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PROFILE:

A talented and versatile trilingual teacher acting as a pivotal centre of influence to update class contents and instructional environments. An utterly scholar specialized in sociology of health and illness with an expertise on Complex Social Systems Luhmann's theory and mental disorders. Adapts to multicultural classrooms to fit students' idiosyncratic needs. Delivers advanced lectures using up to date methodologies. Currently based in Spain but happy to investigate new challenges worldwide.

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Sociology, Santiago de Compostela University USC, Spain 2008

M.A. Anthropology, Western Washington University, Bellingham, Wa. US. Feb 1995

B.A. Anthropology, UNED, Madrid, Spain 2009

B.A. Sociology UNED, Madrid, Spain 2011

B.A. Philosophy, USC 1989

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2008-2014 Professor Sociology, Department of Sociology, USC (Master "[Young and society](#)": "Young and risk conducts"; "[Complex social methodologies](#)" Post-graduate Courses)

1995- 2014 Head of the Department Philosophy, Galicia. (IES Boiro, IES Lalín, IES Porto do Son, IES Campo San Alberto; 2003-2014 Contend and Language Integrated Learning [CLIL](#)).

2012 Certification of Spanish University System as "*Profesor Colaborador*", [ANECA](#).

1993-1995 Teaching Assistantship Anthropology D. Bob Marshall, WWU, Bellingham, Wa. US.

1989 - 1992 Teaching Assistantship Department of Social Anthropology, USC, Santiago, Spain.

LANGUAGES

English: B2 2011; 2014 taking C2.

Spanish, Galician, and Portuguese: C2. Mother languages.

German: A1 1996.

PUBLICATIONS

- 2014 Forthcoming "La evolución de los Imaginarios sociales de Juan Luis Pintos" *Perfiles Latinoamericanos*, Mexico.
- 2014 Forthcoming "Living, coping and managing a severe mental disorder diagnosis in Galicia, Spain". *Mental Health and society*.
- 2012 *Complejidad Social y Locura en Galicia*. Editorial Académica Española (ISBN 978-3-8484-7873-6)
- 2012 "Theoretical reflection about a fuzzy definition of the rural." with Juan R. Coca, Jesús A. Valero Matas and David Casado Neira and M^a Montserrat León Guerrero. *Sociología y tecnociencia*, nº 2, Vol. 1, pp. 44-54.
- 2012 "Imaginarios sociales de la enfermedad mental". RIPS, Vol. 11, núm. 2: 101-113.
- 2012 "¿Porque Luhman?" *Revista novos dereitos*, 3. 3. Brasil.
- 2011 "Social imaginaries of mental illness, policontexturality and biotechnologies", Vol 1 *Revista Sociología y Tecnocienica, Monográfico: El cyborg en la sociedad*
- 2011 "Cuentas del Manicomio de Conxo: 1885-1924. Historia de un préstamo hipotecario", *SISO Saúde* 2011.
- 2009 *Orden social e loucura en Galicia, Tese douctoral baixo a dirección de Juan Luis Pintos de Cea Naharro*. USC: Santiago de Compostela ISBN 978-84-9887-356-6
- 2009 "Marcando unha diferenza. Scripts, Imaxinarios sociais e Enfermidade mental grave en Galicia". En E. Carretero Pasín y Juan R. Coca (Eds) *Sociologías de los márgenes. Libro de Homenaje a Juan Luis Pintos de Cea-Naharro*. Hergué: Huelva
- 2008 *Niklas Luhmann*. Bahía: Coruña.
- 2001 "Good Intentions overruled: estrategias xeradoras de sentido en psiquiatría", IN *Actas XVIII Semana de Filosofía* ISBN: 84-8457-058-4;
- 1998 "El uso de la Medicina Tradicional China en la Costa Oeste de Norte-América. Oriente en Occidente: China en Occidente". IN *Actas del III Congreso de Historia de la Antropología y antropología aplicada*. CSIC: Santiago Compostela (tomo II, pp.: 627-655). ISBN 84-00-07653-2.
- 1995 "Mediators towards balance: legitimizations of Chinese medicine in the pacific northwest coast" Master Thesis not Published, Western Washington University, Bellingham, Washington, USA.

INVITED TALKS/ STAYS

- 2013 Social Sciences Department, Nepean School. Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.
- 2013 "Tagged: presentation of a Galician Documentary on Mental Illness experience and movie project". Sociology Department, Ottawa University, Ottawa, Canada.
- 2008 Social sciences department, Richmond Public School, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada.
- 2008 "Making no sense: living with mental illness diagnosis in Galicia, Spain"; Sociology Department, Ottawa University, Ottawa, Canada.
- 2005 "Communicating madness", "O Corpíño: spirit possession in Galicia", "The concept of culture in modern societies: Marcel Mauss (1872-1950) and Niklas Luhmann (1927-1998)"; Anthropology Department University James Cook, Townsville, Queensland, Australia.

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

- 2014 "El suidilio de la sociedad: imaginarios sociales del suicidio". [III Seminario Internacional sobre Imaginarios sociales, Orense](#), USC July 2014.
- 2013 "CLIL / Philosophy: False Friends?" Making the system work: improving bilingual strategies, Santiago de Compostela, TESOL Spain November.
- 2013 "La locura como crimen, Imaginando locos en la novela negra contemporánea" *Seminario Internacional sobre Imaginarios sociales*. Fundación duques Soria, Universidad de Valladolid.
- 2012 "Tolos e enmeigados: socioloxía da doença mental en Galicia". August *XI Xornadas de Historia e cultura. Usos, tradicións, costumes e crenzas*. Porto do Son Ethnographic Museum
- 2011 "Imaginarios sociales de la enfermedad mental" *Seminario internacional de Investigación social en torno a los imaginarios sociales*. Universidad Santiago de Compostela. Noviembre
- 2010 "Making no sense: biographies of mentally ill patients" *Biography, Mental Illness and Sociology XVII ISA World Congress of Sociology Sociology on the Move* Gothenburg, Sweden; July.
- 2010 "Conxo: a Spanish mental asylum as capitalism economy example". *Wealth fare and provision. The revival of political economy: prospects for sustainable provision*, Coimbra, Portugal, October.
- 2010 "Equivalentes funcionales: Catolicismo, Banca y Psiquiatría privada. La fundación Manicomio de Conxo en Santiago de Compostela (1885-1931)". *FES Spanish Federation of Sociology, Sociology of Religion* Navarra July.
- 2010 "Viviendo el sin sentido: biografías de enfermos mentales en Galicia" *FES Spanish Federation of Sociology, Sociology*

- of Medicine, Navarra July.
- 2009 Coordinator and moderator 30th ISSR Conference. The challenges of religious pluralism. Santiago de Compostela. July 2009 "Making no sense: Biography, Mental Illness and Sociology", *The sociological craft: practical sense and reflexivity; Paths towards reflexive sociology: ethnography matters* University of Porto, Portugal. December.
- 2008 "Filosofía en enseñanza bilingüe (inglés-gallego) en Galicia", *Aula 171 (ISSN 1131-995X)*
- 2001 "Sociología de la complejidad: identidad, sentido y tiempo como claves de la observación sociológica de segundo orden" FES, Sociology of knowledge VII Congreso Español de Sociología: "Convergencias y divergencias en la sociedad global" (Salamanca 20-22 September).
- 1998 "La comunicación de la locura: expectativas generadoras de sentido en psiquiatras gallego", in *Actas VI Congreso Sociología* (FES, A Coruña 1998).
- 1996 "Medical anthropology of a rural North west Cantabria parish" School of social anthropology: Métodos y técnicas en el trabajo de campo antropológico (teoría y práctica) Carmelo Lisón Tolosana. Trabajo de campo en Polientes e informe final en los fondos de la Fundación Botín. July.

RESEARCH / TITURING EXPERIENCE

2012-14: Master Thesis tutor, [Master Xuventude e Sociedade](#), USC, Sociology Department, Santiago.

2005-2008 Ph.D. field work: Galician Mental Illness institutions, Tutor: Juan Luis Pintos Cea Naharro

2000-2014 Member of the [GCEIS](#) (Compostelan Group for the Study of Social Imaginaries).

SERVICE TO PROFESSION

2013 Review articles for British Journal [Health, Sociology and Technoscience](#) and [Imagonautas](#)

2013 Review of research project: Universidad República Uruguay

2012 PhD Thesis tribunal member E.F. Randazzo Eissemann: "Imaginario social, ¿límites o posibilidades? Honduras Golpe de estado (28/06/2009). Estudio de Caso. USC, June.

2014 PhD Thesis tribunal member Jhon Jairo Londoño Aquirre "Juventud sin oportunidades: las barras ultras, un ejemplo paradigmático". USC

NON-ACADEMIC WORK AND EXTRACURRICULAR SERVICES

2008-2014 Voluntary teacher at a NGO of mentally ill diagnosed persons and their relatives ACREBA (a creba.org)

2012-2013 Movie production: [Ramón and Julia](#) (Short movie) and [Con Etiqueta](#) (Tagged a documentary on mentally ill diagnosed persons).

Students interchanges with Canada (2013), France (2013, 2004) and England (2008, 2009, 2010).

AWARDS, HONORDS.

2007 AWARD to the best Galician educational innovations project: [Nico](#) A movie work shop on school bulling. Galician Ministry of Education, Xunta de Galicia

2008 Award to the best Galician educational innovations project: "Class materials for CLIL teaching". Galician Ministry of Education, Xunta de Galicia

2009 AWARD OF HONOR, Federation of Associations of Mentally Ill and their relatives of Spain: FEAFES.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Curriculum development on web sites (moodle, eXeLearning...): <http://historyphilo.weebly.com/> "manuel"

LEADERSHIP / MANAGEMENT / ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

1999-2014 Head of the Philosophy Department at three different schools (IES Lalín, IES Porto do Son, IES Campo San Alberto).

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Medical sociology and medical anthropology, Mental Illness, Suicide, Cultural perception on mental disorders, Social Imaginaries, Social Theories, Social Complexity, Luhmann.