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EDUCATION

- 2016-Present. **Ph.D. Student**, Department of Sociology, University of California, Santa Barbara.
2022. **M.A., Sociology**, University of California, Santa Barbara.
Thesis: *In the Eye of the Storm: Undocumented Mexican Migrant Students Navigating College in the Obama Era, 2009-2017*.
2016. **M.A., Chicana and Chicano Studies**, University of California, Santa Barbara.
2014. **B.A., Chicano & Latino Studies**, Minor in Gender, Women, and Sexuality Studies, *High Distinction*. University of Minnesota, Twin Cities.
2005. **A.A., Liberal Education**. Normandale Community College.

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Chicana & Indígena Feminisms; Immigration; Education; Race, Ethnicity, Nation; Decolonization.

CERTIFICATIONS AND TRAININGS

2022. Pillars of Teaching Assistantship Certificate; six workshops to provide Teaching Assistants with a comprehensive, research-based foundation for teaching. UCSB.
2021. Vagus Nerve Reset Facilitator. Mindful Leaders Project, LLC.
2019. InnerLight Method Level 2 Certified Practitioner. University of La Verne's Center for Neurodiversity, Learning, and Wellness.
2018. InnerLight Method Level 1 Certification. University of La Verne's Center for Neurodiversity, Learning, and Wellness.

FELLOWSHIPS, SCHOLARSHIPS AND GRANTS

2023. National Women's Association Conference Scholarship. Hilton Baltimore, Baltimore, MD.
2022. Lady Leslie Ridley-Tree Scholarship, UC Santa Barbara.
2014. University of California Chancellor's Fellowship. UC Santa Barbara.
2017. Othering and Belonging Conference Scholarship. Haas Institute for a Fair and Inclusive Society. UC Berkeley.

HONORS AND AWARDS

2023. Certificate of Appreciation, DSP (Disabled Students Program), CODE (Commission on Disability Equity), & DAPi (Delta Alpha Phi Honor Society). Presented to staff who have provided positive, influential support which has made a real difference in the lives of students. UC Santa Barbara.
2020. Graduate Student Association Excellence in Teaching Award, UC Santa Barbara.
2013. Carol E. Macpherson Memorial Scholarship. University of Minnesota, Twin Cities.
2012. Helen Hawthorne Hartung Award. "(Re)Imagining Sex Work: Narratives of Agency in Calcutta's Sonagachi Neighborhood." University of Minnesota, Twin Cities.
2012. Best Chicano Studies Essay Scholarship. "(Re)Membering Coyolxauhqui." University of Minnesota, Twin Cities.
2011. Best Chicano Studies Essay Scholarship. "Las Hijas de NAFTA: The Effects of Transnational Economic Policy on the (Me)Xican@ Community." University of Minnesota, Twin Cities.
2005. Dean's List. Normandale Community College.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant, UCSB Department of Sociology

SOC 128: Race and Ethnicity. Winter 2023. 1 January-24 March.
SOC 154A: Women, Culture, and Development. Winter 2022. 3 January-18 March.
SOC 185A: Development of Sociological Thought. Fall 2021. 23 September-10 December.
SOC 144: The Chicano Community. Summer 2021. 2 August-10 September.
SOC 164: Sociology of Education. Spring 2021. 29 March-11 June.
SOC 1: Introduction to Sociology. Winter 2021. 4 January-19 March.
SOC 145: Social Inequalities. Fall 2020. 1 October-18 December.
SOC 108: Methods of Sociological Research. Summer 2020. 22 June-1 August.
SOC 134: Social Movements. Summer 2019. 5 August-14 September.
SOC 144: The Chicano Community. Spring 2019. 1 April-14 June.
SOC 170: Social Deviance. Winter 2019. 7 January-22 March.
SOC 1: Introduction to Sociology. Fall 2018. 27 September-14 December.
SOC 1: Introduction to Sociology. Summer 2018. 6 August-15 September.

Teaching Assistant, UCSB Department of Chicana and Chicano Studies

CHST 1C: Introduction to Chicana/o Studies, Culture. Spring 2016. 27 March-10 June.
CHST 1B: Introduction to Chicana/o Studies, Gender. Winter 2016. 3 January-18 March.
CHST 1A: Introduction to Chicana/o Studies, History. Fall 2015. 27 October-12 December.

Research Assistant

2017. Project: "Mobilizing Millions: Engendering Process Across the Globe." Principal Investigator: Dr. Zakiya Luna, UCSB Sociology. January 2017-February 2017.
2016. Project: *Routledge Handbook of Chicana/o Studies*. Co-Editors: Dr. Denise Segura, Dr. Francisco Lomelí, UCSB Chicana/o Studies. Fall 2016.
2014. Project: "The Learning for English Academic Proficiency and Success (LEAPS) Act Report: Ensuring Faithful and Timely Implementation." Principal Investigators: Conor P. Williams and Colleen Gross Ebinger, Commissioned by The McKnight Foundation. 2014.

Other, Academic

2023-24. Leadership Consultant, SBCC Enrollment and Retention Services. Oct 2023-Feb 2024.
2022-23. Leadership Consultant, SBCC Extended Opportunity Programs and Services (EOPS). April 2022-March 2023.
2020-21. Lead Pedagogy Teaching Assistant, UCSB Department of Sociology. Sept 2020-June 2021.
2017-18. Graduate Assistant. CARE (Campus Advocacy, Resources, & Education). Oct 2017-May 2018.
2016. Bilingual Copyeditor and Editorial Assistant. *Estudios Mexicanos/Mexican Studies Journal*. Summer 2016.
2015. Translator and Transcriber. UCSB Department of Feminist Studies. P.I. Dr. Eileen Boris. Aug 2015-Dec 2015.
2014-15. Translator. UCSB Department of Communications. PI Dr. Jennifer Kam. Dec 2014-Oct 2015.
2007-14. Executive Office and Administrative Specialist, Graduate Advisor. Department of Gender, Women, and Sexuality Studies, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities. 2007-2014.

Other, Non-Academic

2017. Consultant. NAVIGATE MN. Summer 2017.
2004-2008. Sales Associate/Store Manager. RadioShack Corporation. 2004-2008.

2003-2004. Paralegal, Office Administrator, Interpreter. De León & Nestor, Attorneys. 2003-2004.
2000. Healthy Start Program Instructor. YWCA, Minneapolis, MN. 2000.

ACADEMIC CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2023. “*Alza tu mirada, alza tu voz: Alchemizing Violence towards an Epistemic of Liberation,*” National Women’s Studies Association (NWSA) Annual Conference, Hilton Baltimore Inner Harbor, Baltimore, MD. 27 October 2023.
2023. Roundtable participant. “Trauma-Informed Teaching and Learning in Queer and Trans Studies: Resource, Idea, and Dream Sharing,” National Women’s Studies Association (NWSA) Annual Conference, Hilton Baltimore Inner Harbor, Baltimore, MD. 27 October 2023.
2023. “*Caminante no hay camino, se hace camino al andar: MeXicana Scholars Breaking Down the Walls, Healing Sustos, and Paving the Way,*” Mujeres Activas en Letras y Cambio Social (MALCS) Summer Institute, UC Davis, Davis, CA. 15 July 2023.
2023. “*Porque me quiero, me cuido: Integrating Wellness Practices to Promote Sustainable Liberation Work,*” 50th Annual Meeting of the National Association for Chicana/o Studies (NACCS), DoubleTree by Hilton Denver, Denver, CO. 1 April 2023.
2019. “Xicanxs Without Apology: Honoring the Work of Dr. Edén Torres,” 46th Annual Meeting of the National Association for Chicana/o Studies (NACCS), Crowne Plaza Hotel Albuquerque, Albuquerque, NM. 6 April 2019.
2019. “No Te Rajes, Mijx: Rehumanizing Pedagogies in the Era of Memes, Fear, and Professional Wokeness,” Pacific Sociological Association (PSA) Conference, The Marriott Oakland Downtown/City Center, Oakland, CA. 31 March 2019.
2018. “Xicanista Pedagogical Interventions in the Post-45 Classroom,” Mujeres Activas en Letras y Cambio Social (MALCS) Summer Institute, University of Texas, El Paso, TX. 1 August 2018.
2018. “Decolonizing Definitions: Interrogating Knowledge Hierarchies by Centering Chicana and Indígena Epistemologies,” 45th Annual Meeting of the National Association for Chicana/o Studies (NACCS), DoubleTree by Hilton Bloomington, Minneapolis, MN. 6 April 2018.
2018. “No Te Rajes, Mijx: Xicana Indígena Pedagogies of Rehumanization,” 45th Annual Meeting of the National Association for Chicana/o Studies (NACCS), DoubleTree by Hilton Bloomington, Minneapolis, MN. 6 April 2018.
2018. “The Neoliberal University, its Origins, and the Role of the Revolutionary Scholar,” Pacific Sociological Association (PSA) Conference, Long Beach Hyatt Regency Hotel, Long Beach, CA. 28 March 2018.
2017. *Panelist*. “Mentoring Seditious: Fostering and Catalyzing Legacies of Resistance,” Seditious Acts: Graduate Students of Color Interrogating the Neoliberal University, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN. 22 April 2017.
2017. *Plenary panelist*. “A Dialogue of Support Between Faculty and Graduate Students of Color,” Seditious Acts: Graduate Students of Color Interrogating the Neoliberal University, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN. 22 April 2017.
2016. “Soñando Libertades, Sembrando Realidades: Dreams and Spirituality in Scholar Activist Work,” El Mundo Zurdo, DoubleTree for Hilton Hotel San Antonio Downtown, San Antonio, TX. 4 November 2016.
2016. *Panel facilitator*. “Graduate Student Panel,” American Indian and Indigenous Collective (AIIC) Symposium: Repatriation, Revitalization, and Cultural Appropriation, UCSB. 19 February 2016.
2014. “Happily Ever After?: Disrupting Mainstream Narratives of Immigration Reform,” Gender, Women, and Sexuality Studies Symposium, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN. 2 May 2014.

- 2014. “Raising Questions, Raising Our Voices: Exploring Idealization Narratives Within Undocumented Communities,” 41st Annual Meeting of the National Association for Chicana/o Studies (NACCS), Hilton Salt Lake City Center, Salt Lake City, UT. 12 April 2014.
- 2011. “‘¡Háganme un Campito!’ Teorizando con mi Comunidad: Estudiantes MeXican@s Engaging with ‘Home’ as a Means for Academic Survival,” 3rd Annual Educational Summit of MN Network of Latinos in Higher Ed, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN. 8 October 2011.
- 2011. “Voces de la Comunidad: Knowledge Production in Activism & Music,” 38th Annual Meeting of the National Association for Chicana/o Studies (NACCS), Westin Hotel, Pasadena, CA. 1 April 2011.
- 2004. “Performing Authentic Culture: Indigenous Identity and Patriarchy,” 31st Annual Meeting of the National Association for Chicana/o Studies (NACCS), The University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM. 2 April 2004.
- 2003. “Dancing with the Ancestors: The Reclamation of Indigenous Ritual and the Abuse of Male Power,” Mujeres Activas en Letras y Cambio Social (MALCS) Summer Institute, University of Texas, San Antonio, TX. August 2003.

SERVICE

University Service

- 2020. Graduate Student Mentor. UCSB Resource Center for Sexual and Gender Diversity (RCSGD) Mentorship Program. 2019-2020.
- 2017. Co-organizer, facilitator. “Conscientious Pedagogy Post-Trump: A Collaborative Workshop on Serving the Needs of Vulnerable Students and Navigating Aggression in the Classroom,” UCSB Sociology. 24 February 2017.
- 2016. Facilitator. “Navigating Race in the Classroom: A Workshop for TAs of Color at UCSB,” UCSB Sociology. 26 October 2016.
- 2016. Organizer, facilitator. “a [*Real*] Graduate School Workshop, Part 2,” UCSB. 14 October 2016.
- 2016. Organizer, facilitator. “a [*Real*] Graduate School Workshop, Part 1,” UCSB. 7 October 2016.
- 2015. Organizer, facilitator. “Graduate School Panel for Student Activists,” UCSB. 12 November 2015.
- 2015. Graduate Student Representative, Social Justice Action Committee. UCSB Department of Chicana/o Studies. 2015-2016.
- 2014. Graduate Student Representative, Social Justice Action Committee. UCSB Department of Chicana/o Studies. 2014-2015.

Community Service/Engagement

- 2022. Inspirational speaker. Latine College Day, UCSB. 16 April 2022.
- 2020. Inspirational speaker. Latine College Day, UCSB. 2020. *Canceled due to COVID.
- 2020. Facilitator. Latinx Leaders Conference, UCSB. 2020. *Canceled due to COVID.
- 2020. Panelist. “Chismeando: A Conversation about Racial Identities as People of Complex Cultural Heritages,” UNIDOS MN, virtual broadcast from Minneapolis, MN. 2020.
- 2020. Organizer, facilitator. “What’s Self-Care Got to do with It? A Workshop Series for Student Activists of Color, Part 4 (Music),” UCSB. 20 Feb 2020.
- 2020. Organizer, facilitator. “What’s Self-Care Got to do with It? A Workshop Series for Student Activists of Color, Part 3 (Media),” UCSB. 13 Feb 2020.
- 2019. Organizer, facilitator. “What’s Self-Care Got to do with It? A Workshop Series for Student Activists of Color, Part 2 (Boundaries),” UCSB. 14 Nov 2019.

2019. Organizer, facilitator. “What’s Self-Care Got to do with It? A Workshop Series for Student Activists of Color, Part 1 (The Nervous System),” UCSB. 31 Oct 2019.
2019. Facilitator. “Taller para los padres de familia/Workshop for Latinx Parents,” UCSB Chicax/Latinx Family Weekend: Celebración de la Familia. 2 Nov 2019.
2019. Keynote speaker. UCSB Raza College Day. 20 April 2019.
2019. Presenter. “Education for Liberation,” UCSB Raza College Day. 20 April 2019.
2019. Ceremonial blessing. UCSB Mujercitas Conference. 12 April 2019.
- 2019-Present. FOUNDER. Kalpulli Mayahuel Aztec Dance Group, Santa Barbara, CA.
2018. Facilitator. “Taller para los padres de familia/Workshop for Latinx Parents,” UCSB Chicax/Latinx Family Weekend: Celebración de la Familia. 3 Nov 2018.
2018. Panelist. “#MeToo Panel & Discussion,” Gender and Sexualities & Social Movements (UCSB Sociology). 31 May 2018.
2018. Panelist. “Surviving Graduate School when There’s Little Room to be a Person,” UCSB Mental Health Conference. 5 May 2018.
2018. Panelist. UCSB SIRCC PAGE+: Graduate Student Panel. 29 April 2018.
2018. Presenter. “Semillitas: Planting Our Future,” UCSB Raza College Day. 21 April 2018.
2018. Presenter. “a [real] graduate school workshop,” UCSB Women of Color Conference. 5 Feb 2018.
2018. Panelist. “Plática Con Mujeres PhoDerosas,” UCSB Phi Lambda Rho Sorority. 25 Jan 2018.
2017. Facilitator. “Taller para los padres de familia/Workshop for Latinx Parents,” UCSB Chicax/Latinx Family Weekend: Celebración de la Familia. 5 Nov 2017.
2017. *Trainer*. “Cultural Ecology: Artivists as Cultural Organizers,” Lake Street Arts! Arts Organizing Institute, People’s Movement Center, Minneapolis, MN. 21 Aug 2017.
2017. Closing speaker. UCSB Mujercitas Conference. 12 May 2017.
2017. Presenter. “Following the Legacy of Student Activists: What Does Your Generation’s Leadership Look Like?,” UCSB Raza College Day. 15 April 2017.
2017. Facilitator. EOP Chicax/Latinx Graduate Student Panel for Undergraduates. 2 March 2017.
2017. Facilitator. Annual W.E.B. Du Bois Event. 28 Feb 2017.
2017. Presenter. “Workshop on Demystifying Graduate School,” UCSB SIRCC PAGE+. 5 Feb 2017.
2017. Presenter. “Workshop on Letters of Recommendation and Personal Statements,” UCSB SIRCC PAGE+. 5 Feb 2017.
2016. Panelist. “Demystifying the Journey to Grad School: Is a Masters/Ph.D. Right for Me?,” UCSB Social Justice Conference. 7 May 2016.
2016. Closing speaker. UCSB Mujercitas Conference. 29 April 2016.
2016. Presenter. “Following the Legacy of Feminists of Color: What Does Your Generation’s Leadership Look Like?,” UCSB Raza College Day. 16 April 2016.
2016. Facilitator. Annual W.E.B. Du Bois Event. 24 Feb 2016.
2015. Facilitator. “Access to Higher Education,” Brown Issues, UCSB. 29 Aug 2015.
- 2014-15. Jarana player, singer. Son de Aquí, Son de Allá: Son Jarocho Community, Santa Barbara, CA.
2014. Organizer. S.B. con Ayotzinapa, Santa Barbara, CA.
2014. Facilitator. “Panel Discussion of ‘Crash’,” Cristo Rey High School, Minneapolis, MN. 19 March 2014.
2014. Organizer. Asamblea de Derechos Civiles, Minneapolis, MN.
2014. Co-host. Las Comadres de la Picoso, La Picoso 1530 AM, Golden Valley, MN.
- 2013-14. Founder. Whose Diversity? Campaign, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities.
- 2013-14. Programming Director. La Raza Student Cultural Center, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities.

- 2013-14. Participant. Critical Race and Ethnic Studies Interdisciplinary Graduate Group (CRES), University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN.
2013. Facilitator. "Bridging Struggles: SJP, BSU, La Raza," University of Minnesota, Twin Cities. 13 Nov 2013.
2013. Panelist. "Demystifying Graduate School for Undocumented Students," Living the Dream: NAVIGATE 2013 Annual Conference, Metropolitan State University, St. Paul, MN. 12 Oct 2013.
2013. Panelist. "Demystifying College through Testimonio," College Night for Latina/o Students, El Colegio Charter School, Minneapolis, MN. 11 Oct 2013.
2013. Contributing artist. Third Woman Press Fundraiser Collective, Minneapolis, MN.
2013. Video participant. "Undergraduate Experience, Chicano and Latino Studies Department, College of Liberal Arts (CLA)," University of Minnesota, Twin Cities.
2012. Panelist. "UMN Estudiantes MeXican@s Situating 'Home' as a Means for Survival," Diversity Dialogues – Department of Curriculum and Instruction, University of Minnesota. 23 March 2012.
2012. Roundtable participant. "Teaching and Learning in the Racialized Classroom," University of Minnesota, Twin Cities. 10 Feb 2012.
- 2012-14. Guest co-host. Radio Pocho, KFAI, Minneapolis, MN.
2011. Speaker. "People of Color Speak Up: Chicano Studies Testimony," Whose University?: A Day of Education, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities. 20 April 2011.
2011. Speaker. "Support Ethnic Studies Departments: Chicano Studies," Whose University?: A Day of Education, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities. 20 April 2011.
2011. State of Minnesota Representative. 87 Jornada Informativa del Instituto de los Mexicanos en el Exterior, Mexican Consulate, St. Paul, MN/Mexico City, Mexico.
- 2011-15. Co-Founder. Kalpulli KetzalCoatlucue Aztec Dance Group, Richfield, MN.
2010. Guest speaker. "MeXican@ Spirituality and Día de Muertos," Casa Sol Living Community, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities. 26 Oct 2010.
2010. Facilitator. "Aztec Dance Tradition and Evolution: Why Does Knowing History Matter?," Exponentially Empowering: Illuminating the Struggle for Ethnic Studies, El Colegio Charter School, Minneapolis, MN. 2 Oct 2010.
- 2010-11. Participant. Whose University?, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities.
- 2002-03. President. Culturas Unidas, Normandale Community College, Bloomington, MN.
- 1998-2015. Co-founder/Co-director. Kalpulli KetzalCoatlucue Aztec Dance Group, Minneapolis, MN.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS

American Sociological Association (ASA)
 National Association for Chicana and Chicano Studies (NACCS)
 Mujeres Activas en Letras y Cambio Social (MALCS)
 Society for the Study of Gloria Anzaldúa
 National Women's Studies Association (NWSA)
 UCSB American Indian and Indigenous Collective (AIIC)
 UCSB Graduate Scholars Program
 UCSB chapter of UAW 2865
 Asociación de Jóvenes Unidos en Acción (AJUA)
 Minnesota Network of Latinos in Higher Education (MNLHE)
 United We Dream (UWD)
 AFSCME Local 3800.