ethnicity for the Midwest Sociological Association

2021 *Latin American Research Review* Reviewer

2021 Sharing Teaching Practices: A Workshop on Publishing in TRAILS (co-presenter during the Midwest Sociological Association annual meeting)

2019 Chicago Ethnography Conference Discussant

2019 - 2024 TRAILS Qualitative Methods Editor with the American Sociological Association

2016 ASA Section on Childhood and Youth Roundtable Discussant

2016 – 2018 ASA Section on Childhood and Youth Student Representative

2016 *Societies without Borders* Reviewer

2015 *Interdisciplinary Undergraduate Research Journal* Reviewer

2014 – 2015 *Social Problems* Student Advisory Board Member

2013 *Gender and Society* Reviewer

2012 National Latino Congreso Rapporteur, Arturo Velazquez Institute

2011 – 2012 Chicago Ethnography Conference, Co-Chair

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

2026-present Faculty Advisor for the Elmhurst Cares Club
2026-present Faculty Advisor for the Elmhurst Folkloric Dance Company
2025 Sociology and Criminal Justice Visiting Lecturer Search Committee Chair
2025 Vulnerable Student Working Group, co-coordinator
2024-present Academic Council
2024 Criminal Justice Assistant Professor Search Committee
2023-present Sociology Club Faculty Advisor
2023 Sociology Visiting Lecturer Search Committee Chair
2022-2024 Intercultural Studies Working Group Member
2022-present Faculty Grievance Committee Member
2021 “Interactive Syllabus with DEI Material” Presentation for the Faculty Sharing Diversity, Equity, Inclusivity Initiatives at the Faculty Retreat
2021 Transfer Scholarship Competition Reviewer
2021 Submission of an Imagining Elmhurst Proposal (diversity cluster hire)
2021, 2022 Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Scholarship Committee Member
2020-present Pi Gamma Mu, secretary (2020); faculty advisor (2021-2024)
2019-2022 Elmhurst Integrated Curriculum Committee (chaired Spring 2022)
2019 Sociology Visiting Assistant Professor Search Committee
2019 Honors Reading Discussion Leader (Spring 2019, Fall 2019, Spring 2021)
2019, 2021, 2022, 2025 CASE Research Mentor.
2015-2017 Teaching Assistant Orientation, Panelist and Break-out Session Leader, UIC
2014 Society of Women Engineers “Miss Representation” Viewing, Panelist, UIC
2014 Model World Conference, Mentor/Instructor, UIC
2013 – 2015 Little Village Lawndale High School/University of Illinois at Chicago Department of Sociology Partnership, Mentor and Volunteer Coordinator
2011 Graduate Student Recruitment Day, Committee Member, UIC
2010 – 2011 Public Relations Committee, Committee Member, UIC

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN TEACHING AND PEDAGOGY

2025 Teaching Online at Elmhurst University, Elmhurst University
2019 Certificate in Effective Instruction with concentration in Career Guidance and Readiness from the Association of College and University Educators and the American Council on Education
2016 ASA Teaching and Learning Section’s Pre-conference Workshop, American Sociological Association, Seattle, WA
2014 Feminist Pedagogy Graduate Seminar. University of Illinois at Chicago
2014 Becoming an Undocumented Student Ally Workshop. Northeastern Illinois University
2013 Sociology Teaching Colloquium. University of Illinois at Chicago
2012 Sociology Teaching Colloquium. University of Illinois at Chicago

PUBLIC SOCIOLOGY/MEDIA APPEARANCES

2022	Storyteller in <i>80 Minutes around the World: Immigration Stories</i> . Produced by Nestor Gomez. Steppenwolf Theater.
2022	Interviewed by Nina Sparling with KQED
2022	Interviewed by Melissa Sanchez with <i>Propublica Illinois</i> on the experience of Afghan kids in ORR care
2021	Quoted in “High School Proms are Back, but Not Quite Like Before Covid-19.” Karen Cullotta with the <i>Chicago Tribune</i> . (https://www.chicagotribune.com/coronavirus/ct-prem-covid-19-in-person-proms-graduations-20210501-mjx4kpbjfbdp7atzurikuay6em-story.html).
2018	Interviewed by Jeneen Interlandi with the <i>New York Times</i> ; no resulting publication
2018	Quoted in “As Months Pass in Chicago Shelters, Immigrant Children Contemplate Escape, Even Suicide.” Melissa Sanchez with <i>ProPublica Illinois</i> . (https://www.propublica.org/article/chicago-immigrant-shelters-heartland-internal-documents).
2018	Featured in “Gloria’s Dilemma.” <i>Separate and Unequal</i> Podcast, produced by Kallie Clark and Marcella Uribe (https://player.fm/series/separate-and-unequal-shining-a-light-on-education-in-america/episode-3-glorias-dilemma).

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Society for the Study of Social Problems
American Sociological Association
Midwest Sociological Society
Pi Gamma Mu (International Honors Society in Social Sciences),
Elmhurst Chapter Secretary (2019-2020), President (2020-2024)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2009 – 2010	Employment Retention Specialist, Program Assisting Refugee Acculturation, Bethany Christian Services, Grand Rapids, MI.
2008 – 2009	Workforce Development Specialist, Goodwill Industries/Work First, Grand Rapids, MI.
2005 – 2008	Trip Coordinator, Experience Mission, Port Townsend, WA. (Inscription House, Navajo Nation; Tecate, Mexico; Ruiz, Mexico; Bribri Reservation, Costa Rica)

COMMUNITY SERVICE/RELEVANT EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

2025 – present	Volunteer with the Northwest Side Deportation Defense
2021 – present	Founding member of Inti-Illinois, Andean music and culture group
2019	Dilley Pro Bono Project Interpreter and Advocate, Dilley TX
2015 – 2019	Unaccompanied Child Advocate with the Young Center for Immigrant Children’s Rights, Chicago , IL
2009-2011	Refugee Youth Mentor with Bethany Christian Services, Grand Rapids, MI

LANGUAGE COMPETENCIES

Spanish: Reading, Writing, and Speaking, Advanced Proficiency