

## EDUCATION

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**PhD. Walden University. Minnesota. February 2010**

- Public Policy and Administration: Management and Leadership in Non Profit Organizations
- Dissertation: Funding Challenges in Puerto Rican Nonprofit Organizations
- Dissertation chair: Dr. Mark Gordon

**MPA. University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras, Campus. Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico. February 2002. (Magna Cum Laude)**

- Public Administration: Financial Administration and Policy
- Thesis: Jail privatization: Bayamon Correctional Institution
- Thesis Director: Dr. Leonardo Santana Rabell

**BA. University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras, Campus. Rio Piedras, Puerto Rico. June 1998.**

- Business Administration: Finance

## CONTINUING EDUCATION & CERTIFICATIONS

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Construction of Virtual Learning Environments Certificate. Center for the Academic Excellence, University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras. February - May, 2017.

Social & Behavioral Human Research. Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI Program). Expiration Date: August 14, 2019

Conflicts of Interest Course. Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI Program). Expiration Date: August 9, 2020

Public Performance Measurement Certificate. Rutgers University, Newark, New Jersey, December 2012 - May 2013.

Federal Funds Training. Puerto Rico Federal Affairs Administration, Washington, D.C. June 11-15, 2012.

Standards and Metadata. National Institute of Statistics of Spain, Madrid, Spain. May 23-27, 2011.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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**Assistant Professor.** Graduate School of Public Administration, University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras Campus August 2016 - up to date

- Teach graduate courses in public administration
- Supervise and mentor students' in thesis and research projects
- Coordinate academic and students affairs
- Conduct research in topics related to public administration and nonprofit organizations

**Professor.** Universidad del Este and Metropolitan University, PR March 2008 - December 2014

- Teach graduate courses at the Public Affair and Business Administration Programs: Public Administration Theory, Municipal Fiscal Operations, Federal Funds for Municipalities, Public Budget and Finance, Introduction to Business, Organizational Behavior, and Integration Seminar

**Research Assistant.** University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras Campus, Rio Piedras, PR.  
February - June 2001.

- Assist Dr. Palmira Rios and Dr. Idsa Alegría researches on topics such as ethnic, race, youths, Vieques, and cultural area.
- Prepare and coordinate meetings and seminars

## PUBLICATIONS

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López Rodríguez, L. M., Segarra Alméstica, E. & Cordero Nieves, Y. (2019). Puerto Rico: Institutional capacity of municipal governments since the 1991 Reform. In Grin, E. J., Completa, E. R., Carrera Hernández, A. P. & Abrucio, F. L. (Eds.), *Capacidades estatales en gobiernos locales iberoamericanos: Actualidad, brechas y perspectivas [State capacities in Ibero-American local governments: Present, gaps, and perspectives]*. Rio de Janeiro, Brazil: Editora FGV

López Rodríguez, L. M. (2018). Nonprofit Organization accountability: Compliance with governments, foundations, and corporate funder requirements. *Journal of the Grant Professionals Association*. 16 (1), 44-58.

López Rodríguez, L. M. (2017). Puerto Rico mental health policy accountability: A policy design evaluation. *Journal of Leadership, Accountability and Ethics*. 14 (4), 104-116.

López Rodríguez, L. M. (2017, June 19). Formalizing Volunteer Programs. [Special to the Philanthropy Journal]. *Philanthropy Journal News*.  
<https://pj.news.chass.ncsu.edu/2017/06/19/formalizing-volunteer-programs/>

López Rodríguez, L. M. (2017, April 10). Collaboration for Societal Benefit. [Special to the Philanthropy Journal]. *Philanthropy Journal News*.  
<https://pj.news.chass.ncsu.edu/2017/04/10/collaboration-for-societal-benefit/>

López Rodríguez, L. M. (2014). Evaluation of the Puerto Rico Government Performance Policy Act. *Scientific International Journal*, 11 (3), 35-40.

López Rodríguez, L. M. (2012). Organizational and Fundraising Practice in Matured NPOs in Puerto Rico. ISTR Working Paper Series Volume VIII - Tenth International Conference, Siena, Italy, July 10-13, 2012.

López Rodríguez, L. M. (2010). Funding Challenge in Puerto Rican Nonprofit Organizations. Doctoral Dissertation, Walden University.

López Rodríguez, L.M. (October, 2010). Changing Routines. [Educational Supplement]. *PA Times*. 33 (5), p. 8.

López Rodríguez, L.M. (2001). Jail Privatization: Bayamon Correctional Institution. Master Thesis, University of Puerto Rico.

## RESEARCH PAPERS

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“Fund diversification and fundraising challenges: A decade of changes in nonprofit organizations in Puerto Rico?” Presented at the 48<sup>th</sup> Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action (ARNOVA) Conference on November 21-23, 2019 and approved for publication at *Revista de Administración Pública*, Vol. 50, 2020.

“Consortiums between local governments and non-profit organizations for the development of local governments”. Paper presented at the XXIV CLAD Conference on November 13, 2019.

"Municipals' Special Corporations". (2018). Chapter of a book in the process of editing by Editorial UPR. Center for Multidisciplinary Studies on Government and Public Affairs (CEMGAP).

"Conclusions". (2018). Chapter of a book in the process of editing by Editorial UPR. Center for Multidisciplinary Studies on Government and Public Affairs (CEMGAP).

"Measurement indicators in public policies for a better accountability: The case of Puerto Rico mental health policies". Paper presented at the 76<sup>th</sup> Midwest Political Science Association Conference on April 5, 2018.

Nonprofit Organizations in Puerto Rico: A Historical Comparative Analysis. March 31, 2005

Organizational Change and Leadership in Nonprofit Organizations. August 23, 2004.

Nonprofit Organizations: History, Theory, and Issues. May 29, 2004.

## **PRESENTATIONS AND ROUNDTABLES PARTICIPANT**

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Municipals enterprises as the engine of economic development Conference at Universidad Autónoma de Santo Domingo. Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. May 2, 2019.

Municipals enterprises as the engine of economic development Conference at Federico Henríquez and Carvajal University. Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. May 2, 2019.

Puerto Rico Mental Health Act: 10 Questions and Answers About Act #408 Coordinated by NAMI on Campus UPR-RP. CRA-109 Social Science Faculty at the University of Puerto Rico. San Juan, PR. April 24, 2019.

Does municipal special corporations in Puerto Rico fulfill its citizens' economical and wellbeing purposes? Panel participant at the 77<sup>th</sup> Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois. April 7, 2019

Constructing my action plan. Workshop for El Yunque Emprende Bootcamp 2.0, La Vega Community Center, Rio Grande. Vitrina Solidaria. San Juan, PR. November 10, 2018.

Municipals' special corporations: An instrument for municipal development? 4<sup>th</sup> Conference on Government and Country, Jesús E. Amaral Auditorium, School of Architecture. University of Puerto Rico. San Juan, PR. May 4, 2018.

Career: How to mentor graduate students. Roundtable participant at the 76<sup>th</sup> Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois. April 6, 2018.

Research: Grant opportunities and strategies. Roundtable participant at the 76<sup>th</sup> Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois. April 5, 2018.

Measurement indicators in public policies for a better accountability: The case of Puerto Rico mental health policies. Panel participant at the 76<sup>th</sup> Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, Illinois. April 5, 2018.

Accountability of Puerto Rico mental health policies. Social Research Center's Conference Cycle. University of Puerto Rico. San Juan, PR. February 15, 2018.

Program evaluation: A tool to increase grants scope opportunities. 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Grant Professionals Association. Atlanta, Georgia. November 13, 2016.

Organizational and fundraising practice in matured nonprofit organizations in Puerto Rico. Panel participant at the 10<sup>th</sup> International Society for Third-Sector Research Conference. Siena, Italy. July 13, 2012.

Metadata Seminar to the Statistics Coordination Committee. Institute of Statistics of Puerto Rico San Juan, PR. September 17, 2011.

Metadata academy, Institute of Statistics of Puerto Rico San Juan, PR. September 7 and 14, 2011.

Essentials elements of nonprofit organizations. Association of Fundraising Professional. Universidad del Turabo, Caguas, PR. December 2, 2010.

Nonprofit organizations statistical needs. World Statistics Day Conference. Institute of Statistics of Puerto Rico, Intercontinental Hotel. San Juan, PR, October 20, 2010.

Administrative and managerial techniques for statisticians. Institute of Statistics of Puerto Rico, San Juan, PR, May 2010.

## **SEMINARS AND WORKSHOPS**

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Rubrics calibration dynamics. Center for the Academic Excellence, University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras. October 30, 2018.

Statistical Package for Social Sciences (SPSS 25). Computer Academic Center, Social Sciences Faculty, University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras. October 3, 2018.

Problems-based learning. Center for the Academic Excellence, University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras. September 7, 2018.

Webinar development using WizIQ platform. Center for the Academic Excellence, University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras. November 28, 2017.

Creating and editing images as learning objects, using online tools and Power Point. Center for the Academic Excellence, University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras. August 31, 2017.

Introduction to Moodle. LabCAD, University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras. November 4, 2016.

Google Classroom. Center for the Academic Excellence, University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras. October 21, 2016.

Social policy evaluation workshop. Dr. José Luis Osuna. Center for the Academic Excellence, University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras. June 9-10, 2016.

10th Conference of the International Society for Third-Sector Research. Siena, Italy. July 10-13, 2012.

Federal funds identification and grants writing for Puerto Rico government agencies training. Puerto Rico Federal Affairs Administration, San Juan, PR. March 16, 2011.

Invigorating public service for change, 2010 American Society of Public Administration Annual Conference. San Jose, California, April 9-13, 2010.

Statistical Inference Workshop. Institute of Statistics of Puerto Rico, San Juan, PR, September – December 2009.

1st Third Sector Congress. SUAGM. Puerto Rico Convention Center, San Juan, PR, November, 12, 2009.

Risk Management Workshop. Certified Public Accountant Organization of Puerto Rico. San Juan, PR. October 5 - 6, 2009.

Federal proposals development - Phase II. ORHELA. San Juan, PR, October 23, 2008.

Federal proposals development - Phase I. ORHELA. San Juan, PR, September 26, 2008

1st Knowledge Management Congress. Science and Technology Graduate School at University of Puerto Rico, Centro de Bellas Artes, Caguas, October 25-26, 2007.

3rd Labor Congress. ORHELA, Intercontinental Hotel, Isla Verde, October 17-18, 2007.

Elaboration of procedures manuals. ORHELA. San Juan, PR, June 8, 2007.

Civil rights and citizens responsibility: Second cycle of round tables. Fundación Operación Solidaridad, El Nuevo Día, November 17 – 18, 2003.

Maximizing the role of a board of directors in a nonprofit organization and, If you had a million dollar, do you will know how to invest them? (Learning fundraising). United Way Puerto Rico, November 9, 2002.

## **REVIEWER**

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Peer Reviewer, VOLUNTAS: International Journal of Voluntary and Nonprofit Organizations, 2016 - up to date

Peer Reviewer, Revista de Administración Pública, Graduate School of Public Administration, March 2017

## **ACADEMIC SERVICES**

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President, Graduate School of Public Administration Admission Committee, August 2016 - up today

Member, Graduate School of Public Administration Academic Affairs and Curriculum Committee, August 2016 - up today

Member, Graduate School of Public Administration Learning Assessment Committee, August 2016 - up today

Principal researcher of the Center for Multidisciplinary Studies on Government and Public Affairs (CEMGAP), ascribed to the University of Puerto Rico. February 2018 - up to date

Academic Coordinator, Graduate School of Public Administration Academic Affairs and Curriculum Committee, August 2016 - July 2017

## **OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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- Consulting Services.** February 2013 - up to date
- Current clients: Para la Naturaleza and Apoyo Empresarial para la Península de Cantera
  - Prepare grants proposals from the federal and local government, private

corporations, and foundations: 13 new grants approved in one year (over \$200,000)

- Conduct program evaluation and design evaluation instruments
- Develop grant prospectus database
- Provide general management consulting
- Prepare organizational procedures and evaluation manuals

**Office Manager.** Puerto Rico Institute of Statistics. San Juan, PR. January 2008 - January 2013

- Coordinate and supervise all administrative areas of the Agency, resulting in “no findings” in two audits conducted by the Office of the Comptroller of Puerto Rico
- Develop and establish operational and administrative procedures
- Supervise the Agency budget
- Assure that the Agency policies and procedures are followed as established

**Administrative Officer and Special Assistant.** Puerto Rico Civil Right Commission. San Juan, PR. January 2007-January 2008.

- Coordinate and supervise all administrative areas of the Agency
- Establish operational and administrative procedures
- Assure that Agency policies and procedures are followed as established

**Computer Teacher.** Felisa Rincón Vda. de Gautier Foundation. San Juan, PR. August 2002 - January 2008.

- Facilitate computer teaching at the Women Correctional Institution in Vega Alta, PR
- Develop a curriculum of basic Word and Excel for 10 session classes

**Administrative Officer.** Computer Learning Centers. San Juan, PR. January 2005 - January 2007.

- Coordinate and manage federal proposals with the Department of Education of Puerto Rico
- Prepare estimates, purchase order, budgets, and special reports
- Keep administrative documents and contracts updated

**Assistant Coordinator.** Cumbre Social, Inc. San Juan, PR. November 2002 - December 2003.

- Assist in the coordination of the Second “Cumbre Social”, celebrated on February 20-21, 2003
- Assist the coordinator in administrative, operational, and financial duties

## **COMMUNITY WORK**

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**Centro de Servicios Comunitarios Vida Plena.** San Juan, PR, January 2002 - 2017

- President of the Board of Directors (October 2014 - July 2015 and January 2008 - June 2009)
- Treasurer of the Board of Directors (September 2005 - December 2007)
- Fundraising committee member

**Foundation for Puerto Rico.** May 2014 - May 2016

- Identify grant opportunities according to the organization programs

## **CONFERENCE PLANNING**

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**World Statistics Day.** Puerto Rico Institute of Statistics. Intercontinental Hotel, San Juan, PR, October 20, 2010.

- Coordinate and design pre and post event, including the identification of 14 exhibitors with products and educational material and over 10 sponsors
- Prepare a post event newsletter

**Multisectorial Meeting Against Criminality.** Civil Rights Commission of Puerto Rico. Puerto Rico Convention Center, San Juan, PR, March 22-23, 2007

- Coordinate and design pre and post events
- Compile conference content and prepare a publication

**“Cumbre Social”.** Ponce, San Juan, PR, February 20-21, 2003

- Collaborate in the coordination and planning of the pre and post event
- Collaborate in compiling conference content for publication

## **PROFESSIONALS ORGANIZATIONS**

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Grant Professionals Association (GPA)

Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA)

Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action (ARNOVA)