

ALDEMARO ROMERO JR.

Curriculum Vitae

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Areas of Expertise Higher Education and Not-for-Profit Administration. Promotion of Higher Education. Innovation and Creativity in Higher Education. Fundraising. Public Outreach. Strategic Planning. Internationalization and Diversification. Teaching and Research.

Academic Fields Integrative Biology. Environmental Studies. Marine Mammalogy. Biospeleology. History and Philosophy of Science. Science Communication.

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Current Position Dean and Professor of Biological Sciences

Universities Attended

<u>University</u>	<u>Location, Dates</u>	<u>Degree</u>
Universidad de Oriente	Cumaná, Venezuela 1/70-6/70	
Universitat de Barcelona	Barcelona, Spain 9/70-6/77	Licenciado Biología
University of Miami	Coral Gables, FL 1/81-8/84	Ph.D. Biology
Pennsylvania State University	University Park, PA 11/87-12/87	Certificate, Management for Managers in Natural Resources

University and Administrative Experience

**2009–Present: Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, Southern Illinois University
Edwardsville (SIUE) and Professor of Biological Sciences**

Responsibilities and Accomplishments:

- Responsible for 19 departments and 85 areas of study, which include more than 330 full-time faculty/instructors who deliver classes to more than 8,000 students (<http://www.siu.edu/artsandsciences/>)
- Overseeing an annual operating budget of more than \$26 million plus external research grants and contracts totaling more than \$8 million.
- Development in conjunction with faculty of a 5-year strategic plan emphasizing initiatives on (a) interdisciplinary curricula, (b) experiential, hands-on and service learning, (c) internationalization, (d) diversification of faculty, students, and staff, (e) faculty-student engagement, (f) intellectual enrichment and collaboration, (g) increasing the institutional profile, and (h) improving physical and financial assets.
(http://www.siu.edu/artsandsciences/CAS_2010_StrategicPlanNov09.pdf).
- Fundraising from individuals, foundations, and corporations having raised millions of dollars for diverse projects from national and international sources since July 2009, while completing a \$5.5-million capital campaign goal (e.g., <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NIsVdT39dZE>). I also designed and am currently executing a plan for a \$50-million campaign for the construction of a Visual and Performing Arts Center on campus (<http://vimeo.com/52501607>).
- Furthering the importance of a liberal arts education through public outreach, an education that emphasizes critical thinking, a broad view of the world, and the connections among different disciplines (<http://vimeo.com/28207561>). I have also testified before a congressional subcommittee on the importance of supporting a liberal arts education
(http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BKercxj0cCI&feature=player_embedded)
- Fostering the need for promoting the value of a liberal arts education through the Council of the Colleges of Arts and Sciences (CCAS) of which I am Chair of the Committee on Liberal Arts Institutions.
(http://www.siu.edu/artsandsciences/2012_CCAS_Romero.pdf)
- Active participant, through the International Council of Fine Arts Deans (ICFAD), in discussions aimed at promoting the value of degrees in the visual and performing arts.
- Developed a number of outreach initiatives including books
(http://www.amazon.com/Adventures-Academy-Professors-Lincoln-Beyond/dp/0979849918/ref=sr_1_1?ie=UTF8&s=books&qid=1291391551&sr=1-1), weekly newspaper columns
(http://www.siu.edu/artsandsciences/CT_CollegeTalk.html), weekly radio shows (<http://www.siu.edu/artsandsciences/CASsegue.html>), TV series, and documentaries, as well as social media venues (including apps) (<http://thisweekincas.com>) and campus wide arts festivals including flash mobs (<https://vimeo.com/65160835>). These initiatives are aimed at increasing the

visibility of the College while recruiting more excellent faculty, staff, and students and for fundraising purposes (<http://vimeo.com/58147059>).

- Founded and currently direct the Cuban and Caribbean Center (CCC) existing to promote faculty and student exchanges between the U.S. and countries in the Caribbean region, particularly Cuba (<http://www.siu.edu/CAS/CCC/> and <http://vimeo.com/55283338>). As part of this endeavor, I led the efforts in order to sign a cooperative agreement between the Southern Illinois University system and the *Universidad de La Habana*. I have also led the efforts that resulted in taking SIUE students to perform in Cuba and Trinidad and Tobago as well to bringing Cuban artists and art to the U.S. in conjunction (in part) with the Museum of Fine Arts of Havana.
- Developed the Interdisciplinary Roundtables aimed at increasing the scholarly and pedagogical initiatives for faculty members across disciplines. A significant accomplishment by one of these roundtable groups was the designation of an on-campus 380-acre SIUE Nature Preserve (<http://thisweekincas.com/2011/01/24/siue-now-has-protected-nature-preserve/>).
- Supervise the University Botanical Gardens (<https://www.siu.edu/gardens/>) and the University Museum (<http://thisweekincas.com/2011/10/24/university-museum-expands-the-collection/>).
- Created the Visiting Scholar Initiative so departments can utilize visiting faculty for teaching and academic purposes.
- Continued supporting the Faculty Development Initiative aimed at providing faculty members with course releases to enhance their productivity in scholarly and pedagogical enterprises.
- Supported the development/improvement of websites.
- Founded the journal *Polymath*, an electronic, open-access, peer-review journal that is interdisciplinary in nature (<https://ojcs.siu.edu/ojs/index.php/polymath/about>).
- Expanded the number of international artists and scholars brought to campus through regular events such as Arts & Issues and the annual Colloquium under the umbrella title “Thinking about...” (<http://www.siu.edu/artsandsciences/colloquia/>).
- Developed programs to attract and retain students, faculty, and staff of ethnic groups traditionally underrepresented in academia.
- Increased overall enrollment and retention of students.
- Implemented professional advising within the College. With the centralizing of student advising, faculty are no longer asked to register students for classes, do graduation checks, etc. This has had a positive impact on recruitment and retention. The faculty role has shifted to mentoring.
- Launched a program designed to recognize, honor, and develop some of the star student achievers of our College. Through this program, called STELLAR (STudent ExceLLence & Achievement Recognition), students who are identified by their departments, as outstanding representatives of their discipline receive special recognition and support from the College to help them achieve their full potential in their academic program and beyond. See:

<http://www.siu.edu/artsandsciences/STELLAR.html>

- Ensured that every program that could be accredited was accredited.
- Supervised the construction and renovation of a science complex (\$80,000,000), the expansion and renovation of the Art & Design Building (\$14,000,000) (<http://www.siu.edu/artsandsciences/WebCam.html>), (<https://vimeo.com/62964273>), the building of an astronomical observatory, and upgrading of the research and teaching greenhouse.
- Under my leadership *The Interdisciplinary Research and Informatics Scholarship (IRIS) Center*, was established. This is an active interdisciplinary facility supporting individual and collaborative scholarship, a field that is receiving much attention both nationally and internationally, and supports the College's—and SIUE's—mission, vision, values, and long-term goals (http://www.siu.edu/iris/events_archive.shtml).
- Supported the university library by donating a collection of about 50,000 documents (including printed, video and audio material) concerning scholarly areas such as speleology and marine mammalogy among others. (For a video that summarizes these accomplishments go to: <https://vimeo.com/49052048>).

2003–2009: Chair and Professor, Department of Biological Sciences, Arkansas State University (ASU), Jonesboro, AR

Responsibilities and Accomplishments:

- Responsible for 24 tenured/tenured-track faculty members, 4 full-time instructors, 2 full-time staff, 550 undergraduate students and 69 graduate students.
- Responsible for B.S., M.S., M.A. degrees as well as Ph.D. degrees in associated programs of Environmental Sciences and Molecular Biosciences.
- Responsible for undergraduate tracks in diverse areas including, but not limited to, Wildlife Management and Environmental Biology.
- Overseeing an operating budget of approximately \$2 million per year, plus external research grants and contracts totaling approximately \$16 million in annual expenditures.
- Strategic planning.
- I created the appropriate environment in which there was an increase in number of scholarly publications by more than 600% and the amount of grant money received by nearly 600%.
- Establishment of a field biological station.
- Establishing a study-abroad program in Belize.
- Developing numerous outreach programs such as the publication of the book *Adventures in the Wild: Tales from Biologists from The Natural State* published by Arkansas University Press, which presents the field and lab experiences of the Biology faculty at ASU. I contributed two chapters to that book.
- I edited and also wrote many articles for the weekly science column in *The Jonesboro Sun*. I produced and directed the nationally syndicated weekly

radio show “Science in the Natural State” aired by KASU –a NPR affiliate- as well as several TV documentaries.

- I co-developed the “Science Flicks” series projecting science-based movies followed by a discussion with a panel of experts from both across campus and even external guests and later became a course.
- I co-organized with the Department of Chemistry and Physics the monthly events for the 2009 “Year of Science.”
- Fundraising for improving the infrastructure of several of teaching labs and outreach initiatives such as “The Hall of Science” and an ecological garden.
- I was the founder and Editor-in-Chief of the *Journal of Integrative Biosciences*, a peer-reviewed, open access electronic journal published by Arkansas State University.
- I led the initiative of having ASU to sign the *Talloires* Declaration aimed at increasing the environmental sustainability on campus.
- I created and led initiatives such as the Interdisciplinary roundtables in which faculty members from the natural sciences, social sciences, and humanities met to discuss current academic issues.
- I also led the initiative of creating a departmental library with thousands of holdings in books, journals, reprints and audiovisual materials.
- I donated to the Ellis Library of Arkansas State a 16,000-document collection on environmental issues in Latin America. This is a unique set of publications that provides researchers around the world with exceptional and extremely difficult to find materials about the state of the environment south to the U.S. border.
- Developed a web site in six different languages and I produced a recruitment poster in Spanish. As a result of that, the international student population increased significantly.
- I created and taught new courses such as Marine Mammalogy, Laboratory of Marine Mammalogy, Field Course in Marine Mammalogy, Biospeleology, Science Communication for Scientists, Science in the Cinema, History of Biological Ideas and History and Philosophy of Science.

1998-2003: Associate Professor and Director of the Environmental Studies Program, Macalester College, St. Paul, MN

Responsibilities and Accomplishments:

- I was responsible of an interdisciplinary program that integrated faculty and students across several disciplines and departments around an environmental curriculum.
- Strategic planning.
- Fundraising for specific projects.
- Participation in diversity initiatives.
- Developed new courses in the environmental studies area not only strongly interdisciplinary but also innovative in nature and approaches.

- I recruited, mentored, and promoted students, faculty, and staff of ethnic groups that have been traditionally underrepresented in the natural/environmental sciences.
- Stressed initiatives involving undergraduate students in faculty scholarly activities.
- Emphasized interdisciplinary approaches to teaching and research.
- Promoted environmental literacy among students, faculty, and staff.
- Prepared students for a wide variety of career options.
- Developed a very active outreach program by offering public lectures and lecture series, seminars, workshops, and conferences.
- I founded and was the first Editor-In-Chief of the *Macalester Environmental Review*, a peer-reviewed, open-access electronic journal.
- Produced an annual report on the nature and development of environmental academic programs in U.S. institutions of higher education that was widely disseminated.
- Developed partnerships with other institutions and organizations.
- I led the initiative of having Macalester College to sign the *Talloires* Declaration aimed at increasing the environmental sustainability on campus.
- I was the Director of the College's Ordway Natural History Study Area, a nature preserve and a field station.
- Supervised an annual environmental audit of the campus as the co-chair of the Campus Environmental Issues Committee.
- I encouraged inter-departmental cooperation and participation and a maximization of campus resources, both human and material.
- I created and taught new courses such as Environmental Analysis and Problem Solving (undergraduate, seminar). Environmental Issues in Latin America and the Caribbean (undergraduate, graduate, seminar), Environmental Science (graduate and undergraduate, lecture), Biology of Marine Mammals, Laboratory of Marine Mammalogy, Marine Biology, and Field Studies in Marine Biology.

1996-1998: Assistant Professor of Biology, Florida Atlantic University, Davie, FL.

1994-1996: Instructor, Miami-Dade Community College, Miami, FL.

1994-1996: Adjunct (Research) Associate Professor, University of Miami, FL.

1987-1994: Adjunct Associate Professor of Biology, Universidad Central de Venezuela, Caracas, Venezuela.

1986-1994: Executive Director and CEO, BIOMA, The Venezuelan Foundation for the Conservation of Biodiversity, Caracas, Venezuela.

1985-1986: Country Program Director, The Nature Conservancy, Washington, D.C.

1978-1979: Assistant Professor, Universidad Nacional Experimental Francisco de Miranda, Coro, Venezuela.

1972-1976: Coordinator of the Laboratory of Hydrozoology and the *Museo de Zoología*, Barcelona, Spain.

1970-1970: Laboratory Assistant, Instituto Oceanográfico de la Universidad de Oriente, Cumaná, Venezuela.

Grants, University Scholarships, Fellowships, and Prizes

A) Research Grants

- 1981 - Peter Nikolic Fellowship in Animal Behavior and Charles Tobach Fund award. Amount: \$330. Project title: The evolution of behavior in surface (eyed), cave (blind), and intermediate forms of *Astyanax mexicanus* (Pisces: Characidae).
- 1982 - Organization for Tropical Studies post-course award. Amount: \$1,500. Project title: Genetic basis of behavior and phenotypic variability in *Astyanax fasciatus* (Cuvier) (Pisces: Characidae) in different environments of Costa Rica.
- 1982 - National Speleological Society research grant. Amount: \$255. Project title: Genetical, morphological, and behavioral studies on the evolutionary biology of the *Astyanax*-species complex of Middle America.
- 1983 - Southern Regional Education Board research grant. Amount: \$761.84. Project title: Reactions to light in cave populations of *Trogloglanis pattersoni* and *Satan eurystomus* (Pisces: Ictaluridae) (with S. M. Green).
- 1983 - Explorers Club research grant. Amount: \$600. Project title: Variation in apparently neutral morphological characters of the cave populations of *Astyanax fasciatus* (Pisces: Characidae).
- 1983 - Sigma-Xi, The Scientific Research Society research grant. Amount: \$180. Project title: Aggressive behavior between the surface (eyed) and cave (blind) forms of *Astyanax fasciatus* (Pisces: Characidae).
- 1983 - National Speleological Society research grant. Amount: \$300. Project title: Variation in apparently neutral morphological characters of the cave populations of *Astyanax fasciatus* (Pisces: Characidae).
- 1985 - Universidad Central de Venezuela research grant. Amount: \$10,000. Project title: Experimental analysis of the migratory behavior of fishes in continuous channels (with L. Levin and P. Belmonte).
- 1986 - Universidad Central de Venezuela research grant. Amount: \$10,000. Project title: Experimental analysis of the migratory behavior of fishes in continuous channels (with L. Levin and P. Belmonte) (renewal).
- 1988 - Universidad Central de Venezuela research grant. Amount: \$15,000. Project title: Studies on orientation in fish migration (with L. Levin).
- 1991 - Fauna & Flora Preservation Society research grant. Amount: \$7,500. Project title: Paraguaná Critical Areas Program.
- 1993 - Fauna & Flora Preservation Society research grant. Amount: \$7,500. Project title: freshwater biological preserve design in Paraguaná, Venezuela.
- 1999 - Keck Student-Faculty Collaboration proposal. Amount: \$4,520. Project title: distribution and exploitation of cetaceans in the Southern Caribbean. II: Grenada and Adjacent Waters.
- 1999 - Wallace Faculty research grant. Amount: \$6,200. Project title: Distribution and exploitation of cetaceans in the Southern Caribbean. III: Trinidad and Tobago.
- 2000 - Wallace Faculty research grant. Amount: US \$7,000. Project title: Distribution and exploitation of marine mammals in the Southern Caribbean. V: Tobago.

- 2000 - Wallace Faculty Travel grant. Amount: \$4,900. Project title: Paleoenvironment and taphonomy of the Alcover-Montral fossil quarries (Tarragona Province, NE Spain) (with Raymond Rogers).
- 2001 - Wallace Research grant. Amount: \$5,000. Project title: Behavioral responses in “blind” cave fishes with developmentally induced eyes (with Melody Sakazaki).
- 2004 – ASU Faculty Research Reallocation Grant. Amount: \$1,000. Project title: Impact of Yankee whaling on marine mammal populations in the Caribbean.
- 2005 - ASU Faculty Research Grant. Amount: \$5,000. Project title: Ecological impact of whaling and dolphin fisheries on the populations of marine mammals in St. Vincent and the Grenadines.
- 2005 – State Wildlife and Game Commission (Arkansas). Amount: \$37,351. Project title: Status report for the Southern cavefish *Typhlichthys subterraneus*.
- 2006 - National Speleological Society research grant. Amount: \$528. Project title: Genetic structure of *the Southern Cavefish, Typhlichthys subterraneus*.
- 2006 – North American Native Fishes Association Corcoran Education Grant. Amount: \$938.65. Project title: North American cave fish conservation website.
- 2009 – Middle East Studies Committee, Arkansas State University. Amount: \$7,500. Project title: The marine mammals of Morocco.
- 2013 – National Science Foundation. Amount: \$749,955. Project title: Alliances for Excellence: Supporting STEM Women at Master’s Comprehensive Universities (submitted).

B) Conservation Biology Grants

- 1986 - MacArthur Foundation grant. Amount: \$210,000 (over three years). Project title: Conservation institutional building in Venezuela.
- 1987 - Tinker Foundation grant. Amount: \$45,000 (over two years). Project title: Creating the Cinaruco-Capanaparo National Park.
- 1987 - Schneirla Foundation grant. Amount: \$10,000. General support.
- 1988 - Noyes Foundation grant. Amount: \$10,000. General support.
- 1989 - International Foundation grant. Amount: \$20,000. General support.
- 1989 - Inter American Foundation grant. Amount: \$190,000 (over two years). Project title: Helping the local communities in the Venezuelan Páramo.
- 1989 - W. Alton Jones Foundation grant. Amount: \$65,000. Project title: Creating the Santos Luzardo National Park.
- 1990 - MacArthur Foundation grant. Amount: \$100,000 (over two years). General support.
- 1990 - Inter American Foundation grant. Amount: \$120,000 (over two years). Project title: Supplemental assistance for the Páramo project.
- 1991 - Heinz Foundation grant. Amount: \$245,000 (over three years). Project title: Sustainable development in the Venezuelan Andes.
- 1992 - Tinker Foundation grant. Amount: \$55,000. Project title: Environmental Information Center for Venezuela.
- 1992 - Inter American Foundation grant. Amount: \$75,000. Project title: Environmental Information Center for Venezuela.

C) Scholarships and Fellowships

- 1981 – CONICIT (Consejo Nacional de Investigaciones Científicas y Tecnológicas) Scholarship (Caracas, Venezuela).
- 1981 - Fundayacucho Scholarship (Caracas, Venezuela).
- 1983 - Maytag Fellowship, University of Miami, Coral Gables, Fl.
- 1985 - Conservation Fellowship, The Nature Conservancy, Washington, DC.
- 1987 - Conservation International Scholarship for attending "Management Program for Natural Resource Managers" at Pennsylvania State University.

D) Teaching Awards

- 1981 - Teaching Assistant Appointment (Department of Biology, University of Miami).
- 1981 - Outstanding Teaching Assistant for 1980-81 Academic Year (Department of Biology, University of Miami).
- 1982 - Honors Teaching Assistant Appointment (Department of Biology, University of Miami).
- 1982 - Outstanding Teaching Assistant for 1981-82 Academic Year (Department of Biology, University of Miami).
- 1983 - Honors Teaching Assistant Appointment (Department of Biology, University of Miami).

E) Other Grants, Prizes, Distinctions

- 1974 - Honorable Mention (First Latin American Congress of Science Journalism, Caracas).
- 1974 - Feijóo Prize (Spanish Science Journalism National Award). Spanish Association for Advancement of Science, Madrid, Spain.
- 1982 - Travel grant. American Association for the Advancement of Science.
- 1984 - Travel grant. American Association for the Advancement of Science.
- 1989 - Honorable Mention. Humboldt Award for Documentaries on National Parks.
- 1990 - Honorable Mention. Seguros Lara Award for Environmental Journalism for the TV programs "The Other Paraguaná," "Páramos Forever," and "In Search of the Spectacled Bear."
- 1990 - Municipal Environmental Distinction. Caracas City Hall. Caracas, Venezuela.
- 1990 - Honorable Mention, CONICIT (Consejo Nacional de Investigaciones Científicas y Tecnológicas) National Science Award. Caracas, Venezuela.
- 1992 - Henri Pittier Medal. Ministry of the Environment and Renewable Natural Resources of Venezuela.
- 1993 - Humboldt Award to the Best Professional Nature Video.
- 1995 – Travel Grant. Whale and Dolphin Conservation Society.
- 1997 - National Science Foundation's sponsored Molecular Genetic Analysis Applied To Evolution, Ecology and Systematic Biology Course at San Francisco State University.
- 2011 – Diversity initiatives. Minority Access, Washington, DC.

Reviewer for

Journals

- *Acta Cientifica Venezolana*
- *Acta Zoologica Sinica*
- *Animal Behaviour*
- *Animal Biology*
- *Aquatic Mammals*
- *Canadian Zooarchaeology*
- *Caribbean Journal of Science*
- *Copeia*
- *Ecology*
- *Electronic Journal of Integrative Biosciences* (Founding Editor-in-Chief)
- *Environmental Biology of Fishes* (Member of the Editorial Board)
- *Environmental Science & Technology*
- *Evolution*
- *Genetica*
- *Isis*
- *Journal of Fish Biology*
- *Journal of Tropical Zoology*
- *Macalester Environmental Review* (Founding Editor-in-Chief)
- *Marine Biodiversity Records*
- *National Speleological Society Bulletin*
- *Southeastern Naturalist*

Funding Agencies

- National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Office of Ocean Exploration
- Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research
- The National Science Foundation (NSF):
 - ▶ Panel on Research Experiences for Undergraduates
 - ▶ Improvements in Facilities, Communications, and Equipment at Biological Field Stations and Marine Laboratories
 - ▶ The Transforming Graduate Education in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (TUES)

Publishing Houses

- Benjamin Cummings Publishing
- John Hopkins University Press
- Jones and Bartlett Publishers
- McGraw-Hill Publishers
- Oxford University Press
- W.H. Freeman & Co.

Courses Taught (alphabetical order)

- Animal Behavior (graduate and undergraduate, lecture)
- Behavioral Ecology (graduate and undergraduate, lecture)
- Biology and Geology of the Hawaiian Islands (undergraduate, field course)
- Biology of Fishes (undergraduate, lecture)
- Biology of Marine Mammals (graduate and undergraduate, lecture, lab, and field)
- Biospeleology: Life in Darkness (undergraduate and graduate, lecture and field)
- Cellular and General Biology (undergraduate, lab)
- Comparative Anatomy of Vertebrates (undergraduate, lab)
- Conservation Biology (undergraduate and graduate, lecture)
- Environmental Analysis and Problem Solving (undergraduate, seminar)
- Environmental Issues in Latin America and the Caribbean (undergraduate, graduate, seminar)
- Environmental Science (graduate and undergraduate, lecture)
- Evolution (undergraduate, lecture)
- Evolutionary Paleontology (undergraduate, lecture)
- Field Studies in Marine Biology (undergraduate, field course)
- General Biology (lab for non-majors)
- General Genetics (undergraduate, lecture)
- History and Philosophy of Science (undergraduate, lecture)
- History of Biological Ideas (graduate and undergraduate, lecture)
- Human Anatomy and Physiology (undergraduate, lecture and lab)
- Human Ecology (undergraduate, lecture)
- Introduction to the History and Philosophy of Science (undergraduate, lecture)
- Invertebrate Zoology (undergraduate, lecture and lab)
- Marine Biology (undergraduate, lecture, lab, and field)
- Molecular Genetics (undergraduate, lecture)
- Organismal Biology (undergraduate, lecture and lab)
- Population Genetics (undergraduate)
- Science Communication for Scientists (graduate)
- Science in the Cinema (undergraduate and graduate, lecture)
- Seminar on Evolutionary Biology (graduate)
- Seminar on Marine Biology (undergraduate, seminar)
- Senior Seminar in Environmental Studies (undergraduate, seminar)

Professional Certification

- Senior Ecologist, Ecological Society of America (lapsed).

Societies (Past and present)

- American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) (1980-present)
- American Association of University Professors (AAUP) (1998-2009)
- American Cetacean Society (ACS) (1996-2009)
- American Fisheries Society, Arkansas Chapter (AFS) (2003-2009)
- American Society of Environmental History (ASEH) (1999-2009)
- American Society of Ichthyologists and Herpetologists (ASIH) (1980-2009)
- American Spelean History Association (ASHA) (1998-present)
- Animal Behaviour Society (ABS) (1981-2009)
- Asociación Española de Periodismo Científico (AEPC) (1974-1984)
- Asociación Española para el Progreso de las Ciencias (AEPC) (1971-1984)
- Asociación Venezolana para el Avance de la Ciencia (AsoVAC) (1986-1994)
- Association for Environmental Studies and Sciences (AESS) (charter member) (2000-2000)
- Association for Mexican Cave Studies (AMCS) (1981-1984)
- Council of Colleges of Arts and Sciences (CCAS) (2009-present) (Chair, Committee on Liberal Arts Institutions, 2013)
- Ecological Society of America (ESA) (1994-2009)
- The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi (PKP) (2011-present)
- International Council of Fine Arts Deans (ICFAD) (2009-present)
- International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN). Cetacean Specialist Group (1985-1992)
- Latin American Studies Association (LASA) (2000-present)
- National Speleological Society (NSS) (1981-2002) (Chair of the Research and Advisory Committee, 1998-2000)
- North American Native Fishes Association (NANFA) (2005-2009)
- Sociedad de Ciencias Naturales La Salle (SCNLS) (1986-1994)
- Sociedad Venezolana de Ciencias Naturales (SVCN) (1986-1994)
- Society for Conservation Biology (SCB) (1987-1998)
- Society for Marine Mammalogy (SMM) (1996-2009) (Member of the Education Committee, 1999-2009)
- Society for the Preservation of Natural History Collections (SPNHC) (2005-2007)
- Society for the Study of Evolution (SSE) (1982-2010)

Doctoral Dissertation Title

Responses to light in surface and cave populations of the freshwater teleost *Astyanax fasciatus* (Pisces: Characidae): An evolutionary interpretation (x + 130 pp.).

Doctoral Dissertation Committee

Steven M. Green [Chair], John S. Heywood, Julian C. Lee (Department of Biology, University of Miami), Brian L. Partridge (Department of Medicine, University of California at San Diego), Gene S. Helfman (Department of Zoology, University of Georgia, Athens).

List of articles, Books, Book Chapters, Abstracts, and Book Reviews

Published (Names in bold face correspond to my students who appear as coauthors in those articles). Full list of publications with links to the pdf version of almost all of them is available at:

<http://www.siue.edu/artsandsciences/Dean-Publications.shtml>

Articles in Peer-Reviewed Publications

001. Romero, A. 1972. La nueva Sección de Hidrobiología del Museo de Zoología de Barcelona. *Miscelánea Zoológica* **3**(2):111-113.
002. Romero, A. 1975. Bioacústica en el comportamiento de los animales subacuáticos. *Revista de la Universidad Complutense de Madrid* **24**(96):151-167.
003. Romero, A. & L. Vía. 1977. *Tarracolimulus riei*, nov. gen., nov. sp., nuevo limúlido del Triásico de Montreal - Alcover (Tarragona). *Cuadernos de Geología Ibérica* **4**:239-246.
004. Romero, A. & L. Vía. 1978. Paleocyphonautidae: nuevos fósiles del Triásico español, probablemente relacionados con las actuales larvas cifonautas. *Estudios Geológicos* **34**:497-504.
005. Williamson, G.B., A. Romero, J.K. Armstrong, T.J. Gush, A.J. Hruska, P.E. Klass & J.T. Thompson. 1983. Driptips, drop size and leaf drying. *Biotropica* **15**(3):232-234.
006. Romero, A. 1983. Introgressive hybridization in a population of *Astyanax fasciatus* (Pisces: Characidae) at La Cueva Chica. *National Speleological Society Bulletin* **45**:81-85.
007. Romero, A. 1984. Behavior in an "intermediate" population of the subterranean-dwelling characid *Astyanax fasciatus*. *Environmental Biology of Fishes* **10**(3):203-207.
008. Romero, A. 1985. Cave colonization by fish: role of bat predation. *American Midland Naturalist* **113**:7-12.
009. Romero, A. 1985. Can evolution regress? *National Speleological Society Bulletin* **47**(1):86-88.
010. Romero, A. 1985. Ontogenetic change in phototactic responses of surface and cave populations of *Astyanax fasciatus* (Pisces: Characidae). *Copeia* **1985**:1004-1011.

011. Romero, A. 1985. Specialized petiole feeding behavior in *Cichlasoma tuba*. *Brenesia* (24):385-389.
012. Romero, A. 1987. Observaciones preliminares sobre la conducta en individuos cavernícolas de *Trichomycterus conradi* (Pisces: Trichomycteridae). *Boletín de la Sociedad Venezolana de Ciencias Naturales* **41**(144):205-216.
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Regular Columns in Newspapers and Popular Magazines

Venue	Dates
<i>El Noticiero Universal</i> , newspaper, Barcelona, Spain	1975-1976, weekly
<i>Lince</i> , magazine, Barcelona, Spain	1976, monthly
<i>Día 32</i> , magazine, Barcelona, Spain	1976, monthly
<i>Siesta</i> , magazine, Barcelona, Spain	1977, monthly
<i>Destino</i> , magazine, Barcelona, Spain	1977, monthly
<i>Primera Plana</i> , magazine, Barcelona, Spain	1977, monthly
<i>Tópicos</i> , magazine, Caracas, Venezuela	1980, monthly
<i>El Nacional</i> , newspaper, Caracas, Venezuela	1985-1992, occasional
<i>Economía Hoy</i> , newspaper, Caracas, Venezuela	1990-1993, weekly
<i>Ámbito</i> , magazine, Caracas, Venezuela	1990, monthly
<i>The Jonesboro Sun</i> , newspaper, Jonesboro, Arkansas	2005-2009, weekly
<i>The Edwardsville Intelligencer</i> , newspaper, Edwardsville, Illinois	2011-current, weekly

Video Documentaries Written, Produced, Directed and/or Hosted

<u>Title</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Length</u>
<i>The Agustín Codazzi Aquarium</i>	1979	26 min
<i>A National Park is Born</i>	1988	11 min
<i>The Other Paraguaná (Part 1)</i>	1988	10 min
<i>The Other Paraguaná (Part 2)</i>	1989	10 min
<i>Páramos Forever</i>	1989	10 min
<i>In Search of the Spectacled Bear</i>	1989	16 min
<i>The Amazing Paraguaná</i>	1990-91	26 min
<i>BIOMA: The First Five Years</i>	1991	12 min
<i>The Dolphins, Our Cousins</i>	1992	9 min
<i>Our Forests, Our Heritage</i>	1993	10 min
<i>The College of Arts and Sciences</i>	2009	8 min
<i>Five Paleontological Mysteries</i>	2010	27 min
<i>Why a Liberal Arts Education?</i>	2011	8 min
<i>Academic Diplomacy: An Expedition to Cuba</i>	2012	17 min

Radio Shows Written, Produced, Directed and/or Hosted

<u>Title</u>	<u>Venue</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Length</u>
<i>Los Abismos del Mar</i> (<i>The Depths of the Sea</i>)	Radio Peninsular Barcelona, Spain	1971-1972	30 minutes weekly
<i>Protagonistas Nosotros</i> (<i>Science Section on</i> <i>We, Protagonists</i>)	Radio Nacional de España Barcelona, Spain	1971-1976	10 minutes weekly

<i>Un minuto con BIOMA</i> (A minute with BIOMA)	Radio Capital Caracas, Venezuela	1990-1994	1 minute weekly
<i>Science in the Natural State</i>	KASU-FM Jonesboro, Arkansas	2005-2009	5 minutes weekly
<i>Segue</i>	WSIE Edwardsville, IL	2011-current	30 minutes weekly

TV Series Written, Produced, Directed and/or Hosted

Title	Venue	Dates	Length
<i>Two minutes with science</i>	Radio Televisión Española Barcelona, Spain	1975-1976	2 minutes, weekly
<i>Environment in Venezuela</i>	Venevisión Caracas, Venezuela	1988-1990	10 minutes, monthly
<i>One minute with BIOMA</i>	Venevisión Caracas, Venezuela	1991-1993	1 minute, weekly
<i>Kaleidoscope</i>	In production	2012-current	30 minutes

Exhibits Produced

Title	Location	Dates
The Hall of Science	Arkansas State University Laboratory Sciences Complex	2008-present

Social Media

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