# ANA LUCRECIA RIVERA RIVERA

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### **EDUCATION**

Ph.D. in Geography: 2023 (expected)
Michigan State University (MSU), East Lansing, MI; Overall GPA: 4.0/4.0
Preliminary title: Urban Heat Island in Monterrey, Mexico: A Human-Environment Interaction Study

### Master of Arts in Geography: 2018

San Jose State University (SJSU), San Jose, CA; Overall GPA: 4.0/4.0 **Thesis:** Distribution of urban heat islands and their relationship with urban morphology in San Jose, California

#### Master of Science in Environmental Systems: 2012

Instituto Tecnologico y de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey (ITESM), Mexico; Overall GPA: 94.75/100 **Thesis:** Analysis of urban heat islands in Monterrey, Mexico

#### Bachelor of Architecture: 2008

Universidad de Monterrey, Mexico; Overall GPA: 85.34/100 Final Project: Regeneration of a former train station

### **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

**GIS Consultant:** Geospatial Center, Stanford University; 2016-2018 Provide GIS support to the academic community Create cartographic products for publications Develop and teach new QGIS workshops Locate, acquire, and validate primary types of geographical data sources

### GIS Analyst: Department of Meteorology, SJSU, CA; 2017-2018

Create Local Climate Zone Data for uWRF. Interdisciplinary study between SJSU, CUHK, and UC Berkeley Develop cartographic products for NASA Health and Air Quality and Applied Science (HAQAST) Project

- **Remote Sensing Analyst:** Synergis at Google, Mountain View, CA; 2016-2017 Track high definition satellite imagery; perform quality inspections Capture imagery patterns for decision making
- **GIS Technician:** ITESM; *Nuevo Leon, Mexico;* 2010-2011 and 2013 Assess Hurricane Alex impacts via LiDAR for the National Water Commission (CAN) of Mexico Prepare reports for grant submission and write papers for journal publication

Cartographer: El Colegio de la Frontera Norte, Mexico; 2012

Design and produce maps for the Program of Urban Development & Land-Use, Coahuila State, Mexico Perform qualitative assessment of Habitat Program, Mexican Ministry of Social Development

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**Teaching Assistant:** Department of Geography, Environment and Spatial Sciences, MSU; 2019-Present Undergraduate course: Health and Medical Geography Online undergraduate courses: Introduction to Meteorology, Intro to Geographic Information

- **GIS Instructor:** The GIS Education Center at City College of San Francisco, CA; 2017-2018 Develop and teach ArcPro workshops for the City and County of San Francisco staff Teach Introduction to Open-Source GIS (QGIS) to working professionals
- Lecturer (Graduate): Urban Planning Department, SJSU; 2018 Graduate course: GIS Overview-Urban Planning Applications
- Instructional Student Assistant: Urban Planning and Geography Departments, SJSU; 2016- 2017 Undergraduate course: Introduction to Mapping and Geographic Information Systems Graduate course: Introduction to GIS for Urban Planners
- **Teaching Assistant:** ITESM; *Nuevo Leon, Mexico;* 2010- 2011 and 2012- 2013 Undergraduate courses: GIS for Civil Engineers; Environmental Ordinance

## HONORS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Michigan State University, Diversity Torch Award; 2020
Ford Foundation, Predoctoral Competition, Honorable Mention; 2019
Michigan State University, Enrichment Fellowship, five years full tuition; 2018-2023
San Jose State University, Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi, inductee; 2016
National Council for Science and Technology (CONACYT), Fellowship Program to Train and Develop Scientists and Technologists (PFDCyT, Mexico), monthly stipend; 2010-2011

Universidad de Monterrey (Mexico), Outstanding Project: Architecture Undergraduate Program, 2008

## **VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE**

Advisory Board, Committee for Green Foothills, CA, 2021-Current Co-president, Support Women in Geography (MSU Chapter), *MI*, 2019-2020 GIS/Data Volunteer, Indicators Committee at Sustainable San Mateo County, *CA*, 2014-Current Board Member, Lansing Latino Health Alliance, *MI*, 2019 Board Member, New Leaders Council, *CA*, 2016-2017 Committee Member, Silicon Valley Water Conservation Awards, *CA*, 2014-2018 GIS/Data Volunteer at Transform California, *CA*, 2015 GIS/Data Volunteer at Sierra Club, Loma Prieta Chapter, *CA*. 2015 Content Leader at Sustainable Silicon Valley, *CA*, 2013-2014 Regional Technical Staff of the LEED Program at Mexican Green Building Council, *Mexico*, 2011 Member of Consulting Committee at ECOVIA (Bus of Rapid Transit), *Mexico*, 2011

## SKILLS

Software:

GIS: ArcInfo, ArcView, ArcGISPro, ArcMap, QGIS Remote Sensing: ERDAS, SAGA, Earth Engine, Mars (for LiDAR) Architecture and Design: Autocad, 3D Viz, Freehand, Photoshop, Illustrator Statistics and Data Visualization: SPSS, Tableau, Stata Environmental Modeling: ENVI-Met (Building proficiency)

Computer Languages: Python, R, SQL (Basic proficiency)

Languages: Spanish (Native), English (Complete fluency), French (Elementary proficiency)

US VISA Status: Permanent Resident (Green Card) allowed to work until November 2025

#### PUBLICATIONS

Rivera, A., Yepez, F.D., Moore, N.J., Kim, J.H., Mendoza, A., Lozano-Garcia, F., and Bornstein. R.D., n.d.: Longitudinal Analysis of the Monterrey UHI: Built Environment and Human Risk. *Remote Sensing. Under Review.* 

Freedman, F.R.; English, P.; Wagner, J.; Liu, Y.; Venkatram, A.; Tong, D.Q.; Al-Hamdan, M.Z.; Sorek-Hamer, M.; Chatfield, R.; **Rivera, A.**; Kinney, P.L. 2020: Spatial Particulate Fields during High Winds in the Imperial Valley, California. *Atmosphere* 2020, 11, 88. <u>https://doi.org/10.3390/atmos11010088</u>

McRae, I., Freedman, F., **Rivera, A.**, Li, X., Dou, J., Cruz, I., Bornstein, R. (2020). Integration of the WUDAPT, WRF, and ENVI-met models to simulate extreme daytime temperature mitigation strategies in San Jose, California. *Building and Environment*, 184, 107180. <u>https://doi.org/10.1016/j.buildenv.2020.107180</u>

**Rivera, A.**, 2017: Extreme heat and climate change (policy brief). Millennial Compact with America: An Agenda for the Future. New Leaders Council. Washington, DC

Yepez, F., Lozano, D., Vela, P., and **Rivera, A**., 2013: Assessing hydrometeorological impacts with terrestrial and aerial Lidar data in Monterrey, México. *ISPRS-International Archives of the Photogrammetry, Remote Sensing and Spatial Information Sciences*, **1**(2), 271-276

## PRESENTATIONS

McRae, I., Bornstein, B., Freedman, F., **Rivera, A**., Dronova, H., Fraker, H., Ren, C., Li, X., and Dou, J. 2020. Integration of the WUDAPT, WRF, and ENVI-Met Models to Simulate Urban Heat Island Mitigation Strategies in Downtown San Jose, California. *100th American Meteorological Society Annual Meeting,* Boston, MA

McRae, I., Freedman F., **Rivera, A.** 2018: Bridging WUDAPT, urbanized WRF and ENVI-met research platforms to study the effects of urban morphology and meteorology on building-scale design. *10<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Urban Climate*, New York, NY

McRae, I. Freedman F., **Rivera, A.** 2017: WUDAPT, uWRF, ENVI-MET Coupling for Site-Specific Urban Heat Island Analysis in San Jose, CA. 2017 Community Modeling and Analysis System Conference, Chapel Hill, NC

Freedman, F., **Rivera A**., Dou, J., Ren, C., Bornstein, R. 2017: WUDAPT-based urban-WRF and HYSPLIT-STILT modeling of San Jose, California: Developments to support case study applications for urban air pollution and heat islands. *2017 Meteorology and Climate - Modeling Air Quality Conference,* Davis, CA

Rivera, A., 2017: Local Climate Zones (LCZ) for Urban Heat Analysis (UHI) in Downtown San Jose, CA. Poster, 23rd Annual California GIS Conference, Oakland, CA

Rivera, A., 2016: Identifying population vulnerable to extreme heat events in San Jose, CA. Poster, American Geophysical Union Meeting, San Francisco, CA

Sain, S., Rivera, A., Skancke, A., and Rohrmeier, K., 2016: Applied urban geographic research techniques. SJSU graduate student presentation, panel session, *American Association of Geographers Meeting*, San Francisco, CA

Rivera, A., 2016: Characterizing vulnerable population living under UHIs in Santa Clara County, California. *Geographical Society Annual Conference*, San Jose, CA

Rivera, A., 2016: Environmental factors and their impact on American Communities. SJSU College of Social Science, Graduate Student Colloquia, San Jose, CA

**Rivera, A.,** 2016: Combining sensors to map urban surfaces: An object-based classification approach. 22nd Annual California GIS Conference, Anaheim, CA

Yepez, F, Lozano D., **Rivera A.**, and Vela, P., 2013: Evaluacion de impactos hidrometeorologicos a lo largo del Río Santa Catarina empleando LIDAR terrestre y aéreo. *Reunion Nacional SELPER-Mexico, San Luis Potosi, Mexico* 

**Rivera, A.,** and Lozano, D., 2012: Analysis of urban heat islands in Monterrey City, Mexico using remote sensing and geographic information systems. *Reunion Internacional SELPER Conference*, Cayenne, French Guiana

**Rivera, A.,** Villareal, J., and Lozano, D., 2011: Identificación de zonas prioritarias de atención por parametros sociales y areas verdes en el Area Metropolitana de Monterrey. *Reunion Nacional SELPER*, Morelia, Mexico. ISBN: 978-607-02-3172-8