

# Ricky LaRosa

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## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Full-Time Teaching Assistant with the Freeport Union Free School District  
2007 to the present (Tenured)

2009 - 2010 school year - one-on-one in a second grade inclusion class

2008 - 2009 school year - one-on-one in a second grade inclusion class

2007 - 2008 school year - one-on-one in a kindergarden and first grade classes

ESL Teacher with the Freeport Union Free School District Adult Education

Bilingual Teaching Assistant, September 2006 - March 2007

Turtle Hook Middle School - Uniondale, New York

2006 - 2007 school year - Grades 6, 7, 8

Teaching Assistant, July 2006 - August 2006

Uniondale Summer High School Program - Grades 9, 10, 11, 12

Substitute Teacher, January 2006 - June 2006

Uniondale School District - Uniondale, New York

Grades K, 1, 2, 3, 4

## **EDUCATION**

Matriculated in the Secondary Social Studies Initial Certification Program

Queens College - CUNY, spring 2010

Foundations of Education (3 credits), Cultural Diversity in Education (3 credits),

Methodology of Teaching Social Studies (3 credits)

Bachelor of Arts in Political Science and Government

Queens College - CUNY, 2004

Student Observation/Teaching

75 hours of student observations at Freeport High School.

**Certifications:**

Teaching Assistant Certification – Certification # 1924044 issued by the New York State Department of Education

Teaching Certification for Secondary Social Studies – In process

**Workshops:**

Completed the Identification and Reporting of Child Abuse workshop on 12/5/05

Completed the School Violence Prevention workshop on 5/20/06

**QUALIFICATIONS**

Ability to establish rapport with multi-cultural student population

Familiar with computer utilization in an educational setting

Over 100 published articles in newspapers and magazines.

**LANGAUGES**

English; fluent in speaking, reading and writing

Spanish; fluent in speaking and reading; working knowledge in writing

**PUBLISHED ARTICLES**

Adiós Shafik Handal, Mundo Hispano Newspaper (2006)

The American Feminist Movement at an Impasse, On The Agenda Review (2006)

The Problem With John Kerry, Queens College Knight News Newspaper ( 2004)

ARENA Wins, Mundo Hispano Newspaper (2004)

50 Years of Civil War in Colombia, Latin Long Island Magazine (2004)

Shafik Handal Candidato Para El Salvador, Mundo Hispano Newspaper (2004)

Tenth Anniversary of the Chiapas Rebellion, Latin Long Island Magazine (2004)

Hugo Chavez and Venezuela, Latin Long Island Magazine (February 2004)

In Defense of Amiri Baraka, Community Journal Newspaper (2003)

Economic Terrorism in Latin America, Latin Long Island Magazine (2003)

A Tribute to Malcolm X, Community Journal Newspaper (March 2003)

America's Undeclared Apartheid, On The Agenda Review (2003)

No Guerra Contra Iraq, Mundo Hispano Newspaper (November 2002)  
No War Against Iraq, Community Journal Newspaper (December 2002)

### **MUSICAL ABILITIES**

Self-taught percussion musician, composer, and songwriter  
Associate member of ASCAP

### **POLITICAL ACTIVITIES**

Two-time candidate for the Nassau County Legislature, District 1 (2002 & 2003) including two Channel 12 NEWS TV debates (one live, one taped), Five-time candidate for the local school boards in Hempstead and Uniondale (2000, 2002, 2003, 2005, 2007)

### **COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES**

Former Soccer Coach for Uniondale PAL, Former Treasurer for the Hempstead Hispanic Civic Association, and Former Member of the Hempstead Kiwanis Club

### **HONORS AND RECOGNITIONS**

Featured on the cover of Latin Long Island Magazine (2003), Hempstead Kiwanis Service Award (1996), Queens College Departmental Service Award (1991), Nassau County Community Service Award (1990)

References, transcripts, test scores, and sample writings available upon request