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## CURRICULUM VITAE

### EDUCATION

2008—Present

Master's of Arts Degree

*Major:* Spanish

*Concentration:* Adult & Higher Education

North Carolina State University

Foreign Languages and Literatures

Campus Box 8106

Raleigh, North Carolina 27695

Thesis: «*Distinciónfilia*»: *Distinción & Confusión* in the Pronunciation of University-level Students of L2 Spanish having Studied Abroad in Spain

*The theta, an interdental fricative "th" sound ([θ]), is a feature not found in American Spanish in that it is rarely heard or learned outside the Iberian Peninsula. There are varying degrees to which even a native Peninsular Spanish speaker utilizes this phonological feature that can be broken down into four categories: [distinción, confusión, seseo and ceceo (Dalbor 1980)]. The purpose of this study is to research to what degree university students from the United States, particularly in the Triangle area, use the theta in their Spanish, if at all, after being exposed to the Peninsular variety of Spanish and whether their attitudes concerning this particular phonological feature has anything to do with its frequency of use.*

2004—2008

Bachelor's of Arts Degree

*Major:* Spanish

*Concentration:* Latin American Studies

Guilford College

5800 West Friendly Avenue

Greensboro, North Carolina 27410

### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2009—Present

Teaching Assistant (FLS 102)

North Carolina State University

*Duties:* Taught two sections of second semester elementary Spanish for both the Fall and Spring semesters. Designed lessons plans for M W F classes. Assigned and created homework activities. Tracked students' attendance and participation grades. Wrote, administered, graded, and returned chapter tests. Designed and executed pop quizzes. Assigned and graded electronic QUIA activities. Administered and graded final exams, both auditive and written. Conducted end-of-the-semester interviews. Held office hours for students' concerns. Tracked grades using an Excel spreadsheet.

2008—2009

Teaching Assistant (FLS 101)

North Carolina State University

*Duties:* Aided alongside three other graduate Teaching Assistants to maintain two sections of a 200-cap Elementary Spanish lecture class for both the Fall and Spring semesters. Tracked students' attendance and participation grades. Collected, graded, and returned quizzes/tests. Graded electronic QUIA activities. Updated exam questions. Administered and graded final exams, both auditive and written. Conducted end-of-the-semester interviews along with other projects throughout the semester. Held office hours for students' concerns. Tracked grades. Worked under Dr. J. Scott Despain.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

Fall 2008—Present	Teaching Assistant (Spanish)	North Carolina State University Raleigh, NC 27695 www.ncsu.edu
2007—2008	Bilingual Administrative Assistant	Reading Connections, Inc. Greensboro, NC 27401 www.readingconnections.org

## VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

December 2009	Spanish Interpreter	The Christmas Store New Horizons Fellowship Apex, NC 27502 www.nhf.cc
December 2009	Spanish Tutor	North Carolina State University Sigma Delta Pi Event
Spring 2007	ESL Tutor (“English for All” program) www.myefa.org	Reading Connections, Inc. Greensboro, NC 27401 www.readingconnections.org

## EXPERIENCE ABROAD

Fall 2007	Instituto Universitario de investigación en Estudios Norteamericanos (IUIEN) La Universidad de Alcalá de Henares, Spain
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## AWARDS/SCHOLARSHIPS

2009—2010	Teaching Assistantship (Spanish)	North Carolina State University
2008—2009	Teaching Assistantship (Spanish)	North Carolina State University

## PRESENTATIONS

“The Morisco Case.” Dr. Elvira Vilches (NC State), et al. (Susana García, Katie Sinclair, Samuel Sotillo, and Elizabeth Trujillo). AATF/AATSP Joint Spring Meeting. North Carolina State University. 14 March 2009.

## MEMBERSHIPS & HONOR SOCIETIES

Member since 2009	Sigma Delta Pi, Chapter Xi Omicron National Collegiate Hispanic Honor Society	North Carolina State University Vice-President (2009—2010)
Member since 2009	NASC Honor Society	
Member since 2009	The National Scholars Honor Society	
Member since 2009	Foreign Language Association of North Carolina (FLANC)	
Member since 2009	The American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese (AATSP)	

## GRADUATE RESEARCH PROJECTS (unpublished)

“Manipulación de la verdad: the use of lies in two Juan Marsé novels”

“La evolución de dos rasgos lingüísticos: a diachronic study of three old Castilian texts”

“La cólera del capitán: The use of ‘colera’ in the works of Neruda”

“Frecuencia de los aspectos del futuro y del pasado en el castellano: a ‘CORPUS-based’ study of two Madrileño newspapers”

“Representación bifurcada: Morofilia y la Morophobiba as determinants to a National Hybrid Moriscan Identity in the Post-Reconquista Era”

## REFERENCES

References available upon request. Thank you.