Omar Ismael Alvarado

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EDUCATION

University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) | Expected June 2027

Ph.D. Social Science & Comparative Education | Race, Ethnic, and Cultural Studies Specialization School of Education & Information Studies Faculty Advisor: Dr. Daniel Solórzano

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University of California, Los Angeles | June 2021

M.Ed. in Student Affairs | Higher Education & Organizational Change School of Education & Information Studies

Faculty Advisor: Dr. Linda Sax

University of California, Los Angeles | June 2020

B.A. Chicana/o and Central American Studies | Minor: History

Los Angeles Pierce College (LAPC) | June 2018

A.A. General Studies: Social and Behavioral Sciences

HONORS, FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS

UCLA Graduate Education University Fellowship | 2023 – 2024 UCLA Eugene V. Cota-Robles Fellowship | 2022 – 2023 UCLA Education & Information Studies Year One Doctoral Fellow | 2021 – 2022 UCLA Graduate Opportunity Fellow | 2020 – 2021

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

UCLA Center for Critical Race Studies in Education | Associate Director | 2022 – Current

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

UCLA University Studies | College Academic Counseling | Graduate Instructor | 2024 – 2025

UCLA Chicana/o and Central American Studies | Teaching Fellow | 2022 – 2024

Day of the Dead Ritual; Social Structures & Contemporary Issues; Central American Studies: Histories & Cultures; Central Americans in the U.S.; Barrio Service Learning

UCLA Freshmen Summer Program | Teaching Associate | Introductory Sociology | 2023

UCLA First-Year Scholars Program | College Academic Counseling | Graduate Instructor | 2021 – 2022 Collaborative Learning Workshops for Humanities and Social Sciences Majors

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS EXPERIENCE

UCLA Career Center | 2020 - 2024

Graduate Career Services | Graduate Career Consultant | 2023 - 2024

Career Engagement and Education | Career Counselor Intern | 2020 - 2021

STUDENT AFFAIRS EXPERIENCE

University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) | 2016 - 2020 Learning Center Lab Lead & Operations Manager | 2018 - 2020 Leadership and Engagement Program Coordinator | 2017 - 2018 Residential Life Special Projects Coordinator | 2016 - 2018

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Fuente de Lideres (Source of Leaders) | Pico Rivera, CA | 2011 - 2015 International Certified Leadership Trainer | 2013 - 2015 Youth Empowerment Program Director | 2012 - 2015 Leadership Program & Administrative Coordinator | 2011 - 2012

PRESENTATIONS

Graduate Student Orientation | Latine Mixer Panelist | 2023
Post-Graduation Visibility Week | Graduate School Jump Start Panelist | 2023
UCLA Grad Slam Challenge | 2021, 2022
Honors Collegium 101D | Career Development Jump Start | 2021
Senior Series: Is Now the Right Time for Graduate/Professional School? | 2021
Social Science Career Jumpstart Course Presentations | University Studies 10A | 2020 – 2021
Center for Community College Partnerships (CCCP) Career Certification Series | 2020 – 2021
Undocumented Student Program Undergraduate Fellows Career Series | 2020 – 2021
Transfer Student Center Career Services | Social Media Live Series | 2020 – 2021
USAC Transfer Student Representative Office | Resume, CV, Cover Letter Overview | 2020
Bruin Bound: Career Services Overview | UCLA Admissions | 2020
UCLA Residential Life Student Staff Welcome | 1919 Keynote Speaker | 2020

LEADERSHIP & SERVICE

After-School All-Stars Los Angeles (ASAS-LA) | Linked-Up Alumni Advisory Committee | 2022 – Current Social Science & Comparative Education | Division Representative | 2021 – 2023 UCLA Grad STRIVE | Graduate 2 Graduate Mentor | 2022 – 2023 Graduate/Undergraduate Mentorship Program (GUM) | Mentor | 2020 – 2021 UCLA M.Ed. in Student Affairs Application Committee | 2020 – 2021 UCLA Chicana/o and Central American Studies Department Orientation Support | 2019 – 2021