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EDUCATION

2021	Doctor of Philosophy, Social Work
	University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia
	Dissertation: "Juntas En La Lucha: The Lived Experiences of Trans
	Latina Immigrants Generating Change in the Southern United States"
2021	Interdisciplinary Qualitative Studies Graduate Certificate
	University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia
2014	Master of Social Work, Clinical Practice Concentration
-	University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia
2011	Bachelor of Social Work, Children and Families Concentration
2011	Dalton State College, Dalton, Georgia
2011	Commeter en with Lating Formilies and Culture Contificate
2011	Competency with Latino Families and Culture Certificate Dalton State College, Dalton, Georgia & Universidad Veracruzana, Jalapa,
	Veracruz, México
2006-2009	Bachelor of Social Work (Transferred after Junior year)
	Universidad Interamericana de Puerto Rico, Arecibo, Puerto Rico
2008	International, Hispanic, Latin-American, and European Studies Study Abroad Program, <i>Social Services with Immigrant Families and Children Focus</i> Fundación José Ortega y Gasset, Toledo, Spain
	ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS
2023-Present	Assistant Professor
	Boston University, School of Social Work, Clinical Practice Department
2023	Scholar in Residence
	Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Mexico, School of Social Work
2022-2023	Affiliated Faculty
2022-2023	University of Texas Rio Grande Valley, Gender and Women's Studies Program
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2021-2023	Assistant Professor University of Texas Rio Grande Valley, School of Social Work
2020-2021	Instructor and Field Liaison
	University of Georgia, School of Social Work

2018 **Part-Time Faculty**

Georgia State University, School of Nursing and Health Professions

2017 Honorary Professor (*Profesor Honorario*)

Universidad del Sagrado Corazón of Puerto Rico, Department of Social Sciences

2017 Adjunct Faculty

University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, Social Work Program

COMPETITIVE GRANTS & FUNDING

EXTERNAL — FUNDED

2024-2025 Multiple Principal Investigator (\$250,000) Project: Advancing Health Equity Through Linguistic Inclusion in Clinical Trials (MPI: Dr. Linda Sprague Martinez; RFA-FD-24-022) Funding Source: U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Office of Minority Health and Health Equity (OMHHE) 2023-2024 **Qualitative Analysis Team Lead (\$14,135 Subaward)** Project: South Texas CEAL: Leveraging Community Engagement Strategies to Respond to Emerging Health Related Misinformation and Promote Chronic and Behavioral Health in Underserved Communities in South Texas (PIs: Dr. Luis Torres-Hostos & Dr. Candace Robledo; RF50103-2022-0115) Funding Source: National Institutes of Health (NIH), Texas Community Engagement Research Alliance (CEAL) Against COVID-19 Disparities 2022-2023 **Co-Investigator, Qualitative Aim Team Lead (\$390,478)** Project: Community Engagement Strategies for COVID-19: Prevention and Response in Underserved Communities in South Texas (PI: Dr. Luis Torres-Hostos: 10T2HL156812-01) Funding Source: National Institutes of Health (NIH), Texas Community Engagement Research Alliance (CEAL) Against COVID-19 Disparities 2022-2023 **Principal Investigator (\$25,000)** *Project*: Stigma and Social Support Among HIV+ Latinx LGBTQ+ Individuals and Their Families in South Texas Funding Source: Center for Clinical and Translational Sciences (CCTS)-Community Health Initiated Research Partnership (CHIRP) Fellowship,

University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston

2021-2023 Co-Investigator, Qualitative Expert (\$85,322) Project: CEAL Supplement Project 11- Increasing COVID-19 Vaccine Uptake Among High-Risk Hispanic Communities (PI: Dr. Candace Robledo; RF50103-2022-0115) Funding Source: National Institutes of Health (NIH), Texas Community Engagement Research Alliance (CEAL) Against COVID-19 Disparities

2020-2021 **Principal Investigator (\$150)** *Project*: An Analysis of the Lived Experiences of Transgender and Gender Non-Binary Latinx Individuals *Funding Source*: Southern Equality Fund

EXTERNAL — AWAITING DECISION

2025-2026 **Principal Investigator (\$180,000)** *Project:* Development of a Community-Centered Intervention to Increase Social Support Among Latinx LGBTQ+ PLWHIV *Funding Source:* Gilead Sciences Research Scholars Program in HIV

2025-2028 Principal Investigator (\$1,370,265) Project: Increasing Linguistic Inclusion in Clinical and Translational Science (Element E) (MPI: Dr. Linda Sprague Martinez; UM1 PIs: Dr. David Center & Dr. Megan Bair-Merritt; PAR-21-293) Funding Source: National Institutes of Health (NIH), National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences (NCATS)

2024-2026 **Co-Investigator (\$42,849 Subaward)** *Project*: Population Health Perspective of COVID-19 on the South Texas Population (PI: Candace Robledo; CDC-RFA-FT-23-0069) *Funding Source*: Texas Department of State Health Services

EXTERNAL — UNFUNDED

2023-2025 **Co-Investigator (\$248,300)**

Project: Abordaje Integral Desde las Escuelas de Trabajo Social con las Comunidades de Migrantes en Honduras y el Valle del Río Grande Texas [Comprehensive Approach with Migrant Communities from Schools of Social Work in Honduras and the Rio Grande Valley Texas] *Funding Source*: United Nations Democracy Fund

2022-2025 **Principal Investigator/Program Manager (\$274,960)** *Project*: Project AIMSS: Access Increase to Mental Health Services in South Texas *Funding Source*: Cigna Foundation Health and Well-Being Grant

2022-2023 **Co-Principal Investigator, Qualitative Aim Team (\$30,000)** *Project*: An Extension of Project TRUST: Understanding Barriers to Health and System Engagement among Sexual and Gender Minoritized Communities with Experiences of Homelessness (PI: Dr. Vanessa Schick) *Funding Source:* Center for Clinical and Translational Sciences (CCTS)-Collaborative Research Pilot Funding, University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston

2022-2023 **Principal Investigator (\$20,000)** *Project*: Addressing Stigma and Suicidality Among LGBTQ+ Latinx Young Adults and Mental Health Providers

Funding Source: American Psychological Foundation, 2022 Visionary Grants

INTERNAL — FUNDED

2023-2024 **Principal Investigator (\$19,330)**

Project: Stigma and Social Support Among Latinx LGBTQ+ Individuals Living with HIV

Funding Source: School of Social Work Small Grant Awards, Boston University

2023-2024 **Faculty Mentor/Principal Investigator (\$2,500)** *Project*: Undergraduate Research Interns: Stigma and Social Support Among HIV+ Latinx LGBTQ+ Individuals and Their Families in South Texas *Funding Source*: Center for Innovation in Social Science (CISS), Boston University

2023-2024 **Co-Principal Investigator (\$3,000)** *Project*: Capacity Development on Forced Migration and Vulnerable Groups *Funding Source*: School of Social Work Seed Grant, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley

 2021-2022 Principal Investigator (\$3,000) *Project*: The Experiences of LGBTQ+ Latinx Individuals with Mental Health Services in South Texas *Funding Source*: School of Social Work Seed Grant, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley
2021 Principal Investigator (\$500)

2021Principal Investigator (\$500)
Project: Amplifying the Voices of Transgender and Gender Nonconforming
Latinx Communities
Funding Source: Hunter-Gault "Giving Voice to the Voiceless Program" Grant,
University of Georgia

2020-2021 Principal Investigator (\$3,700) Project: Hashtags, Images, and Identity: An Analysis of Transgender Women of Color's Use of Instagram and Social Media Funding Source: Paul C. and Margaret Beasley Broun Faculty and Graduate Student Micro-Grant, University of Georgia

OTHER FUNDING — FUNDED

2024 **Principal Investigator (\$4,110)**

Project: Book "See Me! Latinx Gay and Trans Men's Testimonios on Mental Health, Discrimination, and Joy in South Texas" *Funding Source*: Boston University's Crowdfunding Campaign

	FELLOWSHII 5 & AWARDS
2018-2021	Doctoral Minority Fellow (\$24,000/year/3 years)
	Council on Social Work Education's Minority Fellowship Program (MFP),
	Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)
2020	PhD Student of the Year
	University of Georgia, School of Social Work
2019	Fellow (\$1,000)
	Summer Social Work Graduate Student Mentoring Workshop on African American and Latinx Research, University of Michigan, School of Social Work
2018	Graduate Student (\$5,500) Pathways: Gateway to Graduate School Bridge Program, University of Georgia, Graduate School
2016	Dennis de Leon Sustainable Leadership Institute Latinos in the Deep South, Latino Commission on AIDS
2014	Graduate Student Diversity Engagement Award (\$1,000) University of Georgia, Graduate School
2011	Practicum Student of the Year Dalton State College, School of Social Work

FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

PUBLICATIONS

An asterisk (*) denotes current or former student co-author.

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS

- 23. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (Conditionally Accepted). "I see that strong woman": Social work educators learning from trans Latinas and Chicana feminists. *Journal of Social Work Education*.
- 22. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., & Bermúdez, J. M. (In Press). "Me llamo luchadora social": Trans Latina immigrants as nepantleras generating change in the Southern U.S. *Social Work Research*.
- 21. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., Lough, K., & Estevez, R. (2024). "You aren't alone": An analysis of trans Latinas' use of Instagram. *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*, 21(6), 1–15. https://doi.org/10.3390/ijerph21060699
- 20. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., Seelman, K. L., Joyner, A.,* & Hartford, R.* (2024). Trans and gender diverse Latinx individuals in the Southern United States: Experiences with violence and service utilization. *Violence Against Women*, 1–25. https://doi.org/10.1177/10778012241259718

- 19. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., & Bermúdez, J. M. (In Press). "Me llamo luchadora social": Trans Latina immigrants as nepantleras generating change in the Southern U.S. *Social Work Research*.
- Giraldo-Santiago, N., Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., Machado-Escudero, Y., & Zhen-Duan, J. (2024). Factors associated with thoughts of migration among Latinx mental health professionals from Puerto Rico to mainland United States. *Clinical Social Work Journal*. https://doi.org/10.1007/s10615-024-00920-7
- Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., & Bermúdez, J. M. (2023). Entre madres y comadres: Trans Latina immigrants empowering women beyond marianismo. *Affilia*, 38(4), 597–614. https://doi.org/10.1177/08861099231190095
- Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., Childs, E. M., Fatehi, M., & Yeo, H. (In Press). How perception relates to student utilization of college campus counseling services. *Journal of American College Health.* https://doi.org/10.1080/07448481.2022.2129973
- Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., & Flint, M. (2023). Epistemological weaving: Writing and sense making in qualitative research with Gloria Anzaldúa. *Social Sciences*, 12(7), 1–14. https://doi.org/10.3390/socsci12070408
- Rai, A., Ravi, K., Shrestha, N, & Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2023). Culturally responsive domestic violence interventions for immigrant communities in the United States: A scoping review. *Journal of Social Work in the Global Community*, 8(1), 1–29. https://doi.org/10.5590/JSWGC.2023.8.1.01
- 13. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., & Mowbray, O. (2023). Trends in suicide among lesbian, gay and bisexual Hispanic individuals: National Violent Death Reporting System Data From 2012-2016. *Journal of Homosexuality*, 70(7), 1225–1239. https://doi.org/10.1080/00918369.2021.2018878
- Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., Cardenas, I., & Bloom, A. (2022). COVID-19 pandemic and intimate partner violence: An analysis of help-seeking messages in the Spanish-speaking media. *Journal of Family Violence*, 37, 939–950. https://doi.org/10.1007/s10896-021-00263-8
- Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., Bermúdez, J. M., Orpinas, P., Matthew, R., Calva, A., & Darbisi, C. (2021). "No queremos quedar mal": A qualitative analysis of a boundary setting training among Latina community health workers. *Journal of Latinx Psychology*, 9(4), 315– 325. https://doi.org/10.1037/lat0000193
- 10. Seelman, K., Vasi, A., Kattari, S., & Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2021). Predictors of healthcare mistreatment among transgender and gender diverse individuals: Are there different patterns by patient race and ethnicity? *Social Work in Health Care*, 60(5), 411–429. https://doi.org/10.1080/00981389.2021.1909201
- Orpinas, P., Matthew, R., Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., Calva, A., & Bermúdez, J. M. (2021). Promotoras voice their challenges in fulfilling their role as community health workers. *Health Promotion Practice*, 22(4), 502–511. https://doi.org/10.1177/1524839920921189

- 8. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2021). Teaching note—Teaching intersectionality across the social work curriculum using the Intersectionality Analysis Cluster. *Journal of Social Work Education*, *57*(1), 181–188. https://doi.org/10.1080/10437797.2020.1713944
- Villarreal-Otálora, T., Boyas, J. F., Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., & Fatehi, M. (2020). Ecological factors influencing suicidal ideation-to-action among Latinx adolescents: An exploration of sex differences. *Children and Youth Services Review*, 118, 1–12. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.childyouth.2020.105444
- 6. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2020). "Borikén libre": Spaces of resistance in Old San Juan, Puerto Rico. *Label Me Latina/o*, *X*, 1–11. https://labelmelatin.com/wpcontent/uploads/2020/07/%E2%80%9CBorik%C3%A9n-Libre%E2%80%9D-Spaces-of-Resistance-in-Old-San-Juan-Puerto-Rico.pdf
- 5. Orpinas, P., Matthew, R., Bermúdez, J. M., **Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R.**, Calva, A., & Darbisi, C. (2020). A multistakeholder evaluation of Lazos Hispanos: An application of a community-based participatory research conceptual model. *Journal of Community Psychology*, *48*(2), 464–481. https://doi.org/10.1002/jcop.22274
- 4. Boyas, J. F., Villarreal-Otálora, T., **Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R.**, & Fatehi, M. (2019). Suicide ideation, planning, and attempts: The case of the Latinx LGB youth. *Health Promotion Perspectives*, *9*(3), 198–206. http://dx.doi.org/10.15171/hpp.2019.28
- 3. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2019). Whose land of the free? Latina transgender immigrants in the United States. *Indian Journal of Health, Sexuality & Culture*, 5(1), 135–147. https://iisb.org/pdf/june2019/23.%20Whose%20Land%20of%20the%20Free%20Latina%20 Transgender%20Immigrants%20in%20the%20United%20States.pdf
- 2. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. & Choi, Y. J. (2017). Re-conceptualizing "culture" in social work practice and education: A Dialectic and Uniqueness Awareness Approach. *Journal of Social Work Education*, *53*(3), 384–398. http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/10437797.2016.1272511
- Seelman, K. L., Young, S. R., Tesene, M., Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., & Kattari, L. (2017). A comparison of health disparities among transgender adults in Colorado (USA) by race and income. *International Journal of Transgender Health* [formerly, *International Journal of Transgenderism*], 18(2), 199-214. http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/15532739.2016.1252300

EDITED BOOK

1. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (Ed.) (In Preparation). See Me! Latine Gay and Trans Men's Testimonios on Mental Health, Discrimination, and Joy in South Texas. Boston University, Open Access.

BOOK CHAPTERS

3. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., Mulkern, P., &, Hernandez, P. (Accepted). Intersections of identity: Supporting LGBTQI+ Latine youth. In L. Villarreal-Sosa (Ed.), *Crossing borders, building bridges: culturally responsive practice with Latine youth*. Oxford Press.

- 2. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., Ruiz, R., & Diez, V. (Accepted). Health and human service delivery, social equity, & Spanish speaking communities. In J. Irizarry (Ed.), *Public Administration, Social Equity, and Spanish Speaking Communities: Fostering Diverse and Inclusive Democratic Participation*. Information Age Publishing.
- 1. Choi, Y. J. & Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2017). Medical case management in a HIV/AIDS hospital outpatient clinic. In M. Holosko (Ed.), *Social Work Case Management: Studies from the Frontline*. SAGE Publications.

INVITED PUBLICATIONS

- 7. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2022, April). The time is right for advocating alongside trans and gender nonconforming communities. *The New Social Worker*®: *The Social Work Careers Magazine*. https://www.socialworker.com/feature-articles/practice/time-is-rightadvocating-alongside-trans-gender-nonconforming-communities/
- 6. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2021, April 29). Reflexivity in qualitative research. *QualPage*. https://qualpage.com/2021/04/29/reflexivity-in-qualitative-research/
- 5. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2021). How freedom of speech is used as violence against marginalized communities. *Clinical Page*, 44(26), 16-17.
- 4. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2016). Post-election uncertainty in clinical practice. *Clinical Page*, *39*(20), 6.
- 3. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2016). My client is not dying: What we have learned about HIV/AIDS. *Clinical Page*, *38*(19), 7-8.
- 2. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2014). From our stories: Visions of family. *Visionary Journal*, 25th Year Edition, 23.
- 1. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2012). Walking in big shoes that fit just right. *Visionary Journal*, *18*(1), 13.

PEER-REVIEWED PRESENTATIONS

An asterisk (*) denotes current or former student co-presenter.

- 43. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., Cantu, E., & Montero-Murillo, M.* (2024, October). "*I just want my family to be there for me*": *LGBTQ+ Latinxs experience HIV stigma and social support in south Texas*. Paper presented at the National Latinx Psychological Association 2024 conference, San Juan, PR.
- 42. Seelman, K., & Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2024, October). Experiences with violence and service utilization among Latinx trans and gender diverse southerners. Paper presented at the 70th Annual Program National Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, Kansas City, MO.
- 41. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2024, June). "Don't say gay with a therapist face": Texan LGBTQ+ Latinxs and therapy. Paper presented at the annual Society for Qualitative Inquiry in Psychology (SQIP) conference, Boston College, Boston, MA.

- 40. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., & Bermudez, J. M. (2024, April). *Redefining joint social action through epistemological connections with trans Latina immigrants*. Workshop presented at The Joint Conference on Social Work Education and Social Development, Panama City, Panama.
- 39. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2024, January). *LGBTQ+ Latinxs share their experiences with mental health services in South Texas*. Oral paper presented at the 28th Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research, Washington, DC.
- 38. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2023, September). "Don't call me mother": Trans Latina immigrants redefine madre and comadre relationships. Workshop presented at the Latino Social Workers Organization conference, University of Illinois, Chicago, IL.
- 37. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2023, February). "Juntas todas": Mujeres trans Latinas migrantes y el rol liberador de las comadres [All the women together: Tran Latina women and the liberative role of the comadres]. Oral paper presented at the 7th Conferencia Regional de Trabajo Social y Migración de México, los Estados Unidos, Canadá y Centroamérica, Mexico City, Mexico.
- 36. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., Robledo, C., Clark, L., & Torres-Hostos, L. R. (2023, January). A qualitative study of COVID-19 vaccination among Latinx Communities in South Texas. Poster presented at the 27th Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research, Phoenix, AZ.
- 35. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2022, November). *Trans Latina immigrants generating change in the Southern US: From local to global*. Oral paper presented at the 68th Annual Program National Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, Anaheim, CA.
- 34. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2022, October). *From the therapy couch to the researcher chair: Research with Latinx communities.* Workshop presented at the Latino Social Workers Organization conference, University of Washington, Seattle, WA.
- 33. Estevez, R., Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., Olansky, E., Parker, B., Singh, A. A., Bockting, W., & LeBlanc, A. (2022, August). "I think it has made me fight more": Latinx nonbinary individuals' experiences of identity development in oppressive and liberatory contexts. Poster session presented at the American Psychological Association Annual Conference, Minneapolis, MN.
- 32. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., & Flint, M. (2022, May). *Epistemological weaving: Writing and making sense of qualitative research with Gloria Anzaldúa*. Oral presentation presented virtually at the 18th International Congress of Qualitative Inquiry.
- 31. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., Machado-Escudero, Y., & Bermudez, J. M. (2022, April). *Resistencia y activismo among diverse Latina immigrants living in the Southern Region of the United States*. Oral presentation presented at the 2022 World Family Therapy Congress of the International Family Therapy Association, San Juan, PR.

- 30. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2022, April). Juntas en la lucha: the lived experiences of trans Latina Immigrants in the Southern USA. Poster presentation presented at the 2022 World Family Therapy Congress of the International Family Therapy Association, San Juan, PR.
- 29. Machado-Escudero, Y., Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., & Bermudez, J. M. (2022, April). *Using the Comadres and Motherwork Frameworks for the wellbeing and empowerment of Latinas*. Oral presentation presented at the 2022 World Family Therapy Congress of the International Family Therapy Association, San Juan, PR.
- 28. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., Seelman, K. L., Kattari, S. K., & Vasi, A. (2022, January). Predictors of healthcare mistreatment among transgender and gender diverse individuals: Are there different patterns by patient race and ethnicity? Oral paper accepted for presentation at the 26th Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research, Washington, DC.
- 27. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., & Cardenas, I. (2021, November). *Leveraging mass and social media for critical conversations among Latinx communities*. Interactive workshop presented at the 67th Annual Program National Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, Orlando, FL.
- 26. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., Lough, K., & Ingram Estevez, R. E. (2021, May). *Hashtags, images, and identity: An interdisciplinary qualitative approach to analyzing transgender Latinas' use of Instagram.* Oral presentation presented virtually at the 17th International Congress of Qualitative Inquiry.
- 25. Shrestha, N., Rai, A., Ravi, K., & Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2021, January). *Scoping study on culturally responsive intimate partner violence interventions for immigrant communities*. Oral presentation presented virtually at the 25th Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research.
- 24. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., & Mowbray, O. (2021, January). *Longitudinal trends in suicide among lesbian, gay and bisexual Hispanic individuals*. Poster presented virtually at the 25th Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research.
- 23. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., & Cardenas, I., & Bloom, A. (2021, January). The role of Spanish-speaking media in intimate partner violence help-seeking during the COVID-19 pandemic. Poster presented virtually at the 25th Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research.
- 22. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., Bermudez, J. M., Orpinas, P., Matthew, R., Calva, A., & Darbisi, C. (2020, November). *Gender, culture & professionalism: Boundary setting training to support promotoras de salud*. Live interactive workshop presented virtually at the 66th Annual Program National Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education.

- 21. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2020, November). *LGBTQ+ People of Color in social work research: An intersectional content analysis.* Poster presented virtually at the 66th Annual Program National Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education.
- 20. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2020, July). *When intersectionality becomes strength: Transgender Latina immigrants in the United States*. Abstract accepted to be presented at the Centre for Research on Families & Relationships International Conference titled "Intersectionality, Families and Relationships," Edinburgh. (Conference canceled).
- 19. Matthew, R., Orpinas, P., Calva, A., Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., Bermudez, J. M., Darbisi, C., Warnock, C. A., & Raman, V. (2020, January). *Promoting health and social equity among Latinxs: Outcomes and lessons learned from a community-based, multistakeholder promotoras program in the Southeast U.S.* Poster presented at the 24th Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research, Washington, DC.
- Boyas, J. F., Villareal-Otálora, T., Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., & Fatehi, M. (2020, January). *Ideation-to-action continuum among Latinx Youth: An ecological systems perspective*. Poster presented at the 24th Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research, Washington, DC.
- 17. Boyas, J. F., Villareal-Otálora, T., Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., & Fatehi, M. (2020, January). Suicide ideation, planning, and attempts: The case of the Latinx LGB Youth. Poster presented at the 24th Annual Conference of the Society for Social Work and Research, Washington, DC.
- 16. Calva, A., Darbisi, C., Matthew, R. A., Orpinas, P., Bermúdez, J. M., & Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2019, November). Fostering sustainable community change: Supporting leadership development among CHWs/promotoras. Poster presented at Annual Conference of the American Health Association, Philadelphia, PA.
- 15. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2019, October). *Teaching intersectionality across the social work curriculum using the Intersectionality Cluster*. Interactive workshop presented at the 65th Annual Program National Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, Denver, CO.
- 14. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., & Ramírez, L. (2019, October). *Helping social work students to work with queer, Latinx, and immigrants identities*. Interactive workshop presented at the 65th Annual Program National Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, Denver, CO.
- Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2019, September). En la encrucijada: Exploring intersectionality among Latinx communities. Workshop presented at the Latino Social Workers Organization conference, University of Illinois-Chicago, Chicago, IL.

- Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2019, July). Cuenta Conmigo: Understanding and implementing the National Standards for Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services. Workshop presented at the he Latino Commission on AIDS inaugural gathering of Southern LGBTQ+ Latinx Healthcare Stakeholders and Innovators conference, Atlanta, GA.
- 11. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2019, March). *From Sylvia Rivera to now: Activism in the transgender Latinx community today*. Workshop presented at the 2019 Connect Conference, University of Georgia, Athens, GA.
- Bermudez, J. M., Promotoras/Community Health Workers, Matthew, R., Orpinas, P. Darbisi, C., Calva, A., & Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (Oct. 26, 2019). *Lazos Hispanos: Promotoras as agents of change in Athens, Georgia*. Oral presentation at the 8th Women and Girls in Georgia Conference, session on Gender, Justice, Immigration, and Activism, Institute for Women's Studies at the University of Georgia, Athens, GA.
- 9. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2018, October). *Y me llamaron ilegal y pervertido: The effects of political and discriminatory rhetoric on undocumented and LGBTQ communities*. Workshop presented at the Latino Social Workers Organization conference, University of Illinois-Chicago, Chicago, IL.
- 8. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2018, March). *Brown, queer, and undocumented: Trauma in today's political climate*. Workshop presented at the Latino Social Workers Organization conference, University of Washington, Seattle, WA.
- 7. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. & Hughes, J. R. (2016, October). *The LGBTTQQIAAP acronym: What it means and why should social work care*. Workshop presented at the Latino Social Workers Organization conference, University of Illinois-Chicago, Chicago, IL.
- 6. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. & Hughes, J. R. (2015, October). Understanding the rainbow: Social work considerations on diversity and needs of LGBTTQQIAAP populations. Pre-Conference workshop presented at the Annual Conference of the Georgia Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers, Atlanta, GA.
- 5. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. & Choi, Y. J. (2015, October). *When "culture" and "competence" collide: A Dialectic and Uniqueness Awareness Approach*. Interactive workshop presented at the 61st Annual Program National Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, Denver, CO.
- 4. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. & Hughes, J. R. (2015, April). Understanding the rainbow: Social work considerations on diversity and needs of LGBTTQQIAAP populations. Workshop presented at the Cultural Competence & Diversity Conference of the Georgia Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers, Atlanta, GA.
- 3. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. & Choi, Y. J. (2014, October). *The denial of the "culturally competent": Embracing the dialectic of the unknown*. Workshop presented at the Annual Conference of the Georgia National Association of Social Workers, Atlanta, GA.

- 2. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2014, February). *Re-conceptualizing "culture" in biopsychosocial practices: A Dialectic and Eccentricity Awareness Approach*. Paper presentation at the Graduate School Association's Interdisciplinary Research Conference, University of Georgia, GA.
- 1. Zeiger, S., Alejandro, R., **Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R.**, Caicedo, A. T., Flores, A. L., Grunner, A., & Morales, J. M. (2011, October). *Shattered dreams, living nightmares, and the quest for social justice*. Panel session presented at the 57th Annual Program Meeting of the Council on Social Work Education, Atlanta, GA.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

An asterisk (*) denotes current or former student co-presenter.

- 41. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2024, June). *Addressing social determinants of health by engaging practice, research, and community.* Virtual guest lecture for Latino Scholars in HIV/AIDS Research Education, The George Washington University, Milken Institute School of Public Health, Department of Prevention and Community Health & Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences, Washington, DC.
- 40. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2024, March). *Clinical considerations for social work practice with LGBTQ+ Latinx immigrants*. Virtual guest lecture for Social Work Practice with Immigrants and Refugees, University of Maryland, School of Social Work, Baltimore, MD.
- 39. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2024, February). *Mental health considerations for social work practice with LGBTQ+ Latinx immigrants*. Virtual guest lecture for Mental Health Practice with Special Populations, Dalton State College, Social Work Program, Dalton, GA.
- 38. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2024, February). *HIV stigma and social support among Latinx communities at the U.S./Mexico border*. Virtual guest lecture for AIDS Education Training Center (AETC) Project ECHO's HIV Stigma Matters Series, Harlingen, TX.
- 37. **Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R.**, Simmons, C., Aaron, T., & Copple, J. (2024, February). *Managing transitions in higher education*. Virtual guest panelist for Advanced Seminar in Qualitative Research, University of Georgia, Qualitative Research Program, Athens, GA.
- 36. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2023, November). *Climate justice, colonialism, and trauma*. Two guest lectures for Clinical Practice with Adult Trauma, Boston University, School of Social Work, Clinical Practice Department, Boston, MA.
- 35. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., & Cantu. E. (2023, November). *It takes all of us: Lessons learned on community support and HIV*. Workshop presented at the 2023 VIDA Conference, Valley AIDS Council, McAllen, TX.
- 34. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., Sweet, J., & Smithers, L. E. (2023, November). *Academic Writing Practices*. Virtual guest panelist for Advanced Seminar in Qualitative Research, University of Georgia, Qualitative Research Program, Athens, GA.

- 33. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2023, February). El trabajo social con comunidades LGBTQ+ migrantes: De la intervención individual al cambio social [Social work with LGBTQ+ migrant communities: From individual intervention to social change]. Guest lecture for Methodology of Casework in Social Work, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de Mexico, School of Social Work, Mexico City, Mexico.
- 32. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2023, February). *Exploring the roles of the Spanish-speaking media during times of national crisis*. Guest lecture for Research for the Social Services, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley, School of Social Work, Edinburg, TX.
- 31. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., Robledo, C., Clark, L., & Torres-Hostos, L. R. (2023, January). *A qualitative study of COVID-19 vaccination among Latinx Communities in South Texas*. Poster presented virtually at the Texas CEAL Consortium meeting, TX.
- 30. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2022, December). Una mirada interseccional hacia la salud mental y la violencia en las comunidades Latinas [An intersectional look towards mental health and violence in Latiné communities]. Keynote presentation for the II Congreso Internacional Universitario para la Prevención de la Violencia Sexual, Universidad Autónoma de Coahuila, Mexico.
- 29. Peña, M.,* & Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2022, November). *Forming and maintaining healthy relationships*. Workshop presented at the 2022 VIDA Conference, Valley AIDS Council, McAllen, TX.
- 28. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2022, September). *LGBTQ+ refugee communities*. Virtual two-day workshops presented to the Office of Refugee and Resettlement, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Washington, D.C.
- 27. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2022, May). *Caring for our LGBTQ+ youth and families*. Workshop presented to mental health professionals, child welfare staff, foster parents, and students, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley, School of Social Work, Edinburg, TX.
- 26. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2021, December). *Entre madres y comadres: Espacios familiares por trans Latinas migrantes*. Virtual presentation at the "Tecnociencia, Género y Feminismos: Tensiones y Ensamblajes Entre el Pensamiento Crítico y la Terapia Familiar Sistémica" conference, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (Facultad de Estudios Superiores Iztacala & Colectivo de Estudios de Género SUAyED UNAM).
- 25. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2021, November). Understanding the rainbow: Strengths and needs of LGBTQQIAP populations. CEU ethics workshop presented to mental health professionals, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley, School of Social Work, Edinburg, TX.
- 24. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2021, November). *Forming and maintaining healthy relationships*. Workshop presented at the 2021 VIDA Conference, Valley AIDS Council, McAllen, TX.
- 23. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2021, October). *Reconceptualizing culture and valuing uniqueness in patient care*. Virtual workshop presented as part of the School of

Medicine's Diversity and Inclusion Education Series, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley, Edinburg, TX.

- 22. Alvarez Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2021, September). *Immigration and Diversity*. Virtual guest lecture for Human Diversity, Dalton State College, Social Work Program, Dalton, GA.
- 21. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2021, August). "Soy luchadora social": Resultados de un estudio cualitativo con mujeres trans hispanas, migrantes y activistas en los Estados Unidos. Virtual presentation at the Cuarto Seminario Nacional de los Derechos de las Personas LGBTTTIQA+: Pluralidad Parental, Laboratorio Científico Internacional de Derechos Humanos, Michoacán, México.
- 20. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2020, October). *Exploring the roles of the Spanish-speaking media during times of national crisis*. Virtual presentation for the Social Work Research, Policy, and Practice Colloquia Series, University of Georgia, School of Social Work, Athens, GA.
- 19. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2020, August). A veces lo que se ve, sí se pregunta: Queer and Latinx mental health. Virtual presentation for the social media event "Gala Queer Entre Familia: No Perrees Sola!" hosted by Siembra NC.
- 18. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2020, August). *Boundary setting for community health workers*. Workshop presented at the virtual Community Health Workers Learning Series hosted by Georgia State University's Georgia Health Policy Center and the Georgia Department of Public Health, Atlanta, GA.
- 17. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2019, October). *Linguistically and culturally responsive programming: Understanding and using the CLAS Standards*. Workshop presented to multiple health and social services agencies and community providers through the Lazos Hispanos project, Athens, GA.
- 16. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2019, March). *Oppressed by freedom*. TED^x Talk presented at TED^xPonceyHighland, Atlanta, GA.
- 15. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2018, December). *Working with midlife adults in healthcare settings: Considering diversity and human development*. Guest lecture for BSW Human Behavior in the Social Environment course, Georgia State University, School of Social Work, Atlanta, GA.
- 14. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2018, October). Facilitator at the Interprofessional Education (IPE) event at Brenau University, Gainsville, GA.
- 13. Ammirati, R. J. & Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2017, March 10). *HIV/AIDS and trauma*. Professional development training to Grady Health System and Emory University's Trauma Project, Atlanta, GA.

- 12. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. & Hughes, J. R. (2016, August 10 & 19). Understanding the rainbow: Social work considerations on diversity and needs of LGBTTQQIAAP populations. Continuing education training presented at ViewPoint Health, Conyers, GA and Lawrenceville, GA.
- 11. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2016, April). *The intersection between policy and social work practice*. Guest lecture for BSW social work policy course, Georgia State University, School of Social Work, Atlanta, GA.
- 10. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2016, April). *Verbal de-escalation training*. Professional development training presented to medical case managers, AID Atlanta, Atlanta, GA.
- 9. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2016, March). *Social responsibility and working with the disenfranchised*. Continuing education training presented at Care Ethics in a Complicated World: A Conference for Mental Health Professionals, Care and Counseling Center of Georgia, Decatur, GA.
- 8. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. & Hughes, J. R. (2016, February). *Understanding the trans colors of the rainbow*. Professional development training presented to Emory University Hospital's Infectious Disease Program, Midtown Clinic, Atlanta, GA.
- 7. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2015, November). *Substance use and HIV/AIDS*. Guest lecture for the Linkage to HIV Care Peer Guide Training Program at Georgia State University, Atlanta, GA.
- 6. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2015, September). *Working with interpreters in mental health settings*. Children's Healthcare of Atlanta, Decatur, GA.
- 5. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2015, June). *Understanding the rainbow: Considerations on diversity and needs of LGBTTQQIAAP populations*. Professional development training presented to the Decatur Cooperative Ministry and the First Baptist Decatur Church, Decatur, GA.
- 4. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2015, June). *What to expect in mental health interpreting*. Continuing education training presented to Culture Connect and Care and Counseling Center of Georgia, Decatur, GA.
- 3. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. & Oliva-Calderin, J. L. (2014, July). *Re-conceptualizing immigration and gay marriage in clinical practice*. Webinar presented for the Latino Commission on AIDS: Latinos in The Deep South's Webinar Series, Atlanta, GA
- 2. Camp, C. & Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2014, May). *Look who is coming to dinner: Assessing racial and ethnic identity.* Continuing education training presented at Positive Impact's Cultural Diversity Institute 2014, Atlanta, GA.
- 1. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R., Romero, A., Sánchez-Mejorada, M. (2013, January). *Latinos and cultural competency: A look at mental health, substance abuse, and HIV.* Continuing education training presented at Positive Impact's Cultural Diversity Institute 2013, Atlanta, GA.

MEDIA APPAREANCES

- Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. (2022, November). *Rinden honor a personas transgénero víctimas de violencia y odio*. Telemundo, McAllen, TX. https://www.telemundo40.com/noticias/riden-honor-a-personas-transgenero-victimas-de-violencia-y-odio/2242515/
- 1. Alvarez-Hernandez, L. R. & Cardenas, I. (2020, September). *La violencia doméstica en la comunidad latina en medio de la pandemia*. Research findings dissemination interview given to El Nuevo Georgia News, Atlanta, GA.

TEACHING EXPERIENCES

Boston University, School of Social Work

SSW HB 743- Social Work Theory and Practice with Immigrant and Refugee Populations (Fall 2024-Present) SSW HB 736- Puerto Rico Immersion, Learning, and Service: Comparative Perspectives (Summer I 2024) SSW CP 800- Substance Lice Disorders: Assessment and Intervention (Fell 2023 Present)

SSW CP 809- Substance Use Disorders: Assessment and Intervention (Fall 2023-Present)

University of Texas Rio Grande Valley, School of Social Work

SOCW 6331- Advanced Family Practice II (Spring 2022-Spring 2023) SOCW 6350- Advanced Practice with Individuals (Fall 2021-Fall 2022) SOCW 6350- Advanced Practice with Individuals- Bilingual Section (Fall 2022)

University of Georgia, School of Social Work

SOWK 5836/46- BSW Field Integrative Seminar (Fall 2020, Spring 2021) SOWK 5835/45- BSW Field Practicum (Fall 2020, Spring 2021) SOWK 7210- Family Therapy [Co-taught] (Spring 2020)

Georgia State University, School of Nursing and Health Professions

SNHP 3400- Spanish for Healthcare Professions (Spring 2018)

Universidad del Sagrado Corazón de Puerto Rico, Department of Social Sciences SOC 209- Problemas Sociales (*Social Problems*) (Fall 2017)

Emory University, Counseling and Psychological Services- Professional Training Program Diversity Dialogues Seminar- Co-facilitator (Fall 2017 & Spring 2018)

University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, Social Work Program SOCW 3400- Social Work Health Care Services and Policy (Spring 2017)

PRACTICE EXPERIENCES

2018-Present	Owner/Psychotherapist/Licensed Clinical Social Worker
	Multicolor Counseling and Consultation, LLC (Private Practice), GA & TX

2017-2018 Licensed Clinical Social Worker/Staff Clinician Emory University, Counseling and Psychological Services, Atlanta, GA

2015-2017	Dual Diagnosis Clinician Grady Health System, Infectious Disease Program, Atlanta, GA
2015	Associate Therapist Care and Counseling Center of Georgia, Decatur, GA
2014-2015	Medical Social Worker AID Atlanta, Inc./Grady Health System, Infectious Disease Program, Atlanta, GA
2011-2014	Bilingual Substance Abuse Treatment Navigator <i>Positive Impact Health Centers, Atlanta, GA</i>
2013-2014	MSW Clinical Social Work/Psychotherapist Intern Positive Impact Health Centers, Atlanta, GA
2012-2013	Community Relations Coordinator

2013 **Community Relations Coordinator** Positive Impact Health Centers, Atlanta, GA

2010-2011 **BSW Social Work Intern** Department of Family and Children Services, Dalton, GA

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Boston University

- Member- PhD Program Committee, School of Social Work (2024-2025)
- Member- Art Committee, School of Social Work (2024-2025)
- Member- Learn More Series Advisory Committee, BU Diversity and Inclusion office (2024-25)
- Member- CRC Director of Student Services Search Committee, School of Social Work (2024)
- Member- Admissions & Financial Aid Committee, School of Social Work (2023-2024)

University of Texas Rio Grande Valley

- Member- Faculty Executive Committee (Elected), School of Social Work (2021-2023)
- Member- MSSW Program Committee, School of Social Work (2021-2023)
- MSSW Academic Advisor- School of Social Work (2021-2023)
- Member- Doctoral Program Committee, School of Social Work (2021-2023)
- Member- Search Committees (Associate Dean of Research; Clinical Faculty), School of Social Work (2021-2022)
- Member- CEU and Promotion Committee, School of Social Work (2021-2022)

University of Georgia

- Ph.D. Student Representative- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee, School of Social Work (2020-2021)
- Ph.D. Student Representative- Social Work Doctoral Program Committee (2018-2020)
- Mentor- School of Social Work First Year Doctoral Students (2019-2021)
- Mentor- Pathways: Gateway to Graduate School Bridge Program (Summer 2019)
- Member- *Movimiento Latino* Planning Committee (2018-2019)

Emory University

- Campus Staff Advisor- Active Minds chapter (2017-2018)

- Member- DACA/Undocumented/Mixed Status Families/Students work group (2017-2018)
- Advisory Board Member- El Centro Latinx (2017-2018)
- Clinician Liaison- LGBT Life (2017-2018)
- Mentor- Counseling and Psychological Services' Professional Training Program (2017-2018)

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

Social Work in Health Care Journal

- Editorial Board Member (2024-2026)

External Dissertation Committee Member- Qualitative Methodological Expert

 Paseda, O. (2024). "I'm a person beyond my past: An interpretive phenomenological analysis of Black women reentry after incarceration." University of Georgia, School of Social Work.

Society for Social Work and Research

- Conference Abstract Reviewer (2025)
- "Coffee with a Scholar Program" Mentor (2023, 2024)

Routledge Resources Online: Qualitative Methods

- Member- Editorial Advisory Board, Gender and Sexuality section (2021-Present)

Texas Transfer Advisory Committee's (TTAC) Discipline Specific Subcommittee on Social Work, Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board

- Advising member- Nominated by UTRGV's Provost (February 1, 2022-June 30, 2023)

Council on Social Work Education- SAMHSA Master's Minority Fellowship Program

- Mentor to three MSW students in various U.S. states (2020-2021)

Ad hoc Reviewer:

- Social Work in Health Care (2024)
- Journal of Community Psychology (2022)
- Journal of Applied Rehabilitation Counseling (2022)
- Social Work Research (2019)
- Revista "Búsqueda" ("Búsqueda" Journal, social sciences) (2019)

COMMUNITY SERVICE

2024	Social Work Representative on Planning Committee for Curriculum CEU Approvals. Valley AIDS Council, McAllen, TX. Assess curriculums' suitability for social workers' continuing education credit.
2020-Present	Community Advisory Board. Community Estrella, Atlanta, GA. Serves the transgender and gender nonconforming immigrant community in the states of Georgia, Mississippi, and South Carolina.
2015-2016	Action Board Member. Latino LinQ, Atlanta, GA. Serves LGBTQ+ Latinx individuals in Georgia.

2014-2015 **Council Member.** Gay Spirit Visions, Atlanta, GA. Provides conferences and gatherings for sexual minority men.

LICENSES AND CERTIFICATION

Licensed Independent Clinical Social Worker (LICSW), Massachusetts License No.: *LICSW127063* (Active)

Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW), Georgia License No.: CSW006157 (Active)

Certified Anger Management Specialist (CAMS-II), Certificate No.: 1565R (Inactive)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Society for Social Work and Research Council on Social Work Education International Family Therapy Association National Latinx Psychological Association Latino Social Workers Organization Latino Caucus for Public Health (APHA)

LANGUAGE SKILLS (OTHER THAN ENGLISH)

Spanish: Native and professional in oral and written communication.