



MELISSA MALDONADO-SALCEDO, PHD

PROFILE SUMMARY

An accomplished professional with comprehensive experience in curriculum development, performance analysis, program management, process improvement, qualitative/quantitative research, and ethnographic training. Expert at formulating and implementing educational programs, developing appropriate inclusive curricula, writing academic manuscripts & literature reviews, and overseeing the latest developments in science & technology. Profound knowledge and experience in medical anthropology and strategic communications, focusing on structural and cultural proficiency training. Efficient at strategizing growth and financial objectives to meet optimal learning and community building criteria while devising high-quality content related to science and technology, anthropology, international affairs, women's health, and human rights.

PROFESSIONAL ATTRIBUTES

- Extraordinarily collaborative while working in a team along with exceptional and active listening, writing, and editing skills
- Remarkably critical, analytical, and interpersonal working in a fast-paced, evolving environment, and team-setting
- Proficient at writing successful grant proposals, clinical training manuals, literature reviews, editorials, academic and mainstream articles
- Skilled at generating and recognizing creative solutions in complicated situations and outstanding capabilities in leading teams and developing project proposals while also working well independently

PROFESSIONAL SYNOPSIS

Adjunct Assistant Professor / Associate Research Scholar

New York University 2013 – Present
Courses: Medical Ethics, Science and Difference, Medical Anthropology, Global Bio cultures, Latin American Popular Culture, Brain, Mind, and Behavior: The History of Neuroscience, Introduction to Science and Technology Studies, Honors Thesis Advisor.

Visual Ethnographer

2019 – Present
Confident Futures (University Amsterdam / New York University) researcher for a collaborative project focused on creating safe spaces for young people in Amsterdam and New York City funded by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

Independent Consultant/Medical Writer

New York 2014 – Present
Assist diverse clientele including UNICEF, UNDP, NYC Dept. of Health and Mental Hygiene, Asian Americans for Equality, David Geffen School of Medicine at UCLA, within the fields of public health, anthropology, youth development, and community engagement.

Executive Director (Part-Time)

Own Beat Inc, New York 2017 – 2018
Performed continuous quality improvement checks and community relations whereas successfully establishing a non-profit organization for youth empowerment.

Science and Technology Curriculum Developer (Part-Time)


2017 – 2018
Saylor Academy, Competency-Based Education Project, Washington, D.C.
Created online curriculums/courses, organized various programs on health policies, environmental justice, and medical communication.


Latino Engagement Organizer and Lead Translator

Unite to Face Addiction (UTFA), National Campaign 2014 – 2015
Initiated recovery movements and organized strategic events for local communities to develop lucrative relations and build partnerships with leaders and key community members, as well as researched, developed and translated content for online communications tools related to the messaging and outreach activities of UTFA

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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Anthropology

Graduate Center of the City
University of New York, NY

Professional Certificate in Women's Studies

Graduate Center of the City
University of New York, NY

Concentration in LGBTQ Studies, Center for LGBTQ Studies

Graduate Center of the City
University of New York, NY

Masters of Arts in Latin American and Caribbean Studies

New York University, NY

Masters of Arts in International Affairs

New School University, NY

Bachelor of Arts in Individualized Study

New York University, NY

LANGUAGES

- French (Working Proficiency)
- Spanish (Native Fluency)
- Portuguese (Working Proficiency)

Assistant Director (Consultant Contract)

Voces Latinas Corporation, Queens, NY

2014 – 2015

Restructured contracts and community organizer onboarding and feedback processes to ensure effective HIV testing and domestic violence prevention training. Designed and implemented a plan of corrective action that restored over \$100,000 of Ryan White Funding managed by Public Health Solutions.

Community Coordinator

United States House of Representative

Office of Congresswoman Nydia M. Velazquez

2002 – 2004

Documented community district issues while coordinating members' testimonies, legislative visits, and workgroup meetings on significant problems. Highlighted policy issues, recreated them, and secured over \$5.7 million federal funding allocations for the Lower East Side and Chinatown community.

Public Information Assistant

United Nations

Department of Public Information

Formulated communication strategies on global priority issues and assisted in planning and developing a communication system.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Participant Observation

Dissertation Research, Argentina, New York, Miami

2012 – 2016

Analyzed the accumulated data during research and interviews with human rights organizations, women, and immigrants' rights activists to draw meaningful results and produce better strategies to serve transnational communities.

Research Assistant

New School University' International Affairs Program

2002 – 2004

Evaluated records for ongoing research projects and assisted in the creation of data reports for quality assurance measures. Reviewed and ensured adherence to all regulatory and compliance requirements in all experiments.

Policy Analyst

Public Advocate' Office, Capital Federal de Buenos Aires, Argentina

2003

Analyzed political, economic, and social trends that impacted women's rights unfulfillment and created reports containing evaluated findings.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

"Oversharing is Caring: Queering the STEM classroom and 'Other' STEMInist Agendas." Ed. Churnjeet Mahn, Yvette Taylor, and Matt Brim. *Queering Sharing: Toward the Redistribution of Resources around the University*, New York: Taylor and Francis Group, 2021.

"Latina Immigrant Women: Putting Guilt, Sacrifice, Resilience on the Record." (ed.) Amariyls Estrella and Melissa Maldonado-Salcedo. *Resistance and Liberation in the Voices of Mujerismo: An Eco-Constructive Reading*. Lexington Books, Lenham, Maryland. Spring 2021.

"I'm not Lazy, I'm Ill," *Lady Science*, March 27, 2021

"Little House in the Hood: Call me Mel, Save the Bees," *Synopsis: A Medical Humanities Journal*, November. 2020

"Un-Disciplining Methods and Embodied Ethnography," *Synopsis: A Medical Humanities Journal*. March. 2020

"Beauty Weighs in Argentina: When Looks Kill," *Revista: Harvard Review of Latin America*, Spring. 2017

"Argentinidad or Neurosis," *Clio Psyche: Understanding of 'Why' of Culture, Current Events, History, and Society: special issue on Psychoanalytic Anthropology*, Volume 20: Number 4, March 2014.