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I was born in Granada in 1973, but raised in Almería, where my interest in language and literature began. I studied Philosophy and Spanish at the University of Navarra, specializing in Linguistics, and completed my studies with three consecutive years of English Phonetics, Grammar and Literature. During my final year of study I gained the Diploma of Pedagogical Aptitude (Spanish teaching certificate).

I started working and studying in the Latin Department at the University of Navarra, as a sub-editor of the publisher EUNSA and as a support teacher for teenagers. I finished my degree and started postgraduate study with research in the Department of Hispanic-American Literature, combining this with working on magazines and research studies, now published.

In 2000 I obtained a Diploma in Proficiency in Academic Research and began working at ESIC, in the department of Spanish as a Foreign Language (General Spanish, all MCERL levels; Business Spanish and Diplomas from the Cervantes Institute) and English. During this time I have collaborated with other centres in Etymology and Orthography, while also creating specific courses and developing new techniques and methods which I put into practice in my classes. I make a point of using new IT tools for both teaching and learning.