

Diana Rinza

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Cota-Robles & Graduate Dean's Scholar Award Recipient 2024



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Key Skills:

- Bilingual in Spanish and English
- Healthcare Administration
- Project Management
- Leadership
- Advocacy & Community Engagement

Education:

University of California Los Angeles

B.A. in Anthropology

[Lemelson Honors Research Scholar](#)

Magna Cum Laude

Los Angeles Valley College

AA in Anthropology

President's Distinguished Honor Award

Magna Cum Laude

Escuela Nacional de Antropología e Historia

Mexico City

Linguistic Anthropology

Leadership:

AGSA: Current Vice-President for the Anthropology Graduate Student Association

Community Engagement:

Scholarship Association for English as a Second Language (SAESL): College application writing support for Wilson High School students.

YMCA Van Nuys: ESL Class facilitator

Center for Community Action and Environmental Justice (ECAEJ):

Facilitated English and civics courses for U.S. Citizenship applicants.

Objective:

Committed to the contribution of scholarly research that focuses on cross-cultural understanding of health and wellbeing. Currently in the pursuit of a Ph.D. in Medical and Psychological Anthropology at UCLA. Committed to the acquirement of knowledge and skills needed for community engagement and advocacy work.

Experience:

Student Worker I | UCLA Health's Spanish-Speaking Psychosocial Clinic

Provide administrative support for the clinical team.

Monitor patient caseload and treatment flow.

Assist in recruiting, contacting, and scheduling lecturers for the clinic's Latino/x Mental Health Lecture Series.

December 2022 – September 2024

On-Call Medical Interpreter | Child and Family Guidance Center

Provide English/Spanish interpretation services for psychiatric and therapeutic sessions.

September 2023 - On-Call

Psychiatric Administrative Manager /Language Service Specialist | Child and Family Guidance Center

Overseeing the daily operations of the Psychiatry Department.

Managed administrative staff, ensured compliance with federal, state and county healthcare policies. Developed training modules with focus on language competency in mental health terminology.

August 2012 – September 2022

Research Assistant | Martha Judith Sanchez, Ph.D. Instituto de Investigaciones Antropológicas, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM)

Assisted with ethnographic interviews and building genealogies of Zapotec immigrant communities in Culver City

June 2006 – September 2006

Executive Assistant | Comisión Nacional para los Pueblos Indígenas (Currently INPI)

Provided administrative support in the recruitment and funding of academic research, with a focus on governmental policies directed at the more than 60 indigenous groups of Mexico.

May 2001 – December 2004