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PROFESSIONAL MISSION STATEMENT

My principal objectives and motivations as an academic, researcher, and educational professional are to amplify voices of marginalized/minoritized language communities, to actively contribute to the production and dissemination of research of these often under-examined sociolinguistic spaces, and to aid in the wider awareness of these communities beyond their immediate confines.

EDUCATION

Candidate: Doctor of Philosophy, Philology & Philosophy, Universitat de les Illes Balears. Oct. 2027 (expected defense date)

- Specialization: Theoretical & Applied Linguistics
- Dissertation: *Mudes lingüístiques i els joves eivissencs i formenterers: llengua, identitat i ideologies en les relacions socials*
- Directors: Dr. Maria del Mar Vanrell Bosch; Dr. Joan Pujolar Cos (Universitat Oberta de Catalunya)

Master of Arts, Linguistic & Literary Competence: Research and Teaching, Universitat de les Illes Balears. Oct. 2022

- Specializations: Advanced Catalan Language & Literature Studies; General Linguistics
- Master's Thesis: *Actituds i percepcions lingüístiques dels joves eivissencs: una primera aproximació quantitativa*
- Director: Dr. Maria del Mar Vanrell Bosch

Master of Arts, Spanish, Mississippi State University. May 2014

- Focus: Peninsular and Latin-American Literature
- Secondary concentration in History.

Bachelor of Arts (Honors), Spanish & Iberian Studies, Marlboro College. May 2011

- Undergraduate Thesis: *Yo soy español; Jo sóc català; Euskaldun naiz: The Historic Context and Current Politics of Multilingualism in Spain*
- Director: Dr. Rosario Montelongo de Swanson

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS / TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Lecturer of Spanish, Mississippi State University, Aug. 2014 – Present

- Distance Instruction
- Faculty Director: Spanish Language & Culture Summer Program in Alcalá de Henares, Spain.

English Instructor, The Academy Palma, Spain, Oct. 2017 – Jun. 2019

- English-language instructor at private language academy for adults and children.
- Teach levels A1-C1, test prep classes, and individual classes.
- Assist in development of didactic materials.

Conversation Assistant, EOI Manacor, Spain, Oct. 2016 – May 2017

- Cultural Ambassador: North American Language and Culture Assistants in Spain.
- English-language teaching assistant in a language school for adults.
- Provide listening and speaking practice and feedback for students at all levels, A1-C2.
- Assist in activity and lesson planning.

Conversation Assistant: CEIP Can Bril, Spain, Oct. 2015 – May 2016

- Cultural Ambassador: North American Language and Culture Assistants in Spain.
- English-language teaching assistant in a Spanish primary school.
- Provide listening, speaking, reading, and writing practice for students in years 1-6.
- Assist in activity and lesson planning and assignment evaluation.

Graduate Teaching Assistant, Mississippi State University, Aug. 2012 – May 2014

- Instructor of Record for Advanced Spanish Conversation Practicum (Spring 2014).

RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

Publicly-Funded Research Projects

- Research Assistant/Consultat for Eivissa & Formentera: “**Actituds i usos lingüístics dels joves de les Illes Balears (AULIJOVIB)**”, Direcció General de Política Lingüística; Universitat de les Illes Balears.
 - Lead Researcher: Dr. Maria del Mar Vanrell Bosch
 - Timeline: Feb.- Nov. 2022

Research Groups

- Member, **Grup de Recerca Sociolingüística de les Illes Balears (GRESIB)**- Institut de Recerca i Innovació Educativa (IRIE), Universitat de les Illes Balears. Apr. 2022 – Present

Research Stays

- **Eivissa, 10-25 Nov. 2021 (2 weeks)**: Short research stay on the island of Eivissa funded by the Aina Moll Award, Govern de les Illes Balears, Spain.

PUBLICATIONS

Chapters

- “L’imaginari juvenil: ideologies i actituds lingüístiques”, with A. Tudela & I. Solivellas. In *Actituds i Usos Lingüístics dels Joves de les Illes Balears: Informe dels resultats*, eds. X. Castell, E. Cremades, M. Vanrell. pp. 91-108. Mar. 2023

Current Projects

Articles

- “Actituds i percepcions lingüístiques dels joves eivissencs: una primera aproximació quantitativa.” Expected submission: Aug. 2023
- “Aproximacions noves a realitats noves: aplicacions i implicacions de l’estudi d’actituds dels joves per a la planificació lingüística a Eivissa.” Expected submission: Aug. 2023
- La relació entre la dominància i les actituds lingüístiques: evidència dels adolescents d’Eivissa.” With M. Vanrell. Expected submission: Aug. 2023

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY & COMMUNICATIONS

Papers

- “Llengua, turisme i variació: El cas particular dels joves a Eivissa,” with M. Vanrell. **Jornades d’Intercanvi Docent a la Facultat de Filosofia i Lletres: Illes, Mares, Turisme, Fronteres.** Universitat de les Illes Balears. Palma, Spain, 18 Oct. 2023
- “Language Attitudes and Variation: The Case of Ibizan Youth”, with M. Vanrell. **XIX International Conference on Minority Languages.** University of Wales- Trinity Saint David. Carmarthen, Wales, 22 Jun. 2023
- “Actituds lingüístiques i variació: el cas dels adolescents eivissencs”, with M. Vanrell. **V Congreso Internacional Redefiniendo Los Márgenes desde una Península Pluricultural: Variación Lingüística e Ideología.** Uniwersytet Warszawski. Warsaw, Poland, 17 Nov. 2022
- “Actituds i percepcions lingüístiques dels joves eivissencs: una primera aproximació quantitativa.” **Nous Talents en Sociolingüística Catalana.** Societat Catalana de Sociolingüística. Barcelona, Spain. 2 Nov. 2022
- “Actituds i percepcions lingüístiques dels joves eivissencs: una primera aproximació quantitativa.” **Youth Engagement in Minority and Regional Languages.** University College Dublin, Ireland. 12 Mar. 2022
- “Una anàlisi de les actituds lingüístiques dels joves a l’illa d’Eivissa.” **V Jornades “La recerca sociolingüística en l’àmbit de la llengua catalana.”** Institut d’Estudis Catalans. Barcelona, Spain. 26 Jan. 2022

Flash Talks

- “Actituds i percepcions lingüístiques dels joves eivissencs: una primera aproximació quantitativa”. **Concurs de Tast de Màster: Semana del Postgrau,** Universitat de les Illes Balears. Palma, Spain. 2 May 2023.
- “Una anàlisi de les actituds lingüístiques dels joves a l’illa d’Eivissa.” **I Escola d’Estiu de la Lingüística Catalana (EDELIC),** Universitat de les Illes Balears. Palma, Spain. 24 Jul. 2021

Other Conference Activities

- Session Chair, **I Escola d'Estiu de la Lingüística Catalana (EDELIC)**, Universitat de les Illes Balears. Palma, Spain. 20, 23-24 Jul. 2021
 - Chair for sessions “Language Attitudes and Catalan Sociolinguistics” & “Cultural Workshop: Cuisine”

LECTURES, TALKS, & WORKSHOPS

Invited Research Seminars

- Invited Speaker, “Seminari Virtual: La relació entre dominància i les actituds lingüístiques: evidència dels adolescents d'Eivissa”, **Grup de Recerca Sociolingüística de les Illes Balears (GRESIB)**. Universitat de les Illes Balears. Palma, Spain, 27 Jan. 2022

Invited Guest Speaker

- Invited Speaker, “Una aproximació a les actituds i els usos lingüístics dels adolescents d'Eivissa”, **Institut d'Estudis Eivissencs (IEE)**. Eivissa, Spain, 18 May 2023
- Invited Roundtable Participant, “Reptes d'una Mallorca Multilingüe: de la diversitat a la normalització”, **Mallorca Nova- El jovent de l'esquerra mallorquina**. Manacor, Spain, 21 Oct. 2022

Invited Workshops

- Workshop Coordinator for Eivissa & Formentera, “AULIJOVIB a les Escoles i Instituts”, **Grup de Recerca Sociolingüística de les Illes Balears (GRESIB)**:
 - IES Sa Blanca Dona, Eivissa, Spain: Spring, 2024 (upcoming)
 - IES Balàfia, Sant Joan de Labritja, Spain: Spring, 2024 (upcoming)
 - IES Marc Ferrer, Formentera, Spain: Spring, 2024 (upcoming)
- Invited Workshop Chair: “Club de Lectura sobre Ideologies i Contacte Lingüístics: Naturalesa i organització de les actituds”, **Grup de Recerca Sociolingüística de les Illes Balears (GRESIB)**. Universitat de les Illes Balears. Palma, Spain, 23 Nov. 2022

COURSES TAUGHT & DEVELOPED*

Spanish Language- Undergraduate Level <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Spanish I• Spanish I: Online• Spanish II• Spanish II: Online• Spanish III• Spanish III: Online• Spanish IV: Online• Advanced Spanish Conversation Practicum• Hispanic Civilization• Language, Culture, & Identity in Spain*	English Language <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Primary Level• Adult Level<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A1-C1• PET exam prep• FCE exam prep• CAE exam prep• TOEFL exam prep• Conversation
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MEDIA APPEARANCES

Television

- Interview by C. Mari. “Els Dematins”, *IB3 Televisió*. 23 May 2023
 - <https://ib3alacarta.com/video/destacat/e13ab541-956b-41da-adec-dd89fc2b9125/6e8aee29-f971-11ed-9e42-c437725f29d4>
 - Time Stamps: 1:48:10-1:52:56

Print

- Interview by S. Ribas. “Los jóvenes de Ibiza no ven un valor útil y práctico en el uso del catalán”. *Periódico de Ibiza*. 19 May 2023
 - <https://www.periodicodeibiza.es/pitiusas/ibiza/2023/05/19/1939627/jovenes-ibiza-ven-valor-util-practico-uso-del-catalan.html>
- Interview by T. Mateu. “De paraula: 'Lluit pels drets LGTBI perquè som dels EUA i pel català perquè visc a Mallorca'”. *AraBalears*. 4 Feb. 2023
 - https://www.arabalears.cat/societat/lluït-pels-drets-lgtbi-perque-dels-eua-pel-catala-perque-isc-mallorca_128_4617290.html
- Interview by M. Torres. “Mola: ‘De Mississipí al parlar d’Eivissa’”. *Diario de Ibiza*. 25 Aug. 2021
 - <https://www.diariodeibiza.es/cultura/mola/2021/08/25/mississipi-parlar-d-eivissa-56496223.html>

Radio

- Interview by B. Masferrer. “De far a far”, *Ràdio Illa Formentera*. 18 May 2023
 - https://www.ivoox.com/en/de-far-a-far-18-05-23-10h-audios-mp3_rf_108490373_1.html
 - Time Stamps: 43:18-59:55
- Interview by B. Masferrer. “De far a far”, *Ràdio Illa Formentera*. 30 Aug. 2021
 - https://www.ivoox.com/de-far-a-far-30-08-21-10h-audios-mp3_rf_74732470_1.html
 - Time Stamps: 29:24-47:10

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Study Abroad

- Director / Faculty Instructor, **Spanish Language & Culture in Spain**. Alcalá de Henares, Spain, Jun.-Jul. 2024 (upcoming)
- Director / Faculty Instructor, **Spanish Language & Culture in Spain**. Alcalá de Henares, Spain, Jun.-Jul. 2023
- Director / Faculty Instructor, **Spanish Language & Culture in Spain**. Alcalá de Henares, Spain, Jun.-Jul. 2022
- Co-Director, **Spanish Language & Culture in Spain**. Alcalá de Henares, Spain, Jun. 2021
- Faculty Instructor, **Spanish Language & Culture in Spain**. Alcalá de Henares, Spain, Jul. 2019
- Faculty Instructor, **Spanish Language & Culture in Spain**. Alcalá de Henares, Spain, Jul. 2017
- Co-Director / Faculty Instructor, **Spanish Language & Culture in Spain**. Alcalá de Henares, Spain, Jun.-Jul. 2016

University (Mississippi State University)

- Member, **MSU Online Teaching Award Committee**. 2022

- Certified Member, **MSU Safe Zone**. 2014 – Present
- Faculty Member, **LGBTQ+ Union**. 2014 – 2015

University (Universitat de les Illes Balears)

- Local Organizational Committee Member, **V Escola d'Estiu de la Lingüística Catalana (EDELIC)**. Eivissa, Spain, 25-29 Aug. 2025 (upcoming)
- Assistant Web Editor, **Grup de Recerca Sociolingüística de les Illes Balears (GRESIB)**. Nov. 2022 - Present
- Organizing Committee Member, **1r Simposi Internacional d'Ideologies i Actituds Lingüístiques (IDEOLING)**. 18-19 Oct. 2024 (upcoming)
- Organizational Committee Member, **6è Niu de la Societat Catalana de Sociolingüística (SOCS)**. 22 Mar. 2024 (upcoming)
- Forum Moderator, **III Jornada de Càpsules de la UIB**. 28 Apr. 2023
- Technical Assistant, **I Workshop d'Ètica, Transferència i Compromís social de la recerca en Humanitats i Ciències Socials**, Institut de Recerca i Innovació Educativa (IRIE). 3-4 Mar. 2023
- Technical Assistant/Proofreader, **I Escola d'Estiu de la Lingüística Catalana (EDELIC)**. 18-24 Jul. 2021
- Technical Assistant/Proofreader, **18th Old World Conference on Phonology**. Eivissa, Spain, 27-30 Jan. 2021

Department (MSU Classical & Modern Languages and Literatures)

- Member, **Distinguished Speaker Series Committee**, 2021 – Present
- Member, **International Student Organization for Languages & Cultures (ISOLC)**, 2013 – 2014

Public Humanities Contributions

- Co-founder, **Güirigüiri: A Literary & Cultural Journal**
 - Co-Editor in Chief
 - First issue expected: Dec. 2023

AWARDS & HONORS

- Recipient, **Becas Santander: V Concurs Tast de Màster- 2nd Prize (250€)**, Santander Universidades, May 2023
 - This scholarship is awarded by the administrative team of the Center of Postgraduate Studies (CEP) with the sponsorship of Santander Universidades, during the VIII Postgraduate Studies Week's "V Concurs Tast de Màster" at the Universitat de les Illes Balears for best 5-minute flash talk of a defended and passed master's thesis during the 2021-2022 academic year.
- Honoree, **Nous Talents en Sociolingüística Catalana**, Societat Catalana de Sociolingüística (SOCS). Oct. 2022.
 - This honor recognizes superior-quality Master's and undergraduate theses in the different sociolinguistic research lines from universities in the Catalan Countries or in Catalan sociolinguistics from foreign universities.

- Recipient, **Professional, Continuing and Online Educator Award**, University Professional, Continuing and Online Education Association (UPCEA), South Region. Oct. 2021
 - This award is granted to professional member of UPCEA South who has been employed in college/university professional, continuing and online education for at least the last five years and who has demonstrated leadership through innovative program development in continuing higher education.
- Recipient, **Premi Aina Moll (3,000€)**, Direcció General de Política Lingüística (DGPL), Govern de les Illes Balears. Jul. 2021
 - This award is granted for best student paper in the field of Catalan linguistics with the objective of promoting research in this specific field.
- Recipient, **Online Teaching Award (\$500)**, Mississippi State University. Apr. 2021
 - This award acknowledges and rewards an MSU online instructor who employs best practices to engage, inspire and support students in an online environment.
- Inductee, **Sigma Delta Pi National Spanish Honor Society**, Mississippi State University. May 2014
 - Honor granted to graduate students in Spanish with a GPA of 4.0 or higher.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Member, **Societat Catalana de Sociolingüística (SOCS)**, 2022 – Present
- Member, **University Professional, Continuing and Online Education Association (UPCEA)**, 2021 – Present
- Member, **American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL)**, 2019 – Present
- Member, **North American Catalan Society (NACS)**, 2019 – Present

PROFESSIONAL & ACADEMIC DEVELOPMENT

Certifications

- **Quality Matters Course Design Certification: Spanish I (Online)**, Quality Matters (QM). May. 2024 [*in preparation*]
- **Quality Matters Teaching Online Certificate**, Quality Matters (QM). Nov. 2023
- **Human Subjects Researchers- Basic Course**: Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI). Jun. 2022
- **Diploma de català: CEFR Level C2**, Govern de les Illes Balears (GOIB). May 2022
- **DELE: Diploma de español como lengua extranjera: CEFR Level C1**, Instituto Cervantes. May 2018
- **CELTA Certificate, TESOL**: International House Barcelona. Sep. 2011

Course Evaluations / Reviews

- **Informal Canvas Course Review: Spanish I**, Center for Teaching and Learning (CTL), Mississippi State University. Jun. 2023

Professional & Instructional Training / Workshops

- **Design that Welcomes Your Learners**, Quality Matters (QM). Feb. 2024 (upcoming)
- **Canvas Mastery: A Comprehensive Canvas Course**, Center for Distance Education (CDE), Mississippi State University. Nov. 2023
- **Creating Presence in Your Online Course**, Quality Matters (QM). Nov. 2023
- **Training Workshop: Interactive Learning Tools**, Center for Distance Education (CDE), Mississippi State University. 17 Oct. 2023
- **Training Workshop: Effective Lecturing in Your Online Course**, Center for Distance Education (CDE), Mississippi State University. 24 Aug. 2023
- **Using Instructional Materials & Technology to Promote Learner Engagement**, Quality Matters (QM). Aug. 2023
- **Addressing Accessibility & Usability**, Quality Matters (QM). Jul. 2023
- **Assessing Your Learners**, Quality Matters (QM). Jul. 2023
- **Connecting Learning Theories to Your Teaching Strategies**, Quality Matters (QM). Jun. 2023
- **Teaching Portfolio Workshop**, Center for Teaching and Learning (CTL), Mississippi State University. May 2023
- **Orienting Your Online Learners**, Quality Matters (QM). May 2023
- **Exploring Your Institution's Policies**, Quality Matters (QM). May 2023
- **Evaluating Your Course Design**, Quality Matters (QM). May 2023
- **Great Expectations: Crafting Effective Learning Outcomes**, Center for Distance Education (CDE), Mississippi State University. May. 2023
- **Introduction to Canvas Studio**, Center for Distance Education (CDE), Mississippi State University. Apr. 2023
- **Gauging Your Technology Skills**, Quality Matters (QM). Apr. 2023
- **Connecting Learning Objectives & Assessments**, Quality Matters (QM). Apr. 2023
- **Training Workshop: Finishing Your Course Strong**, Center for Distance Education (CDE), Mississippi State University. 21 Mar. 2023
- **Training Workshop: Canvas Page Design**, Center for Distance Education (CDE), Mississippi State University. 2 Mar. 2023
- **Basic Accessibility for Online Courses**, Center for Distance Education (CDE), Mississippi State University. Feb. 2023
- **CTL 101- Best Practices in Online Instruction**, Center for Teaching and Learning (CTL), Mississippi State University. 2016

Academic & Research Training / Workshops

- **Training Webinar: Identifying the Key “Sell” in Your Research**, Charlesworth Author Services, 26 Apr. 2023
- **Training Webinar: Key Skills for Early Career Researchers**, Charlesworth Author Services, 25 Apr. 2023
- **Training Course: Bibliographic Research Techniques**, Servei de biblioteca, Universitat de les Illes Balears. Mar. 2023
- **Postgraduate Language, Literature, and Education Student Workshop: Ethics**,

Transference, and Social Engagement in Humanities and Social Science Research, Institut de Recerca i Innovació Educativa (IRIE), Universitat de les Illes Balears. 3-4 Mar. 2023

- **V Session on Linguistic Dynamization**, Direcció General de Política Lingüística (DGPL), Govern de les Illes Balears. 26 Oct. 2021
- **Training Seminar: Introduction to Phonological Theory- Representations and the Theory of Optimality**, Grup de Recerca Sociolingüística de les Illes Balears (GRESIB), Universitat de les Illes Balears. 21 May 2021
- **Training Seminar: Catalan Intonation- Introduction to the Autosegmental Model and Transcription Practices**, Grup de Recerca Sociolingüística de les Illes Balears (GRESIB), Universitat de les Illes Balears. 19 Apr. 2021
- **Training Seminar: Language Biographies- Keys for Research and Teaching**, Grup de Recerca Sociolingüística de les Illes Balears (GRESIB), Universitat de les Illes Balears. 12 Mar. 2021
- **Training Seminar: Qualitative Methodologies in Sociolinguistics**, Grup de Recerca Sociolingüística de les Illes Balears (GRESIB), Universitat de les Illes Balears. 19 Feb. 2021
- **Portuguese for Foreigners: Level A2**, Instituto Camões. 2021
- **Portuguese for Foreigners: Level A1**, Instituto Camões. 2021
- **Discourses on the Promotion of Catalan: Perspectives and Talking Points**, Universitat de Barcelona. Jun. 2020
- **Catalan Language Conversation Workshop: Level C1**, Institut d'Estudis Baleàrics. Jan. 2020
- **Catalan Language Course: Level C1**, Institut d'Estudis Baleàrics. Jan. 2020
- **Sefarad: Language, History, and Culture in Toledo, Course I**, Instituto Cervantes / Universidad de Castilla-La Mancha. Jun. 2019
- **Geographies of Spanish: Language and Cultural Variation in the Hispanic World**, Instituto Cervantes. May 2019

LANGUAGE PROFICIENCIES

- **English** (Native)
- **Catalan** (Bilingual; C2 Certification)
- **Spanish** (Bilingual; C1 Certification)
- **Portuguese (European)** (A2)
- **Occitan (Aranese)** (A1)