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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor	University of Pittsburgh School of Social Work	2021- Present
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EDUCATION

PhD in Social Work	Boston College School of Social Work Dissertation: <i>Racial Choice Pathways to Psychological Distress: The Racialization of Latinx Mental Health</i>	08/2020
MSW	Boston College School of Social Work	07/2016
MA in Clinical Psych.	Ball State University	07/2014
BA in Psychology	Clark University	05/2012

PUBLICATIONS

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

1. Cano, M., Perez Portillo, A. G., **Figuerio, V.**, Rahman, A., Reyes-Martínez, J., Rosales, R., Cano, M.A., Salas-Wright, C.P., Takeuchi, D.T. (2021). Experiences of Ethnic Discrimination Among US Hispanics: Intersections of Language, Heritage, and Discrimination Setting. *International Journal of Intercultural Relations*, 84, 233-250. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ijintrel.2021.08.006>
2. **Figuerio, V.**, & Calvo, R. (2021). Racialization and Psychological Distress among U.S. Latinxs. *Journal of Racial & Ethnic Health Disparities*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s40615-021-01026-3>
3. Lee, C., Magill, M., **Figuerio, V.**, Jackson, K., & Colby, S. M. (2021). Examining client self-exploration in motivational interviewing: Preliminary psychometrics of an observational rating measure. *Journal of Substance Abuse Treatment*, 129, 108345.
4. Teixeira, S., Lombe, M., **Figuerio, V.**, Chu, Y., Wang, K., Bartholomew, M., Rosales, R., Perez-Aponte, J., McRoy, R., Rambo, D., Mayes, L. (2020). University and community agency research partnerships: Implications for teaching, scholarship, and service. *Journal of Teaching in Social Work*. Advance on-line publication: 12 February 2020. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10437797.2020.1713943>

5. **Figuerero, V.**, & Calvo, R. (2018). Latinx use of traditional healthcare: The social network effect. *Journal of Health & Social Work*, 43(4), 217-225. DOI: 10.1093/hsw/hly024
6. Rosales, R., **Figuerero, V.**, Woo, B., Cano, M., & Perez-Aponte, J. (2018). Preparing to work with Latinos: Latino-focused content in social work master's programs. *Journal of Teaching in Social Work*, 38(3), 251-262. <https://doi.org/10.1080/08841233.2018.1472175>
7. Woo, B., **Figuerero, V.**, Rosales, R., Wang, K., & Sabur, K. (2018). Where is race and ethnicity in social work? A content analysis. *Social Work Research*, 42(3), 180-186, <https://doi.org/10.1093/swr/svy010> *
*Nominated for GADE Student Award for Social Work Research

MANUSCRIPTS FORTHCOMING, SUBMITTED OR IN PREPARATION

1. **Figuerero, V.**, Calvo, R., Rosales, R., & Takeuchi, D.T. (In Preparation). *Factors of racial self-classification among an ethnically diverse U.S. Latinx sample.*
2. **Figuerero, V.**, Calvo, R., & Rosales, R., *** (In Preparation). *The relationship between Medicaid coverage and psychological distress among ethnically and racially diverse Latinx groups.* ***Additional Authors TBD

BOOK CHAPTERS

1. Calvo, R., & **Figuerero, V.** (In press). The role of the health care system on the incorporation of Latinxs into American society. In Martin Halliwell and Sophie Jones (Eds.), *The Edinburgh Companion to the Politics of American Health*. Edinburgh, United Kingdom; Edinburgh University Press.

FORTHCOMING, SUBMITTED OR IN PREPARATION

1. Calvo, R., **Figuerero, V.** (Forthcoming). Dismantling Systemic Barriers for the Advancement of U.S. Latinxs. *Encyclopedia of Social Work*. New York, NY: Oxford University Press.
2. Calvo, R., **Figuerero, V.** & Rosales, R. (Forthcoming). The impact of Systemic Racism on Latinx Experiences with Health Care in the United States. In E. J. Mullen (Eds.), *Oxford bibliographies in social work*. Oxford University Press.

ADDITIONAL PUBLISHED WORKS, REPORTS, & BRIEFS

1. Calvo, R., Ortiz, L., Padilla, Y. C., Waters, M. C., Lubben, J., Egmont, W., Rosales, R., **Figuerero, V.**, ... Villa, P. (2016). Achieving equal opportunity and justice: the integration of Latino/a Immigrants into American society (*Grand Challenges for Social Work Initiative Working Paper No. 20*). Cleveland, OH: American Academy of Social Work and Social Welfare.
2. Chu, Y., **Figuerero, V.**, Jones, K., Lombe, M., Rosales, R., Teixeira, S., & Wang, K. (2017). Catholic Charities Teen Center at St. Peter's 2012-2015: A report prepared by the Boston College School of Social Work.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant

Center for Innovation and Social Work and Health, Boston University, Boston, MA
R01 Project: Mechanisms of Behavioral Change in a Culturally-Adapted
Motivational Interviewing with Latinx Heavy Drinkers (PIs: Christina S. Lee, Ph.D.,

Molly Magill, Ph.D.), 2018-Present.

Project Coordinator	Center for Innovation and Social Work and Health, Boston University, Boston, MA R01 Project: Addressing Alcohol Use Related Health Disparities: A Hybrid Effectiveness Implementation Study of a Culturally Adapted MI for Latinx Alcohol and Drug Users (PIs: Christina S. Lee, Ph.D.), 2020–2021.
Research Assistant	School of Social Work, Boston College, Boston, MA Project: Boston College School of Social Work and Catholic Charities Archdiocese of Boston (CCAB) Community Partnership: The Longitudinal Impacts of Participation in a Community-Based Teen Center (PIs: Margaret Lombe, Ph.D., Samantha Teixeira, Ph.D., Ruth McRoy, Ph.D.), 2016–2019.
Research Assistant	Department of Psychological Sciences, Ball State University, Muncie, IN Project: Privilege & Inequality Framing (Advisor: Linh N. Littleford, Ph.D.), 2012–2014.
Research Assistant	Frances L. Hiatt School of Psychology, Clark University, Worcester, MA Project: Latino Men and Depression: An Exploratory Study of Help-seeking Behavior (Advisor: Esteban Cardemil, Ph.D.), 2009–2012.

PROFESSIONAL LICENSES

2017–present Licensed Certified Social Worker, Commonwealth of Massachusetts

CLINICAL APPOINTMENTS

POST-MSW

Clinical Social Worker/Therapist Boston Medical Center Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Health, Boston, MA, Supervisor: Jesus Vega, LICSW, 2017–2021

FIELD EDUCATION/INTERNSHIPS

MSW Social Work Intern Boston Medical Center Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Health, Boston, MA, 2015–2016

Bilingual Mental Health Therapist East Boston High School ELL Special Ed. Dept., East Boston, MA, 2014–2015

Clinical Masters Intern Ball State University Counseling and Health Sciences, Muncie, IN, 2013–2014

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

ADJUCT/TEACHING FELLOW

Spring, 2019 *Program Evaluation*, MSW, Boston College School of Social Work

Fall, 2018 *Diversity & Cross-Cultural Issues*, MSW, Boston College School of Social Work

TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIP

Spring, 2018	<i>Program Evaluation</i> , MSW, Boston College School of Social Work
Fall, 2017	<i>Research Methods</i> , MSW, Boston College School of Social Work
Spring, 2014	<i>Social Psychology</i> , Undergraduate course, Ball State University
Fall, 2013	<i>Statistics</i> , Undergraduate course, Ball State University

GUEST LECTURE

Spring, 2018	<i>Program Evaluation</i> , MSW, Boston College School of Social Work
Fall, 2017	<i>Human Behavior in the Social Environment</i> , MSW, Boston College School of Social Work
Summer 2017	<i>El Impacto Social de la Santería, la Magia, y la Religión en Poblaciones Latinas</i> , MSW, Boston College School of Social Work
Summer 2017	<i>Understanding Human Diversity and Cultural Competence in Human Services</i> , MSW, Salem State University School of Social Work
Spring, 2017	<i>Social Welfare System</i> , MSW, Boston College School of Social Work
Spring, 2017	<i>Social Service with Latinos</i> , MSW Spanish and English courses, Boston College School of Social Work
Fall, 2017	<i>Diversity & Cross-Cultural Issues</i> , MSW Spanish and English courses, Boston College School of Social Work
Fall, 2016	<i>Diversity & Cross-Cultural Issues</i> , MSW, Boston College School of Social Work

ACADEMIC SERVICE

AD HOC REVIEWER

09/2021	<i>Journal of Marriage and Family</i>
02/2021	<i>American Journal of Drug and Alcohol Abuse</i>
01/2021	<i>Race & Social Problems</i>
10/2020	<i>International Journal of Intercultural Relations</i>

UNIVERSITY COMMITTEES

2021 – present	<i>Committee Member</i> , Direct Practice Committee, University of Pittsburgh
2021 – present	<i>Committee Member</i> , Afrolatinidad Studies Initiative Advisory Committee, University of Pittsburgh
2021	<i>Co-chair</i> , Latinx Connect Conference, Latinx & Hispanic Heritage Month Committee, University of Pittsburgh
2017 – 2018	<i>Committee Member</i> , Racial Justice Symposium, Boston College

2016 – 2018	<i>Co-leader</i> , Doctoral Outgoing Committee, Boston College School of Social Work
2016 – 2017	<i>Student Representative</i> , Diversity & Social Justice Committee, Boston College School of Social Work
2009 – 2012	<i>Finance Chair</i> , Millennium Leadership Conference, Clark University
2008 – 2012	<i>Co-leader</i> , FOCUS Black and Latino Male Support Group, Clark University

HONORS & AWARDS

2017	Elaine Pinderhughes Doctoral Fellowship, \$5000, Boston College SSW
2016, 2017	Travel Expense Funding, \$500, Boston College SSW
2016,	Catholic Charities Community Research Funding, \$5,600, Boston College SSW
2015	Latino Research Seminar Funding, \$4,000, Boston College SSW
2012	ALANA (Student of Color) Leadership Award, Clark University
2010	Ronald E. McNair Summer Research Fellowship, \$5,000, University of New Hampshire

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

WORKSHOPS

1. Edwards, J., Rosales, R., & **Figuerero, V.** (2019). The emergence and utilization of peer support in mental health treatment. Workshop presented at the Conference of the Society for Social Work Research, San Francisco, CA.
2. Evans, K., **Figuerero, V.**, Hasson, R., & Rosales, R. (2017). Learning to work with immigrants and refugees: Urgency in social work education. Workshop presented at the Council for Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, Dallas, TX.

ORAL PRESENTATIONS

1. **Figuerero, V.**, Perez-Aponte, J., Evans, K., Rosales, R., Woo, B. & Cano, M. (2018). The current status of immigrant-focused content in social work education. Paper presented at the Council for Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, Dallas, TX.
2. **Figuerero, V.** & Calvo, R. (2018). Latinx use of traditional health care: The social network effect. Paper presented at the Society for Social Work Research 2018 Annual Conference, Washington D.C.
3. Rosales, R., **Figuerero, V.**, Woo, B., Cano, M., & Perez-Aponte, J. (2017). Preparing to work with Latinos: Latino-focused content in Social Work Masters Programs. Paper presented at the Council for Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, Dallas, TX.
4. Evans, K., **Figuerero, V.**, Hasson, R., & Rosales, R. (2017). Learning to work with immigrants and refugees: Urgency in social work education. Workshop presented at the Council for Social Work Education Annual Program Meeting, Dallas, TX.

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

1. Rosales, R., Lopez, A., **Figuerero, V.**, & Hernandez Menses, L. M. (2017). Critical Latino response to president Trump's executive order on interior immigration enforcement. Poster presented at the Society for Social Work Research 2018 Annual Conference, Washington D.C.
2. Teixeira, S., Lombe, M., Wang, K., **Figuerero, V.**, Rosales, R., Chu, Y., Jones, K. & Ingerman, S. (2017). A multimethod assessment of positive youth development in a community-based teen center. Poster presented at the Society for Social Work Research 2018 Annual Conference, Washington D.C.
3. Perez-Aponte, J., Rosales, R., Woo, B., & **Figuerero, V.**, & Cano, M. (2017). Race and ethnicity in social work education: A content-analysis of MSW curriculums. Poster presented at the Society for Social Work Research 2018 Annual Conference, Washington D.C.
4. Calvo, R., Ortiz, L., Padilla, Y. C., Waters, M. C., Lubben, J., Egmont, W., Rosales, R., **Figuerero, V.**, . . . Villa, P. (2016). Achieving equal opportunity and justice: The integration of Latina/o immigrants into American society. Poster presented at the Society for Social Work Research Annual Meeting, Washington D.C.
5. Littleford, L. N., Yang, K. L., **Figuerero, V.**, & Back, T. D. (2014). European/White American students' perceptions of instructors teaching about White privilege: "Just because I'm White doesn't mean I'm privileged". Poster presented at the 86th Annual Meeting Midwestern Psychological Association.
6. Littleford, L. N., Subedi, P., Walker, R., King, F., & **Figuerero, V.** (2013). Do students' acknowledgements of racial/ethnic privilege depend on the instructor's race/ethnicity? Poster presented at the 85th Annual Meeting Midwestern Psychological Association.
7. **Figuerero, V.**, & Cardemil, E. V. (2012). Acculturation, attitudes, and willingness to seek help. Poster presented at the 75th Anniversary Fall Conference of the Indiana Psychological Association.
8. **Figuerero, V.**, Moreno, O., & Cardemil, E. V. (2011). Acculturation and depression: Gender differences in a Mexican American sample. Poster presented at the 51st Meeting of the New England Psychological Association at Fairfield University, Fairfield CT.
9. **Figuerero, V.**, & Salvio, P. (2010). Man of the house: A study of Latino men's resistance to therapy. Poster presented at the University of New Hampshire McNair Summer Scholar Program, Durham, New Hampshire.