

TEXAS STATE VITA

I. Academic/Professional Background

A. Name: Rosa M. Peña

Title: Assistant Professor of Practice

B. Educational Background

<i>Degree</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>University</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>Thesis/Dissertation</i>
Ph.D.	2010	Texas State University	School Improvement-School Leadership	Creating an “Ecological Fit” Through Supportive Teacher-Student Relationships
Masters	2001	Texas State University	Educational Leadership	
Bachelor of Arts	1988	St. Edward’s University	Bilingual Education	

C. University Experience

<i>Position</i>	<i>University</i>	<i>Comments</i>	<i>Dates</i>
Assistant Professor of Practice-EDCL	Texas State University		August 2022 – present
Adjunct Professor - Student Teacher Supervisor	St. Edward’s University		January 2022 – May 2022

D. Relevant Professional Experience

<i>Position</i>	<i>Entity</i>	<i>Comments</i>	<i>Dates</i>
Interim Head of School	The Girls’ School of Austin		June 2020 – June 2022
Executive Director of Human Resource Services	Austin Independent School District		May 2019 – June 2020
Director of Leadership Development	Austin Independent School District		April 2016 – May 2019
Founding Principal Baldwin Elementary	Austin Independent School District		Dec. 2009 – April 2016
Principal Zavala Elementary	Austin Independent School District		June 2001 – Dec. 2009
Assistant Principal Rodriguez Elementary	Austin Independent School District		June 1999 – June 2001
Bilingual Instructional Specialist	Austin Independent School District		June 1998 – June 1999
Bilingual Teacher	Austin Independent School District		Aug. 1988 – June 1998

E. Other Professional Credentials (licensure, certification, etc.)

Texas Teaching Certification (Kinder-8, self-contained, Bilingual/ESL-Spanish-Lifetime).

Texas Principal Certification (2001-current).

Texas Superintendent Certification (2010-current).

Advancing Educational Leadership, Texas Education Agency/ESC 13. (October 27, 2022 - Present).

II. TEACHING

B. Courses Taught:

EDCL 5339.002-Understanding Self: Developing a Personal Vision of Leadership

EDCL 5345.00 -Understanding People: Professional Development

EDCL 6348.-School Law

EDCL 6352.00 -School as a Center of Inquiry

EDCL 6387.005-Field-Based Principal Practicum I

EDCL 6387.006-Field-Based Principal Practicum II

ED 7347-The Superintendency

EDCL 7389-Field-Based Superintendent Practicum I

EDCL 7390-Field Based Superintendent Practicum II

C. Directed Student Learning

Dissertation Committee Member (In-Progress)

Member, Dissertation, Status: Proposal (September 2022-present)
Student: Yvonne Hernandez, Doctoral, Ph.D. in SI

Member, Dissertation, Status: Proposal Defense (January 2024)
Student: Megan Benavidez, Doctoral, Ph.D. in SI

G. Teaching Professional Development Activities Attended

Professional Development, Bookcats Book Club for Texas State University non-tenure line faculty-*How Humans Learn*, by Joshua R. Eyler, Fall Semester 2023.

Professional Development, Bookcats Book Club for Texas State University non-tenure line faculty- *Small Teaching: Everyday Lessons from the Science of Learning* (2nd Ed.) by James M. Lang, Spring Semester 2023.

Professional Development, Bookcats Book Club for Texas State University non-tenure line faculty-*Small Teaching: Everyday Lessons from the Science of Learning* (2nd Ed.) by James M. Lang, Fall Semester 2022.

Professional Development, "Educator Prep Programs: Field Supervisor Coaching Training," Texas Education Agency/Region 13 Service Center, Austin, TX, United States. (September 2022).

Additional Comments: I attended Field Supervisor Coaching Training for Educator Prep Programs. This training is required for all individuals in Educator Prep Programs who have field supervisor responsibilities.

Professional Development, "Advancing Educational Leadership," Texas Education Agency/Region 13 Service Center, Austin, Texas, United States. (August 2022).

Additional Comments: I attended a 3-day AEL training as a pre-requisite to participate the AEL Trainer of Trainer Professional Development.

Professional Development, "Advancing Educational Leadership: Trainer of Trainer," Texas Education Agency/Region 13 Service Center, Austin, Texas, United States. (October 2022).

Additional Comments: I attended the 3-day AEL Trainer of Trainer Seminar in the fall semester to earn certification as an AEL Trainer and co-facilitated the sessions for our principal interns.

III. SCHOLARLY/CREATIVE

A. Works in Print (including works accepted, forthcoming, in press):

1. Books:

d. Chapters in Books:

1. Peña, R.M. (2024). (Chapter Proposal Accepted). A Mismatch in Vision and Practices Leads to Inequities: to be included in an edited book: Interrupters, Visionaries, Champions and Legends: School Leader Evocative Autoethnographies of Resilience, Grit, Adversity, Failure and Success of Leading Public Schools in the 21st Century.

2. Articles:

a. Refereed Journal Articles:

1. Davis, D. L., Martinez, M. A., & **Peña, R. M.** (2024). Navigating Quandaries and Hard Places: The Impact of Leadership Dynamics on the Career Paths of Three BIPOC Women Assistant Principals. *Journal of Cases in Educational Leadership*, 15554589231221113.

B. Works Not in Print:

1. Papers Presented at Professional Meetings:

4. Peña, R.M. (2023, November). *Creating an “Ecological Fit” Through Supportive Teacher- Student Relationships and Supportive School Leaders*. Minneapolis, MN: University Council for Educational Administration.
3. Slater, C.L., Esparza, E. & **Peña, R.M.** (2005, September). *Educational Leadership Competencies*. Mexico City, Mexico: Encuentro Nacional de Gestion e Innovacion Educativa en la Educacion Media Superior.
2. Slater, C.L., Boone, M., Esparza, E., **Peña, R.M.**, Topete, C., Alvarez, I.Cerecedo, T., & Garcia, J. M. (2005, February). *School Administrator Challenges in Baja California, Mexico*. San Antonio, TX: Conference within a conference at the American Association of School Administrators Conference.
1. Slater, C.L., Esparza, E., **Peña, R.M.**, Topete, C., Alvarez, I., Cerecedo, T., & Garcia, J.M. (2005, January). *School Administrator Preparation in Baja California*. Barcelona, Spain: International Congress for School Effectiveness and Improvement.

2. Invited Talks, Lectures, and Presentations:

10. **Peña, R.M.** & Straubhaar, R. *A Hard Reset for Principal Preparation Programs: How Do We Sustainably Recruit Leaders Through An Ethic of Radical Care?* (2023, November). Critical Conversation. University Council for Educational Administration.
9. Peña, R.M. *Human Resources Hiring Practices*. (2019, September). Guest Lecturer. University of Texas, Austin.
8. Peña, R.M. *Human Resources Hiring Practices*. (2018, September). Guest Lecturer. University of Texas, Austin.
7. Peña, R.M. *Building the Urban Leadership Pipeline*. (2018, February). TASP Winter Conference.
6. Peña, R.M. *Leadership & SEL*. (2018, Summer). SEL Leadership Symposium Panel Austin Independent School District.
5. Peña, R.M. *Aspen Institute's Commission's Panel- Austin ISD's SEL Initiative*. (2018, May). Austin, Texas.
4. Peña, R.M. *AISD GotTalent-Professional Learning*. (2017, November). Guest Lecturer. Texas State University.
3. Peña, R.M. *Building the Urban Leadership Pipeline*. (2017, October). Texas ASCD.
2. Peña, R.M. *SEL-The Heart of Leadership*. (2016, June). Leadership Conference: Austin Independent School District.
1. Peña, R.M. *SEL-The Heart of Leadership*. (2015, June). Leadership Conference: Austin Independent School District.

IV. SERVICE

A. Institutional

1. University:

2. College:

CLAS Service 2022-2023-COE Scholarships Committee

3. Department/School:

Michael Abbott Scholarship Committee in EDCL (2023-2024)

Co-Facilitated/Presented with Dr. Bergeron Harris- 3 Advancing Educational Leadership (AEL) Saturday Seminars to our Principal Interns (September 2022 – January 2023).

C. Community:

St. Ignatius Martyr Catholic Church Pastoral Council Member-2019-current

St. Ignatius Martyr Catholic Church Children's Liturgy Leader-2018-current

Habitat for Humanity Volunteer-2008

St. Ignatius Martyr Catholic Church Lector-2001-current

D. Organization Memberships:

President: Austin Association of Public School Administrators, 2016-2017

Member: Austin Association of Public School Administrators, 2003-2019

E. Service Honors and Awards:

Harvard Summer Urban Leadership Seminar Participant, 2010

American Association of School Administrators-Educational Administration Scholarship, 2006

Outstanding Community Leader-Boys' Scouts, 2005

Outstanding Educational Administration Graduate, Texas State University, 2001

Teacher of the Year-Dawson Elementary, 1998

Semifinalist Austin I.S.D Teacher of the Year, 1998

2nd Place-Austin Area Bilingual Association-Teacher of the Year, 1997-1998