TEXAS STATE VITA

I. Academic/Professional Background

A. Name: Stephen Anthony Garcia Title: Asst Professor of Instruction

B. Educational Background

Degree	*Year*	*University*	*Major*	*Thesis/ Dissertation*
BSMLS	2011	Texas State University	Medical Laboratory Science	
MEd	2020	Texas State University	Education Technology	

C. University Experience

Position	*University*	*Dates*
Asst. Professor of Instruction	Texas State University	2025 - Present
MLS Adjunct Clinical Lecturer	Texas State University	2013 - 2014
MLS Adjunct Clinical Lecturer	Texas State University	2015 - 2024

D. Relevant Professional Experience

Position	Entity	Dates
Laboratory Manager	CHRISTUS Santa Rosa NB	2024-2025

Responsibilities: Serve as laboratory manager with 34 direct reports total. Maintain regulatory compliance with the College of American Pathologist (CAP) and the Joint Commission. Manage daily activities to ensure the laboratory is fully staffed and operational 7 days a week 24 hours a day.

Point of Care Coordinator	Methodist Hospital Stone Oak	2019 – 2024

Responsibilities: Maintain the competency of nursing staff as it applies to the use of bedside clinical equipment such as clinical chemistry bedside analyzers and bedside glucometers. Provide general education regarding the use of bedside devices. Present information to new employees as part of the onboarding process for nursing competency requirements. Order and track supplies for laboratory operation.

Microbiology Supervisor	Central Texas Medical Center	2013 – 2019

Responsibilities: Served as the primary clinical microbiologist for the Central Texas Medical Center Hospital laboratory. Read and report information on clinical specimens submitted for bacterial culture and sensitivities. Consult with hospital providers in regards to any special case or requests.

Clinical Chemistry Supervisor	Pain Specialists of Austin	2010 - 2012

Responsibilities: Serve as the primary clinical chemistry operator for the private office laboratory associated with the Pain Specialists of Austin. Specifically, the analysis of patient urine for detection of any drug of abuse.

Medical Laboratory Scientist	Pharmaceutical Product Development (PPD)	2012 – 2013

Responsibilities: Served as a Medical Laboratory Scientist for the analysis of patient samples for clinical trail research. Analysis included clinical chemistry, hematology, coagulation and urinalysis. Any additional special requests for serology testing were performed as well.

Analytical Chemistry-Analyst	Cedra Corporation	2007 - 2009

Responsibilities: Assisted with the production and processing of patient samples in clinical trial for the review of analytical methodology. Created quality controls for use in sample extraction methods under development.

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

Certified by the American Society of Clinical Pathology as a Medical Laboratory Scientist (MLS) ASCPcm

II. TEACHING

A. Courses Taught:
CLS 4341 Molecular Diagnostics Laboratory

III. SCHOLARLY/CREATIVE

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

1. Books:

a. Scholarly Monographs:

b. Textbooks:

c. Edited Books:

d. Chapters in Books:

e. Creative Books:

2. Articles:

a. Refereed Journal Articles:
Academic Article
Authors: Dr. Rodney Rohde, Stephen A. Garcia, Jacella F. McKenzie “Methicillin-Resistant *Staphylococcus aureus:* A Study of the Prevalence and Risk of MRSA Found on Exercise Equipment in an Athletic Facility in Texas”.
Research published in the Clinical Laboratory Science Journal 2010.