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EDUCATION

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| Ph.D., 2006 expected | University of Illinois at Chicago (UIC) , Chicago, IL
<i>Doctoral Student: Criminal Justice</i> |
| M.A., 2003 | ▪ <i>Criminal Justice</i> |
| B.A., 2001 | California State University, Long Beach (CSULB) , Long Beach, CA
<i>Psychology</i> |
| A.A., 1998 | Cerritos College (CC) , Norwalk, CA
(G.P.A. – graduate 5.0/5.0, last two years of B.A. 3.66/4.0) |

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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| 2002-2003 | Graduate Research Assistant, University of Illinois at Chicago
<i>Minority Trust in the Police Project</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Duties: conducting phone interviews, the cleaning of data, recruitment of subjects from community agencies, writing community profiles, an annotated bibliography, and conceptualizing questions for youth survey |
| 1999-2001 | Undergraduate Independent Research, CSULB
<i>Sensation Seeking in Late Adolescence</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Duties: develop a research project on delinquency and risk taking. This included writing the proposal, developing the instruments, testing and writing of a paper |
| 1999-2001 | COR Researcher (Career Opportunities in Research-NIMH), CSULB
<i>Cheating Attitudes and Behaviors in College, The Gateway Theory of Alcohol and Drug use among Adolescents</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Duties: developing proposals, submitting them for IRB approval and conducting the laboratory studies. In addition, discussing research methods and issues weekly. Required to present our work at conferences sponsored by the National Institute of Mental Health |
| 2000-summer | Undergraduate Research Assistant, University of Utah
<i>Diabetes Management in Adolescence</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Duties: coding, transcribing, and data analysis of videotaped interviews. In addition, produced a paper, poster, and oral presentation |

POSTERS AND PRESENTATIONS

Rosenbaum, D., Hawkins, D., Costello, S., & Vera, C. (2003). *Minority Trust Project: A Neighborhood Perspective*. Oral presentation at the American Society of Criminology, Denver, Colorado

Vera, C., & Hagedorn, J. (2002). *Understanding gangs: A Chicago and Los Angeles comparison*. Oral presentation at the American Society of Criminology, Chicago, Illinois

Vera, C., & Goldstein, A. (2002). *Sensation Seeking in Late Adolescence*. Poster presentation at the Society for Research on Adolescence, New Orleans, Louisiana

Vera, C., & Berg, C. (2000). *Parent-Child Interaction in Diabetes Management*. Oral presentation at the Career Opportunities in Research by the National Institute of Mental Health, Washington D.C., Washington

Vera, C., Gonzales, J., Ohta, M., & Robleto, K. (2000). *Cheating Attitudes and Behaviors in College*. Poster Presentation at the Career Opportunities in Research by the National Institute of Mental Health, Washington D.C., Washington

Vera, C., & Izarraraz, L. (1999). *The Gateway Theory of Alcohol and other Drug Use among Adolescents*. Oral presentation at the Career Opportunities in Research by the National Institute of Mental Health, Albuquerque, New Mexico

WORK EXPERIENCE

- 2003 **Teaching Assistant (Statistics)**
Duties: Assist students with statistics problems, grade homework, and conduct review sessions
- 1996-1998 **Peer Counselor**
Duties: College student academic advisement, coordinated open registration of incoming college students, recruited in high schools, and served in academic committees
- 1998-1999 **Teacher's Aide**
Duties: Taught English, Math, and other basic skills to bilingual Kindergarten children. Taught English and grammar to small groups of bilingual 5th graders

AWARDS AND HONORS

- 2001 Diversity Fellowship (University of Illinois at Chicago), Chicago, IL
- 2001 Distinguished Student Award, Long Beach, CA
- 2001 2nd Place in Research Competition, Long Beach, CA
- 2001 Lucio Morales Award (Most Likely to Contribute to Psychology), Long Beach, CA
- 2000 Awarded Outstanding Senior in Psychology, Long Beach, CA
- 2000 National Golden Key Honor Society, Inducted, Long Beach, CA
- 1999 Presidents Honor List, Cal. State Long Beach,(Spring, Fall), Long Beach, CA
- 1998 Women's History Essay Contest, 2nd Place, Norwalk, CA
- 1998 Speech and Debate Tournament, 2nd Place Impromptu Speaking, Orange, CA
- 1998 Speech and Debate Team, Haberdashery Award, Norwalk, CA
- 1998 Dean's List, Cerritos College, Norwalk, CA
- 1998 Associated Students of Cerritos College, Service and Leadership Award, Norwalk, CA
- 1998 Associated Students of Cerritos College, Interclub Council Scholarship, Norwalk, CA
- 1998 Associated Students of Cerritos College, Silver Falcon Award, Norwalk, CA
- 1998 National Conference for Community and Justice, Latino College Leadership Institute, Certificate of Continued Support, Glendale, CA

- 1998 National Conference for Christians and Jews, Latino College Leadership Institute, Certificate of Appreciation, Glendale, CA
- 1997 National Conference for Christians and Jews, Latino College Leadership Institute, Certificate of Recognition, Glendale, CA
- 1996 Puente Program, Puente Award for Leadership, Norwalk, CA
- 1995 Puente Program, Scholarship to Attend Latino College Leadership Institute, Norwalk, CA

PROFESSIONAL/STUDENT MEMBERSHIP

- American Society of Criminology (ASC)
Psi-Beta Psychology Honor Society (Psi-Beta)

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE AND STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

- 1996-1998 National Conference for Community and Justice, Student Advisor, Glendale, CA
- 1998 Associated Students of Cerritos College, Elected Student Senator, Norwalk, CA
- 1998 Associated Students of Cerritos College, Elected Sergeant of Arms, Norwalk, CA
- 1998 Speech and Debate Club, Member, Norwalk, CA
- 1997 EOPS Club, Elected President, Norwalk, CA
- 1997 Puente Club, Elected President, Norwalk, CA
- 1996 Puente Club, Elected President, Norwalk, CA

LANGUAGES SPOKEN

- Spanish Speak, read, and write fluently