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Assistant Professor of Anthropology

Education

Ph.D. in Anthropology Graduated: July 2023

University of California, Irvine

Graduate Emphasis: Chicano/Latino Studies

Dissertation title: Living in the Shadow of Deferred Action for
Childhood Arrivals (DACA)

Master of Arts in Anthropology Graduated: December 2013

San Diego State University

Thesis title: In Search of the American Dream:

Undocumented Youth and the Journey North

Bachelor of Arts in Anthropology Graduated: May 2007

San Diego State University

Research Areas

- Eligible individuals of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) who were not able to obtain DACA and undocumented individuals who grew up in the U.S. but were excluded from the program
- Undocumented immigration to the U.S. by unaccompanied minors from Mexico, Honduras, Guatemala, and El Salvador

Mentoring and Community Service

Mentoring at UCI

- Competitive Edge Program mentor
- Mentor for the Grad-Undergrad Mentoring Program (GUMP)
- Anthropology Graduate Mentorship Program
- Completed certificate for Mentoring Excellence Program

Volunteering

- Border Angels: Day laborer outreach program
- DREAMER Center in San Diego: DREAM Act Labs, tutoring, DACA renewal clinics, and conferences/activity planning
- UNIDOS: registering voters in Latino communities
- Orange County Immigrant Youth United: DACA renewal clinics and fundraisers

Memberships

- American Anthropological Association
 - Association of Latina and Latino Anthropologists
 - Law and Society Association
 - UCI Law and Ethnography Lab (Coordinator: 2020-2021)
 - Border Angels
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Publications.

- Forthcoming. “What’s my name?: Cultural Politics of Name Change Through DACA.” In *To Be Named: How We Colonize or Decolonize Through the Process of Naming*.
- 2023 “Exclusion by Design: The Undocumented 1.5 Generation in the U.S.” In *Bodies at Borders: Analyzing the Objectification and Containment of Migrants at Border Crossing*. Special Issue. In *Frontiers in Sociology*.
- 2020 “Facing COVID-19 as an Undocumented Essential Worker.” In SAPIENS.
- 2020 Sanchez, Linda and Susan Coutin. “Insurgent Collaboration: Sanctuary as Research Practice.” 9(1): 106-110. Critical Interventions forum. In *Departures in Critical Qualitative Research*. University of California Press.
- 2018 “When I got DACA, I was forced to revert to a name I had left behind.” In *The Conversation*.
- 2013 “In Search of the American Dream: Undocumented Youth and the Journey North.” Montezuma Press.

Selected Presentations

- Moderator for roundtable of the Association of Latina and Latino Anthropologists at the American Anthropological Association Meetings in Seattle, WA: November 2022
- Les Howard Social Justice Series guest speaker at Whittier College: April 2022
- Guest lecturer for Anthropology methods at San Diego State University: April 2022
- Guest speaker for Chicano/Latino class at University of California, Irvine: February 2021
- Guest speaker for graduate seminar at University of California, Irvine: March 2020
- Panel for immigration class at the University of California, Irvine: February 2020
- Guest lecturer at University of California, Santa Barbara: January 2020
- Guest lecturer at California State, San Bernardino: November 2019
- American Anthropological Association Meetings in San Jose, CA: November 2018
- American Anthropological Association Meetings in Washington, DC: November 2017
- Tools for Undocumented Student Allies Presentation at UCI: February 2017
- Undocumented Graduate Student Presentation at Cal State Fullerton: September 2016
- Competitive Edge Summer Research Symposium at UCI: August 2016
- Talk for staff at Museum of Man: October 2013
- Guest speaker for San Diego County Archeological Society: September 2013

Awards

- President’s Dissertation Year Fellowship: 2022-2023
- Association of Latina and Latino Anthropologists Student Paper Award: 2021
- Gilbert G. Gonzales Graduate Student Paper Prize: 2021
- Visiting Fellowship at UC San Diego’s Center for U.S.-Mexican Studies in the School of Global Policy and Strategy: 2021-2022
- Associate Dean Fellowship: 2020
- UC Mexus Small Grant: 2018
- Associate Dean Fellowship: 2018
- UC Presidential Fellowship at the University of California, Irvine: 2018
- UC Mexus Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship: 2017
- Ford Fellowship Honorable Mention: 2017
- UC Presidential Fellowship at the University of California, Irvine: 2017
- Cota-Robles Fellowship at the University of California, Irvine: 2016
- Diversity Fellowship at the University of California, Irvine: 2016

Teaching Experience

University of South Alabama: August 2023

- Assistant Professor of Anthropology
 - Introduction to Cultural Anthropology
 - Anthropological Theory

University of California, Irvine: September 2016-July 2023

- Teaching assistant, discussion sections taught:
 - Anthropology 2A: Introduction to Sociocultural Anthropology
 - Anthropology 2B: Introduction to Biological Anthropology
 - Anthropology 121AW: Kinship and Social Organization
 - Chicano/a Studies: Introduction to Chicana/o Studies

San Diego Community College District: January 2014- September 2016

- Anthropology Adjunct Professor, classes taught:
 - Anthro 101: Biological Anthropology [Southwestern College]
 - Anthro 102: Cultural Anthropology [Southwestern College and Palomar College]
 - Anthro 103: Introduction to Cultural Anthropology [City College]
 - Anthro 103 (Honors): Introduction to Cultural Anthropology [City College]
 - Anthro 103 (Online): Introduction to Cultural Anthropology [City College]

Juvenile Court and Community Schools: October 2009-January 2016

- Educator at shelters, community schools, court schools, and juvenile hall
- Instruction, creating lesson plans, grading, and coordinating field trips

Certifications

- Online Teaching Faculty Training, San Diego Community College District
- Mentoring Excellence, University of California, Irvine
- Public Speaking for Academics, University of California, Irvine

References

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