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EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Professor, Department of History, Texas A&M University, 2016 - Present

EDUCATION

Ph.D. University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, Department of History, 2016

M.A., University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, Department of History, 2012

B.A., *summa cum laude*, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL, 2009
History and Spanish Language and Linguistics, Phi Beta Kappa

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Books

“From Picket Lines to Picket Fences: Latinas and the Remaking of Jim Crow Florida, 1930-1963,” University of North Carolina Press, under contract.

Edited Volume

Erik Gellman, Max Korchmal, Sarah McNamara, Jarod Roll, co-authors and editors, *Organizing Agribusiness from Farm to Factory: A New Food and Labor History of America’s Most Diverse Union*, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Press, under contract.

Articles

“A Not-So Nuevo Past: Latina Histories in the U.S. South,” *Labor: Studies in Working-Class History*, Vol. 16, No. 3 (September 2019): 73-78.

"Borderland Unionism: Latina Activism in Ybor City, 1935-1937," *Journal of American Ethnic History*, Vol. 38, No. 3 (Summer 2019): 10-31.

“I Speak Inglés,” *South Writ Large: Stories, Arts, and Ideas of the Global South* (Spring 2012).

Book Chapter

“Ybor City,” in *50 Events that Shaped Latino History*, ed. Lilia Fernandez, *ABC-CLIO* (March 2018).

Editorial Contributions

Guest Editor of special issue of *Journal of American Ethnic History*, The Multi-ethnic U.S. South, Vol. 38, No. 3 (Summer 2019).

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

“The Year of the Teacher Strike,” *Labor and Working-Class History Association*, (Spring 2020).

“Why UNC’s Attempt to Restore a Confederate Statue Could Delay Final Grades: The Link Between a Symbol of Oppression and the Need for Better Working Conditions,” *The Washington Post* (December 13, 2018).

“NAFTA’s Long Shadow: Where Immigration and Economic Policy Meet,” *Public Seminar* (January 9, 2018).

HONORS AND AWARDS

National & External

Postdoctoral Research Leave Fellowship, American Association of University Women, 2020-2021

Mellon Emerging Faculty Leaders Fellowship, Institute for Citizens and Scholars (formerly the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation), 2020-2021

National Endowment for the Humanities, Latino Americans: 500 Years of History “Big Grant,” 2015-2016

Emerging Diversity Scholar Award, National Center for Institutional Diversity, University of Michigan, 2016

Albert J. Beveridge Grant Prize, American Historical Association, 2015

Patrick Riordan Fellowship, Special Collections, University of South Florida, 2012

Julian Pleasants Fellowship, Samuel Proctor Oral History Program, University of Florida, 2012

Phi Beta Kappa Society, 2009

Internal

Carlos H. Cantu Endowment Research Grant, Texas A&M University, 2019-2020

College of Liberal Arts, S.E.E.D. Grant, Texas A&M University, 2019-2020

Dissertation Completion Fellowship, UNC Graduate School, 2015-2016

Mellon Dissertation Fellowship, Institute for the Study of the Americas, UNC, 2015

Excellence in Teaching Award, History Department, UNC, 2015

Latina/o Migration Award, Center for Global Initiatives, UNC, 2013

Excellence in Teaching Award, History Department, UNC, 2013

Archie Green Research Fellowship, American Studies Department, UNC, 2013

Center for the Study of the American South Summer Fellowship, UNC, 2013

CONFERENCE PAPERS

“Questioning Democracy: Oral History as a Decolonizing Tool,” Panelist, Oral History Association, October 2020.

“Latina Labors, Latinas Histories: A Discussion of Latina Histories Across Borders,” Panelist and Organizer, Berkshire Conference of Women’s Historians Triannual Conference, May 2020. (conference cancelled due to Covid-19)

“Latinxs in the Nuevo South: A State of the Field Discussion,” Panelist and Organizer, American Studies Association, November 2019.

“Southern Latinidades,” Panelist, Labor and Working-Class History Association Bi-Annual Meeting, May 2019.

“The Labors of Latinas Across Borders, Region, and Time,” Roundtable Panelist, Borderlands and Frontiers Committee Sponsored Panel and Discussion, American Historical Association Annual Meeting, January 2019.

“A Not-So Nuevo Past: Latina Histories in the U.S. South,” Panelist, American Historical Association Annual Meeting, January 2019.

“New Directions in Latina/o Southern Histories,” Roundtable Panelist, Southern Labor Studies Association Conference, May 2018.

“A Discussion with Perla Guerrero, *Nuevo South: Latina/os, Asians, and the Remaking of Place*,” Roundtable Panelist, Southern Labor Studies Association Conference, May 2018.

“La Vida Feminista: Luisa Capetillo and Radical Feminism in the Global South, 1900- 1922,” Panelist, Berkshire Conference of Women’s Historians, June 2017.

“Making the Cuban Exception: Gender and Race in South Florida,” Panelist, Organization of American Historians, Invited Panel Sponsored by Planning Committee, April 2017.

“Unmotherly Women and Foreign Tramps: Racial Politics of Welfare Access, 1930-1945,” Panelist, Southern Labor Studies Association, November 2017.

“Latina Feministas: Latina Organizing and Feminist Performance, 1930-1940,” Panelist, American Historical Association Conference, Atlanta, Georgia, January 2016.

“Talking Taboo: Challenges in Interviewing around Intimate Topics,” Forum Panelist, Oral History Association Conference, Tampa, Florida, October 2015.

“Re-thinking Florida’s Political Past: Oral History, Historical Memory, and Local Legacies,” Panelist and Organizer, Oral History Association Conference, Tampa, Florida, October 2015.

“Latinas, Labor, and the Making of the New South,” Panelist, Southern Association of Women’s Historians, Charleston, South Carolina, June 2015.

“From Prostitutes to Beauty Queens: Conservative Politics and Latina Identity in the Jim Crow South, 1930-1964,” Panelist, American Studies Association Annual Conference, Los Angeles, California, November 2014.

“Documenting ‘Undocumented and Unafraid’: Ethical Challenges of Interviewing Undocumented Activists,” Panelist, Oral History Association Annual Conference, Madison, Wisconsin, October 2014.

“Un-American Americans: Latina Activism in Ybor City Florida, 1937,” Panelist, Western Association of Women Historians Annual Conference, Portland, Oregon, May 2013.

“Connecting the Past, Present, and Future of the Women’s Movement” Round Table Panelist, Oral History Association Conference, Cleveland, Ohio, October 2012.

INVITED TALKS

Working Group in Labor and Working-Class History, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, November 13, 2020.

“Latina Labor Histories and Question of Region,” Latinx History Speaker Series, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, September 17, 2020.

“Oral History is Personal History: Latinx Lives, Community History, and the Politics of Story-telling,” Southern Oral History Program: Oral History Talk Series, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, August 18, 2020.

“Labor Histories in Latina/Chicana Communities,” NEH Summer Institute: American Women, American Citizens, 1930-1948, New York Historical Society, July 17, 2020.

“Shine Theory: Being Latinx Beyond the University,” Keynote Speaker, Latinx Graduation, College Station, TX, May 7, 2019.

“Re-thinking the Cuban Exception,” Latina/o Studies Speaker Series, Department of Latina/o Studies, New York University, October 17, 2017.

“What does a citizen look like?: Immigration Policy and the Politics of Belonging,” DACA Immigration Reform Speaker Series, Carlos Cantu Lecture Series, College Station, TX, September, 28, 2017.

“Oral History for Social Justice Scholarship,” NACCS-Tejas Conference, College Station, TX, February 23, 2017.

“Revolutionaries and Radicals,” Tampa Bay History Center, City of Tampa Archives Awareness Week, Sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities, June 14, 2016.

“Learning to Listen: Latina/o History through Latina/o Voices,” Tampa Bay History Center, City of Tampa Speakers Series, Sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities, Dec. 17 2015.

“When Sex Sells: The Commodification of Latina Identity in the South,” Hispanic Heritage Month, Phillips Exeter Academy, Exeter, New Hampshire, October 15, 2014.

“Southern Feminisms: Stories of Women’s Activism in a Changing South,” Carolina Women’s Center Speaker Series, UNC-Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC, April 9, 2014.

“Un-American Americans: Latina Working Class Activism,” Patrick Riordan Lecture Series, University of South Florida, Tampa, Florida, July 12, 2012.

TEACHING

Latinx History, Texas A&M

Feminisms of Color, Texas A&M

Latinx Work, Latinx Power!, Texas A&M

Women’s History in the Modern United States, Texas A&M

U.S. History since 1877, Texas A&M

DEPARTMENTAL AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

External

Elected Board Member, Southern Labor Studies Association, 2020-2023
Elected Board Member, Immigration and Ethnic History Society, 2019-2021
Organization Programming Committee, Labor and Working-Class History Association, 2020-2022
Conference Programming Committee, New Orleans Meeting, Southern Historical Association, 2020-2021
Conference Programming Committee, Chicago Meeting, Labor Working-Class History Association, 2020-2021
Publication Committee, Committee Member, Oral History Association, 2017-2020
Committee on Diversity, Chair, Oral History Association, 2015-2018

Internal

Faculty Co-Advisor, Council for Minority Student Affairs (CMSA), 2017- present
Climate and Inclusion Committee, Department of History, Texas A&M University, 2018-2020
Undocumented Student and Immigration Resources Task Force, Office of Provost, Texas A&M, 2018- 2020
Undergraduate Studies Committee, Committee Member, History Department, Texas A&M, 2017- 2018

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Historical Association
American Studies Association
Berkshire Conference of Women Historians
Labor and Working-Class History Association
Oral History Association
Organization of American Historians
Southern Labor Studies Association

LANGUAGES

Spanish, high proficiency, speaking and writing