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Academic Appointments

Assistant Professor of History, Emory University, 2022-
Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of History, Emory University, 2020-2022

Education

Ph.D., American Studies, Yale University, 2020
M.A., American Studies, Yale University, 2017
B.A., International Affairs, University of Georgia, 2014
B.A., Latin American & Caribbean Studies, University of Georgia, 2014

Publications

Book Manuscript

Mexican Atlanta: Migrant Place-Making in the Latinx South (in progress)

Peer-Reviewed

“Mexican Americans in the United States,” *Oxford Research Encyclopedia in American History*, Oxford University Press, February 2022

“Listening to El Southside: Kap G’s Southern Mexicanidad,” *Labor: Studies in Working-Class History*, Vol. 13, No. 3, September 2019

“‘The Sun is Gonna Shine for Everybody’: Chef Smokey’s ATL and Slanging ‘Crack’ (or Birria) in Uncertain Times,” in Rudy Guevarra, Jr. and Felipe Hinojosa eds., *Culinary Mestizaje: Racial Mixing, Migration and Foodways in the U.S.* (University of Texas Press, under contract) (co-authored with Rodolfo Aguilar)

Book Reviews

Redeeming La Raza: Transborder Modernity, Race, Respectability, and Rights by Gabriela González, *Journal of Southern History*, Vol. 88, No. 2, May 2022

Redefining the Immigrant South: Indian and Pakistani Immigration to Houston During the Cold

War by Uzma Quraishi, *The Metropole*, June 2021

Latina Lives in Milwaukee by Theresa Delgadillo, *US Latina & Latino Oral History Journal*, Vol. 1, Issue 1, Fall 2017

Awards & Fellowships

Latin American Studies Association (LASA) Latina/o Studies Section Dissertation Award, 2021

Predocctoral Mellon Fellow, The James Weldon Johnson Institute for the Study of Race and Difference, Emory University, 2019-2020

Ethnicity, Race and Migration Graduate Student Travel Grant, Yale University, 2017

Center for the Study of Race, Indigeneity, and Transnational Migration Summer Research Fellowship, Yale University, 2016

Latin American and Caribbean Studies Institute (LACSI) Future Scholar & Director's Award, University of Georgia, 2014

Presentations

Conference Presentations

"Constructing Home(s): Understanding Late 20th Century Metropolitan Sprawl through a Mexican Labor Perspective," Southern Historical Association, New Orleans, 2021

"Barrioless Destinations: In Search of Latinx Atlanta, 1960-1990," Organization of American Historians, virtual, 2021

"The use of *cinqueras*," presented with the Working Group on Globalization and Culture, at Dartmouth College and the Cultural Studies Association, Tulane University, 2019

"'Hay que divertirse un rato': Mexican Bands and Bailes in Metro Atlanta, 1980s-1990s," American Studies Association, Atlanta, Georgia, 2018

"'They're not part of the salsa crowd': Mexican Labor and Leisure in Atlanta, 1980s-1990s," Urban History Association, University of South Carolina, 2018

"Listening to *El Southside*: Hip-Hop and Kap G's Southern Mexicanidad," presented with the Working Group on Globalization and Culture, Cultural Studies Association, Shanghai University, 2018

"New Destinations, Old Resentments: Anti-Mexican Hostility in North Georgia, 1980-1989," Southern Association for Women Historians, University of Alabama, 2018

“‘Que Me Entierren en la Sierra’: The Transnational Afterlife of Mexican Migrants,” presented with the Working Group on Globalization and Culture, Princeton University and French Association of American Studies Toulouse Conference, 2016

Invited Presentations

“The Global US South,” 2nd Annual Global US South Liberation Conference, Buford Highway People’s Hub, July 2022

“Latinx Civil Rights Struggles in the US South,” The Global Civil Rights Movement Symposium, James Madison University, December 2021

“A Timeline of Hispanic Heritage in the United States,” Hispanic Heritage Month Speaker, Georgia Southwestern State University, September 2021

“Latinx Civil Rights in North Georgia,” Mexican American Civil Rights Institute, San Antonio, TX / virtual, August 2021

“The Farmworkers’ Movement, Asian-Latino Migration, and Georgia – what are the local connections,” Civil Intersections Asian-Latino Solidarity Movements and Cross-Cultural Dialogue: A Workshop for Educators, Cobb County / virtual, June 2021

“History of Latinx Immigration in the Southeastern United States,” Athens-Clarke County Library, virtual, June 2021

Roundtable Discussant

“Southern Latinidades: New Directions in the Nuevo South,” Labor and Working-Class History Association, Duke University, 2019

“New Directions in the Study of the Latina/o South,” Southern Labor Studies Association, University of Georgia, 2018

Teaching Experience

Instructor of Record, “Special Topics in History: Migrants, Borders, and Transnational Communities in the US,” Emory University, Spring 2022

Instructor of Record, “Special Topics in History: The Latinx South,” Emory University, Spring 2021

Teaching Fellow, “Introduction to Ethnicity, Race, and Migration,” Yale University, Spring 2018

Teaching Fellow, “Race, Class, Gender, and American Cities,” Yale University, Fall 2018

Co-Instructor, “Latina/o New Haven,” Yale University, Spring 2017

Teaching Fellow, "Introduction to Ethnicity, Race, and Migration," Yale University, Fall 2016

Oral History & Public Humanities Experience

Advisor, Nuestro South Story Academy, 2022

Advisor, ITVS Humanities Documentary Development Fellowship, 2022-2023

Lead oral history interviewer for the Latinx Georgia Oral History Project, University of Georgia Russell Library for Political Research and Studies, 2020 -

Content Community Advisor, Smithsonian Latino Center and Asian Pacific American Center in partnership with Cobb County Georgia Educators, 2020

Voces Oral History Research Summer Institute, University of Texas, Austin, 2017

Researcher at Smithsonian Latino Center, Smithsonian-Yale Internship, Washington, D.C., 2017

University & Professional Service

Latinx Studies Faculty Programming Committee, Emory University, 2022 -

Postdoctoral Fellow Subcommittee Co-Chair for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion at Emory, Emory University, 2021

Reviewer for *Antipode: A Radical Journal of Geography*, 2019

American Studies Graduate Student Advisory Board, Yale University, 2016-2017

Center for the Study of Race, Indigeneity, and Transnational Migration Student Advisory Board, Yale University, 2016

Professional Affiliations

American Studies Association; Labor and Working-Class History Association; Organization of American Historians; Southern Historical Association; Southern Labor Studies Association; Urban History Association

Languages

Spanish (fluent / heritage speaker)