

# Josué Meléndez Rodríguez

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## EDUCATION

**Michigan State University** East Lansing, Michigan

Degree: *Master of Arts in Higher, Adult, and Lifelong Education*

Aug. 2014

Degree: *Master of Social Work in Organizational and Community Practice*

May 2013

Certificate: *Teaching and Learning in Postsecondary Education*

Awards and Grants

- International Education Scholarship
- International Social Work Scholarship
- Macro Social Work Scholarship

Honor Societies

- Phi Beta Delta
- Phi Alpha

**Loyola University Chicago** Chicago, Illinois

Degree: *Bachelor of Social Work*

Sept. 2008

Awards and Grants

- Transfer Student Award

Extracurricular Activities

- School of Social Work – *Student Ambassador*
- Social Work Student Organization – *Social Justice Chair*

**Grand Rapids Community College** Grand Rapids, Michigan

Major: *Social Work*

Transfer: Sept. 2005

Extracurricular Activities

- Student Activities Office – *Student Ambassador*
- Gay Straight Alliance – *President*
- Diversity Learning Center – *Student Member*
- Gay and Lesbian Task Force – *Student Member*

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## TRAININGS AND CONFERENCES

National Association of Social Workers, California – *Translational Research*

Oct. 2014

University of California, Berkeley – *Teaching Conference*

Aug. 2014

Association of International Educators – *National Conference*

May 2013

National Association of Social Workers, Michigan – *Education and Advocacy*

Mar. 2013

Michigan Association of International Educators – *State Conference*

Mar. 2013

Association of International Educators – *Region V Conference*

Oct. 2012

Michigan State University – *Transformative Leadership in Human Services*

Oct. 2012

The Standard Group – *Case Management Core Competencies*

Nov. 2011

Institute for Brain Potential – *Understanding Anxiety Disorders*

May 2011

Institute for Brain Potential – *Adversity, Suffering, and Disease*

Sept. 2010

Access Health – *Personal Action Toward Health*

Jan. 2010

Healthy Kent Suicide Prevention Coalition – *Suicide Prevention Seminar*

Nov. 2009

Michigan Public Health Initiative – *Creating Safe Schools (for LGBTQ Youth)*

Feb. 2009

Illinois Department of Community Health – *HIV Counseling*

Jan. 2008

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## PRESENTATIONS

**Council on Social Work Education** - Annual Program Meeting

Nov. 2018

*Session Facilitator: Intersectionality for Culturally Humble Social Work*

<b>Society for Social Work and Research</b> – Annual Conference <i>Session Facilitator: Critical Theories in Social Work Practice Research</i>	Jan. 2018
<b>Council on Social Work Education</b> – Annual Program Meeting <i>Session Facilitator: Critical Pedagogies in Social Work Education</i>	Oct. 2017
<b>Association of International Educators</b> – Annual Conference <i>Poster Presenter: A Comprehensive International Student Orientation</i>	May 2014
<b>Association of International Educators</b> – Regional Conference <i>Session Facilitator: Working with Community Agencies to Supplement Student Services</i>	Nov. 2013
<b>Council on Social Work Education</b> – Annual Program Meeting <i>Poster Presenter: A Social Work Health Navigation Program</i>	Nov. 2013

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## EMPLOYMENT

<b>University of California, Berkeley</b> Berkeley, California <i>Qualitative Research Lead, D-Lab</i>	Aug. 2014 – present
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Managing and providing consulting services on project design, data coding and analysis, and software use for qualitative researchers from varying fields</li> <li>• Managing a qualitative and mixed-methods researcher speaker series featuring faculty and PhD candidates from various departments</li> <li>• Designing and facilitating introductory qualitative research workshops, including introductions to the research process and data analysis software</li> <li>• Coordinating intermediate and advanced qualitative and mixed-methods research workshops with staff and PhD students from various departments</li> </ul>	
<i>Teaching Assistant, School of Social Welfare BASW Program</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Facilitated discussion sessions and lectures, graded exams and essays, and coordinated guest speakers for course on social work practice</li> <li>• Created syllabus, facilitated lectures and discussions, graded presentations, and essays, and coordinated guest speakers for course on social problems</li> <li>• Provided guidance to students pursuing graduate studies by assisting in program searches, essay writing, and other aspects of the application process</li> </ul>	
<i>Research Assistant, School of Social Welfare</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conducted interviews and completed narrative summaries for study on pregnancy intentions and contraceptive use</li> </ul>	
<i>Research Assistant, Mack Center on Nonprofit and Public Sector Management</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interviewed human service agency CFOs about financial literacy concerns</li> <li>• Created draft report, training, and presentation on process and findings</li> </ul>	
<i>Teaching Assistant, School of Social Welfare MSW Program</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Graded and provided feedback on essays from first-year graduate students</li> <li>• Assisted instructor in management of course assessments</li> </ul>	
<b>Huntington's Disease Society, Michigan</b> Lansing, Michigan	May 2013 – Jan. 2014
<i>Interim Family Services Coordinator, Care and Support Services</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assisted in the coordination of a yearly educational conference</li> <li>• Facilitated educational presentations for housing and healthcare facilities</li> <li>• Assisted in the development of peer support groups</li> </ul>	
<b>Michigan State University</b> East Lansing, Michigan	Sept. 2012 – May 2014
<i>Program Assistant, Office for International Students and Scholars</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Designed and implemented program evaluations</li> <li>• Facilitated trainings and workshops for students and scholars</li> <li>• Supervised undergraduate interns and student staff</li> </ul>	
<i>Program Assistant, School of Social Work</i>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assisted faculty with program development</li> <li>• Created and revised documents and presentations</li> </ul>	

- Kent Health Plan** Grand Rapids, Michigan Oct. 2008 – Aug. 2012  
*Director, Member Services Department*
- Managed support services, including Social Work Program
  - Supervised support service staff, interns, and volunteers
  - Facilitated collaborations with non-profit community agencies
- Coordinator, Social Work Program*
- Coordinated application, orientation, and referral processes
  - Supervised social work staff, interns, and volunteers
  - Revised and facilitated health education classes
- Health Navigator, Social Work Program*
- Managed partnership with the Michigan Prisoner Reentry Initiative
  - Developed and coordinated health coverage programs for persons on parole
  - Provided case management services to diverse clientele
- Resource Specialist, Member Services Department*
- Facilitated program applications and orientation
  - Provided referrals to clients and other community members
  - Served as Spanish/English interpreter and translator
- Center on Halsted** Chicago, Illinois Sept. 2007 – Aug. 2008  
*Health Educator, HIV Prevention Program*
- Assisted in designing and implementing program
  - Counseled clients on issues of HIV, STDs, safer sex, and sexual violence
  - Conducted HIV testing with diverse clientele
- Supervisor, Operations Department*
- Assisted in the development of safety procedures
  - Organized workplace safety and de-escalation trainings
  - Mediated disputes between clients, volunteers, and staff

## PRACTICUMS

- Michigan State University** East Lansing, Michigan July 2012 – May 2014  
*Course Facilitator, Department of Educational Administration*
- Designed syllabus, lesson plans, and assignments
  - Co-facilitated in-person and online interactions
  - Evaluated student work and determined grades
- Intern, Office for International Students and Scholars*
- Conducted program evaluation for partner non-profit agency
  - Assisted staff in facilitating trainings and special events
  - Assisted staff in advising international students and scholars
- Center on Halsted** Chicago, Illinois July 2007 – May 2008  
*Intern, Anti-Violence Project*
- Facilitated education programs about domestic violence, hate crimes, and homophobia/heterosexism
  - Counseled English- and Spanish-speaking domestic violence survivors
  - Provided crisis counseling and referrals via walk-in and hotline services
  - Restructured and maintained statewide resource guide

## COMMUNITY AND VOLUNTEER ENGAGEMENT

- University of California, Berkeley – *Berkeley Connect Speaker* Oct. 2017 – Dec. 2018  
 University of California, Berkeley – *Educational Opportunity Program Speaker* Oct. 2017 – Dec. 2018  
 Kent Health Plan – *Consultant* Aug. 2012 – Mar. 2013  
 Creston High School Health Center – *AmeriCorps Member* Nov. 2008 – Apr. 2009  
 Equality Illinois – *Office Assistant* Jan. 2007 – July 2008

Chicago Board of Election – *Polling Place Administrator*  
Kent Health Plan – *Spanish/English Translator*  
Cherry Street Health Services – *AmeriCorps Member*  
Hispanics Against AIDS – *HIV Counselor and Safer Sex Educator*

Sept. 2006 – Feb. 2008  
Oct. 2004 – Sept. 2008  
Sept. 2003 – Sept. 2004  
July 2002 – May 2003