

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

Name: Isabel Teresa Molina-Avella

Professional Title: Research Assistance Professor/ Education Coordinator

Academic Accreditations:

- Ph. D. Social Work. University of Utah. Salt Lake City, UT, US. 2006-2009
- Community Certificate in Behavioral Counseling. PAAT (Psychotherapy for All Institute) Accredited by Morelos State Autonomous University. Cuernavaca, Mor., MX. 2002-2004
- Master in Business Administration. Lake Superior State University. Sault Ste. Marie, MI, US. 1999-2000
- Bachelor's of Science in Economics. Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, CU, Mexico, DF, Mexico. --1997
- English as a Second Language. Cuauhnahuac, ICLC. Language and Culture Collective Institute. Cuernavaca, Mor., MX. 1996
- Spanish as a Second Language Instructor Cuauhnahuac, ICLC. Language and Culture Collective Institute. Cuernavaca, Mor., MX. 1975

Selected Research Experience and Products:

- Sept. 2009-May 2010. Postdoctoral Fellow. Partnership Manager. Community Leadership. Faculty Advisor: Rosemarie Hunter, PH.D. LCSW, MSW.
- Aug. 2007-May 2009. College of Social Work International Research Team member and Research Assistant. Faculty Advisor: Moisés Próspero. PhD, MSW, MBA.
- University-Community Partnerships and theory driven impact and empowerment evaluation for the Westside Leadership Institute (WLI), a community leadership program.
- Ph. D. Dissertation: Lifetime Experiences of Intimate Abuse and Recovery Among Latina Women in the State of Utah.
- Bachelor's Dissertation: Regional Impact of home loans for workers in the state of Morelos. Professional Patent 2587837. Language: Spanish. Original title: Impacto Regional de los créditos de INFONAVIT en el estado de Morelos. 1997.
- Response to a Request for Proposal. Evaluation of a culturally appropriate educational psychology intervention with Latina women who experience family violence and are referred to a police department counseling group. 2008.
- University Neighborhood Partnership Hartland Center Strengths and Needs Assessment 2007-2008. 2008. Social Work Syllabus. Advanced Research I - Criminal Justice Domain. 2008.
- Critique of a Bachelor in Social Work Course Syllabus at the University of Utah. Course: Social Work 3102 Human Behavior and the Social Environment II (3C). 2008.

Selected teaching experience:

- JAN 2010-MAY 2010. University of Utah, College of Social Work. SLC, UT, US.
 - Social Work 6111. Diversity and Social Justice. Adjunct faculty
 - Social Work 6112. Practice: Social Work in Organizations and Communities. Co-teaching with Dr. Rosemarie Hunter.
- JAN 2004 – May 2007. University of Utah. Field Instructor for Social Work Practitioners in Cuernavaca, Mexico. Practicum assistance, supervision, evaluation and grading for University of Utah BSW and MSW students. Summer Intensive Language and International Social Work Program Field Coordinator.

Selected practice experience:

- JAN 2004–JUL 2006. EPADEP (Personal Development Center). Cuernavaca, MX. Counselor. Private practice with individuals. Workshops for Women
- SEPT 2004 – JUL 2006. IMF [Micro lending for Development NGO]. Cuernavaca, MX. Financial Adviser. Project planning and English-Spanish translation. Operational Advising

Selected administrative experience:

- JAN 2003-JULY 2005. Universidad Internacional. Cuernavaca, MX. Head of the International Admissions Department. Representative to CIBE, CSC, CCTFL, ACTFL, NAFSA, AATSP, CCID in the US, and JOB and Go Abroad Conferences in Canada. Project development coordinator for international social work programs.
- JUN 2000-DEC 2001. BESSER COMPANY. Alpena, MI, USA. International Sales and Finance Correspondent.

Selected workshops and conferences

- Human Service Professionals trip to Guadalajara, Mexico. U of U multidisciplinary group from the College of Nursing, the College of Social Work and the College of Education. Cultural facilitator and Translator. Aug. 2-9, 2008.
- Latina Spiritual Experiences of Recovery from Family Violence. Latino Social Work Organization. Presenter. Chicago, IL. June 6-8, 2008.
- Domestic Violence in Ethnic Minority Populations. From Ideology to Inclusion: Evidence-Based Policy and Intervention In Domestic Violence Conference. Sacramento, CA. February 15-16, 2008. Co-presenter with Moisés Próspero.
- International Women's Day Panelist. Universidad Internacional. March, 8, 2007.
- National Council on Family Relations Conference. Presenter. October, 2008
- U.S. and Mexico bi-national social work practice planning, integration, implementation and evaluation in rural and urban communities in the state of Morelos, Mexico. Facilitator. Two-Three weeks during the summer. 2005-2008.