

Curriculum Vitae

DAMIAN J. FERNANDEZ

Head of School

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EDUCATION

- **Ph.D. in International Relations**, University of Miami. Graduate School of International Studies, Miami, FL, 1986.
DISSERTATION: *Cuba's Foreign Policy in the Middle East: 1959-1985*
- **M.A. in Latin American Studies (Political Science)**, University of Florida. Center for Latin American Studies, Gainesville, FL, 1980.
THESIS: *A View from Within: Creative Writers and Society in Cuba and Puerto Rico, 1959-1979*
- **B.A. in International Relations and Latin American Studies**, Princeton University, Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs, Princeton, NJ, 1979.
THESIS: *From Revolution to Reaction: Rural Education in Northeast Brazil, 1954-1975*

Special Programs

- Center for Creative Leadership, Eckerd College. Summer 2005.
- Georgetown University. Institute on Comparative Political and Economic Systems. Summer 1983.
- Institut d'Etudes Françaises D'Avignon. Summer 1977.
- New York University in Madrid, Spain. Fall 1976.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Head of School, Ethical Culture Fieldston School, Riverdale, New York- July 1, 2011

Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs, Purchase College, SUNY, Purchase, NY
August 2008-June 2011

- Co-chaired the Strategic Planning process that culminated in a new plan for 2010-2015
- Spearheaded a process of organizational restructuring to reduce administrative costs (to be reinvested in faculty lines) and increase interdisciplinary collaboration
- Promoted a new model of academic affairs and student life integration focused on learning outcomes in and outside the classroom, high impact activities, and student success characteristic of a learning-centered institution
- Established a hybrid model of academic administration that placed faculty in oversight of critical areas: Assessment, Engagement, Writing, and General Education
- Launched new degree programs (B.S. in Visual Arts; B.S. in Arts Management and Music; B.A. in Theatre)
- Laid the foundation for the Middle States reaccreditation process by focusing resources on academic assessment and institutional effectiveness
- Inaugurated a fundraising and grants office within the Office of the Provost
- Began a five year hiring plan to meet student demand
- Connected the Museum, the Performing Arts Center and the academic units
- Launched task forces to draft action plans in the following areas: Internationalization, Graduate Studies,

and Academic Information Technology

Vice Provost, Florida International University, Miami, FL 2006-August 2008

- Served as Chief Academic and Operations Officer, Biscayne Bay Campus
- Charged with re-energizing the campus's academic programs, physical environment, and campus life.
- Oversaw and improved academic programs and the student support services of Florida's largest branch campus (8,000 students / 500 faculty & staff)
- Served as lead PI on multi-university NSF funded project.
- Planned for the revitalization of the campus, working collaboratively with Deans and Directors
- Initiated new interdisciplinary programs in the areas of global and coastal environmental studies
- Launched a retention initiative directed at first generation college students of diverse backgrounds
- Developed a community relations outreach program
- Established a fund raising strategy, including supervising the Development Office on campus
- Prepared, in tandem with the Marketing Director, a marketing plan for the campus
- Raised funds to establish position of Environmental Coordinator

Director for University Long Range Planning, Florida International University, Miami, FL 2005-2006

- Developed options for additional sites for University expansion
- Liaised with city officials to negotiate a downtown site
- Evaluated expansion proposals from University faculty and administrators
- Drafted a plan to engage faculty and administrators in the expansion process
- Created the business plan to revitalize the Biscayne Bay Campus

Director, Cuban Research Institute, Florida International University, Miami, FL August 2003-2008

- Coordinated forty affiliated faculty members.
- Developed and implemented a community outreach campaign that brought academic research to thousands of community members through public lectures and forums.
- Designed and managed a fundraising campaign, raising over \$800,000 in external funds over two years.
- Collaborated with several University departments to maximize resources including Art and Art History, Asian Studies, International Relations, the Frost Art Museum, and the Green Library.

Professor of International Relations, Florida International University, Miami, FL 2001-2008

- Hired in 1988 as Assistant Professor, promoted to Associate Professor in 1992 (tenured in 1992).

Chairperson of the International Relations Department, Florida International University, Miami, FL Fall 1995-2002.

- Managed 20 faculty members.
- Oversaw the expansion of undergraduate and graduate programs, including the creation of a B.A. in Geography and an Honors Track in International Relations.
- Directed Certificate Program in International Studies (1998-2002).
- Achieved best retention rate in the College of Arts and Sciences.

Visiting Professor, Colorado College, Colorado Spring, CO, Summer Session 1988-1989

- Taught courses in the Political Science Department.

Visiting Scholar, Graduate School of International Studies, University of Miami, Miami, FL Spring 1997

- Invited to conduct a sabbatical research project.

Director of the Graduate Program in International Studies, Florida International University, Miami, FL 1991-1995

- Managed a five department graduate degree program.
- Expanded course offerings and led curriculum reform.
- Raised admission standards, improving the caliber of students in the program.
- Created and institutionalized procedures for program administration.

Assistant Professor of Political Science, Colorado College, Colorado Springs, CO August 1986-1988

- Instructed courses in Latin American politics and ethnic politics.

Assistant Dean, St. Thomas University, Miami, FL 1981-1984

- Directed a bilingual satellite campus with an enrollment of approximately 300 students.

Teaching Fellow, Phillips Academy, Andover, MA 1980-1981

- Taught courses in social sciences and literature to exceptional students.

TEACHING & SERVICE AWARDS

- Stellar Achievement Award, Florida International University Student Government Association, 2007.
- Excellence in Teaching Award, Florida International University, 1994.
- Teaching Incentive Program Award, Florida International University, 1995.

EXTERNAL FUNDING

- National Science Foundation: \$600,000 for a two-year project on civic engagement among Latinos in the U.S.
- Ford Foundation: \$450,000 for general support for the Cuban Research Institute for three years.
- Obtained event sponsorship from various individuals and companies totaling over \$100,000 (2003-2007)
- Led grant-writing team that produced successful proposals to the Christopher Reynolds Foundation, Grammy Foundation, and the Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs.

COURSES TAUGHT

Undergraduate

- Introduction to International Relations
- International Relations of Latin America
- International Relations, the Third World and Development
- Latin American Politics
- Caribbean and Central American Politics
- U.S. Latin American Relations
- Sex, Drugs and Rock 'n Roll in IR
- U.S. Government and Politics
- Mexican Politics (Colorado College's Mexico Program University of Guanajuato, Mexico)
- Global Authority and Leadership
- Cuba: From Revolution to Reaction
- America, Americas: Anglo and Hispanic Views of the New World

Graduate

- International Relations of Latin America
- Comparative Area Studies

- Revolution in the Third World: Theory and Practice
- Comparative Foreign Studies
- Research Methodology (team taught)
- Cuba in the World

COURSES DEVELOPED AND INTRODUCED

- Sex, Drugs and Rock 'n Roll in International Relations
- Cuba: From Revolution to Reaction
- America, Americas: Anglo and Hispanic Views of the New World
- Comparative Area Studies
- Cuba in the World

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Latin American Politics and International Relations
- Politics of Latinos in the U.S.
- State-Society Relations in a Transnational Context
- Cuba's Domestic Politics and Foreign Policy

SCHOLARLY CONTRIBUTIONS (SELECTIONS)

Books

- Cuba and the Politics of Passion (Austin: University of Texas, 2000).
- Cuba's Foreign Policy in the Middle East (Boulder: Westview Press, 1988).

Edited Books

- Cuba Transnational (Gainesville: University Press of Florida, 2005)
- Cuban Studies since the Revolution (Gainesville: University Presses of Florida, 1992).
- Central America and the Middle East: The Internationalization of the Crises (Gainesville: University Presses of Florida, 1990).

Books, Co-edited

- Cuba, The Elusive Nation: Reinterpretations of National Identity with Madeline Cámara Betancourt (Gainesville: University Presses of Florida, 2000).
- Cuba's Foreign Policy: The New Internationalism, with Jaime Suchlicki, (Miami: University of Miami, 1987).
- Cuba: Continuity and Change, with Jaime Suchlicki and Antonio Jorge, (Miami: University of Miami, 1986).

Articles in Peer Review Journals

- "Placing Latino Civic Engagement." Urban Geography, Forthcoming.
- "Politics and Romance in the Scholarship on Cuban Politics." Latin American Research Review Vol 39, 2 (2004): 164-177.
- "La disidencia en Cuba: Entre la Seducción y la Normalización". Foro Internacional (Mexico) Vol. 173; 2003, #3: 591-607.
- "Hablando en grande, actuando en grande: Historia de la prepotencia Cubana" Encuentro (Madrid), Vol.

26/27, Otono/Invierno 2002-2003: 109-116.

- "En búsqueda de la sociedad civil en Cuba" Quorum (Alcala de Henares, 2003).
- "Why I Love to Love Donna Summer: The U.S., Cuba, and the Politics of Culture" Georgetown Journal of International Affairs, Summer/Fall (2001): 59-66.
- "Society, Civil Society and the State: An Uneasy Three-Way Affair" Problems of Post Communism, November-December (2001): 56-63.
- "Opening the Blackest of Black Boxes: Decisionmaking in Cuba's Foreign Policy" Cuban Studies/Estudios Cubanos (1992)
- "Fiction and Non-Fiction: Problems in the Study of Cuban Foreign Policy" (Review Essay) Latin American Research Review, Vol. XXV (3) (1990), pp. 237-247.
- "The Duty of a Revolutionary: Is Cuba's Foreign Policy a Model for Revolutionary Third World States?" The Harvard International Review, Vol. IX, No. 2, January (1987).

Chapters in Edited Books

- "The Good, the Bad, and The Ugly: The Normalization of Cuba's Civil Society in Post-Transition." Looking Forward: Comparative Perspectives on Cuba's Transition, ed. Marifeli Perez-Stable. (Notre Dame: University of Notre Dame Press, 2007).
- "Society, Civil Society, and the State: An Uneasy Three-Way Affair." A Contemporary Cuba Reader: Reinventing the Revolution. Eds. Philip Brenner, Marguerite Rose Jimenez, John M. Kirk, and William M. LeoGrande. (Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, 2007).
- "Lo bueno, lo malo y lo fe: la normalización de la sociedad civil cubana después de la transición." Cuba en el siglo XXI: Ensayos sobre la transición, ed. Marifeli Perez-Stable. (Madrid: Editorial Colibri, 2006). 119-141.
- "La naciente oposición cubana." Cuba hoy y mañana: Actores e instituciones de una política en transición, ed. Rafael Rojas. (Mexico City: Editorial Planeta, 2005). 119-132.
- "Talking Big, Acting Bigger: Cuba's Foreign Policy, 1902-2002" in Frank Mora et al. Latin American Foreign Policies, (New York: Rowman & Littlefield 2003.)
- "Passion and Democracy in Cuba" in Democracy in Latin America, Phil Kelly, ed., (Boulder: Westview Press, 1998).
- "Ficidad: el hombre cero y la nación de desplazamiento" in Repensando a Martí, Uva de Aragón, ed., (Salamanca: Universidad Pontificia de Salamanca, 1998).
- "Cuba and the Caribbean in the 1990s" (co-authored with Olga Nazario) in Public Policy in Latin America and the Caribbean in the 1990s, J. Braveboy-Wagner and D. Gayle, (Boulder: Westview Press, 1996).
- "Human Rights and Democracy: The Cuban Case" in Democracy and Human rights in the Caribbean, I. Griffith, ed., (Boulder: Westview Press, 1997).
- "Informal Politics and the Crisis of Cuban Socialism" in Cuba and the Future, in Donald E. Schulz, ed., (Westport: Greenwood Press, 1994).
- "The Politics of Youth in Cuba" in Cuba Contradiction and Change, Enrique Baloyra and James Morris, eds., (Albuquerque: University of New Mexico Press, 1993).
- "Cuba's Relations with China: Political Fluctuation and Economic Pragmatism" in The Globalization of Cuba's International Relations, Donna Rich-Kaplowitz, ed., (Boulder: Lynne Rienner, 1993).
- "Continuity and Change in Cuba's International Relations in the 1990s" in Cuba since the Fourth Party Congress, Jorge Pérez-Lopez, ed., (Gainesville: University Presses of Florida, 1993).
- "Civil Society in Transition" in Cuba in Transition Project, (Miami: Florida International University, 1993).
- "Political Religion and Revolution in Cuba" in Religious Challenge to Secular Authority, Matthew Moen and Lowell Gustafson, eds, (Philadelphia: Temple University Press, 1991).
- "Cuba" in The Latin America Contemporary Record 1989, James Malloy and Eduardo Gamarra, eds., (New York: Holmes and Meier, 1991).
- "Central American and Caribbean International Relations" in Political Science Research on Latin America, David Dent, ed., (Westport: Greenwood Press, 1990).
- "The Cuban Military under Castro" in The Cuban Armed Forces: Status and Outlook, Jaime Suchlicki,

ed., (Miami: Institute of Interamerican Studies, 1989).

- "From Little Havana to Washington, D.C.: The Impact of Cuban-Americans on U.S. Foreign Policy" in Ethnic Groups and U.S. Foreign, Mohammed Ahrari, ed., (Westport: Greenwood Press, 1987).
- "Cuba in the Middle East: Increasing the Risks of Internationalism" in Cuban Foreign Policy in the 1980's, Jaime Suchlicki and Damian J. Fernandez, eds., (Miami: University of Miami, 1987).
- "Deuda y Democracia en Centroamerica" in Proceeding of the Annals of the 45th Americanist Congress, 1986.

Occasional Papers

- "The Greatest Challenge: Civic Values in Post Transition Cuba." Coral Gables: Institute of Cuban and Cuban American Studies, University of Miami, 2003.

Encyclopedia Entries

- Five entries in Encyclopedia of Latino Studies. (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2005).
- "Choteo," "Corruption," and "Human Rights" in Encyclopedia of Cuba, eds. Louis Perez, Luis Martinez Fernández, et al. (New York: Greenwood, 2003).

Reviews (selections)

- "Sexual Politics in Cuba: Machismo, Homosexuality and AIDS" by Martin Leiner in Journal of Health, Law and Politics, 1995.
- "Back from the Future: Cuba under Castro" by Susan E. Eckstein in The Historian, 1995.
- "On the Brink: Castro, the Missile Crisis, and the Soviet Collapse" edited by James Blight et al., for the Journal of American History, 1994.
- "Leaders and Leadership in Latin America" by M. Kryzaneck in The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Sciences, 1993.
- "Cuban Politics as Theatre: A Review Essay" in Hemisphere, 1993
- "Cuba and the United States: Ties of Singular Intimacy" by Louis Perez in Hispanic American Historical Review, 1992.
- "Tongues of Fire: Protestantism in Latin America" by David Wilson in Annals of Political Science, 1991.
- "The U. S. and the Origins of the Cuban Revolution" by Jules R. Benjamin in Hispanic American Historical Review, 1991.
- "Mirror of Youth: Three Dissertations on the Politics of Being Cuban-American" Cuban Heritage Vol. 3 (1) 1990.
- "Political Change in the Third World" by Charles F. Andrain. (Winchester, MA: Allen and Unwin, 1987) and "Third World Politics: A Comparative Introduction" by Paul Commack et al. (Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press, 1988) Journal of Interamerican Studies, Vol. 32 (1), 1990.
- "La Estrategia Militar de los Estados Unidos en el Caribe" by H. Garcia Munoz, Hispanic American Historical Review, 1990.
- "The Caribbean in World Politics" Leslie Manigat and Jorge Heine, eds., (Boston: Allen & Urwin, 1988), Hispanic American Historical Review, Spring 1989.
- "The Evolution of the Cuban Military" by Rafael Fermoselle, Hemisphere, Vol. 1, 1988.
- "International Relations of the Caribbean" Section Editor for the Handbook of Latin Studies, (Library of Congress, 1987 to the present).
- "La lucha por la salud en Cuba" by Leopoldo Araujo Bernal, Hispanic American Historical Review, 1986.
- "Cuban Communism" (7th edition), Irving L. Horowitz, ed., The Journal of Interamerican Studies and World Affairs.
- "Cuba's Foreign Policy: Scholarship and Double Standards" (Review Essay), Journal of Interamerican Studies, Vol. 28, Summer 1986.
- "The Morass: U.S. Intervention in Central America" Southeastern Latinamericanist, SECOLAS, Vols. 2-3, 1985.

Other Publications

- "Social Capital and Civil Society" in Civil Society and the Summit of the Americas, Richard E. Feinberg and Robin Rosenberg, eds, Coral Gables: North - South Center, 1999.
- "The International Relations of the Caribbean and the Guianas" in The Handbook of Latin American Studies. (Contributing Editor), 1987; 1989; 1991; 1993; 1995; 1997; 1999.
- "Las Lecciones de Mao" El Nuevo Herald. Miami, January 4, 1994.
- "Cuba's Iberoamerican Summit Role" in Caribbean Studies Newsletter. Fall 1994, pp. 4-5.
- "Between Madonna and Option Zero" The Miami Herald. Miami, June 16, 1991. (Reprinted in the Caribbean Studies Newsletter).
- "Cuba: Inflexibilidad Total?" Hemisphere, 1991.
- "Domino Doesn't Explain Cuban Case" The Miami Herald. Miami, December 3, 1989.
- "Castro Very Much in Command" Detroit News. Detroit, March 20, 1986.
- "To Halt Drug Flow Use Carrot-Stick with Latin Nations" The Miami Herald. Miami, March 3, 1985, p. 4E.
- "Radio Martí: New Opportunity in U.S. Course" The Miami Herald. Miami, May 24, 1985, p. 27A.
- "From La Esperanza to El Desengaño. The Pueblos Jovenes of Trujillo, Peru" The Latinamericanist. Gainesville, Winter, 1981.
- "La Odisea de 740 cubanos en Peru" El Miami Herald. Miami, August 9, 1980.

Lectures, Conferences, and Seminars (through 2000)

- "Elián or the Metaphor of Cuban Political Culture," Latin American Studies Association, Miami, March 17, 2000.
- "Cuba: The Next Five Years" US Southern Command, Miami, March, 1999.
- "Cuba and the U.S., 1898-1998: The Paradoxes Continue" Presented at the roundtable on "The 1898 Centennial," University of Miami- Florida International University, 1998.
- "Where Does Civil Society Emerge From? The Untold Story of the Politics of Affection" Latin American Studies Association, Chicago, September 25, 1998.
- "Paradigms and Democracy in Cuba" Latin American Studies Association, September 25, 1998.
- "Where will Civil Society Emerge from in Cuba?" Institute of Cuban Studies, Miami, June 23, 1997.
- "The State of Civil Society in Cuba" University of Miami, Association of Cuban Studies, 1997.
- "From Little Havana to Washington, D.C. (Part II): Reconsidering the Impact of Cuban Americans on U.S. Foreign Policy" University of Havana, June 16, 1997.
- "Ethnic Politics and U.S. Foreign Policy" International Studies Association, San Francisco, 1996.
- "Cuba: Towards an Uncivil Civil Society?" Institute of Public Policy and Leadership Studies, Faculty Lecture Series, Florida International University, Fall 1996.
- Keynote Speaker (Closing Plenary) National Association for Foreign Student Advisors, Fontainebleau Hilton, Miami, 1995.
- "Cooperative Security in the Caribbean" (panelist), National Defense University, North/South Center, April 21, 1995.
- "From Little Havana to Washington, D.C. (Part II): Reconsidering the Impact of Cuban-Americans on U.S. Foreign Policy" Centro de Estudios de Alternativas Políticas, Universidad de La Habana, Cuba.
- Invited speaker Hispanic Heritage Week, Miami-Dade community College, South Campus, 1994.
- "Gender and Nation in Cuba" a national conference (co-organized with Dr. Kathleen Logan), F.I.U., April 30, 1994.
- "The Cuban Challenge for Florida" presented to Leadership Florida 1994, F.I.U., May 13, 1994.
- "Political Religion and Revolution: The Case of Cuba" presented at the Faculty Colloquium on the Caribbean, Daytona Beach Community College, May 17, 1994.
- "Summit of the Americas: Implications for South Florida" LACC sponsored workshop for Dade County Teachers, Oct. 14, 1994.
- "Latin America and the Middle East" (Keynote Panel) Middle Eastern Studies Association Meeting,

Phoenix, Nov. 1994.

- "Comparative Development in the Caribbean" (discussant), Caribbean Studies Association, Merida, Mexico, May 1994.
- "U.S. - Latin American Relations in the Post Cold War" Leadership Center for the Americas, Denver, August 8, 1994.
- "The Mirrors of Cuban Women" (conference organizer), co-chaired with Kathleen Logan, F.I.U., Spring 1994.
- "Intervention in the New World Order" Frank Church Symposium, Idaho State University, 1994.
- Organized a panel on "Cuba and the Caribbean in Transition" for the Caribbean Studies Association, Jamaica, May 27-29, 1993.
- "Muro Roto/Broken Wall: Cuban Artists in Exile since 1989" (conference organizer), May 20-23, 1993.
- "Cuba's International Relations in the 1990s" Caribbean Studies Association, Jamaica, May 1993.
- "Cuba's International Relations in the 1990s" Institute of Cuban Studies, Rollins College, June 26, 1992.
- "Formality and Informality in Cuban Politics" Latin American Studies Association, Los Angeles, October 1992.
- "Cuba's International Relations since the Fourth Party Congress" in Institute of Cuban Studies, Rollins College, 1992.
- "Integration and Disintegration" (presenter and discussant), Frank Church Symposium, Idaho State University, Feb. 11-13, 1992.
- "Accommodating and Resisting: Leaders, State, and Society in Cuba" International Studies Association, Acapulco, March 1992.
- "The Divine Providence, Chango, and el Caballo: Political Religion and Revolution in Cuba" lecture sponsored by the Afro-Cuban Studies Group, CRI, Dec. 1992.
- "Cuban Foreign Policy and the Postmodern Condition" Southeastern Council on Latin American Studies, Jacksonville, March 2, 1991.
- "Latin America and the Postmodern World: The Case of Cuba" in Latin America in a Changing World, Institute of Latin America, USSR Academy of Sciences, April 23-26, 1991.
- "Cuba in the Postmodern World: Definition and Redefinition" Caribbean Studies Association, Havana, Cuba May 22, 1991.
- "Latin America in the New World Order" FLACSO, Santiago de Chile, November 1991.
- "Revolution and Political Religion in Cuba" Symposium on Religious Challenge to Secular Authority, University of Maine, April 6, 1989.
- "Theories and Methodologies of International Relations" (Three-day Workshop), Universidad de San Carlos, Guatemala, May 5-7, 1989.
- "Models of Development in the Caribbean" (discussant), Caribbean Studies Association, Bridget A. Barbados May 1989.
- "Adapting to or Creating Environment?: Cuba's Foreign Policy in Central America and the Middle East" American Political Science Association, August 26, Atlanta, 1989.
- "Latin America's International Relations: New Partners, New Approaches" (chair), Latin America Studies Association, New Orleans, March 18, 1988.
- "Cuba's Foreign Policy in Central America" Universidad de San Carlos, Guatemala, October 18, 1988.
- "Cuba: Anti-Zionism or Anti-Semitism, Internal and International Dimensions" Fourth Research Conference on the Jewish Presence in Latin America, February 22-25, 1987.
- "Problems of Democracy in Central America" (discussant), Florida Political Science Association Meeting, Winter Park, April 3, 1987.
- "Cuba's Foreign Policy Model" United States Air Force Academy, April 23, 1987.
- "The Second Annual Summer Institute on the U.S. and Mexico" University of California, San Diego and El Colegio de Mexico, Cocoyoc, Mexico, July 15-19, 1987.
- "Central America and the Middle East: Theory and Practice Conflict Internationalization" P.C.L.A.S., Arizona State University, October 9, 1987.
- "Cuba in the Middle East: A Case Study for a New Theory" paper presented at the Seminar on Cuban Foreign Policy, University of Miami, February 21, 1986.
- "Soviet Influence in Latin America Revisited" lecture for the Inter-American Defense College XXV Class, Sheraton Bal Harbor, Miami, May 12, 1986.

- "Citizenship in the American Polity" Wye Faculty Seminar, August 4-10, 1986.
- "Central America and the Middle East: The Internationalization of the Crises" (chair), Latin American Studies Association, Boston, October 24, 1986.
- "Mañana Might Be Today: The Impact of Mexican-Americans and Cuban-Americans on U.S. Foreign Policy" paper presented at The International Studies Association, Washington, D.C., March 5-9, 1985.
- "Latin American Studies in Florida" (panelist), Southeast Conference on Latin American Studies, Rollins College, Winter Park, March 28, 1985.
- "The Attitudes of U.S. Latinos Toward American Foreign Policy in Central America" (panelist), Latin American Studies Association, Albuquerque, April 20, 1985.
- "Debt and Democracy in Central America" paper presented at 45th Americanist Congress, Bogota, Colombia, July 5, 1985.
- "The Historical Background of Cuba's Fuerzas Armadas Revolucionarias: Achievements, Failures, and Prospects" paper presented at the Seminar on the Cuban Armed Forces, University of Miami, August 16, 1985.
- "Strategic Challenges and Risks in Latin America" (rapporteur), Instituto de Altos Estudios Nacionales, Quito, Ecuador, September 1-6, 1985.
- "Exiles and Literature: The Case of Cuban-Americans" (panelist), University of Florida, January 15, 1984.
- "The Constitution and Foreign Affairs" (participant), American Political Science Association, Brookings Institution, July 23-25, 1984.
- "Fidel of Arabia: Cuban Foreign Policy in the Middle East" lecture at the Graduate School of International Studies, University of Miami, November 17, 1984.

Media Presentations

- "60 Minutes"
- "Frontline"
- Consultant to Channel 10 (Local ABC News Affiliate)
- Interviews for print media: Miami Herald, Chicago Tribune, Los Angeles Times, Washington Post, St. Petersburg Times, Sun Sentinel, Reuters, AP, BBC, Australian Broadcasting Corporation, New York Times, Newsweek, The Economist

Manuscript Referee

- MacMillan
- Cuban Studies/Estudios Cubanos
- Lynne Rienner Publisher
- University of California Press
- Hispanic American Historical Review
- Hemisphere
- Canadian Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Studies
- Studies in Comparative International Development
- Comparative Politics
- University of Texas Press
- University Press of Florida

EDITORIAL AND ADVISORY BOARDS

- Aventura Hospital Board of Trustees
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- FOCAL (Canadian Foundation for the Americas) Cuba Program

Past Service on Boards of:

- Hemisphere

- Cuban Studies (Book Review Co-editor 1998-2003)
- Caribbean Studies Newsletter
- Handbook of Latin American Studies (1988-1998)
- Lexington Foundation (Americas Program)
- Globe Link Productions

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

- Teaching Incentive Program Award, Florida International University, 1995.
- Excellence in Teaching Award, Florida International University, 1994.
- Faculty Merit Award, Florida International University, 1990.
- Fulbright Fellowship to Guatemala, 1990-1991 (declined).
- Center for Latin American Studies (University of Florida) Library Travel Grant, Summer 1988.
- Benezet Faculty Grant, Summer 1988.
- John J. Barrett Dissertation Prize, 1986-1987.
- Wye Faculty Fellow.
- Phi Kappa Phi.
- St. Thomas University Faculty Research and Publication Award, 1982-1983.
- University of Miami Graduate Assistantship, 1982-1983.
- De Witt Wallace Scholar, ICPEP, Georgetown University, 1983.
- Oscar B. Cintas Creative Arts Fellowship, 1981-1982.
- J.R. Dodge Teaching Fellowship, Phillips Academy, 1980.
- Interamerican Foundation Masters Fellowship, 1980. (For research in Peru).
- NDEA Title Six Fellowship, University of Florida, 1979-1980.
- Institute of International Education Fellowship, 1979-1980 (declined).
- Danforth Fellowship Honorable Mention, 1979.
- Doherty Foundation Prize, 1978. (For research in Brazil).
- De Witt Clinton Poole Memorial Prize, 1978. (For research in Brazil).
- Institut d'Etudes Françaises Scholarship, 1977.
- David Lawrence Scholar, Princeton University, 1977-1979.
- Princeton University Scholarships, 1975-1979.

LANGUAGES

English ■ Spanish ■ French ■ Portuguese.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE (SELECTIONS)

- Brookings Institute Task Force on U.S./Cuba Relations
- SUNY-wide Strategic Planning Steering Committee (2009 – Present)
- SUNY Diversity Advisory Board (2008 – Present)
- Co-Chair, Purchase Strategic Planning Committee (2008 – Present)
- Board Member, Neuberger Museum of Art (2008 – Present)
- Board Member, Performing Arts Center (2008 – Present)
- Joint Faculty-Administration Strategic Planning Committee, FIU (2006-2008)
- Search Committee for Vice President of Human Resources, FIU (2007)
- Search Committee for Director of Research, Latin American & Caribbean Center, FIU (2005-2006)
- Chair, Biscayne Bay Campus Task Force (2006)
- Provost's Grants Committee, FIU (2003-2004)
- Dade County Performance Commission (1999 - 2000)

- Chair, International Studies Task Force (appointed by Provost Rosenberg) (1998 - 1999)
- Executive Board Member, Latin American and Caribbean Center (1995 - 1999)
- Board Member, Cuban Research Institute (1994 - 1999)
- Board Member, Intercultural Dance Institute (1993 - 1999)
- FIU/UM 1898 Program Committee (1998 - 1999)
- Co-Chair, Second International Conference on Cuban and Cuban American Studies (1998-1999)
- Member, Geography B.A. (New Degree) Committee (1998 - 1999)
- Member, Graduate Program in International Studies, Advisory and Admissions Committee (1998 - 1999)
- Chair, International Relations Search Committee (1998 - 1999)
- Member, Krell Scholarship Committee (1992 - 1999)
- International Studies Task Force (Convened by Provost Mau, Chaired by Mark Rosenberg) (1997 - 1998)
- Arts and Sciences Senator, Faculty Senate (1997 - 1998)
- 1998 Centennial Committee (FIU- University of Miami) (1997 - 1998)
- Graduate Program in International Studies, Curriculum Review Committee (1997 - 1998)
- Proposed and established the Cuban and Cuban-American Studies Certificate (1997 - 1998)
- Chair, Curriculum Review Committee - M.A. and Ph.D. (1997 - 1998)
- Hiring Committee, Career Services (Fall 1996)
- Arts and Science Tenure and Promotion Committee (1995 - 1996)
- Organizing Committee for the Rethinking Martí Conference (held at FIU) (1995 - 1996)
- Minority Faculty Development Committee (1994 - 1995)
- Strategic Advisory Planning Council (1994 - 1995)
- Interviews with national and international media (1988 - present)
- Mellon Fellowship Committee (1994 - 1995)
- Graduate Student Teaching and Service Award Committee (1994 - 1995)
- LACC Graduate Student Research Award Committee (1994 - 1995)
- Strategic Planning Advisory Committee (1993 - 1995)
- Honors College Task Force (1993 - 1994)
- Graduate Grievance Committee (1993 - 1994)
- Minority Faculty Development Award Committee (1992 - 1994)
- Cuban Research Institute Advisory Council (1992 - to present)
- Latin American and Caribbean Center Advisory Council (1993 - 1994)
- Editorial Board, Hemisphere (1992 - 1994)
- Search Committee, Cuban Studies (1993 - 1994)
- LACC Curriculum Committee Representative (1992 - 1993)
- Quincentennial Academic Program Committee (1991 - 1992)
- International Affairs Advisory Board (1991 - 1992)
- Cuban Studies Certificate, Subcommittee (1991 - 1992)
- INR Representative to Graduate Program in International Studies Advisory Board (1990 - 1995)
- Chair, Search and Screen Subcommittees. Department of International Relations (1991 - 1992)
- Cuban Task Force (appointed by President Maidique) (1990 - 1991)
- Co-Chair and principal organizer of "A Dialogue among Cubanists" (1990 - 1991)
- Cuban Studies Committee (1990 - 1991)
- Quincentennial Academic Program Task Force (1990 - 1991)
- Library Committee (1990 - 1991)
- Ph.D. Proposal Committee (1990 - 1991)
- GPIS Curriculum Review Committee (1990 - 1991)
- Appointed to University Committee on International Affairs (1989 - 1990)
- Graduate Program in International Studies M.A. Curriculum subcommittee (1989 - 1990)
- GPIS Ph.D. Task Force (1989 - 1990)
- Advisor to the INR Club (1988 - 1992)
- GPIS-Curriculum Review Sub-Committee (1992)