To coincide with Hispanic Heritage Month, Penn State Law’s Minority Mentor Program and Latinx Law Student Association will host a Q&A with Sheila Vélez Martínez, to discuss experiences about navigating law school and the legal profession as a Latina and to share insights on her related work. Her focus is on issues including immigrant women, Puerto Rican migration, Caribbean migration, remittances, legal pedagogy and OutCrit theory.

She joined Pitt Law as a visiting professor in 2010 to establish the Immigration Law Clinic. She is a member of the Board of Directors of LatCrit (Latino and Latina Critical Legal Studies Inc.) and also of Friends of Farmworkers. She holds a Juris Doctor from the University of Puerto Rico School of Law.