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# EDUCATION

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| 2008 Ph.D. | Anthropology | University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign |
|  |  | Advisors: Alejandro Lugo and Arlene Torres |
| 2006 M.A. | Anthropology | University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign |
|  |  | Master’s in passing |
| 2002 B.A. | Anthropology | University of North Texas |
|  |  | Advisors: Ramona L Perez and Alicia Re Cruz |

1997-2002 Tarrant County Community College

# ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

## Arizona State University

*Fall 2018 Promoted* toAssociate Professor. Women & Gender Studies, School of Social Transformation.

*Fall 2012 – Spring 2018.* Assistant Professor. Women & Gender Studies, School of

Social Transformation. Affiliate Faculty: Religious Studies and School of Transborder Studies

*Fall 2011-Spring 2012*. Visiting Fellow. Institute of Humanities Research.

## Sam Houston State University

*Fall 2009 – Spring 2011.* Assistant Professor. Department of Sociology.

*Fall 2008-Spring 2009*. Visiting Assistant Professor. Department of Sociology.

**RESEARCH AREAS:** Latina/o/e experiences, belonging, immigration, gender, religion, ethnic identity, intersectionality, ethnography, discourse analysis, race/space, ethno-history, community-based research, community-engaged pedagogy, Midwestern Latine Communities, and Latter-Day Saints.

# PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

*Spring 2022 – Present* Founding Director of the Community Collaborative Initiatives

(CCI) program at ASU, Center for Work and Democracy - School of Social Transformation. CCI Graduate Fellows redefine research relationships and prioritize community members themselves as leaders on projects. Through collaborative community-engaged approach, CCI does not presume we know the answers or can come in to fix a problem. Instead, it trains ASU researchers to humbly participate in a co-constructive role to build better community engagement. Responsibilities include:

* Project Manager on program and research activity
* Evaluate applicants, plan workshops, and facilitate the projects
* Train Graduate Fellows in community-engaged approach
* Secure internships for Undergraduate Interns in community organizations
* Maintain communication and relationships with organizations
* Presentations to multiple stakeholders in university and community to support CCI’s success
* Raise support beyond pilot funds (Dean of Liberal Arts and Sciences)
* Expand CCI program to ASU-Los Angeles campus

*Fall 2019 – Spring 2022* Faculty Lead (Faculty Head), American Studies (AMST), School of Social Transformation. Responsibilities include:

* Re-launching AMST MA Graduate Degree, Launched Fall 2020
* Developing Curriculum Application AMST BA, Approved Spring 2021
* Applying for Graduate Certificate in AMST, Pending Fall 2021
* Scheduling AMST classes
* Conducting AMST departmental faculty meetings
* Working directly with Director of School of Social Transformation

2018-Present. Series Editor, for Book Series: Latinos in Chicago and the Midwest, University of Illinois Press

# PUBLICATIONS

## Book Manuscripts

*Barrios of Faith: Latina/o Latter-Day Saints Encounters in Faith and Cultural Identity*. Book Manuscript. Under Contract with NYU Press, Tentative publication: 2025

*Latino Heartland: Of Borders and Belonging in the Midwest.* New York: NYU Press, 2015.

(341 manuscript pages). [HTTP://NYUPRESS.ORG/BOOKS/9781479896042/](http://nyupress.org/books/9781479896042/)

2016 Honorable Mention, Gloria E. Anzladúa Book Prize, National Women’s Studies Association.

## Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

Vega, Sujey. 2019. “Intersectional Hermanas: Latina Mormon Women Navigate Faith, Immigration, Leadership and Sisterhood.” *Latino Studies Journal*. 17 (1), pp. 27-47.

Messing, Jill Theresa, Sujey Vega,Alesha Durfee. 2017. “Protection order use among immigrant survivors of intimate partner violence.” Fall 2017 Special Issue of *Feminist Criminology* on Bringing Latinas to the Forefront*.* Vol 12, Issue 3, pp. 199 – 223.

Vega, Sujey. 2012. “The Politics of Everyday Life: Mexican Hoosiers & Ethnic Belonging at the Crossroads of America.” *City & Society* 24(2): 197-217.

## Peer Reviewed Book Chapters

Vega, Sujey. ““D. Michael (Peña) Quinn: A Chicano with Gringo Attitude and Experience.” *D. Michael Quinn: Essays on the Life, Times, and Legacy of a Mormon Historian*, Ed. Benjamin Park, Signature Books Publishing. In copy edits, forthcoming publication date in 2022.

Vega Sujey. “Preface: Recalling, Reclaiming, and Remembering Latino Hoosiers at the

Crossroads of America.” *Hoosier Latinos: A Century of Struggle, Service, and Success*, Eds. Nicole Martinez-Legrand and Daniel Gonzales, Indiana Historical Society Press. August 2022.

Vega, Sujey. “Latina/o Mormons: Spanish-Speaking Saints Negotiating Identity in the Deseret.” *Faith and Power: Latina/o Religious Politics Since 1945*, Eds. Felipe Hinojosa, Maggie Elmore, and Sergio González. NYU Press. February 2022.

Vega, Sujey. “Latino/a/x Mormons.” *The Oxford Handbook of Latinx Christianities in the United States,* Eds. Theo Calderara and Kristy Nabhan-Warren. Oxford University Press, Feb 2022.

Vega, Sujey. ““Blossom As the Rose”: LDS Latina/o Millennials Challenge A Politics of Worthiness *Critical Diálogos in Latina and Latino Studies*, Eds. A. Ramos-Zayas and Merida Rúa.NYU Press. August 2021.

Vega, Sujey, Alesha Durfee and Jill Messing. 2021 “Entre Mujeres Platicamos: The role of informal social networks among Latina survivors of Intimate Partner Violence.” *Latinas in the Criminal Justice System: Victims, Targets, and Offenders,* Eds. Vera Lopez and Lisa Pasko. NYU Press. September 2021.

Vega, Sujey. “Mujerista Theology.” *The Routledge Handbook on Mormonism and Gender*, Eds. Taylor Petrey and Amy Hoyt. Routledge, 2020.

Vega, Sujey. “Crimmigration at the Crossroads of America Or How Divisive Politics Tarnish the Heartland.” In *The Criminalization of Immigration: Contexts and Consequences*, Eds. Alissa R. Ackerman and Rich Furman. Durham: Carolina Academic Press. November 2013.

# WHITE PAPERS AND RESEARCH BRIEFS

Olsen-Medina, Kira (co-PI), Sujey Vega (co-Pi), Zoe Lacey. October 2021. Guerrero Project Research Brief: Researchers partnered with Urban Land Institute Arizona District (ULI) on assessing the viability of their initiative to build strong, healthy cities through the integration of arts and culture in community revitalization. The study collected data from surveys, participant observations, focus groups, and individual interview and provided ULI with recommendations for future projects.

# INVITED PREFACE AND AUTHOR BLURBS

Invited to write Preface and Back Cover Blurb for: *Hoosier Latinos: A Century of Struggle, Service, and Success*. Book published by Indiana Historical Society Press. 2022

Back Cover Blurb for *Imagining the Heartland: White Supremacy and the American Midwest*. University of California Press. June 2022.

Back Cover Blurb for Cultura y Corazón: A Decolonial Methodology for Community Engaged Research. Tucson, University of Arizona Press. October 2020.

Promotional Materials Blurb for Chicano While Mormon. Fairleigh Dickinson University Press. 2015

# WORK IN PROGRESS

Vega, Sujey. “Empathic *Facultad*: Octavia Butler’s Intersectional Feminism in Reflections and Writing.”

Hayley Trickey (ASU Master’s student) and Sujey Vega. “A Place to Process: Community, Friendship, and Fellowship in Mormon Feminism.” Co-Authored article with Master’s student.

## Invited Book Reviews

2018. Sujey Vega. Matthew Garrett, Making Lamanites: Mormons, Native Americans, and the Indian Student Placement Program, 1947–2000 Reviewed in Mormon Studies Review, Vol. 5. pp. 94-98.

2017. Vega, Sujey . Chicano While Mormon: Activism, War, and Keeping the

Faith, by Ignacio M. Garcia in *Journal of Mormon History* Volume 43, No. 3. pp. 183-186

2012. Vega, Sujey. *The Tejano Diaspora: Mexican Americanism and Ethnic Politics in Texas and Wisconsin,* by Marc Simon Rodriguez in *Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Studies*, Volume 17, Issue 1, pp 152-154.

2011. Vega, Sujey. *Race, Place, and Reform in Mexican Los Angeles: A Transnational Perspective, 1890-1940,* by Stephanie Lewthwaite in *Bulletin of Latin American Research (BLAR)*, Volume 30, Issue 4, pp. 559–560.

## Encyclopedia Entries

Vega, Sujey. “Immigration”, “Indiana”, “Latinos in the Midwest”, “Latinos in Rural

America”, “The Mexican Problem”, *Encyclopedia of Latino-American History*, ed Danilo Figueredo, Edited by Danilo H. Figueredo. New York: Facts on File, 2012. ISBN-10: 0816075255, ISBN-13:9780816075256.

# GRANTS FUNDED EXTERNAL

Nancy Godoy (PI), Sujey Vega (co-PI), Lorrie McAllister (co-PI). “Engaging, Educating, and

Empowering: Developing Community-Driven Archival Collections.” The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, $ 450,000. Submitted July 2017.

# INTERNAL

Sujey Vega and Christiane Reves (co-PI), 2019-2020. “Faith-Based Responses to Migrants and Refugees in Comparative Urban Spaces: Religious Aid and Gender Dependence in Phoenix, AZ and Berlin, Germany.” Center for the Study of Religion and Conflict Seed Grant. $5,000

Vasthy Lamadrid and Carlo Guadrama Undergraduate Research Project 2018 Funded by Wells Fargo Transborder Chicana/o and Latina/o Studies Research Scholarship $6,000.

Supervising Faculty for both students on their project.

Kira Olsen Medina. Worked with undergraduate student to secure the Intergenerational Service Learning Award ($5,000) for the class to participate in immigrant storytelling and community-based place making strategies which resulted in a cross-generational collaboration with Osher Lifelong Learning Institute and a mural painted in downtown Phoenix: https://alumni.asu.edu/20181203-solutions-mural-paints-true-picture-immigration

Sujey Vega (PI),Nancy Godoy (co-PI) and Vanessa Fonseca (co-PI). 2016-2017. Preserving

Arizona’s Latina/o/x Presence: Community-Based Workshops on Archival Preservation and K-12 Curriculum. Collaborative Research Grant through Program for Transborder Communities, School of Transborder Studies, Arizona State University.

Sujey Vega.2013-2014 Enchanted Faith: Latino Conversion, Gender Constructions, and Social Networks in the Church of Latter Day Saints in Phoenix area. College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Seed Grant.

# PEER-REVIEWED PRESENTATIONS

*Note:* ***Bold*** *indicates organized panel.*

**Organized Roundtable:** Centering Latinx Voices: Lessons on Securing National Funding. Latina/o Studies Association (LSA), Notre Dame University, July 5, 2022 (Attended via recording due to positive Covid test).

“Mormon Tablitas Magicas: Space & Place making for the Latinos in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints” Faith and Power Symposium, Texas A&M University, April 14, 2022

“D. Michael (Peña) Quinn: A Chicano with Gringo Attitude and Experience.” D. Michael Quinn: The Life and Times of a Mormon Historian, held at the University of Utah on March 25, 2022. <https://youtu.be/6wpcE2ATkjo>

" Fotos y Recuerdos: Intimate Futures in Personal Collected Pasts,” American Studies Association Annual Meeting, Honolulu, Hawaii. Nov. 2019

**Organized Roundtable:** Reclaiming Our Time: Re-Centering Intersectional Feminism in Research, Teaching, and Everyday Realities. American Studies Association, 2018 Atlanta, Georgia.

“Set Apart or Pushed Away: Latino LDS Saints speak to the complicated benefits and frustrations of their Faith in a 21st century climate”, Western History Association. San Antonio, TX. Oct. 2018.

“Hyperempathy as a Call for Futurist Survival: Octavia Butler, Double Consciousness, and Characters of Color that Frame the Way Forward.” Caribbean Philosophical Association, New York, New York. June 2017

Participant in Author Meets Critics Session for Faranak Miraftab’s book Global

Heartland. American Anthropological Association Meetings, Minneapolis, Minnesota. November 2016.

“Decolonizing Faith Through Feminism: Revisiting Womanism, Mujerista Theology, and

Women of Color Religious Interventions in Intersectionality.” National Women’s Studies Association, Montreal, Canada. November 2016.

**Organized Session***,* “Niñas Have Risen: Recognizing Girl of Color Experiences in

Conventional Girls Studies. Latino Studies Association Conference, Pasadena, California. July 2016.

## Organized and Participated in Roundtable Session, ¿Y Latino Twitter Que?: On

Writing, Blogging, Tweeting and Maintaining Digital Intercambios on Latinx issues. Latino Studies Association Conference, Pasadena, California. July 2016.

“Socorro Across Ages: Older Latina Mormons, Their Needs, and Agency in Faith.” Latino Studies Association Conference, Pasadena, California. July 2016.

**Participant and Organizer for Executive Program Committee Invited Session**: “American Racializations Beyond Black and White: Strange Racial Subjects in the U.S. South and Midwest.” American Anthropological Association Meetings, Denver, Colorado. November 2015.

• Paper presented: “En Mi Casa: Latino Latter Day Saints and the Making of Complex

Mormon Identities.”

**Participant and Organizer for Roundtable**: “Rejecting Misery: Engaging Critical Ethnic Studies in Arizona.” American Studies Association Meetings, Toronto, Canada. October 2015.

Participant in Roundtable. Creating New Intersections, Crossing New Thresholds:

Women of Color Historians Address Race, Gender and Age in Western History. • Paper Presented: “Socorro Across Ages: Older Latina LDS Relief Society Members and Their Needs,” Western History Association 2015 Meetings. Portland, Oregon. October 2015.

**Participant and Organizer for Panel** “Mormons in the Margins: Explorations in LDS histories, lineages, and Ethnic Identity,” Mormon History Association Meetings, Provo, Utah. June, 2015

• Paper Presented: Deseret Diaspora: Latino Saints and the making of Complex Identities in Arizona”

“Converting to Los Santos de los Últimos Días or the Use of Familiar Tropes in Latino Mormonism.” Western Historical Association conference, Long Beach. October 2014.

“La Sociedad de Socorro-Gender Norms and Social Networks in Latino Mormonism”

Inaugural International Latino Studies conference, Chicago. July 2014

“Citizen Performativity: Policing and Constraining Brown Bodies in Arizona.”

Fanaticism and the Abolition-Democracy: Critical Theory in the Spirit of Joel Olson

Conference. Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, Arizona. January 2013

“Intersectionality at the Borderlands: A Feminist Approach Toward Immigration.” National Women’s Studies Association. Oakland, California. November 2012.

“Politics At the Borderlands: A Discursive Approach Toward State-Based Legislative

Attacks On Immigration.” American Anthropological Association Meetings. San Francisco, California. November 2012.

“Illegalities and other Otherings: Tracing the word “Illegal” as Racial Epithet.” National Association of Chicana/Chicano Studies. Chicago, Illinois. March 2012.

**Organized Panel** for Critical Ethnic Studies and the Future of Genocide Settler

Colonialism/Heteropatriarchy/White Supremacy "Canvas of Desire": A Roundtable by

Women of Color on Pedagogy and Difference. Roundtable Discussion. University of California Riverside. March 2011

“Past as Prologue: Tracing the German and Mexican Immigrant Histories of Central Indiana.” Social Science History Association Annual Meeting. November 2011.

“Los Otros Polleros: Rural Mexican farmers, female inheritance, and the politics of globalization” National Association of Chicana/Chicano Studies. Seattle, Washington. April 2010

“Borders, Boundaries, and Routes: Discursive Experiences and the Language of

Belonging in the American Midwest”. American Anthropological Association Meetings. New Orleans, Louisiana. November 2010

“Gallinas Compradas: Mexican Women Constructing Belonging at the ‘Crossroads of America.’” National Association for Chicana and Chicano Studies. Austin, Texas. March 2008

**Panel Organizer**. Latino Hoosiers At the Crossroads of America: Converging Politics in Immigration Status, Ethnic Identity, and Community Engagement in the Heartland.

Conference on Latina/o Communities in the Midwest. The Julian Samora Research

Institute. Michigan State University. East Lansing, Michigan. November 2009 “Discursive Spaces, Immigrant Lives—or, ‘Why they don’t just come here legally.’” American Studies Association Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. October 2007

“Mapping Memories: Transnationalism, Memory, and Space in Mexican Chicago.” Building Bridge-Crossing Bridges: Transdisciplinarity and American Studies conference, Fatih University. Istanbul, Turkey. May 2006

"Gender Identity & Mexican Settlement: Identity Politics, Culture Change, & Adaptation as Reflected Through Female Roles in the United States." National Association of Chicana and Chicano Studies. Chicago, Illinois. 2002

# INVITED PANEL RESPONDENT

Roundtable Participant, Paving the Way: Path Breaking Perspectives on the Writing and

Publication of History (Roundtable). Pacific Coast Branch, American Historical Association. Hawaii, 2016

Panel Respondent, “Committee on Race in the American West and the Coalition for Women’s Western History The History and Legacy of Chicana Feminism and Activism in the American Southwest.” Western Historical Association. Tucson, October 2013.

Panel Respondent, “(De)Colonizing Memoryscapes: Contesting the Intellectual Legacy of Native Americans' Absent Presence in the U.S. Southwest.”Critical Ethnic Studies Association. Chicago, September 2013.

# AWARDS/FELLOWSHIPS

August 2021-August 2022. Peer Leadership Academy Cohort IX- ASU. Participating in "year-long series of trainings to ASU faculty and staff who are emerging as leaders in university activities. With a focus on developing leadership skills, supporting individuals in advancing impactful projects, and creating a diverse community of leaders, LA helps advance the goals of the ASU Enterprise." Sponsored through

ASU's Leadership Academy: <https://leadershipacademy.asu.edu/> May 2017, Awarded the ASU CLFSA Dr. Manuel Servin Faculty Award.

August 2016. Honorable Mention, Gloria E. Anzaldúa Book Prize, National Women’s Studies Association.

April 2015. Symposium Scholar. Young Scholars Symposium. Institute for Latino Studies, University of Notre Dame. Travel expenses paid and $500 honorarium.

July 2013. Faculty Fellow. Wye Faculty Seminar on Citizenship in the American and Global Polity. Aspen Institute and the Association of American Colleges. Only two faculty sponsored to attend by President Crow (Arizona State University).

Spring 2012. Visiting Fellow. Institute for Humanities Research. Arizona State University.

June 2009 Spelman-National Women’s Studies Association Summer Institute Fellow,

“Women of Color: Theory, Scholarship, and Activism” Atlanta, Georgia.

# INVITED TALKS BY UNIVERSITIES

Hispanic Heritage Month Speaker, “Bridges Not Borders: The Importance of Belonging and Acceptance for Latinos in the Midwest.” Sponsored by Purdue Latino Cultural Center, American Studies, and Libraries and School of Information Studies. West Lafayette, October 3, 2022.

Hispanic Heritage Month Speaker, Ponte Las Pilas: Overcoming Obstacles & Achieving

Dreams.” Ivy Tech Community College. Lafayette. October 4, 2022.

Invited Expert, National Endowment for Humanities Mormonism and Mexico:

A Case Study in Religion and Borderlands, Claremont University. July 2022

Invited Speaker, Imagining the Latina/o/x Midwest in University of Iowa’s Andew W. Mellon Foundation funded Sawyer Seminar: Imagining Latinidades, January 2020

Keynote Speaker, “Bridges Not Borders: The Importance of Belonging and Acceptance for Latinos in the Midwest.” Southern Illinois University Hispanic-Latino Heritage Month. October 2019.

Symposium Panelist, What is the Midwest Roundtable. Celebration of The Newberry Library’s What is the Midwest Exhibit and Multidisciplinary Project. Chicago, Illinois. October 2019.

Distinguished Speaker, Layering Recuerdos: Unearthing Indiana’s Immigrant Past

Through a Latino Present.” 2019 Lacy Family Distinguished Lecturer, Indiana Historical Society. September 2019

Invited Speaker, "Latino Hoosiers: The Case for Belonging and Acceptance in the Midwest," University of Indiana, Bloomington. Global Arts and Humanities Festival, February 2019.

Invited Speaker, Toward a Global Mormon Studies Annual Mormon Studies Conference, Claremont Graduate University. March 2018.

Invited Speaker, University of Kansas, KU Center for Migration Research speaker series. February 2017

Invited Speaker, Illinois State University, Community Reading Group Charla on Latino Heartland for campus and community members in Normal, Illinois. Visit consisted of both a university talk for Latin American and Latino Studies program at Illinois State University. February 2017

Invited Speaker, Miami University of Ohio. Passionate about LAS Lecture, “"Bypassing Borders: How Latinos Assert Belonging and Practice Home in the Heartland." Latin American, Latino/a, and Caribbean Studies. October, 2016.

Invited Speaker, Brigham Young University. Charles Redd Center for Western Studies,

“The Desert Diaspora: An Exploration of Latino Latter Day Saints and Their Ethnic

Religious Belonging.” March 2015.

Invited Speaker, Brigham Young University. Women's Studies Colloquium. March 2015.

Invited Speaker, University of Notre Dame. “Latino Heartland: Redefining Indiana's Socio-Cultural Landscape.” Latino Studies Seminar for the Institute for Latino Studies, April 2015.

Invited Speaker, Ohio State University, College of Arts and Sciences. “Borders and Belonging for Latinas/os in the Midwestern U.S.," Latino Studies Program, Political Science at February 2015

Invited Lecture, Universidad Autónoma de Coahuila. “Fundamentos de la investigación etnográfica” [Fundamentals of Ethnographic Research]. Workshop at Universidad Autónoma de Coahuila Centro de Investigaciones Socioeconómicas. Saltillo, Mexico. Week long workshop on Ethnographic Methods with Master’s level students in Coahuila, Mexico. Lecture conducted in Spanish. (Summer 2009)

Invited Panelist, Purdue University. “Transcending Border Theory: Chicana/o Studies and Beyond.” Transnational Colloquia Series, Purdue University. West Lafayette, Indiana. 2005

# PUBLIC MEDIA PRESENCE

September 15, 2022. Featured expert in story: “Los Mormones: Arizona’s Latino Latter-Day Saints.” Written by Tony Gutiérrez. *The Arizona Beehive Magazine*, Vol 48, Issue 5.

[https://issuu.com/thearizonabeehive/docs/september\_october\_2022\_arizona\_beeh\_a9c7c6888 caee4](https://issuu.com/thearizonabeehive/docs/september_october_2022_arizona_beeh_a9c7c6888caee4)

December 13, 2021. Featured expert in story: “As ASU expands into Mesa, some residents worry about what could be lost.” The State Press.

<https://www.statepress.com/article/2021/12/asu-building-at-mesa-center-lacking-outreach>

February 2020. Roundtable Discussion with Lilia Fernández, Sujey Vega, and Theresa Delgadillo

[https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/roundtable-discussion-with-lilia-fern%C3%A1ndezsujey-vega/id1471556260?i=1000465258076](https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/roundtable-discussion-with-lilia-fern%C3%A1ndez-sujey-vega/id1471556260?i=1000465258076)

January 2020. Featured expert for story, What's Up With 'Midwest Nice?' for Curious City, a newsprogram show out of WBEZ Chicago (NPR):

<https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=2663148150436021>

June 2019. Profiles. Interview with WFIU studios (Bloomington, IN) and conversation with Sylvia Martinez, [https://indianapublicmedia.org/profiles/sujey-](https://indianapublicmedia.org/profiles/sujey-vega.php?fbclid=IwAR3NyV71rGhEX5DSE74MU4YV4T2spa36lTdEO7vPVPKdIxldDW4_lZmqeb4)

[vega.php?fbclid=IwAR3NyV71rGhEX5DSE74MU4YV4T2spa36lTdEO7vPVPKdIxldDW4 \_lZmqeb4](https://indianapublicmedia.org/profiles/sujey-vega.php?fbclid=IwAR3NyV71rGhEX5DSE74MU4YV4T2spa36lTdEO7vPVPKdIxldDW4_lZmqeb4)

December 3, 2018. Mural paints true picture of immigration. ASU News.

<https://news.asu.edu/20181203-solutions-mural-paints-true-picture-immigration>

January 25, 2018. Featured expert for story. Splinter (a subsidiary of Univision).

<https://www.facebook.com/splinternews/videos/2338106876215277/>

August 30, 2017. Featured expert for panel. Diversity Dialogues Media Coverage of Multiracial and Multiethnic Communities. The Arizona Republic. Phoenix, AZ.

April 10, 2017. Featered expert in story: Trans Queer Pueblo Discusses Why It Protested At Pride Parade, by Lauren Gilger. The Show on KJZZ (Phoenix NPR)

[http://theshow.kjzz.org/content/458765/trans-queer-pueblo-discusses-why-it-protested-prideparade](http://theshow.kjzz.org/content/458765/trans-queer-pueblo-discusses-why-it-protested-pride-parade)

December 13, 2016. Featured expert in story: Guadalupe's namesake festival blends faith, tribal pride, by Rafael Carranza. AZ Central, The Arizona Republic. Part of the USA TODAY Network

[http://www.azcentral.com/story/news/local/tempe/2016/12/12/guadalupes-namesake-festivalblends-faith-tribal-pride/94624718/](http://www.azcentral.com/story/news/local/tempe/2016/12/12/guadalupes-namesake-festival-blends-faith-tribal-pride/94624718/)

October 5, 2016. Featured expert in story: ‘One Big Family’ of Mormon Latinos honored in Mesa, by Clare M. Roney. Cronkite News.

<https://cronkitenews.azpbs.org/2016/10/05/mormon-latinos-honored-in-mesa/>

Aug 22, 2016. Featured expert in story: The Future of the Mormon Church? It's Latino, by Raul A. Reyes. NBC News Latino Section.

<http://www.nbcnews.com/news/latino/future-mormon-church-it-s-latino-n570621>

March 28, 2016. Youtube video of BYU Redd Center Talk on Latino Ethnic Religious Belonging

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2j3XHwP1HaM>

March 28, 2016. Interview on Borderlands History Blog about my work on Latino/a experiences in the LDS Church. [http://borderlandshistory.org/2016/03/28/qa-with-sujey-vega-about-lds-latinos-and-ethnicreligious-belonging-in-arizona/](http://borderlandshistory.org/2016/03/28/qa-with-sujey-vega-about-lds-latinos-and-ethnic-religious-belonging-in-arizona/)

March 29, 2016. Story on my presentation (March 11, 2016) on Latina female social networks in the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. [http://humanities.byu.edu/hermanas-in-zion-sujey-vega-on-the-sisterhood-of-latina-ldswomen/](http://humanities.byu.edu/hermanas-in-zion-sujey-vega-on-the-sisterhood-of-latina-lds-women/)

December 30, 2015. Featured Author in New Books in Latino Studies Podcast:

[http://newbooksinlatinostudies.com/2015/12/30/sujey-vega-latino-heartland-of-borders-andbelonging-in-the-midwest-nyu-press-2015/](http://newbooksinlatinostudies.com/2015/12/30/sujey-vega-latino-heartland-of-borders-and-belonging-in-the-midwest-nyu-press-2015/)

November 25, 2015. Peer-Review Blog Entry. [“Some Advice for Surviving Your First Year in a Doctoral Program.”](https://library.osu.edu/blogs/mujerestalk/2015/11/24/some-advice-for-surviving-your-first-year-doctoral-program/) Mujeres Talk Online Forum: <https://library.osu.edu/blogs/mujerestalk/about-us/>

September 26, 2015. “Presentation focuses on suffering of migrant women.” [http://www.eastvalleytribune.com/local/article\_3ec1d6ac-6459-11e5-be40c7aef827227d.html](http://www.eastvalleytribune.com/local/article_3ec1d6ac-6459-11e5-be40-c7aef827227d.html)

September 23, 2015. “#WomynConvoWendesdays start off the year with conversations about intersectionality.” [http://www.statepress.com/article/2015/09/hashtag-womyn-convowednesdays](http://www.statepress.com/article/2015/09/hashtag-womyn-convo-wednesdays)

March 24, 2015. Blog Entry. “Mujerista in Spirit: On Being a Latina Lapsed Catholic Researching Faith during Lent.” Mujeres Talk online forum. [https://library.osu.edu/blogs/mujerestalk/2015/03/24/mujerista-in-spirit-on-being-a-latinalapsed-catholic-researching-faith-during-lent/#comments](https://library.osu.edu/blogs/mujerestalk/2015/03/24/mujerista-in-spirit-on-being-a-latina-lapsed-catholic-researching-faith-during-lent/#comments)

October 2014. Expert interview. Telemundo Arizona. Latino Mormons for the grand opening of the 3rd LDS Temple in the Valley (Phoenix). To be aired on October 10, 2014.

August 2014. Featured author in Law Professors BLOGS Network on piece covering the publication chapter in *The Criminalization of Immigration: Contexts and Consequences*, (2014). With over 14 authors included in the edited volume, I was the only author named in the blog. <http://lawprofessors.typepad.com/immigration/current_affairs/page/12/>

May 2014. Expert interview. KJZZ (NPR) Here and Now Show. #YesAllWomen Gives A Voice To Everyday Sexism. Aired May 28, 2014.

<http://kjzz.org/content/31544/yesallwomen-gives-voice-everyday-sexism>

# TEACHING

## Arizona State University

AMS 502: American Studies Theory and Methods (Graduate)

AMS 201: Introduction to American Studies (Undergraduate)

SST 301: Research Methods for American Communities

WGS 100: Women, Gender, and Society (Undergraduate)

WGS 100: Online Women, Gender, and Society (Undergraduate)

WGS 345: Gender, Religion, and Violence (Undergraduate)

WGS/TCL 373: Latina/Chicana Issues (Undergraduate)

WGS 300: Online Women and Gender in Contemporary Society

WGS 498: Latinx Intersectionality (Undergraduate ProSeminar)

WGS 502: Interdisciplinary Gender Research Methodologies (Graduate)

WGS 592 Feminist Community Based Research Practices

WGS 602: Mapping the Intersections of Gender (Graduate) WGS 691: Latinx Contributions to Feminist Theory (Graduate)

WGS 791: Graduate Seminar: Ethnographic Methods (Graduate)

## Sam Houston State University

Introduction to Ethnic Studies (undergraduate)

Cultural Anthropology (undergraduate)

Sociology of Religion (writing intensive undergraduate course)

## University of Illinois Urbana Champaign – Teaching Assistant (3)

Advanced Topics in Latina/o U.S.: “Latinas/os in the Anthropological and Literary Landscape.” (cross-listed in Anthropology and Latina/o Studies) Teaching Assistant to Dr. Arlene Torres. Department of Anthropology. (Spring 2007)

“Food, Culture, and Society.” Cross-listed in Anthropology and Sociology. Teaching Assistant to Dr. Martin Manalansan. (Spring 2006)

“Asian American Cultures.” Cross-listed in Anthropology, Asian American studies and Sociology. Teaching Assistant to Dr. Martin Manalansan. (Fall 2005)

# STUDENT MENTORING

## Doctoral Dissertation Chair

Lizbett Benge. Dissertation successfully defended April 2020. Sensing the State, Strategizing Survival: Foster Care and the Ordering of Spacetimebodyminds

Julie Rousseau, co-chair, Dissertatioin successfully defended April 2019. Currently has a teaching position at the University of Southern California USC

Tracey Flores, co-chair, Dissertation successfully defended April 2017. Somos Escritores/We are Writers: Latina Adolescent Girls and Their Parents Writing, Sharing, and Ways of Knowing.

Monica Hernandez (Dissertation Chair, ongoing)

Noah Siffin (Dissertation Chair, ongoing)

Christine Leavitt (Dissertation Chair, ongoing)

## Doctoral Dissertation Committees

Gabriela A. Gonzalez (Committee Member, successfully defended April 2021)

Vik Peer (Committee Member, successfully defended April 2022)

## Master’s Thesis Chair/Committee

Shane Manning (Thesis Chair, defended November 2023)

Karina Tello Medina (Thesis Chair, successfully defended May 2018)

Wallace Hudson (Committee Member, successfully defended April 2017)

Vivivanne Linos (Committee Member, successfully defended April 2017)

Natalia Lopez Osorio (Thesis Chair, ongoing)

Vern Lukasinki (Committee Member, ongoing)

## First Year Mentor

*Served as graduate director/mentor for first year in program. Included monthly meetings on progress in the program and guidance with work/life balance.*

2020 Natalia Lopez Osorio, MA Temporary Advisor 2020 Christine Leavitt, MA Temporary Advisor

2019/2021 Amber Green, Interdisciplinary Enrichment Fellowship

2017/2018 Monica Hernandez, ASU Interdisciplinary Enrichment Fellowship

2017/2018 Melanie Vigil

2015/16 Lizbett Benge, Doctoral Enrichment Fellowship, Graduate Excellence

Fellowship for First Generation Students

2014/15 Julia Gutierrez

2013/14 Diana Alvarado

## Barrett Honors Thesis Advisor

Paulina Vazquez 2020

Sara Dow and Julie Alvarez (joint thesis project) 2019

Emma Littrell Spring 2018

Imani Change Fall 2014

Lauren Zack Spring 2013

## Barrett Honors Thesis Committee Member

Paulina Vasquez (

Nicole Collins (Spring 2017)

Trisha Dasgupta (Fall 2017)

Alexandra Prassas (Fall 2015)

Shannon Jenkins (Spring 2014) Bailey Wendelberger (Fall 2014)

## Supervised Undergraduate Research Assistants (7)

Sofya Pangburn (Fall 2019)

Bianca Navia (Fall 2019)

Vasthy Lamadrid and Carlo Guadrama (2018)

Hayley Trickey (Spring 2017-Summer 2017)

Nicole Oliver (Fall 2015)

Grecia Magdaleno (Summer 2015) Katelyn Lynch (Summer 2015)

Faculty Liaison to Graduate students in ASU Ethnic Studies Working Group, IHR Funded. Fall 2013-Spring 2014

# SERVICE

# SST DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

SST DEI Committee Chair, 2021-Present

SST Job Committee, spousal accommodation: Andrea Espinosa, Spring 2021

SST Covid Care Statement Committee, Spring 2021

Faculty Lead, American Studies Fall 2019-Present

Barrett Honors Faculty Advisor, Women and Gender Studies 2012-2021

WGS Speaker Series Committee 2016-2017

WGS Graduate Committee 2016-2017

SST - Research Committee Member, School of Social Transformation 2015-2017

SST - Personnel Committee, School of Social Transformation 2015- Present

Member of School of Social Transformation Ad hoc committee on cyber-harassment. Arizona State University Spring 2013

Coordinating Committee Member, ASU Ethnic Studies Working Group. Planning Ethnic Studies Months events, 2012 – 2015

# SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY

CLAS Dean's Advisory Council on Equity, Diversity and Inclusion, SST Representative. Fall 2021-Spring 2022

Guest Panelist, More than a Statement: Equity, Inclusion and Diversity. ASU’s Preparing Future Faculty class, Tamara Underiner, Sep 2020

Panelists, Gender and Diversity in the Workplace, Preparing Future Faculty class, Tamara Underiner, Nov 2020

Faculty Representative, Chicano/Latino Faculty Staff Association. ASU 2017-18.

IHR Funded Research Cluster, Consuming the Other, 2016-2017.

Public History Working Committee Group, School of Historical, Philosophical, and Religious Studies. Arizona State University, 2015-2016.

Keynote Speaker for Graduation Banquet, TRIO program. ASU Poly, May 2016.

Invited to be panelist on: Panel discussion is titled *“Professor Expectations of TAs”* sponsored by ASU Director, Graduate Education, Student Support Initiatives, 2015.

Developed Integrated General Studies Project-Based Course with George Justice (Dean of Humanities, CLAS), Lee Bebout (Director of Literature, English), and Jeanne Hanraham (University Academic Success Programs).

• Course was intended to go live in Spring 2016, but a scheduling issues creating setbacks and integrated class block did not actually make in time for 2016.

Panelist, CLAS *Evidence of Excellence in Teaching and Mentoring* workshop, 2014

Invited Speaker, “Surviving Graduate School,” for the Latino Graduate Student Association, Arizona State University, November 2013.

Commentator for screening of White Alligator. Project Humanities, Arizona State University., October 2013.

Founding Member of Entre Nosotr@s. Faculty and Student Group. Helped coordinate film screening of *Mosquita y Mari* that included a dialogue with director and writer Aurora Guerrero, Fall 2012-Spring 2013.

# SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

2022 Elected Nominations Committee Member, Latina/o/x Studies Association 2022 ASU Site Committee Member, will host 2024 Latina/o/x Studies Association.

2019-2021 Editorial Board, Mormon Studies Review.

2018-Present Editorial Board for Book Series: Latinos in Chicago and the Midwest, with University of Illinois Press

2018. Conference Program Committee. Mormon History Association.

2018. First level reviewer for The Center for Engaged Scholarship Dissertation Fellowship National competition.

2017. Editorial Board. Taboo: The Journal of Culture and Education.

2017. Steering Committee of the Global Mormon Studies Research Network hosted by the University of Auckland.

2015-2017. Editorial Board. Latinx Talk (previously *Mujeres Talk)*, an online, interdisciplinary, edited, and moderated forum for original research, commentary, and creative work.

1. Conference Program Committee, National Women’s Studies Association

2016-2017. Consultant for a special exhibit, "Indiana Latino Heritage Project," for the Indiana State Museum and Historic Sites.

2011-2014. Treasurer, Web Developer. Association of Latina and Latino Anthropologists, a section of the American Anthropological Association, 2017. Manuscript Reviewer. *Journal of Qualitative Studies in Education*  2015. Manuscript Reviewer. *Aztlan: A Journal of Chicano Studies.*

2014. Manuscript Reviewer. *Journal of International Migration and Integration*

2014. Manuscript Reviewer. *Feminist Criminology*

2012. Manuscript Reviewer. *The Sociological Quarterly*

2012. Manuscript Reviewer. *City & Society*

2010. Manuscript Reviewer. *Journal of Rural Social Sciences*

2009. Manuscript Reviewer. *Ethos: Journal of the Society for Psych. Anthropology*

# COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Latinx Research Database: This service-learning class centered on the feminist pedagogical commitment to working with and alongside a local Latinx organization, in this case an Immigration Lawyer in Phoenix. This community engaged research resulted in the beginnings of a database to be useful to scholars/expert witnesses of immigration, gender, sexuality, and Latin America. Fall 2020.

Guerrero Park Community Art Project. worked with students to set up a collaborative project with Urban Land Institute Arizona District Council (ULI). This project centered on an asset-based approach that recognizes the existing diverse creative outputs already in the community. The researchers on this study include graduate students), together we submitted an IRB for the project, created a Financial Letter of Agreement, conducted focus group interviews, participant, observation, individual interviews, and worked with Mesa Arts Academy. Fall 2019-Spring 2021

Community Mural with Osher Life Long Learning Institute: Worked with Osher Life Long Learning Institute to pair undergraduate and graduate students at ASU with their life-long learners to have a cross-generational dialogue on immigration. This resulted in a mural painted by all participants in downtown Phoenix. Fall 2018

National Center for Transgender Equality Policy Standards Checklist: Community Engaged Learning collaborative project with Pheonix’ Trans Queer Pueblo, Culture Coalition Inc, Mesa AZ. Trans Queer Pueblo (TQP), an organization in Phoenix. TQP was approached by NCTE to implement a policy checklist on local policing standards and approaches toward Trans individuals. Students conducted the NCTE checklist by looking at policy standards in Phoenix: What is the City of Phoenix, Phoenix PD, the state of Arizona’s legal policies toward Trans folks. Our results contributed to the 2019 report audit of 25 of the largest police departments, Failing To Protect & Serve: [https://transequality.org/issues/resources/failing-to-protect-and-serve-police-departmentpolicies-towards-transgender-people](https://transequality.org/issues/resources/failing-to-protect-and-serve-police-department-policies-towards-transgender-people)  Spring 2019

Community Reading Group Charla for campus and community members in Normal, Illinois. Held a workshop on "What Does it Mean to Welcome New Neighbors." My book, Latino Heartland, was included in a community wide promotion of the book as a reading group initiative for the city of Normal. Feb 2017

Arizona ACLU Know Your Rights (KYR) Training Facilitator. Held KYR Workshops for Tempe Public Schools.

ASU DreamZone Facilitator. Workshops at Mesa Community College

Special Guest Speaker, AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination) Student program.Laird Elementary School, Tempe Elementary School District. October 2016

Hispanic Heritage Month Guest Speaker for Mesa Public Libraries. (3 different branch engagements in October 2016).

Guest Speaker for H.O.P.E. Crew and Herstory Student Groups, Tempe Preparatory Academe. March 30, 2016

Invited Speaker, “Tipin’ on the Tight Rope: Dealing with Drama and Overcoming Obstacles,” CompuGirls, Arizona State University (June 2014).

Invited Panelist, “Gender and Sexuality Panel.” M.E.Ch.A de ASU (April 2014) Meeting with LDSChurch public relations committee.

Held a meeting to communicate with the heads of Mormon Church public relations team in Mesa, AZ area who have all approved the research project and expressed their willingness to help me reach out to the Latino Mormon population.

Guest Lecture and Planning Committee for Encuentro Hispanic Conference. Sam

Houston State University, 2008-2010. Helped planned and lectured in annual community engagement event that brought Latino families (parents, children, and teenagers) to university campus for day-long conference on higher education.

Hispanic Student Initiative Coordinator Jefferson High School, Lafayette, Fall 2006. Employed by High School to facilitate Latino students in identifying and applying for higher education. Also operated as a cultural liaison and interpreter between parents and administrators.

Guest Speaker “Understanding Immigration Today” Progressive Alliance of Greater Lafayette Meeting, Spring 2006.

Recommenders:

Dr. Ignacio Garcia

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