

Abbreviated Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

Ed.D.	Higher Education Leadership, Azusa Pacific University	2018
PPSC	Pupil Personnel Services Credential, National University	2017
M.S.	Educational Counseling, National University	2008
B.A.	Interdisciplinary Studies, National University	2006

SUMMARY OF SKILLS

- Experience with qualitative and quantitative research methods
- Experience teaching university courses
- Experience with retention programs for underrepresented students
- Experience with grant writing
- Experience with fundraising and donor relations
- Experience mentoring diverse student populations

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

<i>Assistant Professor</i> , Social Work Department, Fresno Pacific University	Present
<i>Program Coordinator</i> , Renaissance Scholars Program, Fresno State	2008 – 2018
<i>Academic Counselor</i> , Educational Opportunity Program, Fresno State	2006 -2008
<i>Research Assistant (Quantitative)</i> , under Dr. Young Kim, Azusa Pacific University	2013-2015
<i>Research Assistant (Qualitative)</i> , under Dr. Alexander Jun, Azusa Pacific University	2010-2011

PUBLICATIONS

- Lopez, K. (2018). *Understanding retention among college-going foster youth through policy and practice*. Doctoral dissertation, Azusa Pacific University, Azusa, CA.
- Lopez, K. & Duran, B. (2016). *Transitional age foster youth—Getting them into and through college*. Fresno, CA: Central Valley Higher Education Consortium.

Kim, Y., Edens, D., Espinoza Parra, O., & Lopez, K. (2015). Sense of belonging among undergraduate students of color at predominantly White religious-based institutions. In B. Jackson Glimps and T. N. Ford (Eds.), *Gender and Diversity Issues in Religious-Based Institutions and Organizations*. IGI Global Publisher.

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

Peer Reviewed

Hoffman, A., Lopez, K., Bennett, J., & Tinker, B. (2018, March). *Fostering inclusion: The implementation of a faculty/staff mentor program for college-going foster youth*. Philadelphia, PA: 2018 National Association of Student Personnel Administration.

Lopez, K & Whitman, K. (2017, November). *Towards leveling the playing field: Insights on the college-going experiences of foster care alumni*. Houston, TX: 2017 Annual Conference of the Association for the Study of Higher Education.

Amechi, M. H., Gross, J., Gupton, J., Lopez, K., & Whitman, K. (2016, November). *A forum on critical issues affecting foster youth in higher education: Cultivating a scholarly agenda and community of scholars*. Columbus, OH: 2016 Annual conference of the Association for the Study of Higher Education.

Kim, Y., Edens, D., Lopez, K. & Espinoza Parra, O. (2015, April). *Sense of belonging among students of color at faith-based colleges and universities: A comparison with white counterparts*. Chicago, IL: 2015 Annual Conference of the American Educational Research Association.

Featured and Invited Speaker

Lopez, K. (2018, September). Featured speaker. *Removed: Supporting foster youth in an educational setting*. Excellence Through Equity Conference in Riverside, CA.

Lopez, K. (2018, September). Guest Speaker. President's Scholars Honors Banquet at Fresno Pacific University in Fresno, CA.

SELECTED FUNDED GRANTS

Lopez, K. (2015). Grant writer and researcher. From NEO Philanthropy Grant to complete mixed methods research study on transitional age foster youth in the Central Valley. Awarded \$10,000.

Lopez, K. (2008 - 2018). Principal Investigator. Multiple grants from Walter S. Johnson Foundation for the Renaissance Scholars Program at California State University, Fresno. Awards combined \$460,000.

Lopez, K. (2008 - 2018). Principal Investigator. Multiple grants from The California Wellness Foundation for the Renaissance Scholars Program at California State University, Fresno. Awards combined \$280,000.

Lopez, K. (2008 - 2018). Principal Investigator. Multiple grants from In and Out Burger Foundation for the Renaissance Scholars Program at California State University, Fresno. Awards combined \$19,000.

TEACHING

Fresno Pacific University

SW 462: Introduction to Social Science Research Methods

SW 493: Integrative/Thesis Courses

SW 351: Urban Society and Social Welfare

California State University, Fresno

SW171: Introduction to Qualitative Research

SELECTED SERVICE

Board Member , City Without Orphans, Fresno, CA	Present
Mentor , Renaissance Scholars, Humanics, and EDGE at Fresno State	2018, 2017, 2011
Chair and Co-Founder , Central Valley Higher Education Foster Youth Consortium	2016 - 2018
Reviewer , Association for the Study of Higher Education	2018, 2013
Reviewer , Student Affairs Administrators in Higher Education	2017
Staff Representative , President's Commission on Human Relations and Equity, Fresno State	2017 - 2018
Advisory Board , Fresno County Office of Education Foster & Homeless Youth Committee	2007 - 2018
Advisory Board , Food Security Committee, Fresno State	2015 - 2018