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Universidad del Norte  
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## EDUCATION

### Purdue University

Ph.D. in English

Concentration: Second Language Studies (SLS)

Specialization: Language Testing and Assessment

Dissertation: *Linguistic and Cultural Factors in Graduate School Admissions: An Examination of Latin American Students at Purdue University.*

United States

2018

### Lancaster University

Summer Schools in Corpus Linguistics.

Concentration: Corpus Linguistics for Language Learning, Teaching and Testing.

United Kingdom

Summer 2018

### Universidad del Norte

M.A. in Education

Minor: English Language Teaching

Thesis: The Role of Writing Instruction and Feedback on Written texts in Young Learners.

Colombia

2012

### Universidad del Norte

Postgraduate Diploma in English Teaching

Project: Development of Integrated Skills in Third Grade through Internet-Based Materials.

Colombia

2010

### Universidad Popular del Cesar

B.Ed. in Spanish and English

Valedictorian Honoree

Valledupar, Col

2008

## ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

### Universidad del Norte

Barranquilla, Colombia

#### Assistant Professor

Undergraduate Courses

- English Language Program 6 S, F 2019 - F 2020
- English for International Relations 4 S, F 2021, 2022
- 21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills S 2021, S 2022
- ELT 3: Language Testing and Assessment F 2021, S 2022
- Business English 7 F 2021

Graduate Courses

- Mediations in Second Language Acquisition F 2016
- Classroom Assessment in EFL F 2014, S 2021
- Evaluation in Education S, F 2021
- Using reading aloud strategies in oral fluency development in EFL S 2021

<b>Curriculum Development</b>		
- 21 <sup>st</sup> Century Skills		2020
- ELT 3: Language Testing and Assessment		2021
<b>Academic Advisor</b>		
M.A. Thesis		
- Development of codification in Spanish and English in 6-year-old children: A Case Study		2021
- Reading aloud as a strategy for the development of fluency in 8th grade students		2022
<b>Continuing Lecturer</b>		2011–2013
- Taught English as a foreign language to undergraduate students from level 1 (beginner) to 6 (high intermediate)		
<b>Purdue University</b>	West Lafayette, IN, USA	
<b>Classroom Communication for International Graduate Students</b>	S, F 2018	
- Taught oral communication skills in English to international teaching assistants.		
<b>Testing Assistant, Oral English Proficiency Program</b>	F 2013 – S 2018	
- Administered the Oral English Proficiency Test (OEPT) to international students.		
- Ran statistics and elaborated reports and summaries on the performance of test takers and the test.		
- Designed and revised items, rubrics and created language descriptors and thresholds for the test.		
- Rated over 200 OEPT tests.		
<b>Statistical monitor for the Ph.D. Quantitative Research class</b>	2018	
- Supported Professor April Ginther in office hours with consultations involving statistical analyses.		
<b>Developer and Reviewer of the Oral English Proficiency Test 3</b>	2015- 2018	
- Part of the team that created, recorded, piloted, and reviewed test items, as well as modified and adapted the rubrics.		
<b>Purdue Online Writing Lab (OWL) Content Developer</b>	2014, 2016, 2017	
- Created videos, printable posters, and content about APA and MLA guidelines for the website of the Purdue OWL.		
<b>Test Developer, Assessment of College English, International</b>	2014	
- Created, reviewed, and piloted test items. Part of the team that created the first rubrics listening and repeat items.		
<b>Council of Europe</b>	Strasbourg, France	
<b>Consultant for the new set of descriptors of language proficiency</b>	2015	
- Part of the team that validated a new set of descriptors of language proficiency, for mediation activities and strategies, to complement those already available in the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFR).		
<b>Universidad Popular del Cesar</b>	Valledupar, Col.	
<b>Continuing Lecturer</b>	2011	
- Taught English as a foreign language to undergraduate students in CEFR level A1		

**Colegio Bilingüe de Valledupar**

Valledupar, Col.

**Homeroom Teacher, EFL**

2008 – 2011

- Full-time teacher following student teaching practicum, instructing EFL in first to fourth grade to classrooms of 23-25 students.

## SCHOLARSHIP

ORCID Identifier: <https://orcid.org/0000-0001-7055-0794>

### **In Peer Reviewed Journals:**

- O'Neil, D., Park, K., & **Rodríguez-Fuentes, R.** (2022). Social integration and campus internationalization through performing arts volunteerism. *Journal of Studies in International Education*. <https://doi.org/10.1177/10283153221082722>
- Rodríguez-Fuentes, R.** & Swatek, A. (2022). Exploring the effect of corpus-informed and conventional homework materials on fostering EFL students' grammatical construction learning. *System*, 104(1) <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.system.2021.102676>
- Shin, J.Y., **Rodríguez-Fuentes, R.**, Swatek, A. & Ginther, A. (2022). APTIS Test Review. *Language Testing*, 39(1), 172-187. <https://doi.org/10.1177/02655322211032873>
- Rodríguez-Fuentes, R.** (2021). Book Review: Integrating Assessment into Early Language Learning and Teaching. By Prošić-Santovac, D. & Rixon, S. (Eds.). *Frontiers in Psychology*, 12. <https://doi.org/10.3389/fpsyg.2021.700788>
- Vahed, S. & **Rodríguez-Fuentes, R.** (2021). Book Review: Local Language Testing: Design, Implementation, and Development. By S. Dimova, X. Yan, A. Ginther. *Assessing Writing*, 49. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.asw.2021.100542>
- Thirakunkavit, S., **Rodríguez-Fuentes, R.**, Park, K., & Staples, S. (2019). A corpus-based analysis on syntactic complexity as a measure of oral English proficiency of international teaching assistants. *English for Specific Purposes*, 53, 74-89. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.esp.2018.09.002>
- Rodríguez-Fuentes, R.** (2015). Review of Corpus Linguistics and Linguistically Annotated Corpora, by S. Kübler & H. Zinsmeister. *Language Learning and Technology*, 19(3), 56-60. <https://www.lltjournal.org/item/2917>
- De Castro, A., Díaz D., Robles H., **Rodríguez-Fuentes, R.**, Cantillo, M., Carbonó V., Álvarez S. & Guerra, D. (2015). El efecto del uso de las TIC en la comprensión lectora de español como lengua materna (L1) [Effect and use of ICT in reading comprehension of Spanish (L1)]. *Revista de Investigación Educativa de la Escuela de Graduados en Educación*, 10(5), 43-49. <http://rieege.mx/index.php/rieege/article/viewFile/301/119#page=45>
- De Castro, A., Cantillo, M., Carbonó, V., Robles, H., Díaz, D., Guerra, D., **Rodríguez-Fuentes, R.**, & Álvarez, S. (2014). Comprensión Lectora y TIC en la universidad. *Apertura*, 6(1). <http://www.udgvirtual.udg.mx/apertura/index.php/apertura/article/view/465/356>
- Robles H. & **Rodríguez-Fuentes R.** (2013) Un ambiente virtual para las habilidades de pensamiento crítico en ESL. *Journal Zona Próxima*, 19 (2), 73-85. [http://www.scielo.org.co/scielo.php?script=sci\\_arttext&pid=S2145-94442013000200007](http://www.scielo.org.co/scielo.php?script=sci_arttext&pid=S2145-94442013000200007)
- Rodríguez-Fuentes R.** (2011). Twitter as an Interacting tool to develop integrated skills. La lectura y la escritura como criterios de calidad de la educación. En Cátedra UNESCO Latinoamérica. Barranquilla: Ediciones Uninorte. ISBN: 978-958-741-143-0
- Rodríguez-Fuentes, R.** (2010). Pedagogical Reflections on Twitter for Educational Purposes. In J. Cifuentes & Y. Acevedo (Eds.), *VI Language Forum Papers*. 1. Valledupar: Ediciones Unicesar. ISBN: 978-958-8409-15-3

### **In Peer Reviewed Book Chapters:**

**Rodríguez-Fuentes, R.**, Corrales, K., Rey, L. & Rosado, N. (2022). Designing Virtual Learning Spaces to Promote Language and Cultural Exchange. In M. Allen, S. Ene, & K. McIntosh (Eds.), *Building Internationalized Spaces: Second Language Perspectives on Developing Language and Cultural Exchange Programs in Higher Education*. Ann Arbor: Michigan University Press.  
<https://doi.org/10.3998/mpub.11762571>

De Castro, A, Robles, H., Álvarez, S., Díaz, D., Cantillo, M., Carbonó, V., **Rodríguez-Fuentes, R.**, Guerra, D., & González, R. (2016). Comprensión lectora y TIC en educación superior. In A. Martínez & A. De Castro (Eds.), *Aulas Desveladas: la práctica, con investigación, se cambia*. Barranquilla: Ediciones Uninorte, 131-152. <http://manglar.uninorte.edu.co/handle/10584/5884#page=1>

#### **Manuscripts under review:**

Rodríguez-Fuentes, R., Ferrer, E., & Linero, J. Exploring the effect of read aloud protocols on the EFL fluency in college students.

Rodríguez-Fuentes, R., Mackenzie, L., & Robles, H. A socio-critical perspective of English in Colombia.

#### **Manuscripts in development:**

Rodriguez-Fuentes, R., & O'Neil, D. Linguistic and cultural factors of Latino students in American graduate school.

Rodriguez-Fuentes, R., & Calle, L. K. Beyond statistical significance: A qualitative study of read aloud protocols effects.

Allen M. & **Rodríguez-Fuentes, R.** DOGs and CATs: A model for balancing collaborative learning and individual assessment in the classroom.

## TEST DEVELOPMENT

### **Participation as team member**

Oral English Proficiency Test

Purdue University. West Lafayette, IN.

February 2016 – December 2018

Assessment of College English, International

Purdue University. West Lafayette, IN.

February 2014 – December 2014

## CONTENT DEVELOPMENT

**Rodríguez-Fuentes, R.** et al. (2017). MLA Formatting and Style Guide. Available at Purdue OWL:

<https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/747/01/>

**Rodríguez-Fuentes, R.** et al. (2015-2016). Part of the team that developed test items for Purdue's Oral English Proficiency Test (OEPT), a speaking test for international graduate student prospective teaching assistants. Available at: <https://oept.ace-in-testing.com/>

**Rodríguez-Fuentes, R.** et al. (2015-2016). Part of the team that developed test items for ACE-In (Assessment of College English International), a general English proficiency test for incoming first-year international undergraduates. Available at: <https://ace-in-testing.delmarsd.com/>

**Rodríguez-Fuentes, R.**, & Li, X. (August 2016) MwALT Best Student Paper Rubric. Available at Midwest Association of Language Testers:

[http://mwalt.msu.edu/files/7614/4953/1521/RubricforMwALTBESTStudentPaper\\_FINAL2016.pdf](http://mwalt.msu.edu/files/7614/4953/1521/RubricforMwALTBESTStudentPaper_FINAL2016.pdf)

**Rodríguez-Fuentes, R.**, & Campbell, M. (2014, November 5). A Quick Guide to Active versus Passive Voice. Available at Purdue OWL:

[https://owl.english.purdue.edu/media/pdf/20141205103457\\_539.pdf](https://owl.english.purdue.edu/media/pdf/20141205103457_539.pdf)

**Rodríguez-Fuentes, R.** & Campbell, M. (2014, November 5). A Quick Bibliographic Guide for Online Journals in MLA from Scholarly Journals. Available at Purdue OWL:

[https://owl.english.purdue.edu/media/pdf/20141205095415\\_747.pdf](https://owl.english.purdue.edu/media/pdf/20141205095415_747.pdf)

Campbell, M., & **Rodriguez-Fuentes, R.** (2014, November 5). A quick Guide to MLA Bibliographic Entries for Online Journals from Institutional Database. Available at: Purdue OWL:

[https://owl.english.purdue.edu/media/pdf/20141205094705\\_747.pdf](https://owl.english.purdue.edu/media/pdf/20141205094705_747.pdf)

Campbell, M., & Rodriguez-Fuentes, R. (2014, December 11). Tips for Writing in North American College Writing from Sources Glossary. Available at Purdue OWL:  
<https://owl.english.purdue.edu/owl/resource/683/07/>

## PRESENTATIONS

### As Keynote Speaker:

Rodríguez-Fuentes, R. (2021, November). *A socio-critical perspective of English in Colombia*. Lecture presented at the XVI Language Forum (Online). Organizer: Universidad Popular del Cesar.

### As Panel coordinator:

Rodríguez-Fuentes, R. (2021, June). Panel on *Remote Evaluation of Reading and Writing in Foreign Language*. 5th International Congress: Reading and Writing on the Global Society (Online). Organizers: Universidad del Norte, Tecnológico de Monterrey and Pontificia Universidad Católica del Ecuador.

### As Presenter:

Rodríguez-Fuentes, R. (2021, December). *Read aloud protocols and student oral fluency development at the EFL college level*. Paper presented at the Conference on Language Teaching and Learning: TESOL Beyond - New Approaches for New Times, Cali, Colombia.

Rodríguez-Fuentes, R. (2021, August). *Linguistic and Cultural Factors in Graduate School Admissions*. Paper presented at the World Congress of Applied Linguistics (AILA online conference).

Rodríguez-Fuentes, R. (2021, July). *How external tests affect instruction in an EFL program*. Paper presented at the New Directions in Assessment Latin America Conference (Online). Organizer: British Council

O'Neil, D., Park, K. and Rodríguez-Fuentes, R. (2020, October). *The social integration of international students through performing arts volunteerism*. Paper presented at the MITESOL Conference (Online).

Allen, M. and Rodríguez-Fuentes, R. (2018, October). *CATs and DOGs: A heuristic to balance collaborative learning and assessment in the classroom*. Paper presented at the Classroom Assessment for Language Teaching Conference (CALT), Athens, Ohio.

Rodríguez-Fuentes, R. (2016, September). *Analyzing the performance on a test with different types of teaching materials*. Paper presented at the American Association of Corpus Linguistics Conference, Iowa City, IA and at the Second Language Research Forum, New York, NY.

Park, K., Rodríguez-Fuentes, R., Thirakunkavit, S. (2016, April). *A corpus-based analysis on syntactic complexity as a measure of oral English proficiency of international teaching assistants*. Paper presented at the American Association of Applied Linguistics Conference, Orlando, FL.

Rodríguez-Fuentes, R., Thirakunkavit, S., Park, K. (2015, October). *A corpus-based analysis on syntactic complexity as a measure of oral English proficiency of international teaching assistants*. Paper presented at the Second Language Research Forum, Atlanta, GA.

Rodríguez-Fuentes R. & Robles H. (2014, November). *Tecnología móvil y comprensión lectora*. Paper presented at the Congreso Iberoamericano de Lectura y Escritura, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Rodríguez-Fuentes R., Robles, H., De Castro, A., Diaz, D. (2013, June). *Comprensión lectora de español como lengua materna mediada por TIC*. Paper presented at the International Congress of Literacy, Barranquilla, Colombia.

Rodríguez-Fuentes R. (2011, August). *Twitter as an Interacting tool to develop integrated skills*. Paper presented at the Latin-American UNESCO Chairs, Barranquilla, Colombia.

Rodríguez-Fuentes R. (2010, November). *Pedagogical Reflections on Twitter for Educational Purposes*. Paper presented at the 6th Language Forum. Valledupar, Colombia.

## TRAINING AND CERTIFICATIONS (as a designer and leader)

### Training/Certification

- Promoting fluency development in EFL in virtual education
- Classroom Assessment Procedures 101

### Host Institution

- Fulbright Program, F 2021  
Universidad del Norte, F 2021

- Intro to testing and assessment procedures in higher education
  - Seminar in Language Educational Policy
- Purdue University, S 2017  
Ministry of Education, Col. F 2008

## APPEARANCES IN POPULAR MEDIA

- Rodríguez-Fuentes, R. (Guest). (2021). Evaluación dinámica, un nuevo paradigma formativo en el aula de clases. *Re-Pensando la Educación* [Audio Podcast]. Caracol Radio.  
[https://caracol.com.co/radio/2021/07/21/nacional/1626885385\\_237108.html](https://caracol.com.co/radio/2021/07/21/nacional/1626885385_237108.html)
- Rodríguez-Fuentes, R. (Guest). (2020) Conducting remote assessment in times of disruption. *Flipped and Remote Learning Seminars* [Youtube Broadcast]. Idiomas Universidad del Norte.  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OrYsrwmjPh8>

## REVIEWER FOR ACADEMIC JOURNALS

- Language Testing
- Zona Próxima
- Folios
- Colombian Applied Linguistics Journal

## SELECTION COMITEE

- Ph.D. in Education, Universidad del Norte. 2021.
- M.A. in English Language Teaching, Universidad del Norte. 2019, 2020, 2021.
- Fulbright Colombia Cohorts 2016, 2017, 2018, 2020, 2021.
- Midwest Association of Language Testers 2015, 2016, 2017.

## MEMBERSHIPS AND AWARDS

- Kneale Award for Best Paper in Second Language Studies/ESL 2018 (Purdue University)
- International Language Testing Association (ILTA) Member
- Fulbright Scholar Grant for Doctoral Studies (2013)
- Midwest Association of Language Testers (MwALT) student representative 2015-2016
- OΔK (Omicron Delta Kappa), National Leadership Honors Society (USA)
- HΣΦ (Eta Sigma Phi), National Classic Languages Honors Society (USA)
- American Association of Applied Linguistics (AAAL) Member
- Valedictorian Honoree at the Graduation Ceremony at Universidad Popular del Cesar (W 2008)

## GRANTS AWARDED

Financing Source	Category	Name of the Project	Amount Granted	Year
100.000 Strong in the Americas (Partners of the Americas)	Creative and Cultural Industries	Translanguaging: A Writing Laboratories Academic Exchange	35.000 USD	2020
Division of Research, Development and Innovation (Universidad del Norte)	Agendas de I+D+I	Effects of assisted reading protocols on fluency and intelligibility in English as a Foreign Language	20 million COP	2019

Fulbright Foreign Scholarship Board Program	U.S. Scholar (Visitor) Program	Assessment of Global Competences  Linguistic and Cultural Factors in Graduate School Admissions: An examination of Latin American Students at Purdue University	2020
Purdue Research Foundation	Grant for Outstanding Doctoral Students	4.800 USD	2018

## OUTREACH

- Speech Master Judge for Universidad del Norte (2020, 2021)
- English/Spanish Translator for AtlantiConnect Conferences (2020)
- Spanish/English – English/Spanish Text Translator for Universidad del Norte (2020)
- Simultaneous Translator for the SLS Program at Purdue University (2015 -2018)
- Webmaster (2015-2017). Second Language Studies Graduate Student Organization (ESL GO!) at Purdue.
- Community Manager (2017-2018). Colombian Student Association at Purdue (CSAP).
- Photographer (2016-2018). Convocations Volunteering Network at Purdue (CVN).
- Photographer (2015, 2016). Midwest Association of Language Testers Conference.
- Photographer (2016, 2017). Purdue Language and Cultures Conference.

## SKILLS

- **LANGUAGES:** Spanish (first language); English (certified); Latin (certification Magna Cum Laude); Portuguese (functionally proficient).
- **STATISTICAL ANALYSIS SOFTWARE:** SAS, FACETS.
- **MEASUREMENT SOFTWARE:** jMetrik, StatPlus. Winsteps.
- **QUALITATIVE ANALYSIS SOFTWARE:** N-VIVO
- **CORPUS ANALYSIS SOFTWARE:** Antconc, LancBox.
- **TRANSCRIPTION & SPEECH ANALYSIS SOFTWARE:** PRAAT, Audacity.
- **SURVEY TOOL SOFTWARE:** Qualtrics.
- **OTHERS:** iMovie, Adobe Dreamweaver CC, Adobe Photoshop CC, Adobe Lightroom CC.