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CURRENT POSITION

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Assistant Professor, Department of Latina and Latino Studies, 2021-Present.

PAST POSITIONS

American University

Postdoctoral Fellow for Academic Diversity, Department of History, 2019-2021.

EDUCATION

University of California, Santa Barbara

Ph.D., Department of Chicana and Chicano Studies, March 2019.

Dissertation Title: “Hungering for Equality: Mexicans and Mexican Americans from the Post-WWII to Civil Rights”

Dissertation Committee: Miroslava Chavéz-García, Gabriela Soto-Laveaga, Mario T. García, Ralph Armbruster-Sandoval

Harvard University

Visiting Fellow, History of Science Department, Spring 2018, Fall 2018.

University of California, Santa Barbara

M.A., Chicana and Chicano Studies, June 2013.

University of California, Santa Barbara

B.A., Political Science and Chicana and Chicano Studies, 2010.

Distinction in the Major

Education Abroad Program – University of Chile, 2009

PUBLICATIONS

Barragán Miranda, Janett. “Archival Research Methodology: Finding Mexican Voices and Communities at the Margins of *La Opinión* Microfilm.” Under Review.

Barragán Miranda, Janett. *American National Biography*, s.v. “Fabiola Cabeza De Baca.” Oxford University Press, 2019.

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FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

College of Arts and Sciences Book Incubator Grant, American University, 2020.
College of Arts and Sciences Faculty Mellon Fund Award, American University, 2019-2020.
Certified Sustainability Instructor, American University, 2019-2020.
Ethnicity, Migration, Rights Committee Dissertation Writing Group, Harvard University, 2018.
University of California, Santa Barbara Graduate Division Fellowship, UCSB, 2016-17.
Chicana/o Studies Department Fee Fellowship, UCSB, 2016-17.
Chicana and Chicano Studies Department Graduate Resident Fellow, UCSB, 2016-17.
Chicana/o Studies Department Grant, UCSB, 2015-2016.
Chicano Studies Institute Grant, UCSB, 2015-16.
Chicana/o Studies Department Fee Fellowship, UCSB, 2014.
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Grant, UCSB, 2014-15.
Chicano Studies Institute Grant, UCSB, 2014-15.
Center on Expertise on Migration and Health Scholarship, UC Berkeley, 2014.
Center on Expertise on Migration and Health Scholarship, UC Berkeley, 2013.
Chicana/o Studies Department Stipend, UCSB, 2013-14.
Center on Expertise on Migration and Health Grant, UC Berkeley, 2013.
Chicano Studies Institute Grant, UCSB, 2011-12.
Global Women's Health and Empowerment Institute (GWHEI) Scholarship, UCLA, 2012.
Chicana/o Studies Department Fee Fellowship, UCSB, 2011.
McNair Fellow, UCSB, 2009-10.

UPCOMING RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

“Food Boycotts in the United States History.” Conference on Food Studies, at Danish School of Education, Aarhus University, October 2021.

“Food Justice and Civil Rights in California, 1968-1975.” Latina and Latino Studies Association. Panel Accepted, Conference Postponed.

PAST RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

“Food Boycott at the White House Conference on Food, Nutrition, and Health.” Association for the Study of Food and Society (ASFS), Virtual Platform, June 2021.

“Eating Proper and the Racialization of Mexican Food.” David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies. Harvard University, Virtual Roundtable, March 2021.

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“Hunger in America: Mexican American Perspectives.” University of New Mexico, Las Cruces, Department of History, February 2020.

“Consuming the Archive: Calorie Counting and Americanization in Spanish-Language Newspapers.” American Historical Association (AHA), New York City, January 2020.

“Reading Against the Grain: The Methodological Inventiveness of Chicana/o History.” National Association of Chicana and Chicano Studies (NACCS), Minnesota, April 2018.

“Mexican Americans Respond to the (Re)Discovery of Hunger.” Unusual Cures Conference, Harvard University, March 2018.

“A Comer: A Study on Feeding Tactics Employed by Latina Mothers” National Association of Chicana and Chicano Studies (NACCS), Irvine, California, April 2017.

“Reflections on the Lessons, Methodology, Pedagogy, and Publications by Horacio N. Roque Ramirez and His Interventions in Chicana and Chicano Studies,” National Association of Chicana and Chicano Studies (NACCS), Irvine, California, April 2017.

“Hunger and Obesity: Eating and the Racialization of Latinas/os,” East Los Angeles Community College, Los Angeles, California, March 2015.

“Race and Health: On the Implications of Racism, Migration and Medicine,” Summer Institute on Migration and Global Health, Oakland, California, July 2013.

“An Overview of Latina Health in the United States from 2001-2011,” National Association of Chicana and Chicano Studies, San Antonio, Texas, March 2013.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant – History of Science Department at Harvard University

Supervisor: Gabriela Soto Laveaga, History of Science Dept., Harvard University 2018.

Tasks: Library and archival research in English and Spanish about Mexican nutrition programs and studies across U.S.-Mexico border.

Bilingual Graduate Student Researcher – Childhood Obesity Project: Child Component

Supervisor: Dr. Laura Romo, Education Department, UCSB, 2015-2016.

Tasks: Conducted lessons in Spanish about nutrition with preschool children and also led small group activities.

Graduate Student Researcher – Childhood Obesity Project: Parent Component

Supervisor: Dr. Laura Romo, Education Department, UCSB, 2013-2015.

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Tasks: Created curriculum for a bilingual focus group, conducted lessons, conducted interviews, transcribed and coded data.

Committee Member -- U.C. Mexico Diabetes

U.C.-Mexico Diabetes Conference, UC Berkeley

Tasks: Attended a conference that included researchers in the United States and Mexico, aiming to address the prevalence of Diabetes in the Mexican and Mexican American community.

Center of Expertise on Migration and Health – Research Training Workshop

Supervisor: Heather Riden, UC Berkeley, Summer 2013.

Tasks: Attended workshops and presented a paper about transnational health in the U.S.

Direct Relief International Internship

Supervisor: Eduardo Mendoza, Border Health NGO Project, Summer 2012.

Tasks: Researched and organized data about Mexican Public Health grassroots organizations.

Global Women’s Health and Empowerment Summer Institute

Supervisor: Dr. Paula Tadrow, Public Health Department, UCLA, Summer 2012.

Tasks: Attended seminars conducted by public health scholars and community members and conducted a research project on health and migration.

Oaxaca, Mexico - Summer Institute

Supervisor: Dr. Gabriela Soto Laveaga, History Department, UCSB, Summer 2012.

Tasks: Attended seminars and workshops conducted by Mexican and U.S. historians in Spanish and in English. Learned the tools to conduct research in archival repositories.

TEACHING AND MENTORING EXPERIENCE

Awards and Certificates

Eagle Online Excellence Certificate, American University, 2021.

Instructor of Record

“Social Forces that Shaped American,” History Dept., American University, Summer 2021.

“History of the U.S. – Mexico Border,” History Dept., American University, Spring 2021

“History, Memory, & the Changeable Past,” History Dept., American University, Summer 2020.

“Latinas/os/x in U.S. History,” History Dept, American University, Spring 2020.

“Body, Culture, and Power,” Chicana/o Studies Department, UCSB, Summer 2016.

“Oral History: Methods and Theories,” Chicana/o Studies Department, UCSB, Summer 2014.

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Teaching Assistant

Course: Introduction to Chicana/o Studies Culture
Terms: Spring 2017, Spring 2015, Spring 2013, Spring 2012

Course: Introduction to Chicana/o Studies Gender
Terms: Winter 2013, Winter 2012

Course: History of Immigration and Border Patrol
Term: Fall 2013

Course: Introduction to Chicana/o Studies History
Term: Fall 2012

Reader

Course: Contemporary Chicana/o Art
Term: Spring 2014

Mentorship and Training

American University

Hispanic and Latino Affinity Group Mentorship Program, Mentor
Term: 2019-2020

UCSB

UCSB Summer Sessions – Research Mentorship Program, Mentor
Term: Summer 2014

Summer Teaching Institute for Associates (STIA)
Term: Summer 2014

Lycée International of Los Angeles (LILA)

Summer Instructor for Special Topics Workshops
Term: Summer 2015

SERVICE

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI), Member, American University, 2020-2021.

Latinx and Hispanic Mentorship Program of American University, 2019-2021.

Latina/o/x Faculty and Staff Affinity Group, American University, 2019-2021.

SOUL of UCSB, Member, 2017-2018.

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Hemispheric Souths Reading and Writing Group, Member, 2017-2018.

Graduate Journal of Food Studies, Reviewer, 2016.

UC-Mexico Diabetes Initiative, Graduate Student Member, 2015.

Write Girl, Mentor, 2014-2015.

Member of South El Monte Arts Posse, History Collective-Public Digital Archive, 2013-2015.

Chicana/o Studies Graduate Student Representative, Graduate Student Association, 2011.

Proposal Submissions Reader-STEM Track, MALCS, 2011.

ACADEMIC MEMBERSHIP

Latina/o Studies Association (LSA)

American Historical Association (AHA)

National Association of Chicana and Chicano Studies (NACCS)

National Women Studies Association (NWSA)

Oral History Association (OHA)

Association for the Study of Food and Society (ASFS)

Mujeres Activas en Letras y Cambio Social (MALCS)

LANGUAGE

Spanish – Advanced Fluency: Written, Spoken, Reading, Interpretations, Translations.