

CURRICULUM VITAE

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(787) 764-0000 Ext. 7593 Office **Education** Ph.D. Philosophy (3.9 average)

Boston College

Boston1 Massachusetts (1980) M. A. Philosophy (3.9 average)

University of Puerto Rico

Rio Piedras Campus (1974) B. A. Philosophy (Magna Cum Laude)

University of Puerto Rico

Rio Piedras Campus (1968) Minors History, Literature, Education **Professional**

Experiences:

Teaching (1970 - present) Full professor

University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras Campus

Faculty of General Studies, Department of Humanities

Course: Western Civilization

Faculty of Education, Graduate School

Courses: Cognitive Processes, Controversial

Issues in Education

Faculty of Humanities, Department of Philosophy

Courses: Introduction to Philosophy, Ethics, 20th Century Philosophy (1993 - present)

Adjunct professor

Inter American University of Puerto Rico, Metro

Campus Faculty of Education, Graduate School

Courses: Educational Values; History of

Education; Curriculum and Teaching in Higher

Education; Reading and Writing at Complex

Levels of Knowledge. (2000) Invited professor

Universidad de San Marcos

Sao Paulo, Brazil

Seminar: A curriculum for human development (1994 - 1995) Invited professor

Autonomous University of the Dominican

Republic, Santo Domingo, República Dominicana

Faculty of Humanities, Department of Education

Seminars: Teaching Thinking Skills; Curriculum

Development; Assessment. (1994) Invited professor

University of Minnesota Community Colleges System,

Minneapolis, Minnesota

Seminar: Teaching Critical Thinking. (1990 - 1992) Invited professor

Universidad del Norte, Barranquilla, Colombia

Faculty of Psychology

Seminars: Teaching Thinking Skills; Curriculum Development. (1990) Invited professor

Antilles University of Dominican Republic, Bonaire, República Dominicana

Seminar: Teaching thinking skills. (1978 - 1980) Roxbury Community College, Boston, Massachusetts

Courses: Introduction to Philosophy;

Introduction to Sociology; Introduction to

Political Science *Administration and Academic Leadership* (1988 - present) Director of the Project for the Development Thinking Skills, University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras.

Responsible for:

(1) Designing and implementing a forty-hour course for faculty development in teaching thinking skills in which approximately 500 professors have participated.

(2) Designing and implementing lectures and workshops on teaching and assessment methods for fostering thinking skills in which about 400 faculty members have participated.

(3) Developing guidelines and providing counseling in the revision and redesign of course syllabi in terms of thinking skills and critical thinking.

(4) Coordinating the celebration of the National Conference on Education and Thinking. This Conference has been held annually for eight consecutive years, with an attendance of 1,100 educators in its last edition.

(5) Coordinating the celebration of Regional Conferences on Education and Thinking. Nine Conferences have been held in Ponce, Arecibo, Mayaguez and Cayey over the last three years, with a total attendance of more than 2,000 educators.

(6) Editing and publishing the Proceedings of the National Conference on Education and Thinking. Two volumes have been published and a third is in press.

(7) Editing and Publishing Bayoan, the newsletter of the Project for the Development of Thinking Skills;

published three times a year, with a circulation of 3,000 copies.

(1990 - 1997) : President of the Organization for Promoting the Development of Thinking Inc.

A non profit organization that provides educational services to schools, colleges and universities in Puerto Rico, the Caribbean and South America in such areas as curriculum revision, course redesign, program assessment and faculty development. The organization has to this day promoted and assisted in the adoption of curricular innovations and educational reforms in Puerto Rico and the Caribbean, in schools and at higher education institutions, in terms of human development and critical thinking.

(1988 - 1990) : Project director of: "The Humanities in Puerto Rican Contemporary Society". Sponsored by the University of Puerto Rico and the Puerto Rican Foundation for the Humanities. Responsible for:

(1) Designing and conducting multidisciplinary research on the status of the humanities in Puerto Rican professions and educational culture.

(2) Planning and organizing Regional and National Conferences on the Humanities in Puerto Rican Contemporary Society.

(3) Editing the Proceedings from the National Conference on the Humanities in Puerto Rican Contemporary Society.

(1983 - 1986) : Member of the "Network for a Common Innovative Learning". A project sponsored by Alverno College of Milwaukee, Wisconsin through a Grant from the Fund for the Improvement of Post Secondary Education. **Educational Consultant** (2000- present) : Universidad de Puerto Rico, Colegio Universitario de Cayey Curriculum Renovation Project (2000- present) Universidad de Puerto Rico, Recinto de Ciencias Médicas, Escuela de Farmacia: Curriculum and Faculty Development (1993 - present) : Superintendence of Catholic Schools of the San Juan Archdioceses.

Responsible for:

- (1) Guiding the design and implementation of a new curriculum framework for human development, critical thinking and authentic learning (K-12).
- (2) Designing and implementing a faculty development process in term of the curriculum framework, strategic teaching and authentic assessment.
- (3) Designing and implementing lectures and workshop for administrators, students and parents in relation to the new curriculum.

(1993 - present) : Main educational consultant in the development of the new school of law, Facultad de Derecho Eugenio María de Hostos. Responsible for:

- (1) Guiding the development of the school goals, competencies, and curriculum structure.
- (2) Providing guidance and counseling in the design of course syllabi
- (3) Designing and implementing a faculty development process of seminars and workshops on the curriculum for human development, authentic learning and assessment and strategic teaching.

(1993 - 1995) : Main educational consultant of the Project for the Training of Faculty to Improve their Ability to Teach Problem Solving Skills of the School of Pharmacy, University of Puerto Rico. Supported by a grant from the Smith-Kline Beecham Foundation and made possible through the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy Grant Awards to Pharmacy Schools.

(1992 - 1994) : Educational consultant of the School of Law of the Catholic University of Puerto Rico. Responsible for designing and implementing a course on legal reasoning that is been offered to all entering students. (1993) : Educational consultant of the Minnesota Community Colleges System in the development of a model of critical thinking across the curriculum. (1991 - 1992) : Educational consultant (ad honorem), of the Governor's Commission for Women Issues in developing a framework for sexual equity in education.

(1990 - 1992) Educational consultant in the development of the new curriculum of the School of Psychology of the Universidad del Norte in Barranquilla, Colombia.

(1989 - 1992) : Main educational consultant in the development of the new problem-based curriculum of clinical medicine of the School of Medicine of the Central University of the Caribbean. Responsible for:

- (1) Elaborating a guideline for courses1 redesign and integration in terms of modules for problem-based learning.
- (2) Designing and implementing a series of seminars and workshops for the faculty on problem-based learning and critical thinking.

(1986 - 1992) : Main educational consultant in the curriculum revision process of the Department of Education of Puerto Rico. Responsible for:

- (1) Writing the philosophic-pedagogical framework that guided the curriculum revision and integration in terms of educational relevance, moral development and critical thinking (see 1987, Principles for the integration of the curriculum).
- (2) Developing teaching and assessment strategies and methods to foster moral development, critical thinking and relevant education (1987-1992).
- (3) Designing and coordinating the training process of teacher-trainers, who then trained the teachers of the whole system (35,000) in terms of the philosophical and pedagogical framework of moral development, critical thinking and educational relevance (1987-1992).
- (4) Providing writing guides and consultant services for the Spanish, English, Mathematics, Science and Fine Arts Programs for their curriculum revisions within the philosophical and pedagogical framework.
- (5) Providing guides and counseling services in the revision of the Social Studies Program.
- (6) Evaluating of the aptitude tests of the Department of Education in terms of higher order in thinking skills.
- (7) Designing and writing video programs, newspaper articles and literature about the curriculum revision to orient parents and the community.

(1989 - 1991) : Educational consultant (ad honorem) of the Commission on Educational Reform of the Puerto Rican Senate and member of the philosophy of education subcommittee of the Commission on Educational Reform. Involved in the:

(1) Elaboration of the bill for a new organic law for the Department of Education (later approved as Law #68 of 1991).

(2) Writing of the educational-philosophical framework for the Organic Law.

(1989) : Educational consultant of The College Board, Puerto Rico Office and Latin American Activities, for the development of the conceptual framework of the new tests for the certification of teachers, in terms of educational foundations, teaching methods and higher order thinking skills. (1985 - 1986) : Educational consultant of the Inter American University of Puerto Rico for writing the conceptual framework for the new Teachers Preparation Program.

(1983 - 1986) : Main educational consultant in the development of the General Education Program of the Inter American University of Puerto Rico. Responsible for:

- (1) Developing the sequence and scope of competencies and skills of the program.
- (2) Guiding the development of the curriculum structure and course content.
- (3) Providing guidance in the design of the program courses in terms of the competencies and the curriculum structure.
- (4) Providing guidance and assistance in the design of such courses as "Critical and Logical Reasoning" and "Methods of Interpreting Reality in the Humanities".
- (5) Designing and conducting faculty development seminars and workshops in relation to the new curriculum.

Papers and Lectures (2001) Un curso de Humanidades desde lo puertorriqueño
2do. Encuentro Internacional de Educación y Pensamiento

Mayagüez Resort and Casino. Mayagüez (2000) Hostos en Mayagüez: La reforma educativa y la autonomía municipal

Municipio Autónomo de Mayagüez (2000) Una aproximación crítica al tema cultura,

cognición, cerebro y educación

Universidad de Guadalajara, México (1996) "The affective dimension in the teaching learning process: a study on teaching and learning language arts". Eight National Conference on Education and Thinking. Ponce, Puerto Rico. (1996) "Human development and thinking in

Piaget and Vigotsky". Eight National Conference on

Education and Thinking. Ponce, Puerto Rico. (1996) "Assessing student learning and development in the humanities". Third Regional Conference on Education and Thinking.

Arecibo, Puerto Rico. (1995) "Total quality in education and instructional

assessment" Seventh National Conference on

Education and Thinking. Ponce, Puerto Rico. (1995) "A synthetic interdisciplinary conception of human thinking and its implications for educational practices". XXV Inter American Congress of Psychology. Inter American Society of Psychology.

San Juan, Puerto Rico. (1995) "The importance of the affective dimension in the teaching-learning process". Conferencia

Puertorriqueña de Educación. Consejo General de Educación, San Juan, Puerto Rico. (1995)

(1995) "Teachers professionalization and the new education culture". Primer Encuentro de

Maestros hacia el Desarrollo del Pensamiento. Ponce, Puerto Rico. (1995) (1995) "The role

of standards in developing the curriculum and the teaching-learning process". Sixth Regional

Conference for the Improvement of Science Teachers. (1995) "A classroom research:

Students perception about the effects of the teaching-learning process in their concepts, skills and

attitudes toward History as an area of study". Fourth Puerto Rican Conference on Research in

Education. University of Puerto Rico. (1995) "Quality processes in the community schools".

First Conference on Community Schools: A real alternative for change. Department of

Education, San Juan, Puerto Rico. (1994) "Investigating cognitive processes in the

classroom: Implications for curriculum and teaching". First International Conference on

Classroom Research.

San Juan, Puerto Rico. (1994) "A faculty development strategy that works". Sixth

International Conference on Thinking. Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge,

Massachusetts. (1994) "The teachers of the year 2,000: Towards a new educational culture".

Universidad Autónoma de Santo Domingo, Republica Dominicana. (1993) : "Teaching

oriented towards the development of

human-professional competencies and the development of thinking and its application to

pharmacy". School of Pharmacy

University of Puerto Rico,

San Juan, Puerto Rico. (1993) : "An alternative conception of critical thinking, its

foundations and pedagogical implications". Teachers Seminar on Critical Thinking. Minnesota

System of Community Colleges, State University of Minnesota. (1992) : "The Status of

Educational Research oriented toward the Development of Thinking Skills in Puerto Rico".

Third annual conference on Education. University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico.

(1992) : "A Conceptual Framework for the Fine Arts Curriculum with Special Emphasis on

Thinking Development".

Escuela de Bellas Artes, Ponce, Puerto Rico. (1992) : "Practices and Experiences in Teaching in Puerto Rico, a Critical Assessment". Quinta Conferencia de Educación Superior.

San Juan, Puerto Rico. (1992) : "Innovative Techniques of Team Work to Improve Thinking (speaker)". 1er Encuentro Nacional de Educación en Salud. San Juan, Puerto Rico. (1992) :

"Critical Thinking and E.S.L. - The Odd Couple or the Perfect Match?" (colloquia panelist).

Puerto Rico Teachers of English as a Second Language (TESOL)

19th Annual Convention.

San Juan, Puerto Rico. (1992) : "The Socio-Political Dimensions of Language Policy and Bilingualism". Puerto Rico TESOL 10th Annual Convention.

San Juan, Puerto Rico. (1992) : "Thinking Attitudes - The Affective Dimension in Thinking Skills Development". Tenth International Conference on Critical Thinking and Educational Reform.

Sonoma State University, California. (1991) : "Critical Thinking and the Affective: The Role of

Thinking Skills in Information Processing and Knowledge Construction". Ninth International Conference on Critical Thinking and Educational Reform.

Sonoma State University, California. (1991) : "Critical Thinking or Critical Consciousness?". Ninth International Conference on Critical Thinking and Educational Reform.

Sonoma State University, California. (1991) : "Teaching Thinking Skills Through Cooperative

Learning". Ninth International Conference on Critical Thinking and Educational Reform.

Sonoma State University, California. (1990) : "Thinking Skills Development Through the Teaching of Academic Subjects".

Universidad del Norte, Barranquilla, Colombia. (1990) : "Teaching Thinking: Theory and Practice". Antilles University,

Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. (1990) : "Multicultural Education and Critical Thinking". First Conference on Practical Strategies for the Teaching of Thinking. Miami,

Florida. (1990) : "Cognitive Styles and Gender". Comisión de Asuntos de la Mujer.

Esc. Francisco Matías Lugo, Puerto Rico. (1990) : "Developing Critical Thinking Through Educational Technology". Convención Anual Asociación para las Comunicaciones y Tecnología Educativa de Puerto Rico.

Dorado, Puerto Rico. (1990) : "Critical Thinking, Curriculum: Revision and Educational Reform in Puerto Rico". 8th International Conference on Critical Thinking and Educational Reform.

Sonoma State University, California. (1990) : "Bridging the Gap Between Teaching Thinking and Content Instruction". 8th International Conference on Critical Thinking and Educational Reform.

Sonoma State University, California. (1990) : "Faculty Development for Critical Thinking". National Conference on Higher Education. American Association for Higher Education.

San Francisco, California. (1990) : "Cognitive Processes and Teaching the Old Age". Segunda Conferencia sobre el Cuidado de la Salud en el Puertorriqueño de Mayor Edad. Centro de Educación en Geriatria.

San Juan, Puerto Rico. (1990) : "Direct Teaching and Assessment of Thinking Skills". Universidad de Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico (1989) : "Hostos, Critical Thinking and the Humanities". Hostos Committee of Kean College.

Kean College, New Jersey. (1988) : "Developing Critical Thinking Through Academic Subjects". Sixth International Conference on Critical Thinking and Educational Reform. Sonoma State University, California. (1988) : "Critical Thinking in Uncritical Societies: Constraints Imposed" (panelist). Sixth International Conference on Critical Thinking and Educational Reform.

Sonoma State University, California. (1988) : "Principles for Curriculum Integration". Conferencia Educativa Anual Asociación de Supervisión y Desarrollo Curricular

San Juan, Puerto Rico. (1988) : "Critical Thinking" Sociedad Puertorriqueña de Filosofía. Facultad de Estudios Generales,

Universidad de Puerto Rico. (1987) : "The Reciprocity Between Theory and Practice in Public Service Professions". Séptimo Congreso de Educación en Trabajo Social. Interamerican University,

San German, Puerto Rico. (1987) : "Critical Thinking in Reading and Writing". Inter American University.

Bayamón, Puerto Rico. (1987) : "Teaching Critical Thinking Through Moral Deliberation". Fifth International Conference on Critical Thinking and Educational Reform.

Sonoma State University, California (1987) : "Ideas for a Critical Reflection about Business Ethics". Primera Conferencia Anual sobre Ética Empresarial. Facultad de Administración de Empresas, Universidad de Puerto Rico,

Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico. (1987) : "Critical Thinking in the Library". Primera Asamblea Anual de la Asociación de Bibliotecarios Escolares de Puerto Rico.

San Juan, Puerto Rico. (1987) : "Teaching Methodologies for the Humanities". Departamento de Humanidades, University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico. (1987) . "Critical and Humanistic Education". Facultad de Educación, University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras Campus. (1986) "The Role of the Humanities in the Public School Curriculum". Segundo Simposio Humanístico del Sur.

Universidad de Puerto Rico,

Ponce, Puerto Rico. (1986) "The Problem of the Relationship Between Man and Woman in Contemporary Society. A Humanistic Perspective". Colegio de Profesiones Relacionadas con la Salud, Recinto de Ciencias Médicas,

Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico. (1986) : "Freire's Education for Freedom". Segunda Conferencia sobre el Proceso Educativo y sus Efectos en la Formación del Puertorriqueño.

Interamerican University,

Aguadilla, Puerto Rico. (1985) : "Critical Thinking Development in the Humanities: Applying the Classics in the Problem Solving Process". Illustrated Lectures given at the General Studies Faculty.

University of Puerto Rico,

Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico. (1985) : "Paulo Freire: Education for Freedom and General Education". Conferencia El Proceso Educativo y sus Efectos en la Formación del Puertorriqueño. Puerto Rican Association of Teachers and the Center for Social Research, University of Puerto Rico,

Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico. (1985) : "Theory and Practice of Teaching Critical and Logical Thinking". Inter American University,

Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico. (1985) : "Interdisciplinary Education, a Concrete Example". Faculty Seminar. Inter American University, Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico. (1984) : "The Integration of Knowledge in the Curriculum and Interdisciplinary Teaching". Third Conference on General Education. Inter American University,

Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico. (1984) : "Teacher's Development Programs and Curriculum Integration". 14th Annual Conference on Education. Inter American University, Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico. (1983) : "Competency-Based Curriculum and General Education". Faculty Workshop.

Catholic University, Ponce, Puerto Rico. (1983) : "The Development of Critical Thinking as an Educational Aim: Sources and Strategies". Department of Biological Sciences, General Studies Faculty, University of Puerto Rico,

Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico. (1982) "Cognitive Skills and Competencies as Educational Outcomes". Curriculum Workshop on General Education. Inter American University, San German, Puerto Rico. (1982) " Elements for a Philosophy of General Education Grounded in the Development of Intellectual (Cognitive-Moral) Skills". Seminar for the Faculty of General Studies.

University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico. (1982) "Sociology and Ethics". Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Puerto Rico,

Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico. (1982) "Sociology and Ethics". Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Puerto Rico,

Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico. ***Publications:***

Books

(2001) **Proceedings of the First International (Eleventh National) Conference on Education and Thinking: Culture, cognition, brain and education**

(Editor and contributor)

Project for the Development of Thinking Skill

Universidad de Puerto Rico

San Juan, Puerto Rico. (2001) **Proceedings of the Tenth Conference on Education and Thinking: Globalization, critical thinking and liberatory pedagogy**

(Editor and contributor)

Project for the Development of Thinking Skills.

Universidad de Puerto Rico

San Juan, Puerto Rico. (1998) **Proceedings of the Eighth Conference on Education and Thinking: Piaget and Vigotsky**

(Editor and contributor)

Project for the Development of Thinking Skills.

Universidad de Puerto Rico

San Juan, Puerto Rico. (1998) **Course redesign and classroom research. Volume I: Education and Humanities.**

(Editor and contributor)

Project for the Development of Thinking Skills.

Universidad de Puerto Rico

San Juan, Puerto Rico. (1997) **A manual for elaborating the human development curriculum.** Biblioteca del Pensamiento Critico: San Juan, Puerto Rico. (1996) **A study about student attitudes towards the Language Arts teaching and learning process.** Council on General Education. Biblioteca del Pensamiento Critico

San Juan, Puerto Rico. (1996) **Moral education in School: Foundation and Teaching Strategies.** Biblioteca del Pensamiento Critico: San Juan, Puerto Rico. (1996) **Teaching reading at complex levels of knowledge.** Biblioteca del Pensamiento Critico: San Juan, Puerto Rico. (1996) **A curriculum for fostering human development: Language Arts.** Biblioteca del Pensamiento Critico: San Juan, Puerto Rico.

(1993) **Proceedings of the Second and Third Conference on Education and Thinking.**

(Editor and contributor)

Project for the Development of Thinking Skills.

Universidad de Puerto Rico:

San Juan, Puerto Rico. (1991) **Thinking and emotions: the role of attitudes in information processing and knowledge construction**

Biblioteca del Pensamiento Crítico:

San Juan, Puerto Rico (1992) **Teaching thinking skills: A manual.** Biblioteca del Pensamiento Critico:

San Juan, Puerto Rico. (1988) **Critical Thinking in the Arts and the Humanities** (contributor).

Alverno College Production:

Alverno, Milwaukee. (1988) **Teaching for fostering thinking development.** PELL. San

Juan, Puerto Rico (1987) **Options for the development of higher education in Puerto Rico.**

(Editor and contributor)

Universidad Interamericana.

San Juan, Puerto Rico (1987) **Principles for Integrating the Curriculum.**

Departamento de Educación:

San Juan, Puerto Rico. (1985) **Painting as a Way of Interpreting Reality: an Introduction to aesthetic education.**

PELL: San Juan, Puerto Rico. (1985) **The Causes of the French Revolution; an introduction to the historical method.**

PELL: San Juan, Puerto Rico. (1984) **Uses and Abuses of Language; an Introduction to basic informal logic.**

Interamerican University:

San Juan, Puerto Rico. *Articles* (2001) (contributor) "Eugenio Maria de Hostos" (20001)

en 100 Great Educators from Confusio to Dewey Routledge: London (2000) Hostos y la educación para el nuevo milenio. El nuevo Día. Enero (2000) Desarrollo de la sensibilidad

estética: una investigación del salón de clase. Crecemos. Revista de desarrollo humano y

cognición. Año V, Num. 1 (1999) Hostos como precursor de la educación basada en el

cerebro. El nuevo Día. Marzo (1996) Actualidad del pensamiento educativo de Eugenio

María de Hostos. San Juan Star. Enero (1997) "The course of Humanities as a human b

development experience" in **Culture, Identity and cyberspace**. Universidad Nacional.

Heredia, Costa Rica (1998) "A classroom: student perceptions of the effects of a teaching

process grounded in the concept of authentic humano learning". Crecemos: Revista de desarrollo

y pensamiento. Año III, Num. 1 (1995) "Basic principles and elements of assessment".

Crecemos: Revista de desarrollo humano y pensamiento.

Año II, Num. 1 (1995) "The role of Philosophy in educational reforms"; in **School**

Transformation. Universidad de Puerto Rico, Facultad de Educación.

San Juan, Puerto Rico. (1995) "Teaching thinking according to Eugenio Maria de Hostos";

in Encuentro Internacional sobre el

Pensamiento de Eugenio Maria de Hostos.

Editorial de Ia Universidad de Puerto Rico:

San Juan, Puerto Rico.

(1995) "Teaching for moral development in the university curriculum"; in **Bioethics: A humanistic perspective on the health profession**. University of Puerto Rico:

San Juan, Puerto Rico. (1995) "Hermeneutics and education". Bayoán. Año IV, Núm. 2

(1994) "Classroom research on cognitive processes:

Curriculum and teaching implications". Crecemos: Revista de desarrollo humano y pensamiento.

Año I, Num. I (1989) "Interdisciplinary education: theory and practice". **General Studies**

Review.

Año 3, Núm. 3, Julio 1988 - Junio 1989