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A. EDUCATION

PhD Sociology and Disability Studies	University of Leeds, England, April 2011
Masters in Anthropology and Development	Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium, December 2005
Social Development Specialist	Instituto Tecnológico de Monterrey, Mexico, October 2000
Masters in Cultural Studies and Latin American Studies	Uni. Andina Simón Bolívar, Quito, Ecuador, July 1997
Bachelor in Arts: Sociologist	Universidad Central del Ecuador, Quito, October 1993

B. RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

International coordinator, Bridges project: Leprosy social movement in Brazil and Indonesia 2015

VUMC- VU University of Amsterdam, University of Ceara Brazil and University of Indonesia

- Designed the research proposal, strategy, monitoring and evaluation of the project
- Designing research material and products together with the participants (videos, manuals, photos)
- Managing a €100,000 fund from the Leprosy Initiative Research
- Serving as liaison between all three universities and stakeholders involved
- Conducting international lobbying for sustainability of the project
- Conducting 2 trainings on CBR; disability; Human rights and social exclusion; social research, development of visual material
- Supervising 4 masters students and 10 research assistants

Study Manager (Post-doc), Stigma Assessment and Reduction Impact (SARI) Project, October 2010 – January 2015

VU University of Amsterdam-University of Indonesia

- Organised all study logistics including administrative setup, research coordination in Indonesia, staff contract
- Led yearly monitoring and evaluation efforts.
- Designed the research strategy, monitoring and evaluation of the project
- Designed material and products elaborated during the process together with participants (videos, manuals, photos)
- Managed a €1,000,000 fund from the Netherlands Leprosy Relief, SASAKAWA Found and American Leprosy Mission
- Designed and developed research about relationships, love and leprosy

- Served as liaison between all three organizations (NLR, SASAKAWA, ALM) and VU University and University of Indonesia
- Conducted international lobbying for sustainability of the project
- Designed and Supported Community Based Rehabilitation programme CBR
- Conducted 20+ training on CBR; disability; Human rights and social exclusion; social research, development of visual material
- Strengthening the activism and building capacity of the disability organization FKDC
- Supervised 12 masters and 3 PhD students over the project duration (4 years)
- Supervised research staff: 3

Research coordinator, Disability Studies Programme

2013- Present

17, Institute of Critical Studies, Mexico

- Designed and coordinated 6 month research “*That stupid thing called love: siblinghood and disability in the Netherlands*”
- Collected and analysed data from 6 siblings of people with disabilities in the Netherlands.
- Designed and coordinated 1-year project “*Del amor y otras historias: Leprosy in Ecuador.*”
- Managed €8.500 fund from the Sasakawa Foundation
- Collected and analysed data from 25 families of people affected by leprosy

Evaluator, Fe y Alegria Programme of Inclusive Education

July-December. 2012

Entreculturas, Madrid, Spain

- Designed and coordinated a 6 month participatory evaluation of the inclusive education programme
- Implemented a family-centred methodology of evaluation
- Managed a €5.000 fund from the Entreculturas organization
- Collected and analysed data from 50 participants of the project
- Presented a report of the evaluation process

Coordinator UK-Latin America Link Programme “Models of disability in Latin America”

July 2006 – July 2009

University of Leeds, Leeds, England

- Designed the proposal and the academic programme
- Organized a two-day conference in Leeds (UK): 12 main speakers from Latin America and the UK. 80 participants
- Organized two-day conference in Quito (Ecuador): 20 main speakers from Latin America and the UK. 75 participants
- Organised the first Round Table on “Disability in Latin America” at the Disability Studies Conference in Lancaster, UK.
- Organised the first panel on Disability issues in Latin America at the 45th Conference of the Society for Latin American Studies SLAS. Leeds, UK
- Organized all the programme logistics including administrative setup, contact of researchers, organization of the agendas, schedule the seminars, publications
- Managed £150.000 fund from the British Academy

Researcher, Nirmala Sadan “Centre for mentally retarded children”,

March 05/Jan 2006

Kerala, India

- Designed the research strategy, monitoring and evaluation of the project
- Collected and analysed data from 50 children with severe impairments about their life in the institution
- Served as liaison between the institution and the KU Leuven University
- Designed and Supported Community Based Rehabilitation programme CBR
- Supervised the care of 60 children with severe impairments
- Conducted over 25 trainings on CBR; disability; Human rights and social exclusion; social research, especial education
- Taught 10+ seminars at different universities about: disability and religion, disability and family, qualitative research

Evaluator, CBR Colombian Programme

August- December 2005

Handicap International, Belgium

- Designed and coordinated a 6 month participatory evaluation of the inclusive education programme
- Implemented a family-centred methodology of evaluation
- Collected and analysed data from 120 “beneficiaries” of the project
- Organized two workshops regarding disability research: 70 participants each
- Presented a report of the evaluation process and the results

Technical Coordinator, Iberoamerican Network of Disability – *La Red-*

Feb/06-Sept/06

Jan/04 – Aug./04

COCEMFE, Quito, Ecuador

- Supervised the administration of Regional Office
- Assessed and monitored the design and implementation of projects developed by associations of disabled people
- Designed plans for capacity building of organizations funded
- Supported and strengthened 20 associations of disabled people in different countries in Latin America (Ecuador, Colombia, Boliva, Paraguay, Peru, El Salvador, Dominican Republic, Venezuela)
- Managed US\$100.000 fund from the Spanish International Cooperation each year
- Conducted 40+ trainings on CBR; disability; Human rights and social exclusion; social research, leadership, capacity building, lobbying, logical framework
- Supervised research staff: 6

Consultant, Project 'Understanding the New Legal Code for Children and Adolescents' Integration of Children and Youth with disability.

Jul/03 – Decemb/03

UNICEF- Foro de la Niñez y la Adolescencia, Quito, Ecuador

- Designed and monitored the development of national conferences, seminars, debates in 22 provinces of the country

- Designed and implemented monitoring and evaluating tools
- Designed strategies of communication to improve the access to information about the new Legal Code for Children by organizations and institutions

Technical coordinator, CECADIS (Centre for training and social research in disability)

Jan/03 – Jun/03

Fundación General Ecuatoriana FGE, Quito, Ecuador

- Assessed and monitored the design and implementation of training strategies by different organizations working in disability
- Assessed the design and implementation of curricula on disability
- Designed and executed workshops and training sessions about disability, research, leadership and capacity building
- Designed participatory plans for capacity building of organizations of disabled people
- Conducted over 30 trainings on CBR; disability; Human rights and social exclusion; social research, leadership, capacity building, lobbying, logical framework

Technical Coordinator, De Waal Foundation – DWF

Jan/1994 – April/2001

Quito, Ecuador

- Organised all regional office logistics including administrative setup
- Led yearly monitoring and evaluation efforts of organizations supported in Ecuador, Bolivia, Venezuela, Colombia, Peru and Brazil
- Designed tools and methods for the monitoring and evaluation of the projects funded
- Advised organizations regarding research implementation (disability, health, social education)
- Managed a yearly € 1,000,000 fund distributed among the different projects funded
- Served as liaison between 14 organizations supported and international and local institutions and organizations
- Conducted international lobbying for sustainability of the projects
- Designed and Supported Community Based Rehabilitation programme CBR
- Conducted training on CBR; disability; Human rights and social exclusion; social research, development of visual material
- Supervised research staff: 3

Technical coordinator, Medical Assistance Programs. MAP International.

1992- 1994

Quito, Ecuador

- Led yearly monitoring and evaluation efforts of projects supported in Ecuador, Bolivia, Colombia, Peru and Honduras
- Designed tools and methods for the monitoring and evaluation of the projects funded
- Advised organizations regarding research implementation (disability, health, social education)
- Managed a yearly € 1'000,000 fund distributed among the different projects funded
- Served as liaison between the organizations supported and international and local institutions and organizations
- Conducted international lobbying
- Designed and Supported Community Based Rehabilitation programme CBR
- Conducted training on CBR; disability; Human rights and social exclusion; social research, development of visual material

- Supervised research staff: 3

Researcher, Project “Mapping poverty in Ecuador”

1991 – 1992

Centre for Social and Economic Study and Research – CIESE, Quito, Ecuador

- Designed the research strategy, monitoring and evaluation of the project
- Collected and analysed data from 1000 families from low income families
- Served as liaison between the institute and local private and public organizations
- Presented public and written report

Researcher, Project: Daily Life of Young and Elder People In Ecuador

1990 – 1991

Universidad Central del Ecuador, Quito, Ecuador

- Designed the research strategy, monitoring and evaluation of the project
- Collected and analysed data from 50 elderly people and 50 young people
- Served as liaison between the University department and local private and public organizations
- Presented written and public report

c. TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Module coordinator and Lecturer

February 2011 – June 2015

International Public Health and Medical Anthropology Courses

AUC - Amsterdam University College, Amsterdam

- Coordinated modules; delivered lectures, organized guest lectures, provided Capstone supervision
- Taught students: 80
- Supervised students: 7
- Guest lecturers invited: 20

Module coordinator and lecturer

August 2010 – July 2015

Disability and Neuropathy and Disability and Development Courses

VU – Vrije University Amsterdam – Athena Institute, Amsterdam

- Coordinated modules; delivered lectures, organized guest lectures, provided supervision Master students; bachelor students tutor, implemented creative participatory teaching methodologies
- Taught subjects: Sociology of the body, disability research, qualitative methods, introduction to intellectual disability, stigma and health, social approaches to leprosy
- Taught students: 200
- Supervised Masters students: 105
- Guest lecturers invited: 15

Lecturer

International Public Health and Global Health Programmes

August 2010-July 2015

VU – Vrije University Amsterdam – Athena Institute, Amsterdam

- Delivered lectures, implemented creative participatory teaching methodologies
- Taught subjects: qualitative methods, introduction to health and culture, Global health issues, International development
- Taught students: 300

Programme Coordinator

January 2012 – actual

Critical Disability Studies Programme (on-line)

17, Institute of Critical Studies, Mexico DF

- Designed curricula in Critical Disability Studies (Masters and doctoral programme)
- Coordinated modules; delivered seminars, provided supervision to Master students
- Participated in 3 colloquia about: Critical Law, Critical Management and Post-University
- Coordinated and organized Colloquium about Disability Studies (2013)
- Taught subjects: Post-humanism and disability, disability research, participatory action research, introduction to intellectual disability, history of leprosy
- Taught students: 20
- Supervised Masters students: 5

Guest lecturer

2012-2015

Hoogeschool van Amsterdam – European Masters of Science in Occupational Therapy, Amsterdam

- Delivered lectures, implemented creative participatory teaching methodologies
- Taught subjects: Participatory Action research; introduction to health and culture, International development
- Taught students: 80

Sub-warden, Bodington Hall

University of Leeds (Mackey House, Grant House, Wey House)

Jan-07 – June 2010

Leeds University, Leeds, England

- Provided pastoral care to residents.
- Organized activities for and together with the students (academic seminars, trips, balls, student elections)
- Administered funds for the implementation of some activities
- Residents supervised: 290

Teaching Assistant

Sept 2009-2010

Leeds University, Sociology Department, Leeds, England

- Organized and conducted tutorial sessions, implemented creative participatory teaching methodologies
- Selected and discussed books and articles referred to the topic

- Taught subjects: Contemporary global issues; Disability research
- Organisation of the Postgraduate conference. Centre for Disability Studies. Leeds University.
- Taught students: 48

Curriculum coordinator and Spanish teacher

Apr/01 – December 2002

Language Learning Center LLC, Atlanta, USA

- Designed curricula for children with intellectual disability
- Designed curricula for parents of children with intellectual disability
- Organized and conducted tutorial sessions, implemented creative participatory teaching methodologies
- Conducted Spanish classes in 4 private schools
- Taught students: 100 children (1 year old to 14 years old); 20 parents

Spanish Teacher

1993-1994

Peace Corps of the United States, Quito, Ecuador

- Organized and conducted teaching sessions, implemented creative participatory teaching methodologies
- Selected and discussed books and articles regarding culture and social, economic and political life of the country
- Taught students: 34 volunteers

Teacher - Replacement

1993-1999

- Sociology teacher Federico Gauss High School. Quito, Ecuador. Replacement 3 months
- Sociology teacher. Mejía High School. Quito, Ecuador. Replacement 2 months
- Sociology teacher. Salesian High School. Quito, Ecuador. Replacement 2 months
- Epistemology Professor's Assistant. Sociology Department. Universidad Central del Ecuador. Quito, Replacement 3 months

d. ADDITIONAL RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2000 – 2015

- Facilitator CBR Brazilian Model design, NLR Brazil, Brasilia, March-November 2014
- Advisor Disability Issues. Centro de las Culturas, Buenos Aires, Argentina. 2006
- Advisor Project 'Sexuality and people with intellectual disability'. Fundacion Tapori, Quito, Ecuador. 2007
- Research Assistant. Project The power of Connection: Disability cosmologies in religion tradition and spiritual journeys. Prof. Patrick Devlieger, KUL.. Leuven, Belgium, 2005

- Coordinator European Sub-secretary of disability and non-discrimination. International Humanist Movement, Brussels, Belgium, 2005
- Consultant advisor for Mobility Organisation and USAID on projects about disability, gender and labour insertion in Guatemala, Nicaragua and Ecuador. 1997-2001
- Consultant advisor. Association of People with physical disability Tungurahua, Ecuador, 2001-2003
- Coordination of workshops for families of children with disability. Atlanta, USA
- Advisor Project 'Sharing Life', Ambato, Ecuador. Voluntary Youth supporting work with disabled persons, Ambato, Ecuador. 2003

E. Publications

Articles

- **Miranda-Galarza, B.** (ed) (2015) Love in times of leprosy: stories from Hospital Gonzalo Gonzalez in Quito, Ecuador. Mexico: 17, Institute Press.
- Lusli, M & **Miranda-Galarza, B** (2014) The impact of stigma: a comparative study between people affected by leprosy and disabled people in Cirebon, Indonesia. Journal of Stigma Research and Action, Accepted
- **Miranda-Galarza, B.** et al (2013) The power of personal knowledge: reflecting conscientization in lives of disabled people and people affected by leprosy. Journal of Knowledge Management for development Vol 9 (2).
- Peters, R. Dadun, Mimi Lusli, **Miranda-Galarza, H.** et al. (2013) The Meaning of Leprosy and Everyday Experiences: An Exploration in Cirebon, Indonesia. Journal of Tropical Medicine, vol 2013
- Mayer-Foulkes, B. & **Miranda-Galarza, B.** (2013) "Disability" puts "normality" between quotation marks: novel developments in Disability Studies. Innovia Newsletter, (21)
- **Miranda-Galarza, B.** (2010) Leprosy, stigma and disability: what can be learnt from the Disability Studies? Innovia Foundation
- **Miranda-Galarza, B** (2009) *Ni chicha ni limoná*: Ethical dilemmas of a sibling on doing disability research in Ecuador. Journal of Ethics and Research. Vol.3 (1)
- **Miranda-Galarza, B** (2009) The other brother, the other sister: stories of disability in Leuven and Ecuador. Ethnica Journal of Anthropology. KU Leuven
- **Miranda-Galarza, B.** (2008) Discapacidad intelectual en Ecuador. Por un modelo social y cultural. Revista Intersticios. Vol 2 (2)

Chapters in books

- **Miranda-Galarza, B.** (2015) From Global Concepts to Local Stories: Intellectual Disability, Family and Resistance in Ecuador. In Paunksnis, S. *Dislocating Globality: Deterritorialization, Difference and Resistance*. Brill, Leiden.
- Devlieger, P. Brown, S. **Miranda-Galarza, B.** Strickfaden, M. (Ed) (2015) Rethinking Disability: The emergence of new definitions, concepts and communities. Garant, Antwerp
- **Miranda-Galarza, B.** et al (2015) The power of personal knowledge: reflecting conscientization in lives of disabled people and people affected by leprosy. In Devlieger, P. Miranda-Galarza, B (Edts) Rethinking Disability: The emergence of new definitions, concepts and communities. Garant
- **Miranda-Galarza, B** & Senier, S. (2014) Disability: From Colonialism to Postcolonialism and Contemporary Empire. In Grech, S. Soldic, K (Edts) Disability in the Global South: the Critical Handbook. Springer:London (Forthcoming, July 2014).

- van Brakel, W & **Miranda-Galarza, B.** (2013) Infectious Diseases: A Case Study of Leprosy-Related Stigma. In Corrigan, P. The Stigma of Disease and Disability: Understanding Causes and Overcoming Injustices. Amer Psychological Assn: Washington
- Debrower, I. (2010) Jugando, jugando yo tambien me enamore. Sexuality and intellectual disability.
- **Miranda-Galarza, B.** (2007) Discapacidad y Desarrollo. In: Samaniego, P (edt) Aproximacion a la Realidad de las personas con discapacidad en America Latina. CERMI, Madrid

Short stories for children

- Miranda-Galarza, B (2009) Esperando a Cesar. A short story of disabled children. Revista ELE. #23 Nov-Dec. Quito.
- Miranda-Galarza, B (2008) Luis y los zapatos especiales. A story of disability. Revista ELE. #23 Nov-Dec. Quito.

Dissertations (unpublished)

- Intellectual disability, family and ethnicity in Ecuador: a cultural and social analysis. PhD Thesis. University of Leeds, 2011.
- Identity of families with ‘handicapped’ members: some stories from the Flemish community. Thesis. Masters programme KU Leuven. Belgium, 2005.
- Between the institution and God: The case of Nirmala Sadan Centre for handicapped children in Kerala, India, KU Leuven, 2006.
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- The construction of the image of street children and youth in TV advertisements. A case study of the Salesian Programme in Ecuador. Thesis. Masters Programme. Universidad Andina Simon Bolivar, Quito, 2007.
- The construction of image and taste in Bourdieu. A study of Cantinflas. Thesis. Sociology. Universidad Central del Ecuador, 1993

Reports (unpublished)

- The social Movement of Disable People in Latin America: Is everything fine?. La Red. 2006.
- The social model of disability and its problems in Latin America. La Red. 2006.
- The process of youth education in the Training centres for Social Educators in Latin America. De Waal Foundation 1997.
- How to work with networks of organisations of ‘social educators’ in Latin America. De Waal Foundation. 1994
- Community health and the role of the Christian Church. Map International. 1993.

F. Conferences and presentations

Key note speaker

- *That stupid thing called love: siblinghood, love and disability.* Disability Studies Conference: Diversity and Unity. Beit Issi Schapiro, Tel Aviv, July 2015
- *The art of be-longing: Siblings of disabled people.* Disability Studies Conference, DSiN, Amsterdam 2014
- *What is critical about Disability Studies?* Colloquium “Disability puts normality between brackets”. 17, Institute of Critical Studies, Mexico, January 2013
- *Disability, intimacy and rationality.* Colloquium ‘Critical Law’, 17, Institute of Critical Disability Studies, Mexico June 2012

- *The challenges of Inclusive Education*. University of Costa Rica 12-15 June 2010.
- *Working in community? CBR stories from Ecuador and Colombia*. University of Leeds. April 28th, 2009.
- *Ethics of liberation and disability research in Latin America*. SLAS Congress. Leeds, March 26-27, 2009.
- *Claiming a social model of disability in Ecuador?*. Postgraduate conference, March 26th. Leeds University.
- *The witch, the priest, the community worker and my mum: Intellectual disability in Ecuador*. 25th of October. POLIS Department. Leeds University.
- *Post-colonialism and discourses of disability*. MMU. 4th. November 2008, Manchester.
- *Intellectual disability and cross-cultural research: Myths from Ecuador*. UCL, November 11th, 2008. London

Papers presented at conferences

- Family and intellectual disability: some stories from Ecuador. Conference of Interdisciplinary Social Sciences, Toscana, Italy 22-25 of July, 2008
- My family, my nation, and I: Stories of disability from Ecuador. KU Leuven, July 21st. 2008.
- Latin America and the perspectives on Disability. Lancaster University. European Disability Studies Conference, 2-4 September 2008.
- *Saber y conocer: Disability and ethnicity in Ecuador*. Lancaster University. European Disability Studies Conference, 2-4 September 2008.
- The witch, the priest, the community worker and my mum: Intellectual disability in Ecuador. 15th of May, 2008. MMU, Manchester.
- Family, disability and research. Esmeraldas, 11th of February, 2008. Ecuador
- Social Movements and the Disability Movement in Latin America. 22nd of September, 2006. El Salvador.
- Moving away from a medical model? The social movement of disabled people in Latin America. 20 of August, 2006. Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.
- Management, projects and disability. Asunción, Paraguay. 20th May 2006.
- The social movement of disabled people in Latin America: weakness and strengths. Sao Paulo, Brazil. 11th of February, 2006.
- Disability: concepts and models. Nirmala Sadan Centre for mentally retarded children. Kerala, India. 26th June, 2005.
- Education and disability: what we know and what we do. University of Kerala. 22th of May. 2005. Kerala, India.
- Some talks and dialogues at different universities and high-schools in Cochin, India. Between May and August 2005.

G. Prizes and honours

- Society of Latin American Studies, SLAS Grants, London 2009.
- Jo Campling Memory Prize, Second Prize best essay London 2008.
- ORSAS/Tetley and Lupton Scholarship for PhD studies. Leeds, 2006-2010
- KU Leuven scholarship for internship in India, March- August 2005
- BTC Scholarship (Belgium Technical Cooperation) to study at KU Leuven, 2004-2005. Belgium
- Andean Parliaments scholarship to study at the Simón Bolívar University .Ecuador, 1995-1997.
- Golden Medal to the Best Student. School of Sociology 1993. Central University. Ecuador.
- Golden Medal to the Best Student 1970-1990. School of Sociology. Central University. Ecuador, 1993.

H. Languages and computing

- Spanish: mother tongue
- English, Portuguese: writing –speaking- listening: fluent.
- Italian: A2
- Bahasa Indonesia A1
- Dutch: A1
- Microsoft office, Nvivo, PhotoShop, Illustrator, PPT

Personal references

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