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Lara Simonetti, Client Care Manager, supports the DIST team and DIST clients with her administrative skills and expands our reach and impact by assisting with translation and Spanish interpretation.

Lara graduated from Reed College with a B.A. in International and Comparative Policy Studies – History. Lara's research focused on the politics of memory making in the aftermath of the late 20th-century dictatorships in Argentina and Uruguay. Her bachelor's thesis was published in Johns Hopkins University's Richard Macksey Undergraduate Humanities Research Journal.

As a first-generation immigrant from Corrientes, Argentina, Lara is excited about bringing the LJIST practices and frameworks to Indigenous and Spanish-speaking communities. Lara loves speaking in her native Spanish and doing critical readings of Latin American literature.

Lara is a part of Portland's arts community as an ensemble singer and board member for Big Mouth Society. Her other artistic endeavors include Latin American theatre, physical theatre, and sewing. An accomplished fundraiser, Lara also volunteers for Reed College as a member of the Alumni Fundraising for Reed Steering Committee.