



<p>1. Current Title & Duties</p>	<p>Diana M. Valle-Riestra, Ph.D. <i>Project Director – Title V Graduate Grant</i> <i>Associate Professor – Master’s Program in Speech and Language Pathology</i> <i>Miami Campus</i></p> <p>As a full-time faculty member, Dr. Valle-Riestra coordinates the day-to-day operations of the Title V PPOHA Graduate Grant including program implementation, development of products and resources for faculty/staff and graduate students, fiscal management, and program evaluation. In addition, she teaches courses in the Speech and Language Pathology Master’s Program in the areas of early intervention, research, and reading and writing.</p>
<p>2. Brief Bio (up to 3 paragraphs)</p>	<p>Dr. Diana M. Valle-Riestra is the Project Director for the Title V PPOHA Graduate Grant and a faculty member in the Speech and Language Pathology graduate program at Albizu University-Miami Campus.</p> <p>She has a Ph.D. in Special Education and Reading and an M.S. in Learning Disabilities and Emotional Disturbance from the University of Miami, School of Education.</p> <p>Dr. Valle-Riestra has over 16 years of experience in higher education teaching undergraduate and graduate courses and has served as the Project Director or Principal Investigator for several multi-year education grant projects totaling over \$9.5 million in competitive funding.</p>
<p>3. Research / Research Interests</p>	<p>Dr. Valle-Riestra has secured over \$9.5 million in competitive funding at the federal, state, and/or foundations level and has presented at numerous local, state, national, and international conferences (e.g., Project Directors Conference, Hispanic Educational Technology Services (HETS) Best Practices Showcase, Council for Exceptional Children (CEC), Division for Early Childhood (DEC).</p> <p>She is currently the project director for the <i>Title V Graduate PPOHA Grant</i> (CFDA Number: 84.031, FY 2019-2024; \$2,999,975 total for 5 years). This grant focuses on two (2) initiatives: 1) strengthening and expanding online/hybrid</p>

	<p>graduate program offerings (e.g., new system for high-quality online/hybrid instruction; revision of existing online courses and conversion of existing face-to-face courses to online or hybrid format) and 2) strengthening graduate student support (e.g., online and on-campus writing and research assistance and financial literacy instruction for graduate students; live and recorded seminars to support online and on-campus graduate students).</p> <p>Dr. Valle-Riestra's current presentations are:</p> <p>Garcia, F., & Valle-Riestra, D.M. (2021). <i>Faculty professional development efforts to improve online/hybrid instruction</i>. Presented live at the Virtual Project Directors Conference on August 4, 2021.</p> <p>Giust, A., & Valle-Riestra, D.M. (2021). <i>Supporting and mentoring Hispanic graduate students during a global pandemic</i>. Pre-recorded for presentation at the Virtual Project Directors on August 3-5, 2021.</p> <p>Giust, A., & Valle-Riestra, D. M. (2021). <i>Developing infographics for graduate students</i>. Presented at the Hispanic Educational Technology Services (HETS) Best Practices Showcase on February 4-12, 2021, Virtual Conference.</p> <p>Garcia, F., & Valle-Riestra, D. M. (2021). <i>Faculty professional development series: Infographics</i>. Presented at the Hispanic Educational Technology Services (HETS) Best Practices Showcase on February 4-12, 2021, Virtual Conference.</p>
<p>4. Academics, Education, Certifications</p>	<p>Dr. Valle-Riestra graduated from the University of Miami, School of Education in 1998 with a Ph.D. in Special Education and Reading and in 1989 with a M.S. in Learning Disabilities and Emotional Disturbance (LD/EH).</p> <p>As an Associate Professor in the Speech and Language Pathology Master's Program, she has developed, revised, and taught the following courses: a) MSLP 542: Normal Development in Speech and Language; b) MSLP 654: Early Intervention in Speech and Language; c) MSLP 657: Research Methodology in Communication Disorders; and d) MSLP 662: Reading and Writing Disorders: Assessment & Intervention.</p> <p>In addition to her teaching duties, she is a member of the Comprehensive Examination Committee and the PRAXIS</p>

	<p>Committee; mentors 15 graduate students in the program; and is writing a faculty mentoring handbook.</p> <p>Dr. Valle-Riestra has her CITI Certification in Social/Behavioral/Educational Human Subjects Research (Completion Record ID #31734843).</p>
<p>5. Recent Publications</p>	<p>Dr. Valle-Riestra's current publication is:</p> <p>Giust, A., & Valle-Riestra, D.M. (2021). Developing graduate student workshops at a predominately Hispanic serving institution. <i>Hispanic Educational Telecommunications Systems (HETS) Online Journal</i>, Volume XI, Spring Issue.</p> <p>Other recent publications have been in the <i>Asian Conference on Education & International Development (ACEID) Conference Proceedings</i> and the <i>Journal of Intellectual Disabilities</i> focusing on postsecondary transition programs for students with intellectual disabilities.</p>