DECLARATION OF CECILIA MENJIVAR, Ph.D.

I, Cecilia Menjivar, declare as follows:

I make this declaration based on my own personal knowledge and if called to testify I could and would do so competently as follows:

I. Qualifications

1. I received my Ph.D. in Sociology from the University of California, Davis in 1992. My doctoral dissertation was titled “Salvadoran Migration to the U.S.: The Dynamics of Social Networks in International Migration.”

2. Currently, I am a professor of Sociology at University of California, Los Angeles, where I hold the Dorothy L. Meier Chair in Social Equities. Previously, I was Foundation Distinguished Professor of Sociology at the University of Kansas. And prior to my position at KU, I was on the faculty at Arizona State University for 19 years, where I was Cowden Distinguished Professor with my appointment as full professor.

3. At KU I served on the executive board of the Center for Latin American Studies and co-founded and co-directed the Center for Migration Research. I was a Senior Fellow at the American Immigration Council’s Immigration Policy Center, in 2012-2013. There, I wrote a report on immigrant women as they go through the legalization process and I was one of 18 members of the National Academy of Sciences panel on immigrant integration. I assisted the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in their report, Women on the Run. In addition, I am in charge of summarizing the most important sociological research about and from Central America for the Library of Congress’ Handbook on Latin American Studies, published biannually. For the past 22 years I have taught courses on research methods, immigration, refugees, and gender violence.

5. Since 1993 I have published more than 150 peer-reviewed scholarly articles, book chapters, and contributions to encyclopedias, many of which present the results of original quantitative and qualitative research about migration to the United States from Central America. A complete list of my publications is included in my C.V. A true and correct copy of my C.V. is attached as Exhibit A.

6. I currently sit on the Editorial Board of ten journals dedicated to the fields of sociology and migration.

7. I have previously provided affidavits or testimony as an expert witness in more than four dozen cases in federal court, in immigration court or asylum proceedings.

8. My opinions derive from the over two decades of study that I have carried out specific to the topic of migration; my hundreds of interviews with migrants and potential migrants from Central America and their families; sociolegal analysis of existing laws in Guatemala, Honduras, and El Salvador that have been passed to protect women from violence; review of the relevant research on the topic in my field of general migration, and more specifically of migration and
gender, and gender and violence in Central America; and my understanding of prevailing norms of social science research methods as developed through my training, scholarship, and teaching.

II. Findings and Opinions

9. I write to address two points. First, the number of migrants entering the United States through the southern border is far lower today than it has been in recent years. The numbers indicate that there is no “surge” of migration. Second, there is no evidence that a policy requiring Central American migrants to remain in Mexico while litigating their asylum claims will serve to deter migration from Latin America.

10. First, immigration across the southwest border has been steadily declining for almost two decades.\(^1\) The number of migrants apprehended by U.S. Border Patrol officials at the U.S.-Mexico border in fiscal year (“FY”) 2018 was 396,579.\(^2\) In FY 1972, the number was 321,326.\(^3\) Between those years, numbers had been much higher: FY 2000 saw a record high of 1,643,679 apprehensions.\(^4\)

11. The decline in apprehensions is not due to a lack of enforcement on the southwest border. The number of Border Patrol agents at the U.S.-Mexico border is almost double the number it was in 2000.\(^5\) There were 16,605 Border Patrol agents at the southwest border in fiscal year

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\(^4\) Id.

\(^5\) U.S. Border Patrol, Border Patrol Agent Nationwide Staffing by Fiscal Year at 3,
2017, compared to 8,580 agents in fiscal year 2000, when the number of apprehensions was four times higher.\textsuperscript{6} Nationwide, there were 19,437 Border Patrol agents in fiscal year 2017, compared with 9,212 in fiscal year 2000.\textsuperscript{7}

12. Second, there is no evidence that requiring migrants to wait in Mexico while seeking asylum in the United States will have any effect on migration.

13. Studies of the effect of detention policy have shown that the imposition of harsher conditions on asylum seekers—such as the new policy the government has adopted here—has no deterrent effect on migration. As the UNHCR has made clear, “no empirical evidence is available to give credence to the assumption that the threat of being detained deters irregular migration, or more specifically, discourages persons from seeking asylum. Global migration statistics have been rising regardless of increasingly harsh governmental policies on detention.”\textsuperscript{8} The International Detention Coalition similarly explained that “asylum seekers’ destinations are determined largely by historical, economic, and reputational factors that cannot be influenced by immigration policy makers.”\textsuperscript{9} Even the Department of Homeland Security’s own Advisory Committee on Family Residential Centers has concluded that “[d]espite efforts to deter immigration from [Central American] countries, unaccompanied children and families (mainly


\textsuperscript{7} \textit{Id.}

\textsuperscript{8} UNHCR, \textit{Back to Basics: The Right to Liberty and Security of Person and “Alternatives to Detention” of Refugees, Asylum-Seekers, Stateless Persons and Other Migrants} at iii (Apr. 2011), \textit{available at} \url{http://www.unhcr.org/4dc949c49.htm}.

mothers and children) continue to brave the treacherous journey to a safer location” rather than face violence in their home countries.\textsuperscript{10}

14. The same conclusions regarding the failure of immigration detention to deter asylum seekers apply equally to the government’s new policy of forcibly returning asylum seekers to Mexico during the pendency of their immigration cases. The nature of the migrant flows from Central America undercuts any theorized deterrent effect of harsher immigration policies. While the overall number of migrants has decreased dramatically, the number of migrants from the smaller countries in the northern countries of Central America has continued to grow\textsuperscript{11} and includes a higher percentage of women, children, and families because they are being driven from their homes due to horrific violence in their home countries.\textsuperscript{12}

15. Because individuals coming to the United States from the northern part of Central America are driven primarily by violence, a policy of forcing migrants to remain in Mexico is unlikely to deter them from taking the journey to the United States’ southern border. For a refugee, threats to life or freedom in his or her country of origin are a strong push factor that will likely overcome any disincentive created by harsher enforcement policies at the southern border.\textsuperscript{13}

\textsuperscript{13} See UNHCR, Back to Basics at iii (Apr. 2011); see also Jeremy Slack et al., In Harm’s Way: Family Separation, Immigration Enforcement Programs and Security on the US-Mexico Border, 3 J. on Migration & Human Security, No. 2, 2015, at 114-16 (“[D]eterrence by arrest, incarceration and removal is largely ineffective. The majority of respondents expressed that they
16. The overwhelming majority of women and children crossing the United States’ southern border in recent years have been fleeing violence both inside and outside the home in northern Central America—“one of the most dangerous places on earth.”¹⁴ In 2015, for example, the national murder rate in El Salvador was 103 homicides per every 100,000 people, 57 per 100,000 in Honduras, and 29.5 per 100,000 in Guatemala.¹⁵ In 2016—the last year from which there is complete data—murder rates were equally striking. El Salvador had the highest murder rate in the world with 82.8 per 100,000 people. Honduras had the second highest (56.5 per 100,000), and Guatemala had the tenth highest (27.3 per 100,000).¹⁶ By comparison, the homicide rate in the United States is approximately 5 per 100,000, and the average global rate is 6 per 100,000.¹⁷

17. Women and children are particularly vulnerable to violence in northern Central America. In 2012, El Salvador and Guatemala had the first and second highest rates of child murder in the world.¹⁸ El Salvador, Guatemala, and Honduras ranked first, third, and seventh in the world, respectively, in female homicide rates.¹⁹ Journalists report “rampant violence—murders, disappearances, femicide, and acts of torture.”²⁰

¹⁷ UNODC, Global Study on Homicide, at 22-23, 126.
18. The current wave of violence “is a decades-old crisis that has reached unimaginable and intolerable levels.” El Salvador even “stood as the world’s homicide capital for part of 2015, reaching an average of one murder every hour over the summer.” The UNHCR found that women in particular “have been forced to flee their homelands” in the northern Central America due to a “surging tide of violence,” including rape, assault, extortion, disappearances, exposure to gun fights, and death threats by armed criminal groups. Such violence and victimization are, in fact, the most consistent factors cited by women and children for their migration to the United States.

19. For women and children fleeing crime and violence in the northern countries of Central America in particular, this means that “no amount of danger or chance of deportation [will be] sufficient to dissuade [them] from leaving.” A survey of people still living in the northern region of Central America, for example, suggests that U.S. immigration policy has no significant impact on potential migrants’ decisions to leave northern Central America: “whether a survey respondent viewed migration to the United States as more dangerous, less dangerous, or about the same as it was in 2013 had no impact on whether or not that person reported intentions to migrate. Similarly, all else being equal, individuals who thought deportations had increased in 2014 were just as likely to report intentions to migrate as those individuals who thought

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21 Id.
22 Id.
24 See UNHCR, Women on the Run, at 4; UNHCR, Children on the Run, at 31 (Mar. 2014)
deportations had decreased since 2013.”

This “shows that knowledge of the risks of migration—deportation, border conditions, and treatment in the United States—played no significant role in who had plans to migrate and who did not have such plans.”

20. A second study used survey data from El Salvador, Guatemala, and Honduras to assess whether enhanced deterrence efforts by the United States mitigate Central American immigration caused by crime and violence in the country of origin. The study revealed that “individuals in El Salvador and Honduras who have experienced crime first hand multiple times are particularly likely to express intentions to migrate” and “persistence in their migration plans even if they are fully aware of the dangers they are likely to encounter along the way and the high probability of deportation if they make it to the United States.” There is, in fact, an “utter lack of statistical significance” when it comes to U.S. immigration policy on migration from northern Central America, which “raise[s] questions about the effectiveness of current US efforts to deter future emigration from countries with high levels of crime and violence.” This means that “views of the dangers of migration to the United States, or the likelihood of deportation, do not seem to influence emigration plans in any meaningful way.”

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26 Id.
27 Id.
29 Id.
30 Id. at 442.
31 Id. at 441.
I declare under the penalty of perjury pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1746 that the forgoing is true and correct.

Dated: 2-15-2019

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Positions Held
2018-present Professor and Dorothy L. Meier Social Equities Chair, Department of Sociology, UCLA  
2015-2018 Co-Director, Center for Migration Research, University of Kansas  
2015-2018 Foundation Distinguished Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Kansas  
2012-2015 Associate Director, Sanford School of Social and Family Dynamics, Arizona State University  
2008-2015 Cowden Distinguished Professor, School of Social and Family Dynamics  
2005-2007 Associate Professor, Program in Sociology, School of Social and Family Dynamics, ASU  
2001-2005 Associate Professor, School of Justice and Social Inquiry, Arizona State University  
1996-2001 Assistant Professor, School of Justice and Social Inquiry, Arizona State University

Affiliations, Appointments, Fellowships, and Visiting Positions
2019  Department of Sociology, University of Trento, Italy (Summer)  
2017  Andrew Carnegie Fellowship  
2014  John Simon Guggenheim Fellowship  
2014-2015 Member, National Academy of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine Committee on the Integration of Immigrants into American Society (see Waters & Pineau, 2015 volume below)  
2014  Visiting Scholar (one week), Center for Gender & Leadership, Yerevan State University, Armenia  
2012-2013 Immigration Policy Center, Washington DC, Senior Fellow (area: Immigrant Women)  
2006-2008 Research Affiliate, Center on Race, Religion, and Urban Life (CORRUL), Rice University  
2006  Fellow (not in residence), Mexican American and U.S. Latino Research Center, Texas A & M  
2006-2012 Member, Working Group on Childhood and Migration (Drexel University)  
2005  Visiting Professor, Yerevan State University, Yerevan, Armenia (Fall)  
2003  Visiting Scholar, Maison des Sciences de l’Homme, Paris, France (Spring)  
2000- External Research Associate, Center for Comparative Immigration Studies, UC San Diego

Education
1986  Master of Arts, Sociology. University of California, Davis.  
1981  Bachelor of Arts, Psychology and Sociology, University of Southern California.

Workshops and Additional Training
1996  Southwest Institute for Research on Women Summer Institute, University of Arizona.  
1989  University of Texas, Austin. IUPLR (training in qualitative methods). Summer  
1986, 1988 University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Summer ICPSR (training in quantitative methods).  
1985-86 Graduate Group in Demography, UC Berkeley. Demographic Theory and methods.  
1984  University of Texas, El Paso (LULAC). Training in counseling immigrant teenagers.  

Awards and Recognitions

Research and Scholarship
2018  2017 Feminist Criminology Best Article Award for ““Humane” Immigration Enforcement”
2017  Elected member, *Sociological Research Association*
2017  Honorable Mention, Louis Wirth Best Article Award International Migration Section, American Sociological Association, 2017, for “Transformative Effects of Immigration Law.”
2014  The Victoria Foundation Eugene Garcia Research Award
2014  Best Article Award, Latino/a Section, American Sociological Association, for *Legal Violence*
2013  *Fragmented Ties* among 12 most influential books on family since 2000, *Contemporary Sociology*
2013  Best Article Award, Latino Studies Section, Latin American Studies Association, for *Legal Violence*
2012  Distinguished Scholarship Award, Pacific Sociological Association, for *Enduring Violence*.
2012  Mirra Komarovsky Book Award, Eastern Sociological Society, for *Enduring Violence*.
2011  Hubert Herring Best Book Award, Pacific Coast Council on Latin American Studies, *Enduring Violence*.
2010  Julian Samora Distinguished Career Award, Latinos/as Section, American Sociological Association.
2007  Distinguished Contribution to Research Award, Latinos/as Section, American Sociological Association.
2007  Alumni Association Faculty Achievement Award in Research, Arizona State University.
2002  Choice Outstanding Academic Titles in Social and Behavioral Sciences for *Fragmented Ties*.
2001  William J. Goode Outstanding Book Award, American Sociological Association Family Section, for *Fragmented Ties*. 
2001  Honorable mention, Thomas and Znaniecki Book Award, American Sociological Association International Migration Section for *Fragmented Ties*.
2001  Faculty Achievement Award, School of Justice Studies, Arizona State University.
1999-91 University of California Regents Dissertation Fellowship.
1989-90 American Sociological Association Minority Fellowship (1 year MFP Fellow).
1990  American Sociological Association Pre-doctoral Research Fellowship.

**Teaching and Mentoring**
2011 Outstanding Doctoral Mentor Award, Arizona State University (university-wide award)
2002  Outstanding Mentor Award, Graduate Women’s Association, Arizona State University.
2002  Nominee, Outstanding Doctoral Mentor Award, Graduate College, Arizona State University.
2001  Student Affairs Honors (for enhancing the quality of life for ASU students), Student Affairs, ASU

**Other**
2015  Public Sociology Award, International Migration Section, American Sociological Association
2007  School of Justice & Social Inquiry, Affiliated Faculty Recognition Award.
2006  College Marshall (College of Liberal Arts & Sciences), Fall 2006 Commencement, ASU.
2002  Outstanding Achievement and Contribution Toward Advancing The Status of Women, Commission on the Status of Women, Arizona State University.
1983  Cum Laude, School of Education, University of Southern California.
1979-81 Member of Honor Societies in Psychology, Sociology, and Foreign Languages.

**Publications**

**Books**


- Author meets critics & book presentation, FLACSO-Guatemala, Guatemala City, Nov. 18th 2014


- Distinguished Scholarship Award, Pacific Sociological Association, 2012
- Mirra Komarovsky Book Award, Eastern Sociological Society, 2012
- Hubert Herring Best Book Award, Pacific Coast Council on Latin American Studies, 2011


• Among 20 books in “Influential Women of and for Anthropology” Anthropology News, American Anthropological Association, March 8th, 2017
• Among the 12 most influential books on the family since 2000, Contemporary Sociology 42 (3)
• William J. Goode Outstanding Book Award, American Sociological Association Family Section, 2001
• Honorable mention, Thomas & Znaniecki Book Award, American Sociological Association International Migration Section, 2001
• Choice Outstanding Academic Title in Social and Behavioral Sciences, 2002

Edited volumes (including journal special issues)


2005 Cecilia Menjívar and Nestor P. Rodríguez. (Eds.) *When States Kill: Latin America, the US, and Technologies of Terror.* Austin, TX: University of Texas Press.

2003 Cecilia Menjívar (Ed.) *Through the Eyes of Women: Gender, Social Networks, Family and Structural Change in Latin America and the Caribbean.*” Ontario, Canada: de Sitter Publications.

*Based on special issue of *Journal of Developing Societies* (see below)

2002 Cecilia Menjívar (Guest editor, double issue). Structural Changes and Gender Relations in Latin America and the Caribbean. Double issue of the *Journal of Developing Societies*, 18 (2-3).

Peer-Reviewed Articles (*denotes student, post-doc, or advisee at the time of submission)


2017  *Andrea Gomez Cervantes, Cecilia Menjívar, and William S. Staples. ““Humane” Immigration Enforcement and Latina Immigrants in the Detention Complex.” Feminist Criminology, 12 (3): 269-292
- 2017 Feminist Criminology Best Article Award (given in 2018)


- Louis Wirth Best Article Award Honorable Mention, International Migration Section, American Sociological Association, 2017.


- Immigration Article of the Day” April 1, 2015, ImmigrationProf Blog


- Best Article Award, Latino/a Section, American Sociological Association, 2014
- Best Article Award, Latino Studies Section, Latin American Studies Association 2013


Congregation-based informal communication about HIV/AIDS in Mozambique.” *Social Problems* 55 (3): 301-321 (Lead article)


- Winner, Best Article Award, 2007, Latino/a Section, American Sociological Association


Chapters in Edited Volumes (editor, board, or peer reviewed):


2014  *Bruce Rogers and Cecilia Menjívar. “Simulating the Social Networks and Interactions of Poor*


•  Italian translation: “Genitori e figli confine: instabilità legale e rapporti intergenerazionali nelle famiglie guatemalteche e salvadoregne.” Famiglie Migranti, ed Maurizio Ambrosini, in Mondi Migranti: Rivista di studi e ricerche sulle migrazione internazionali, 1: 7-34, 2009 (lead article).


Encyclopedia Contributions (board of editors reviewed)


Preface, Essays & Commentary

2019 Cecilia Menjívar. Foreword. “Gendered Violence in Cultural Texts of the Global South,” Special Section of the *Australian Humanities Review*


Working Papers, Reports and Conference Proceedings


Non-peer Reviewed Professional Publications, Posts & Public Engagement


*Reprinted in La Voz de Esperanza, San Antonio, TX, Vol. 3 (1): 10-11 (February)

2017 Cecilia Menjívar. “Immigrant Rights Under Siege.” Featured article, ASA Section on Human Rights Newsletter, Fall issue, pp. 4-6


• Also published in Faith in Public Life: http://faithinpubliclife.org/content/news/2009/11/immigration_reform_a_country_d.html
http://www.elfaro.net/secciones/academico/20081124/academico1.asp


• Reprinted in Crime and Juvenile Delinquency Division Newsletter, SSSP, Fall 2001.


Book Reviews (2005 to present)


**Funded Research**

**National**


2015-2020 “Family Migration Context and Early Life Outcomes.” NIH/NICHD Program Grant # P01HD080659. Role: Co-Investigator, with others (Program Director: Jennifer Glick).

2014 American Sociological Association/National Science Foundation Travel Grant to ISA, ($1,500)

2014-2016 “Behavioral and Institutional Barriers to HIV Prevention Among Migrant Women.” NICHD 1R21HD078201-01 Role: Co-Investigator (Victor Agadjanian, PI)


2007–2012 “Health Disparities Research at SIRC: Cultural Processes in Risk and Resiliency. NIH/National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities, P20 MD002316-01 Role: Co-investigator, with others (Flavio Marsiglia, director)


2004 “Organized Religion and HIV/AIDS in Mozambique.” NIH/NICHD Supplement to Grant R03 HD043675 Role: Co-PI (Victor Agadjanian, PI)

1995-1997 “Health Care Choices During Pregnancy and Illness.” NIH/NICHD Minority Investigator Research Supplement to Grant R01 HD27361-06S1 (P.I. of parent project: Anne R. Pebley)

1990-1991 American Sociological Association Dissertation Research Grant
2013  “Austere Borderlands: Recession, Migration, and Contested Means of Belonging in the E.U.” PI (Co-PIs: Megan Carney and Laia Soto-Bermant). Institute for Humanities Research, Arizona State University. ($12,000)

2013  Comparative Border Studies Initiative ($4,500)

2012  “Mapping Affect to Understand and Impede the Reproduction of Violence in Latin America.” College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, Arizona State University. Co-PI with Cynthia Tompkins et al. ($20,000)


2006  Elizabeth Guillot Award, Sociology Program, Arizona State University ($3,000).

2003-2004 “Examining Poverty in the U.S. Southwest.” Arizona State University Vice President for Research Office, Co-PI with Laura Peck, Elizabeth Segal and Myla Vicente Carpio. ($45,859)

2002  “The Social Worlds of Women: Class, Context, and Culture in Rural Guatemala.” Women’s Studies Summer Research Grant, Arizona State University. ($2,000)

2000-2001 “People in Motion Seminar.” Grant from Arizona State University to eight professors studying immigration issues, coordinator by Brian Gratton, Arizona State University. ($2500)

2000  “The Phoenix Metropolitan Area: A New Latino Immigration Gateway.” Dean’s Incentive Grant. College of Public Programs, Arizona State University ($4,800)

1999  “Class, Context and Culture and in Rural Guatemalan Women’s Networks.” Center for Latin American Studies, Arizona State University. ($1,100) (Summer)

1999  “New Settlement Patterns of Latino Immigrants in the Phoenix Metropolitan Area.” Dean’s Incentive Grant. College of Public Programs, Arizona State University ($5,000)

1999-2000 “Latino Immigration to the Phoenix Metropolitan Area.” Graduate Scholars Special Grant from the Center for Urban Inquiry to Cindy Bejarano, Eugene Arene and Emily Skop Faculty Sponsor/Advisor/Coordinator. ($6,993)


1998-1999 “Family and Gender in New Settlement Patterns of Latino Immigrants to the Phoenix Metropolitan Area.” Dean’s Incentive Grant. College of Public Programs, Arizona State University ($5,000).


1997  “Economic and Political Justice: Refugee Migrations in the late 20th Century.” Dean’s Incentive Grant. College of Public Programs, Arizona State University ($5,000.).

1996  “Class, Context, and Culture: Guatemalan Women’s Networks.” Dean’s Incentive Grant College of Public Programs, Arizona State University ($4,952).

1996  “Salvadoran Women’s Networking.” Women’s Studies Summer Research Grant. Women’s Studies Center, Arizona State University ($2,300).

1989-1990 University of California Regents, Graduate Student Research Grant. ($5000).


**Keynote and Distinguished Lectures (2006 to present)**

2018  “Migrant Illegality Across Uneven Spaces: Advancing the Sociology of Immigration.” Keynote lecture, Migrant Illegality Across Uneven Spaces Conference, Brown University, October 28th

2018  “Law, the Media and the Criminalization of Immigrants: Constructions and Consequences.” Henry M. Jackson Endowed Lecture in International Relations, Whitman College, February 28th

2017  “Gender-based Violence across the Global South: Learning about it and from it.” “Gendered Violence in the Global South” Conference, University of South Wales, Sidney, Australia, December 6th

2017  “Immigration Law, Hostile Contexts, and the Membership of Latino Immigrants.” Keynote lecture, Latin American and Latino Studies, University of Arkansas, April 4th

2015 “Central American Immigrants Navigate the US Ethnoracial Landscape.” Keynote lecture, Rethinking Race: USC’s Centennial Celebration Conference, University of Southern California, October 28-19
2015 “U.S. Immigration Law and the Reconfiguration of Immigrant Families.” The 2015 Albert Morris Lecture, Department of Sociology, Boston University, April 29th
2014 “The Reconfiguration of Immigrant Latino Families.” Bold Aspirations Lecture, Office of the Provost, University of Kansas, October 21st.
2014 “The Reconfiguration of Immigrant Latino Families in Light of the Current Immigration Regime.” Latin American & Latino Studies Distinguished Lecture, University of California, Santa Cruz, May 14th
2011 “Everyday Violence in the Lives of Ladina Guatemalans.” ADVANCE Distinguished Lecture, Kansas State University, Oct 21st
2007 “Immigration Policy and Family Reorganization: Experiences of Salvadoran and Guatemalan Immigrants.” Keynote speaker for the year’s colloquium series, Department of Sociology, University of North Carolina, Greensboro, March 23rd
2006 Closing Remarks, Latina/o Migration: Local and National Challenges, University of Illinois, Urbana Champaign, October 11th.

Public Policy Engagement Presentations
2018 “Asylum Protection for Immigrant Women Fleeing Violence.” Congressional Briefing, Rayburn House of Representatives, October 11th (Division of Women & Crime, American Society of Criminology).
2017 “Temporary Protected Status in the United States: The Experiences of Hondurans and Salvadorans.”
   --Legislative briefing, Cannon Building 122 (House), Washington DC, June 23rd
   --Presentation to the National TPS Alliance, All Souls Church, Washington DC, June 24th
   --Congressional Briefing, Rayburn House of Representatives, DC, March 11th, 2016
     -- National Immigrant Integration Conference, December 14th, 2015
   --National Academy of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine, Washington DC September 28th, 2015
2015 “Central America: Migration Trends” brief. Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs, Department of State, Washington DC, January 7th

Invited Presentations/Lectures (2006 to present)
2018 “Transformative Effects of Immigration Law and Its Enforcement on Perceptions of the Self.” Center for the Study of Law & Society, UC Berkeley, November 19th
2018 “Ethics & human subjects today: legal rights & limits for researchers,” “Collecting data on Undocumented: Fieldwork Techniques.” Summer Institute in Migration Research Methods, BIMI, UC Berkeley, June 18th
2017 “Temporary Legal Statuses and Transformations of the Immigrant Self.” Center for Comparative Migration Studies, UC San Diego, May 25th
2016 “Geopolitics, Securitization, and the Definitional Question in Asylum Admissions: The Case of Central Americans Then and Now.” Shifting Landscapes of Asylum in North America, Canada Program, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University, May 2-3.
2015 “Immigration Law and Immigrant Families.” Department of Sociology, Yerevan State University, Yerevan, Armenia, May 13th
2015 “The Reconfiguration of Immigrant Families through Law.” The Kercher Symposium Series, Department of Sociology, Western Michigan University, April 8th
2014 “Immigration Laws and Immigrant Families.” OLLAS Lecture Series, Office of Latino/Latin American Studies, University of Nebraska, Omaha, November 11th.
2014 “The Transformative Effects of Immigration Law.” CLASS Workshop, Gould School of Law, University of Southern California, September 29th.
2014 “Transformative Effects of Immigration Law on Families.” Department of Sociology, UCLA, April 6th
2013 “Transformative Effects of Immigration Law.” Center for Migration and Development, Princeton University, May 9th.
2012 “Criminalization of Immigrants: Effects on the ground.” Krost Symposium, Texas Lutheran University, October 4th.
2012 “Enduring Violence in Guatemala’s Women’s Lives.” Department of Sociology, Northern Arizona University, September 25th.
2012 “Hyper Awareness of the Law in Central American Immigrants’ Everyday Life.” Center for Race, Ethnicity and Politics, UCLA, April 18th.
2011 “Living in Legal Limbo: Latino Immigrants in Arizona’s Immigration Regime.” University of California, Merced, March 14th
2010 “A Framework of Vulnerability and Violence.” What Katrina Can Tell Us About Race, Class, and Gender in These United States Meeting, Social Science Research Council, New York, November 12th-13th.
2010 “Central Americans’ Legality and Everyday Life in Phoenix, Arizona.” Center for Multicultural Studies, University of California, Santa Barbara, May 3rd
2010 “El impacto de las leyes migratorias en la vida de centroamericanos en Estados Unidos: el caso de Phoenix, Arizona.” Seminario Permanente de Migración, Colegio de La Frontera Norte, Tijuana, BC, Mexico, April 9th.
2009 “Immigration and Legality.” Global Initiative Speaker Series, Northern Arizona University, March 4th.
2008 “Men’s Migration and the Women who Stay.” Department of Sociology’s Workshop on Economic Sociology and Center for Migration Studies, Princeton University, April 28th.
2008 “International Perspectives on Migration and the Family: Research from the United States.” Family Migration Pre-Conference Day, St. Mary’s University, Halifax, NS, Canada April 3rd.
2008 “Central American Immigrant Families and Contemporary Immigration Law: Redefinition, Reorganization or Breakdown?” Latino and Hispanic Caribbean Studies, Rutgers University Latin American Studies, and Center for Latino Arts & Culture, Rutgers University March 26th.
2007 “Immigration Policy and Family Reorganization: Experiences of Salvadoran and Guatemalan Immigrants.” Mason Migration Project/Department Sociology, George Mason University, March 22nd.
2006 “Law Against the Family: Salvadoran and Guatemalan Immigrant Families and Immigration Law.” Department of Sociology, UCLA December 7th.
2006 “Religion and the Contexts of Exit and Reception in Immigrants’ Lives: Observations from Phoenix.” CORRUL/Department of Sociology, Rice University, November 10th.

Conference/paper Presentations (*denotes invited) (2006 to present)
2018 “Las Contradicciones del TPS: Educación, Ingresos y Participación Cívica.” 2nd Annual Metropolis North America Migration Policy Forum, Mexican Secretariat of Foreign Affairs, Mexico City, September 27-28*

2017  “The Contradictions of Liminal Legality: Economic Attainment and Civic Engagement of Immigrants on TPS.” (with Byeongdon Oh, Daniel Alvord, and Victor Agadjanian) American Sociological Association, Montreal, Canada, August 12-16


2017  “Country Conditions, Gender-based Violence, and the Migration of Central American Women to the U.S.” Reconsidering Gender-based Violence in the Context of Displacement and Migration, Göttingen Center for Gender Studies Summer Symposium, Göttingen, Germany July 6-7*


2017  “Gender-based Violence.” Country Conditions in Central America and Asylum Decision-Making, Center for Latin American & Latino Studies, American University, January 12-13, Washington, DC*

2016  “Legal Experiences and Attitudes of Immigrants.” Law & Society Association, June 2-5, New Orleans*


2016  “Is There a Role for Academics in the Support of Central American Refugees?” Plenary opening panel, Derechos en Crisis: Refugees, Migrant Detention, and Authoritarian Neoliberalism, LLILAS, UT, Austin, February 24-26.*


2015  Panel “Intersections of Violence in Latin America and Human Rights Across Time and Space.” Intersections of Violence in Latin America Symposium, Latin American, Caribbean and Latino Studies Program, University of Kentucky, September 30th


2015  “Legal Status as an Identity among Immigrants.” Migration and Identity: Perspectives from Asia, Europe and North America, Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong, March 6-7.*


2014  “Social Networks Among Older Asian and Latino Immigrants in Phoenix.” (Cecilia Menjívar and Haruna Fukui) Thematic Session on Networks of Need in the Age of Economic and Social Precarity, American Sociological Association, San Francisco, CA, August 16-19.*


2013  “Contexts of Exit and Women’s Emigration.” Law, Asylum, and Sending Countries panel, Crossing Borders: Immigration and Gender in the Americas, Radcliffe Institute, Harvard University, April 25-26.*

2013  “Violence Against Immigrants: A Focus on Structures.” Undocunation Symposium, Center for Race & Gender, University of California, Berkeley, February 15.


2011 “Immigrant Latina Mothers as Targets of Legal Violence.” (Leisy Abrego and Cecilia Menjívar) Invited section on Treacherous Geographies of Borders, Gender, and Immigrant Communities in the Americas, American Sociological Association meetings, Las Vegas, NV, August 20-23.*


2009 “Controlling Immigration or Legal Violence?: An Assessment from Phoenix, AZ.” Migration during an Era of Restriction Conference, University of Texas, Austin, November 4-6.*


2008  “Residents' Views toward Immigration and Social Transformation in the U.S. Southwest.” (Haruna Fukui and Cecilia Menjívar) International Migration Section Roundtables, American Sociological Association Meetings, Boston, August 1-4.


2006  “Guatemalan women’s work and gender relations in Guatemala.” Research Committee 06, Family Research, Session 10: Families in developing countries. ISA World Congress of Sociology, Durban, South Africa, July.

2006  “Guatemalan and Salvadoran Immigrant Families and US Immigration Policy.” Research Committee 06, Family Research, Session 06: Various family forms. ISA World Congress of Sociology, Durban, South Africa, July.


Conference/invited panel discussant (2006 to present)

2017  Thematic Session: The Cultural Terrain of Migrant Inclusion and Exclusion: Perspectives from Africa and Asia (presider & discussant), American Sociological Association, Montreal, Aug. 12-16

2015  “Immigration and Politics.” Regular session, American Sociological Association meetings, Aug 22-25, Chicago, IL. (Discussant)


2015  “Gender Issues in Contemporary Armenia: From Research to Policy.” Yerevan State University Center for Gender and Leadership Studies, Armenia, May 11-12 (Conference Rapporteur)


2012  Thematic session, Gender and Immigration, Pacific Sociological Association Meetings, San Diego, CA, 22-25 March
2010 Thematic session, Spiritual and Religious Challenges to State Citizenship in the Age of Migration, American Sociological Association meetings, Atlanta, GA, August 14-17.


2009 Unaccompanied Migrant Children Workshop/Discussion, Radcliffe Institute, Harvard University, June 17-20.


2006 Session “Beyond Low Wage Labor Migration: Entrepreneurs, Professionals, & Managers.” American Sociological Association Meetings, Montreal, Canada, August


2006 Migration and the Arts in the United States Workshop, Princeton University, June 1-2.


Critic on Panels


2009 Panel for “God’s Heart has no Borders,” by Pierrette Hondagneu-Sotelo, Pacific Sociological Association, San Diego, CA, April 10th.


Courses Taught

University of Kansas:
- Sociology of Immigration (undergraduate and graduate)

Arizona State University:
- Sociology/School of Social and Family Dynamics:
  - Graduate: Seminar in qualitative methods; immigration
  - Undergraduate: research methods; immigration.
- Graduate/undergraduate course: Gender Violence

School of Justice and Social Inquiry:
- Graduate: Research Methods; Immigration and Justice; Migration, Immigration and Justice; Refugee Migrations and Justice.
- Undergraduate: Research Methods; Gender and International Development; Immigration and Justice.

Department of Sociology, University of California, Davis: 1989-1990 Instructor; 1/87-6/89 Teaching Assistant. Department of Sociology, University of Southern California: 9/81-5/82 Teaching Assistant.
Mentoring and Student Committees

Book workshops
2018 Ming Chen, University of Colorado Law School, December 6
2017 Angela Garcia, School of Social Service Administration, University of Chicago, Sept 28-29
2017 Maria Rendón, UC Irvine (held at UC Berkeley), June 21
2016 Jennifer Jones, Institute for Latino Studies, University of Notre Dame, Sept. 7-8.
2013 Penny Kanner Next Generation Fellowship, Leisy Abrego. Center for the Study of Women, UCLA, April 5

Post-doctoral
Amada Armenta, Department of Sociology, University of Pennsylvania. Post-doctoral Fellowship, Ford Foundation Diversity Fellowship (declined); The Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship, 2016-2017 (Mentor)
Leisy J. Abrego, Chicano Studies Department, UCLA. Ford Foundation Diversity Post-doctoral Fellowship, 2012-2013 (Mentor)
Silvia Dominguez, Sociology, Northeastern University. Ford Foundation Diversity Post-doctoral Fellowship, 2009-2010 (Mentor)
Sandra D. Simpkins, School of Social and Family Dynamics, Arizona State University. W.T. Grant Foundation Fellowship, 2007-2012 (Mentor/qualitative methods advisor)

PhDs in Progress (Chair)
Andrea Gómez Cervantes Department of Sociology, University of Kansas

PhDs in Progress (Committee Member)
Daniel Alvord, Department of Sociology, University of Kansas
Chiara Galli, Department of Sociology, UCLA
Leydy Diossa-Jimenez, Department of Sociology, UCLA
Byeongdon Oh, Department of Sociology, University of Kansas
Florencia Rojo, Department of Sociology and Behavioral Sciences, University of California, San Francisco
Meredith Van Natta, Department of Sociology and Behavioral Sciences, University of California, San Francisco

PhDs Completed (Chair)
Jennifer Arney Sociology, School of Social and Family Dynamics (Spring 2010), ASU
*Assistant Professor, University of Houston, Clear Lake

Lilian Chavez Sociology, School of Social and Family Dynamics (Spring 2016), ASU
*Assistant Professor, Mesa Community College

Luis Fernandez School of Justice and Social Inquiry (Spring 2005), ASU
*Professor, Northern Arizona University (formerly, Grinnell College)

Haruna Fukui Sociology, School of Social and Family Dynamics (Fall 2014), ASU
“Social Networks of Older Immigrants in Phoenix, Arizona.”
*Assistant Professor, Okayama University, Japan

Belinda Herrera School of Justice and Social Inquiry (Spring 2009) (co-chair), ASU

Sang Kil School of Justice and Social Inquiry (Fall 2006), ASU
Dissertation: “Covering the Border: How the News Media Create Race, Crime Nation, & the USA-Mexico Divide.”
*Associate Professor, San Jose State University

Zeynep Kilic Sociology, School of Social and Family Dynamics (Fall 2006), ASU
*Associate Professor, University of Alaska

Carole McKenna School of Justice and Social Inquiry (Fall 2008), ASU
*Instructor, Ferris State University

Dulce Medina School of Social Transformation, Program in Justice Studies (Spring 2016) ASU
*Research Analyst, California Pension System

Carlos Posadas School of Justice and Social Inquiry (Spring 2007), ASU
Dissertation: “Women’s Translocal Networks and How they Organize Resettlement by Looking at Specific Spheres of their Lives.”
*Associate Professor (and former Chair), New Mexico State University

Olivia Salcido School of Justice and Social Inquiry (Spring 2011), ASU
Dissertation: “Wolves” or “Blessing”: Victims’/Survivors’ Perspectives on the Criminal Justice System.
*Tempe Preparatory Academy faculty

Tyler Wall School of Justice and Social Inquiry (Spring 2009) (co-chair), ASU
Dissertation: “War-Nation: Military and Moral Geographies of the Hoosier Homefront.”
*Associate Professor, University of Tennessee (formerly, Eastern Kentucky University)

PhDs Completed (Committee Member) (All at ASU, unless otherwise indicated)
Melinda Alexander School of Geographical Sciences, (Fall 2014), ASU

Randall Amster School of Justice Studies (Spring 2002), ASU

Cynthia Bejarano School of Justice Studies (Summer 2001), ASU

Naomi Bellot School of Justice and Social Inquiry (Summer 2009), ASU

Neslihan Cevik Sociology, School of Social and Family Dynamics (Summer 2010), ASU
Dissertation: “Religious Revival in Modern Turkey: Muslim, New Muslim Entrepreneurs, and Sites of Hybridity.”
Chantal Figueroa Organizational Leadership, Policy, & Development (Summer 2014) U. of Minnesota “State of Terror, States of Mind: Gender, Mental Health and Systems of Care in Guatemala City.”

Everardo Garduño Dept. of Anthropology (Fall 2005), ASU “From Invented to Imagined and Invisible Communities: Mobility, Social Networks and Ethnicity among the Yumans of Baja California.”

Gail Gibbons School of Social Work (Fall 2006), ASU Dissertation: “Twenty-five Years Later: A Comparative Study of the Socioeconomic Integration of Vietnamese Refugees in Arizona.”

Anneliese M Harper School of Human Communication (Spring 1996), ASU Dissertation: “The Impact of Immigration on Rural Guatemalan Women Ways of Speaking (Gossip)”

Khaleel Hussaini Sociology, School of Social and Family Dynamics (Spring 2008), ASU “Immigrant Adaptation Among Mexican Students in the Southwest: Understanding Differences Among Fifth Graders’ Consumption Norms of Alcohol, Cigarettes, and Marijuana.”

Atsuko Kawakami Sociology, School of Social and Family Dynamics (Spring 2012), ASU “Aging and Identity Among Japanese Immigrant Women.”

Heather Kuhn School of Public Health (Spring 2005) (External Reader) Harvard University Dissertation: “Health Profile of Farm workers and Interface of Workers with Healthcare in Imperial County, California: A Qualitative Analysis.”

Brenda Ohta Sociology, School of Social and Family Dynamics (Spring 2008), ASU Dissertation: “Determinants of Care for Medicare Recipients at the End of Life: Utilization and Decision Making in the Acute Care Hospital.”

John Rosinbum Department of History, ASU (Spring 2014), ASU “A Crisis Transformed: Refugees, Activists and Government Officials in the United States and Canada during the Central American Refugee Crisis.”


Emily Skop Department of Geography (Spring 2002), ASU Dissertation: “The Saffron Suburbs: Asian Indian Immigrants Community Formation in Metropolitan Phoenix.”

Andrea Vest Family and Human Development, Sanford School (Fall 2014), ASU Dissertation: “Latino Adolescents’ Organized Activities: Understanding the Role of Ethnicity and Culture in Shaping Participation.”

Paloma Elizabeth Villegas Dept. of Sociology and Equity Studies (Summer 2012) University of Toronto Dissertation: “Assembling and (re)marking migrant illegalization: Mexican migrants with precarious status in Canada.”


Qualifying Examinations/Defenses only (All at ASU, unless otherwise indicated)

Eugenio Arene Educational Policy Analysis, School of Education
Jennifer Chappell Eckert, School of Social Welfare, University of Kansas (qualifying exam committee)
Neel Bhattacharjee Dept. of Geography
Terna Gbasha School of Justice and Social Inquiry
Estye Fenton Department of Sociology and Anthropology (Northeastern University)
Mei Lei School of Public Affairs
Chara Price Family and Human Development, Sanford School, ASU
Elizabeth (Lisa) Reber School of Social Transformation, ASU

M.A. Theses Completed (Chair)
Cherie Espinoza School of Justice Studies (Fall 2000), ASU

Dulce Medina Sociology, School of Social and Family Dynamics (Summer 2011), ASU
Thesis: “Return Migration: Modes of Incorporation for Mixed Nativity Households in Mexico”

Emily Sawyer Sociology, School of Social and Family Dynamics (Spring 2009) (co-chair)
Thesis: “The Adoption of Biomedicine into Quechua Cosmology of Health and Illness: Treatment-Seeking Behavior in an Indigenous Ecuadorian Community.” (Co-Chair)

Cecilia Martinez-Vasquez School of Justice Studies (Summer 2005), ASU
Thesis: “Identity Formation Among Salvadoran Youth of the 1.5 and Second Generation.”

M.A. Theses Completed (Committee Member) (All at ASU, unless otherwise indicated)
John Abiel Benítez Department of Geography (Summer 2002), ASU
Thesis: “The Hispanic Protestant Landscape in Mesa, AZ.”

Melissa Carpenter Dept. of English/Comparative Literature (Spring 2001), ASU

Aurelia de La Rosa Aceves Sociology, School of Social and Family Dynamics (Spring 2011), ASU
Thesis: “Phoenix’s Place for the Homeless: Stories from the Maricopa County Human Services Campus.”

Mario Escobar Department of Spanish (Fall 2011), ASU
“Globalización, violencia y solidaridad: prácticas discursivas eurocentroamericanas y chicanas.”

Miriam Hilin Department of Sociology (Spring 2005), ASU
“Immigration Law and the Family Stability of Mexican Undocumented Immigrants.”

Juan Esteban Mejía Aguilar Estudios de Población, Colegio de la Frontera Norte, Mexico (Summer 2014)
“Migrantes Desaparecidos: Una Búsqueda Interminable.”

Robert Miller School of Architecture (Spring 1998), ASU
Final Project: “Redesigning the INS Building to Accommodate the Social and Cultural Diversity of Immigrants.”

Paul Ara Nersessian Department of Religious Studies (Summer 2002), ASU
Thesis: “Borderlands Scholarship.”

Reena Patel Global Technology and Development (ASU East) (Summer 2003), ASU
Thesis: “The Re-Enforcement of Traditional Gender Roles in the Technology Sector: A Case Study of Female Engineers in India.”

Chara Price Family and Human Development, Social and Family Dynamics (Fall 2012), ASU
“Sibling Behaviors and Mexican Origin Adolescents’ After-School Activity Participation.”
Emily Skop  Dept. of Geography (Summer 1997), ASU
Thesis: “Segmented Paths: The Geographic and Social Mobility of Mariel Cuban Exiles.”

Kathleen Tonnies  Curriculum & Instruction, School of Education, (Fall 2016) University of Kansas
“From Passion to Practice: Developing a Culturally Relevant Training Program for Volunteers of Adult Refugee English Language Learners.”

Honors Theses Completed (Director)
Michelle Brady  School of Justice Studies (Fall 2000), ASU

Chrisanne Gultz  School of Politics and Global Studies (Spring 2014), ASU
“The Media Construction of Undocumented Immigration as a National Crisis”

Sean McKenzie  Departments of Political Science & Spanish (Spring 2008), ASU
“Formation of Perceptions of Migration Among Wives and Mothers Left Behind in Rural Honduras.”

Magdalena Valenzuela  School of Justice Studies (Spring 2000), ASU Thesis: “A System Flawed: The Death Penalty in the United States.”

Honors Theses Completed (Committee Member)
Anna Fairbanks Bethancourt  Department of English (Spring 2011), ASU
“Consolidating Migrant Identity in Arizona: Newcomers and a State’s Need for Social Empathy.”

Loredana Cuatro Nochez  School of Languages and Linguistics, *Griffith University, Australia (Summer 2007)
Thesis: “Salvadorian migrant: A case study to investigate their schooling experience, cultural identity and their language maintenance in (Queensland) Australia.”

Fallynn Glickstein  School of Justice Studies (Spring 2004), ASU
Honor’s thesis: “Killings of the Women in Juarez.”

Brenna Gromley  Department of History (Spring 2008), ASU

Lauren Kerchenko  Department of History (Fall 2000), ASU
Thesis: “From the Ukraine to the US: Immigrant Women and Assimilation.”

Haley McInnis  Sociology (Spring 2013), ASU
“The Role of Religious Organizations in Progressive Social Movements: Local Churches and Their Response to Senate Bill 1070.”

Michelle Speck  Dept. of Anthropology (Spring 2001), ASU
Thesis: “Mexican Immigrant Women.”

Other Undergraduate Mentoring

At the University of Kansas
Giselle Almodovar  Emerging Scholars Faculty Mentor, Center for Undergraduate Research, 2016-2018
Faculty Mentor Program, College of Liberals Arts and Science, Fall 2016

At Arizona State University
William McDonald  B.S.  Research Apprenticeship, School of Politics & Global Studies, 2013
Mauro Whiteman  B.S.  Research Fellow, Center for the Study of Religion and Conflict, Fall 2012
Christy Garcia  B.S.  Research Apprenticeship, School of Social and Family Dynamics, Fall 2007
Vanessa Tucker  B.S.  Research Apprenticeship, School of Social and Family Dynamics, Fall 2007
Joshua Whistler  B.S.  Research Fellow, Center for the Study of Religion and Conflict, 2004-05
Olivia Reyes  B.S.  Research Fellow, Center for the Study of Religion and Conflict, 2004-05
Sonia Anaya  B.S.  Research Apprenticeship, School of Justice Studies, Fall 2003
Malea Chavez  B.S.  Research Apprenticeship, School of Justice Studies, Fall 1998

Panels, Boards and Related
--Advisory Board, Migrant Children & Youth Project, Deborah Boehm and Susan Terrio (leads), 2017
--Advisory council member, Immigrant Integration: Assessing and Improving the Collective Response of the Catholic Church in the United States Panel, Center for Migration Studies, New York, 2014-
--Annie E. Casey Foundation. Participant, Consultative Session on Transnational Families, September 23rd, 2002
--Center for the Common Good, Vesper Society, Oakland, CA. Research Consultant, Immigration Project, 4/932/94
--University Eduardo Mondlane, Maputo, Mozambique, Facultade de Letras, Advisor/Consultant, 1993 (Summer)
--Joint Committee on International Migration, Refugee Resettlement, and International Cooperative Development, Sacramento, CA. Research Coordinator, 9/89-1/91
--Casa de la Cultura, Ministry of Culture, Managua, Nicaragua Assistant Coordinator, 5/85-9/85.
--LULAC, Los Angeles, Program Development Assistant, 9/83-9/84.

Professional Service (*denotes elected)

American Sociological Association
2017-2018 Chair Elect,* International Migration Section
2016-2017; 2018-2020 Member, Committee on the Status of Women
2016-2017 Member, Committee on Nominations, Family Section
2016-2017 Chair, Founders’ Award Committee, Latino/a Section
2015-2016 Chair, Public Sociology Award Committee, International Migration Section
2014-2015 Member, William J. Goode Book Award Committee, Family Section
2013-2014 Member, Lewis A. Coser Award Committee, Theory Section
2013-2014 Founders Award Selection Committee, Latino/a Section
2013-2014 Vice-President elect; Vice-President, 2014-2015; Past Vice-President, 2015-2016; Program Committee 2015 Meetings
2012-2013 Chair, Article Award Committee, International Migration Section
2010-2013 Member-at-large,* ASA Council.
   Fund for the Advancement of the Discipline sub-committee
   Minority Fellowship Program Advisory Board (Council Liaison)
2010-2011 Chair, Awards Committees and Chair, Career Award Committee, Latino/a Section
2010 Member, NSF/ASA Postdoctoral Fellowship Review Committee (also in 2012)
2009-2010 Member, Committee on Nominations, Family Section
2007-2008 Member, Awards Committee, Latino/a Section
2007-2009 Member,* ASA Committee on Nominations
2006-2008 Member, Program committee for the Annual Meetings (& author-meets-critics books selection).
2005-2006 Chair, Latina/o Section,* (Chair-elect, 2004-2005).
2003-2006 Council Member,* International Migration Section.
2002-2004 Member, Program committee for the Annual Meetings.

**Latin American Studies Association**
2017 International Migration Section Article Award Committee member
2009-2010 Diskin Distinguished Lecture and Diskin Dissertation Award Selection Committee member.
2009-2010 Co-chair, Migration and Latin American Diasporas Track, for 2010 meetings, Toronto, Canada
2004-2006 Council member,* Section on Gender.
2002-2003 Co-chair,* Central American Section.
2000-2002 Council member,* Central American Section.

**Pacific Sociological Association**
2012-2013 Member, Distinguished Scholarship Award committee
2004-2007 Member,* Committee on Committees, Southern Region.

**Society for the Study of Social Problems**
2004-2005 Chair, Committee on Committees (one year replacement).
2004 Member, Program Committee for the Annual Meeting.
2002-2005 Member,* Committee on Committees.
2001-2002 Chair, Minority Fellowship Selection Committee.
2001 Site visit for Social Problems Editorial Office, Summer.
2000-2001 Chair-elect and Member. Minority Fellowship Selection Committee.
1998-1999 Member, Lee Founders Award Committee.

**Sociologists for Women in Society**
Member, Mainstream Team (media contact) 2009-

**Editorial/Advisory Boards (Journals)**
*American Behavioral Scientist*, 9/2009-
*Contexts*, 1/2017-12/2019
*International Migration Review*, 2018-2021
*Journal of Developing Societies*, Associate editor, 2002-2005
*Journal of Latin American Studies*, International advisory board member, 1/2014-
*Latiño Studies*, 1/2001-
*Migraciones Internacionales*, 2001-2010
*Perspectives on Global Development and Technology*, 2001-2003
*Population Research and Policy Review*, 9/2015-
*Sociological Science* (Consulting editor), 6/2017-
*The Sociological Quarterly*, 2008-2014
*Sociology of Race and Ethnicity*, 1/2017-12/2019
*Studies in Social Justice*, 1/2006-
*TRACE* (Travaux et Recherches dans les Amériques du Centre), CEMCA 9/2012-

**Editorial Boards (Encyclopedias, Series and Volumes)**
Global Migration and Social Change Series, *Policy Press* (University of Bristol), UK, 2016-
School of Advanced Research Press (Santa Fe, NM), 2007-2010

Selected other professional service
2017 Organizing committee member, “Country Conditions in Central America and Asylum Decision-Making” Workshop, College of Law & Center for Latin American & Latino Studies, American University, Washington DC January 12
2006-2012 Expert/member, Working Group on Global Childhood and Migration
2006 Faculty participant, Fourth Annual Summer Institute on International Migration, Center for Comparative Immigration Studies, University of California, San Diego, June 19-23.
2002 “Hispanic Gendering of the Americas: Beyond Cultural and Geographical Boundaries.” National Endowment for the Arts Summer Institute for College and University Teachers, Arizona State University, June 17-July 19. (Institute faculty member.)
1998 Co-Chair. Immigration and Human Rights Working Group, Inter-University Program for Latino Research. (IUPLR, based at the University of Texas, Austin.)


Tenure and promotion reviews: University of Alaska, Arizona State University, University of Arkansas, SUNY Albany, SUNY Stony Brook, Amherst College, University of British Columbia, University of Birmingham, Brigham Young University, Brown University, Columbia University, Bucknell University, UC Berkeley, UC Irvine, UCLA, UC Santa Cruz, UC San Diego, Clemson University, Cornell University, CUNY, Dartmouth College, Drexel University, Florida International University, Fordham University, Grinnell College, Harvard University, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, University of Illinois-Chicago, Indiana University, Iowa State University, Kansas State University, University of Massachusetts at Lowell, Michigan State University, North Carolina State University, Northeastern University, University of Oregon, Oregon State University, University of Pennsylvania, Pitzer College, Pomona College, Princeton University, Providence College; Rice University, Texas A&M, University of Texas at Austin, University of Toronto, Tufts University, University of San Francisco, University of South Florida, University of Southern California, University of Utah, Wheaton College (MA), Whitman College, Wellesley College.

Program review: Global and Sociocultural Studies, Florida International University (Graduate Program), (Spring 2013); Department of Sociology, Brown University (Spring 2018)

Service at the University of Kansas
2016-2017 Member, Personnel Committee, Department of Sociology
2016- Member, Search Committee for CLAS Associate Dean for Diversity, Equity & Inclusion
2016-Member, Advisory Board, Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies
2015- Member, Executive Committee, Center for Latin American & Caribbean Studies

**Service at Arizona State University**

**University**
2014 Southwest Borderlands Initiative Selection Committee (member)
2013-2016 Member, University Graduate Council
2012-2014 Co-convener, working group on Immigration Theory, Institute for Humanities Research
2012-2014 Co-organizer, Working group on Latin American Studies, Institute for Humanities Research
2012-2014 Member, Executive Board, Faculty Women’s Association
2012-2014 Outstanding Doctoral Mentor Committee, Graduate College
2012-2013 Member, Executive Board, Comparative Border Studies Center, School of Transborder Studies
2011-2012 President, Chicano and Latino Faculty and Staff Association
2009-2010 Member, Personnel Committee, Dept. of Transborder, Chicano/a, & Latino/a Studies (Fall)
2007-2010 Member, Campus Environment Team
2006-2008 Faculty Liaison, Chicano & Latino Faculty and Staff Association/Faculty Women’s Association.
2006 Member, Advisory Board, Center for Latin American Research (Fall)
2006 Panel judge, Graduate Students in Life, Earth, and Social Sciences Association, Feb 17th.
2006 Member, Personnel Committee, Asian Pacific American Studies Program.
2003-2004 Mentor, Faculty Development Program
2004-2005 Member, Search Committee (for director) Center for Latin American Studies,
2003-2004 Member, Steering Committee, School of Global Studies
2003 Keynote speaker, Sociology Club kickoff celebration. Department of Sociology, Nov. 18th.
2003-2004 Member, Personnel Committee, Asian Pacific American Studies Program.
2001-2002 Member, Committee on the Status of Women.
2000-  Member, Race and Ethnic Relations Doctoral Examination Committee, Department of Sociology.
1999-2001 Member, Executive Board, Committee on Law and the Social Sciences.
2000-2001 Member, Child and Family Services Advisory Board.
1999 Participant (and fund raising), First Conference on Central American Literature and Culture, April.
1999 Participant, “A Campus Climate for Diversity Summit.” (Part of “Preparing for the University of the Next Century.”) March 27th
1998-1999 Member, Search Committee, Department of Chicana/Chicano Studies.
1998-1999 Member, Search Committee, Department of Religious Studies.

**College of Letters, Arts and Sciences**
2013-2014 Member, Committee on Committees (elected)
2012 (Spring semester) Search Committee member (for Social Science Dean)
2010-2011 Member, Dean’s Advisory Council

**College of Public Programs**
2001-2002 College of Public Programs Internal Grants Committee.

**School of Social and Family Dynamics (2005-present)**
2012- Associate Director
2007-2009; 2010-2012 Director, Graduate Studies (Sociology)
2006-2007 Graduate Committee (member).

**School of Justice Studies (1996-2005)**
Chair: Personnel Committee; Computer and Colloquium Committee
Member (multiple years): Policy Work Group, Graduate Committee, Personnel Committee, John P. Frank Lecture Committee, Graduate Committee, Computer Committee, Recruitment Committee

Community Service and Public Presentations
2014  “Conversación sobre migración.” Centro Laboral, South Omaha, November 10th.
2008, 2009 Committee member, II Feria de la Pupusa, Unidos en Arizona/Comité Salvadoreño, Nov.
2007  Presentation to Wilson Elementary School students, Faculty Ambassadors Program, Nov 16th.
2000  Organizer and Chair. Feria Informativa de Servicios Sociales (Social Services Informational Fair for Latino immigrants in the area), ASU Downtown Center. July 15th.
2000  Immigrants and Laborers. Presentation to the City of Mesa, Arizona Neighborhood Committee. May 25th.
8/90-12/93 Northern California Legal Services, Sacramento, CA. Legal Assistance and Refugee Project, Assistant/Translator (Volunteer)
5/91- 8/92 Dixon Family Planning Services, Dixon, CA (Research Consultant)

Country conditions expert witness (all pro bono) in asylum cases of Central American immigrant immigrants throughout the country, with a focus on detention cases in Artesia, Dilly, and Karnes, Texas.

Multiple local, regional, national and international media interviews (in English and Spanish).

Memberships
American Sociological Association
Latin American Studies Association
Sociologists for Women in Society
Eastern Sociological Society
Pacific Sociological Association
Citizenship and Immigration Network, Law and Society Association
Red Internacional de Migración y Desarrollo
Association for the Sociology of Religion

Languages
Fluent in Spanish and Portuguese.
Fair knowledge of French and Italian.