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Biographical Note

Ruben Estrada-Herrera was born in Santiago, Cuba, in 1995. His family immigrated to the United States in 2011, and they settled in Portland, Oregon. He earned a bachelor's degree in bio-medical engineering from Warner Pacific University in 2019 and then was an employee of Portland Public Schools.

Content Description

This oral history interview with Ruben Estrada-Herrera was conducted by Sankar Raman on February 15, 2018. The interview was recorded for The Immigrant Story, an organization that documents and archives the stories of immigrants and refugees in the United States. In this interview, Estrada-Herrera discusses his early life in Santiago, Cuba, including the festival of Carnavales, his education, and Cuban culture. He describes the process of immigrating to the United States in 2011. He talks about his life in Portland, Oregon, including his parents’ careers, his education, and learning English as a second language. He discusses earning scholarships, choosing to attend Warner Pacific University,
and studying bio-medical engineering. He closes the interview by talking about his plans for the future and his thoughts on the American Dream.

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