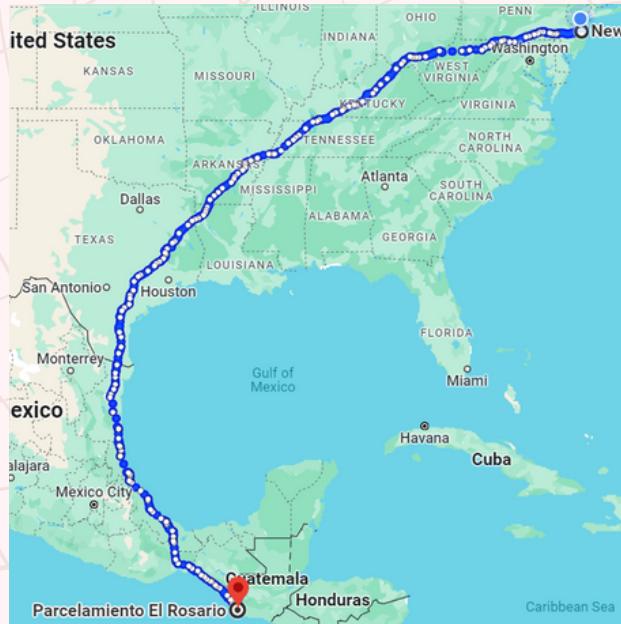
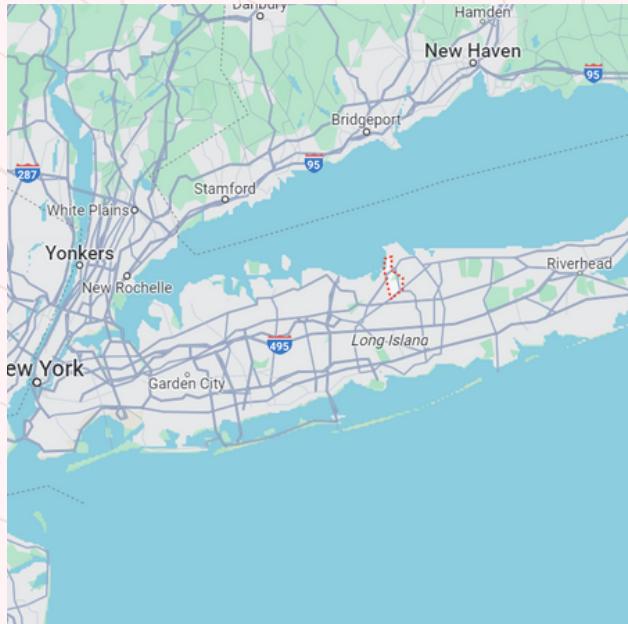


# **Navigating Academia Despite the Obstacles**

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# Background



**Stony Brook, Long Island,  
New York**

**Distance between New  
Jersey and Guatemala  
> 3,000 miles**

**Kindergarten Graduation**

# Background



**High School ESL Test  
2013**



**My Family and Me**

# Experiences



**Stockton University  
EOF Scholar  
Summer 2017**



**EOF Teaching Assistant  
Summer 2018**



**MSRI-UP 2019  
Summer Research  
Program Participant**

# Experiences



**Stockton University  
(2017 - 2021)**  
B.S. in Mathematics  
Minor in Computer Science

**EDGE 2021  
Summer Program  
Participant**

**Rutgers University  
Graduate Student  
2021 - 202?**

# Advice



- Community
- Reach out
- Think about your why
- Collaboration
- Self-care such as sleep, therapy, hobbies, work from a new location (if possible)
- Set boundaries for yourself

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*Thank You!*



**My Website**

