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EDUCATION

- 2017-2021** PhD Program at the Department of Tourism, Hospitality, and Event Management, College of Health and Human Performance, with concentration in The Tropical Conservation and Development Program, University of Florida, USA (at present).
- 2013** Graduate Diploma in High Amazonian Studies, Pontifical Catholic University of Peru (PUCP – in Spanish). Graduated first place in the class.
- 2004** Bachelor’s degree in Biological Science at the National University of the Peruvian Amazon (UNAP – in Spanish). Graduated top third on the class.

AWARDS & MERITS

- 2019** Scholarship. The Dr Linda Thornton Scholarship, from The College of Health and Human Performance, University of Florida. May 15th, 2019 (\$2000).
- 2019** First Place. Graduate Student Research Day. Category of Social and Behavioral Sciences. Poster presented on April 2nd, 2019. Graduate School, University of Florida (\$200).
- 2019** Second Place. D.K. Stanley Lecture Research Symposium Poster Session. Department of Tourism, Recreation and Sport Management, College of Health and Human Performance, University of Florida (\$250).
- 2018** Second Place. “PhD student research interaction day: 3 minutes presentation competition”, Department of Tourism, Recreation and Sport Management College of Health and Human Performance, University of Florida. (\$50).
- 2018** Vice-president. Tropical conservation Development (TCD) Program Student Group, University of Florida.
- 2018** Small Grant. Rufford Foundation. Project: “Developing Communal Monitoring Strategies through Community-Based Tourism in the Peruvian Amazon”, Iquitos-Peru. (\$4900.00).
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- 2018** Research Grant. Tropical conservation Development (TCD) Program, Center for Latin American Studies, University of Florida. Grant to support research proposal entitled "the role of communal tourism in protected areas conservation", Iquitos-Peru. (\$1340.00).
- 2018** Travel Grant. Graduate Student Council – GSC, University of Florida - Travel Grant. Partial grant to participate at the American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting (\$243.90).
- 2018** Travel Grant. Eric Friedheim Tourism Institute – EFTI, University of Florida - Travel Grant. Partial grant to participate at the American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting (\$250.00).
- 2017** Fulbright Scholarship for Graduate Studies in USA (\$19,440.00).
- 2012** First Place. Diploma in High Amazonian Studies, Pontifical Catholic University of Peru (PUCP – in Spanish).
- 2012** Grant. M.J. Bustamante de la Fuente Foundation to subsidize up to 50 % of the Diploma in High Amazonian Studies, Pontifical Catholic University of Peru (PUCP – in Spanish) (\$2,280.00)
- 2011** Grant. Promotion Fund of Protected Natural Areas of Peru (PROFONANPE – in Spanish) to attend the "XXI Intensive Short Course in Management of Protected Areas", Colorado State University, held in Colorado, USA.
- 2009** Grant. International Cooperation Development Fund – ICDF to attend the workshop "Green Industry Development" held in Taiwan.
- 2005** Grant. TREE Foundation. To give talks on Peruvian Amazon Diversity to schools in Fort Lauderdale, Florida and sophomores at the University of Vermont.
- 2004** Top Third. School of Biological Sciences, National University of the Peruvian Amazon (FCB - UNAP – in Spanish), Iquitos - Peru.
- 1998** Grant. Jason Project - Foundation for Education, to participate in the Xth Edition: "A wet and wild adventure" (two years program).

PUBLICATIONS

- Montero Alvarez P., Almeyda Zambrano, A. 2019. "La Minga Turistica": Linking conservation and community-based tourism in the Amazon (*Submitted to Journal of Park and Recreation Administration, Section: Programs that work, March 15th, 2019*).
- Montero Alvarez P., Almeyda Zambrano, A. 2019. Social capital from conservation influencing community-based tourism: a host perception study in the Peruvian Amazon (*In prep*).

ORAL PRESENTATION

- 2019** Montero Alvarez Pamela. "Social capital from conservation influencing community-based tourism: a host perception study in the Peruvian Amazon". Tropilunch, Tropical Conservation and Development Program, Center of Latin American Studies, University of Florida. April 2nd, 2019.
- 2018** Montero Alvarez Pamela, Almeyda Zambrano Angélica. The role of rural sustainable tourism in protected area conservation: lessons learned from "La Minga" Loreto - Peru. Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers, AAG, New Orleans, April 13th, 2018.

POSTERS

- 2019** Montero Alvarez Pamela, Almeyda Zambrano Angélica. "Social capital from conservation influencing community-based tourism: a host perception study in the Peruvian Amazon". Graduate Student Research Day, Graduate School, University of Florida, Gainesville, April 2nd.
- 2019** Montero Alvarez Pamela, Almeyda Zambrano Angélica. "Social capital from conservation influencing community-based tourism: a host perception study in the Peruvian Amazon". D.K. Stanley Lecture Research Symposium Poster Session. Department of Tourism, Recreation and Sport Management, College of Health and Human Performance, University of Florida, Gainesville, March 19th.
- 2019** Montero Alvarez Pamela, Almeyda Zambrano Angélica. "Social capital from conservation Influencing Community-Based Tourism: a host perception study in the Peruvian Amazon". Center for Latin American Studies 2019, Fieldwork Festival, University of Florida, Gainesville, March 15th.
- 2018** Montero Alvarez Pamela, Almeyda Zambrano Angélica. The role of rural communal tourism in protected area sustainability by strengthening social capital and market access development in the Peruvian Amazon. Graduate Student Research Day, Univ. of Florida, Gainesville, April 3rd.
- 2018** Montero Alvarez, Pamela; Almeyda Zambrano Angélica. The role of rural communal tourism in protected area sustainability by strengthening social capital and market access development in the Peruvian Amazon. Stanley Lecture Research Symposium. College of Human Health & Performance. Univ. of Florida, Gainesville, March 12th
- 2017** Montero Alvarez Pamela, Almeyda Zambrano Angélica. Communal rural Sustainable Tourism: Lessons learned from La Minga, Loreto, Peru. Workshop: Tools and

Strategies for Conservation and Development in the Amazon: Lessons Learned and Future Pathways. Tropical Conservation and Development Program, Univ. of Florida, Gainesville, October 2nd - 4th.

CONTRIBUTED PUBLICATIONS

Regional Government of Ucayali. 2015. Report of Prior Consultation of Zoning of Imiria Regional Conservation Area (ACR - In Spanish).

Regional Government of Loreto. 2014. Control and Surveillance Plan of Tamshiyacu Tahuayo Communal Regional Conservation Area. Approved with Directorial Resolution N°018-2014-GRL-GGR-PROCREL/DE (Dec.2014)

Regional Government of Loreto. 2014. Capacity Development Plan of the Regional Forestry and Wildlife Program of Loreto, Regional Government of Loreto. Approved with Executive Regional Resolution N°073-2014-GRL-GGR-PRMRFFS-DE. (May.2014)

Regional Government of Loreto. 2014. Control and Surveillance Plan of Alto Nanay Pintuyacu Chambira Regional Conservation Area. Approved with Directorial Resolution N°020-2014-GRL-GGR-PROCREL/DE (Dec.2014).

Regional Government of Loreto. 2014. Profile, Technical File and Public Investment Project: "Improvement of tourist services at Tamshiyacu Tahuayo Communal Regional Conservation Area, Loreto - Peru". Registered at Bank of Projects from the Ministry of Economy with code N° 325380.

Regional Government of Loreto. 2013. Profile, Technical File and Public Investment Project "Management Improvement of Ampiyacu Apayacu Regional Conservation Area". Registered at Bank of Projects from the Ministry of Economy with code N°: 223050.

Regional Government of Loreto. 2013. Tourism and Recreation Plan for Tamshiyacu Tahuayo Communal Regional Conservation Area. Approved with Directorial Resolution N°018-2013-GRL-GGR-PROCREL/DE. (Oct.2013)

Regional Government of Loreto. 2010. Master Plan of Tamshiyacu Tahuayo Communal Regional Conservation Area. Approved with Directorial Resolution N° 003-2010-GGR/PROCREL-DE (Dec. 2010).

Research Institute of the Peruvian Amazon. 2007. Handbook Butterflies Breeding: "The Wonderful World of Butterflies".

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2018 - Present. Research Assistant. Gainesville, Florida, USA. Tropical Conservation and Development Program - TCD, Center of Latin American Studies, University of

- Florida. For the project “Pan-Amazon Community of Practice: Governance and Infrastructure in Protected Areas Mosaics”, funded by the Moore Foundation.
- 2017. Research Assistant.** Gainesville, Florida, USA. Tropical Conservation and Development Program – TCD, Center of Latin American Studies, University of Florida.
- 2016– 2017. Advisor.** Iquitos, Peru. “Excelsa Gestion para el Desarrollo S.R.L.”, for the Communal Association: “La Minga Turística”.
- 2016– Present. External Advisor.** Iquitos, Peru. Amazon Rescue Center. Iquitos. (CREA – in Spanish).
- 2016 - Consultant.** Iquitos, Peru. Law, Environment, and Natural Resources (DAR – in Spanish). (November – February)
- 2013- 2015. Natural Protected Area Specialist.** Lima – Peru. Peru Bosques Project/United State Agency for International Development (USAID).
- 2011 – 2013. Governance Specialist, Regional.** Iquitos, Peru. Peru Bosques Project/ United State Agency for International Development (USAID) (Dec., 2011).
- 2011. Director of Natural Resources and Environment, Community Services and Local Participation.** San Lorenzo, Peru. Provincial Municipality of “Datem del Maraón” (From January to July).
- 2010. Community Management Specialist.** San Lorenzo, Peru. Promotion Fund of Protected Natural Areas of Peru (PROFONANPE – in Spanish). (From March to December).
- 2009-2010. Consultant.** San Lorenzo, Peru. Promotion Fund of Protected Natural Areas of Peru (PROFONANPE – in Spanish). (From December to February).
- 2009. Conservation and Ecotourism Concessions Specialist.** Lima, Peru. Direction of Forestry and Wildlife Management, Ministry of Agriculture. (From September to December).
- 2009. Community Management and Monitoring Project Activities Specialist.** Iquitos, Peru. Project to Support the Regional Program of Conservation, Management and Sustainable Use of Biological Diversity of Loreto. Research Institute of the Peruvian Amazon (IIAP– in Spanish). (February to August).
- 2007 – 2009. Assistant.** Iquitos, Peru. Project to Support the Regional Program of Conservation, Management and Sustainable Use of Biological Diversity of Loreto. Iquitos. Research Institute of the Peruvian Amazon (IIAP– in Spanish).
- 2006. Promoter.** Iquitos, Peru. Research Institute of the Peruvian Amazon (IIAP– in Spanish).

2006. Consultant. Iquitos, Peru. Muyuna Amazon Lodge & Expeditions. To elaborate reports.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

2019 - 2020 Team member of the “2019 TCD Schmink Innovation Award”. Project: Innovation in Tourism towards Conservation and Local Development in Amazonian Protected Areas.

2019 Participant. III Congress of Protected Areas of Latin America and the Caribbean. I supported the side event: “Forum/Dialogue of Experiences: Infrastructure and Governance in Mosaics of Natural Protected Areas and Indigenous Territories in the Amazon”, organized by the Governance and Infrastructure in the Amazon Project (GIA). October 14th - 17th, 2019. Lima - Peru.

2019 Participant. Seminar 2019 Big Idea Gator Business Plan Competition, UF Entrepreneurship and Innovation Center, Warrington College of Business, University of Florida. Seminars conducted in weekly basis during the Spring semester.

2018 - 2019 Vice-President. Tropical Conservation and Development Student Group.

2016 Associate Consultant. Platform: Genuine Eco-Tourism Consultants. Speaker on online seminars and crow funding events. Platform associated with the Center for Protected Area Management, Colorado State University.

2016 Member. United State Agency for International Development/Peru initiative: “De la Selva a la Mesa” (In English: *From the Forest to the Table*).

2012 Member. Technical Committee of the Regional Environmental Commission of Loreto, to update the Regional Strategy and Action Plan for Biodiversity of Loreto, 2016-2021.

2015 Participant. Third National Meeting on development of the Regional Conservation Systems.

2010 Thesis: “Study on diversity of diurnal butterflies (Lepidoptera: Rophalocera) at the Community Reserve of San Rafael”, Research Institute of the Peruvian Amazon (IIAP - in Spanish).

2008 Participant. Multi-thematic workshop in eastern Peru for the preparation of the Third National Report on the Implementation of the Convention on Biological Diversity 2002-2006.

2008 Participant. Workshop: "Biological and social monitoring in protected natural areas of the node east".

- 2007** Participant. First National Meeting of Regional and Municipal Areas of Conservation.
- 2007** Internship. Project to Support the Regional Program of Conservation, Management and Sustainable Use of Biological Diversity of Loreto, Research Institute of the Peruvian Amazon (IIAP- in Spanish).
- 2004** Participant. VI International Congress on Wildlife Management in Amazonia and Latin America: Lessons Learned.
- 2004** Pre-Professional Internship. German Primate Centre (DPZ - in german) on Ecology and Behavior of Sympatric Primates, Blanco Creek Biological Station, Loreto.
- 2004** Pre-Professional Internship. Research Veterinary Institute of Tropical and Height Studies (IVITA - in spanish), Saint Marcus National University, on "Study of primates in captivity, Orange Chest Tamarin *Saguinus labiatus*, and parasitological analysis.
- 2004** Assistant. Workshops to determine hunting pressure in villages of the Alto Itaya River, Loreto. Amazon Center for Environmental Education and Research (ACEER).
- 2002** Internship. Research Veterinary Institute of Tropical and Height Studies (IVITA - in Spanish), in Field Ecology of Primates. Responsible of surveys, measurements and primate catching techniques.
- 2001** Volunteer. Quistococha Tourist Park, Loreto, Perú. (From February to July).

LANGUAGE AND SKILLS

Spanish: native

English: advance

French: intermedium

REFERENCES

Angelica Almeyda Zambrano, Assistant Professor, Department of Tourism Hospitality and Event Management, University of Florida, aalmeyda@ufl.edu

Stephen Perz, Associate Professor, Department of Sociology, sperz@ufl.edu

Lucas Benites, Specialist in Resilient Productive Activities, United Nations Development Program - Perú, lucas.benites@undp.org

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