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EDUCATION

Master of Science in Sociology

May 2024

Texas A&M University, College Station, TX

Bachelor of Arts in Sociology, summa cum laude

May 2020

University of Oklahoma, Norman OK

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Race and Ethnicity, Gender, Class, Global and Transnational Sociology, Migration, Culture, Art, Place and Space Studies

AWARDS AND HONORS

Avilés-Johnson Doctoral Fellowship

Fall 2020 to Spring 2023

Office of Graduate and Professional Studies, Texas A&M University

Summer Research Fellowship

Summer 2021, Summer 2022

Department of Sociology, Texas A&M University

S.T.A.R Fellowship

Summer 2023

Department of Sociology, Texas A&M University

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Texas A&M University School of Law

June – July 2023

Student Research Assistant

- Transcribed interview audio into text in preparation for analysis in the Mexican Reintegration Project.

Texas A&M University Race and Ethnic Studies Institute

January 2024 – Present

Student Research Assistant

- Aiding both LMAS and AFST with their research projects including but not limited to the Latinx Experiences at Texas A&M Study.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Guest Lecturer

- Prepared and presented a lecture entitled "National and Social Policy and Constrained Choice" for SOCI/WGST 213 Gender and Health (March 1st, 2022).
- Prepared and presented a lecture entitled "Families and Work" for SOCI/WGST 207 Intro to Gender and Society (November 15th, 2022).

- Prepared and presented a lecture entitled "Marriage and Families" for SOCI/WGST 207 Intro to Gender and Society (April 3rd, 2023).
- Prepared and presented a lecture entitled "Johnson and Trujillo Ch. 5 and 6" for SOCI 203 US-Mexico Border (October 19th, 2023).

Graduate Student Teaching Assistant

Fall 2020 to Present

Department of Sociology, Texas A&M University

SOCI 217 Intro to Race and Ethnicity

Fall 2020

- Supervised undergraduate students.
- Graded course materials.

SOCI/AFST 317 Racial and Ethnic Relations

Spring 2021

- Supervised undergraduate students.
- Graded course materials.

SOCI/WGST 316 Sociology of Gender

Fall 2021

- Created and maintained the Canvas page (online learning platform).
- Supervised undergraduate students.
- Graded course materials.

SOCI/WGST 213 Gender and Health

Spring 2022

- Created and maintained the Canvas page (online learning platform).
- Supervised undergraduate students.
- Graded course materials.
- Created assignments and associated rubrics.
- Prepared and presented guest lecture.

SOCI/WGST 207 Intro to Gender and Society

Fall 2022 to Spring 2023

- Created and maintained the Canvas page (online learning platform).
- Supervised undergraduate students.
- Graded course materials.
- Prepared and presented guest lecture.

SOCI 203 US-Mexico Border

Fall 2023

- Created and maintained the Canvas page (online learning platform).
- Supervised undergraduate students.
- Graded course materials.
- Prepared and presented guest lecture.

SOCI 413 Social Movements

Spring 2024

- Supervised undergraduate students.
- Graded course materials.

CONFERENCES

Society for Applied Anthropology

March 28, 2023 – April 1, 2023

Panelist for session: What Are Artists For?: Arts-Based Community Organizing and Performance as Applied Anthropology, Part II. Presented my paper, "Art (Spaces) Imitates Life?: An Exploration of Arts-Centered Spaces and their Degree of Accessibility to Immigrant Communities".

Social Science History Association

November 16, 2023 – November 19, 2023

Presenter for session: Constructing and Obstructing Community. Presented my paper, "Art (Spaces) Imitates Life?: An Exploration of Arts-Centered Spaces and their Degree of Accessibility to Immigrant Communities".

SERVICE

Department of Sociology Graduate Student Mentor

Fall 2021 to Present

- Providing support to new graduate cohorts in the sociology department.

Department of Sociology Welcoming Committee

Fall 2022 to Present

- Planning and carrying out various events to foster a sense of community within the department of sociology for both prospective and existing students.

Co-director of the Mentorship and Academic Development (MAAD) Program Fall 2023 to Present

- Providing support to new graduate cohorts by linking existing and new students in mentoring relationships. Also organize various social outings to foster a sense of community and well-being among graduate students.

SKILLS

Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint), SPSS, Atlas.ti

CERTIFICATIONS

Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI)

Fall 2020

CITI program course: Human Research: Group 2 Social and Behavioral Research Investigators and Key Personnel

G.R.A.D Aggies Basic Certificate

Spring 2022

Attended various workshops and sessions to improve my professional and graduate prospects.

G.R.A.D Aggies Intermediate Certificate

Spring 2023

Attended various workshops and sessions to improve my professional and graduate prospects.