

GEMA VALENCIA-TURCO

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

PhD Candidate

Temple University, Department of Spanish and Portuguese. Fall 2021 - present.

Bilingual Program Assistant

Barnes Foundation, Community Engagement and Family Programs, August 2021 - present.

Community Connector - Virtual Reality Project

Barnes Foundation, Community Engagement Department. March 2019 - December 2019.

Assistant General Manager

1715 on Rittenhouse, A Boutique Hotel, September 2019 – July 2021.

Front Desk Management and Guest Services Supervisor

Rittenhouse 1715, A Boutique Hotel. September 2011 – November 2018.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE IN HIGHER EDUCATION

Adjunct Instructor (General Education and Spanish)

Temple University, Department of Spanish and Portuguese. Fall 2018 - present.

Movement for the Stage Instructor

Rutgers Camden, NJ. November 2012.

Movement Director/Theatre Choreographer

Royal Central School of Speech and Drama & East 15 Drama School.
London, UK. 2010

Performing Arts Instructor (Continuing Education)

University of Texas at El Paso, Summer 2006 and 2007.

ACADEMIC CONFERENCES

International Conference of Dalcroze Studies - Katowice, Poland. Summer 2019.

Collaborative workshop and research paper: "Harmony in Space and Sound: Exploring Laban's Space Harmony and its Relationship to Music; Applications to Dalcroze Education, Plastique Anime and Performance".

Nineteenth Century Studies Association Conference- Philadelphia, PA. Spring 2018.

Research Poster Session: "Aural Vistas"

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

Collaborator and Instructor - Dalcroze Philadelphia

Music and Movement Education. Summer 2018 - present.

Artist Participant - Let's Connect, Art Contest and Exhibition

Barnes Foundation and Philadelphia Mural Arts, Summer 2018.

Collaborator and Performer - Band of Artists

Multidisciplinary Performance Company. Philadelphia, PA. 2011-2014.

Freelance Performing Arts and Spanish Instructor

After-school programs in German Town and Philadelphia, PA. Spring 2012 - Summer 2015.

EDUCATION

Royal Central School of Speech and Drama - London, UK. 2009 - 2010

MA in Movement Studies.

Trinity Laban Conservatory of Music and Dance - London, UK. 2008 - 2009.

Professional Diploma in Dance Studies

University of Texas at El Paso - Texas, USA. 2002 - 2007

B.M., Cum Laude, Piano Performance, Minor: Dance Performance

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Predoctoral Diversity Scholarship

College of Liberal Arts, Temple University. Philadelphia, Spring 2021

Doris Weiss Scholarship Recipient

Art Department, Community College of Philadelphia, Spring 2017.

Phoebe and Reuben Mutnick Scholarship Recipient

Music Department, University of Texas at El Paso, Spring 2005.

Ballet in Focus Fund Scholarship Recipient

Music and Dance Department, University of Texas at El Paso, Fall 2002.