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EDUCATION

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| Ph.D. | 2004 | Sociology, City University of New York Graduate Center

<i>Dissertation: "A Paradox of Autonomy and Risk: Mexican Sexoservidoras (Sex Workers) on the U.S. – Mexico Border"</i> |
| MS | 1999 | Sociology, The University of Texas at San Antonio

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Professor (2024 – present)
Suzanne Dworak-Peck School of Social Work, University of Southern California

Associate Professor (2015 – 2023)
Suzanne Dworak-Peck School of Social Work, University of Southern California

Affiliated Faculty (2021 – present)
Department of Sociology, University of Southern California, Los Angeles.

Assistant Professor (2011- 2015)
School of Social Work, University of Southern California

Assistant Professor (2006-2011)
Department of Sociology, University of Houston (Promoted to Associate Professor 2011)

Associate Director (2008-2011)
Center for Drug and Social Policy Research, Graduate School of Social Work, University of Houston

Visiting Scholar Post-Doc (2005-2006)
Center for Mexican American Studies, University of Houston

Senior Researcher (2001–2005)

Center for Drug and Social Policy Research, Graduate School of Social Work, University of Houston

Field Interviewer (1999-2001) Center for Urban Research, City University of New York Graduate Center

Research Associate II (1994–1999) Hispanic Research Center, University of Texas at San Antonio

FUNDED RESEARCH:

ENHANCED INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH TRAINING INSTITUTE

Principal Investigator: Avelardo Valdez, Ph.D.
Role: Co-Investigator
Grant #: 1 R25 DA050687- 01A1
Funding Source: National Institute on Drug Abuse, National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism/NIH
Project Period: 2020 – 2025

DISPARITIES IN HEALTH AMONG FLOATING IMMIGRANT POPULATIONS

Principal Investigator: (MPIs) Avelardo Valdez, Ph.D. (contact), Alice Cepeda, Ph.D.
Grant #: 1 R01 MD013628-01
Funding Source: National Institute on Minority Health Disparities
Project Period: 2019 – 2024

DEPRESSION, METH USE AND SAFE SEX BEHAVIORS: ASSESSING THE FEASIBILITY AND ACCEPTABILITY OF A HIV COGNITIVE BEHAVIORAL INTERVENTION FOR YOUNG ADULT LATINA WOMEN

Principal Investigator: Alice Cepeda, Ph.D.
Grant #: UL1 TR001855
Funding Source: Southern California Clinical and Translational Science Institute
Project Period: 2019 – 2021

HEALTH CONSEQUENCES OF DRUG USE AND IPV TRAJECTORIES FOR YOUNG LATINAS

Principal Investigator: Alice Cepeda, Ph.D.
Grant #: 1 R01 DA039269
Funding Source: National Institute on Drug Abuse /NIH
Project Period: 2015 – 2021

INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH TRAINING INSTITUTE

Principal Investigator: Avelardo Valdez, Ph.D.
Role: Co-Investigator
Grant #: 2 R25 DA026401
Funding Source: National Institute on Drug Abuse /NIH
Project Period: 2015 – 2021

SOCIAL ECOLOGICAL CONTEXTS OF OPIOID OVERDOSE AND HOSPITAL READMISSIONS IN THE POSTPARTUM PERIOD

Principal Investigator: Jessica Frankeberger (University of Pittsburgh)
Role: Mentor
Grant #: 1F31DA052142
Funding Source: National Institute on Drug Abuse /NIH
Project Period: 2020 – 2023

AN EXAMINATION OF THE EFFECTS OF SYNTHETIC OPIOIDS ON INJECTING HEROIN
TRAJECTORIES, PRACTICES, AND RISK BEHAVIORS

Principal Investigator: Tasha Perdue, MSW
Role: Primary Mentor [Faculty Advisor]
Grant #: 1 R36 DA048343-01A1
Funding Source: National Institute on Drug Abuse/NIH
Project Period: 2020- 2021

HIV PROJECTION MAPPING WITH CRACK USERS IN MEXICO CITY

Principal Investigator: Alice Cepeda, Ph.D.
Grant #: OPP1118561
Funding Source: Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
Project Period: 2014 – 2016

MINORITY STRESS AND SEXUAL IDENTITY ACROSS THE LIFE COURSE OF MEXICAN-AMERICAN
WOMEN WHO HAVE SEX WITH WOMEN AND MEN

Principal Investigator: Kathryn Nowotny (University of Miami)
Role: Mentor
Grant #: U54MD002266
Funding Source: National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities/ Center for
Latino Health Research Opportunities
Project Period: 2020-2021

THE SYNDOMIC OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE INVOLVEMENT, MENTAL ILLNESS, SUBSTANCE USE,
AND INTERPERSONAL VIOLENCE AMONG MARGINALIZED ADULTS LIVING WITH HIV

Principal Investigator: Kathryn Nowotny (University of Miami)
Role: Mentor
Grant #: P30MH116867
Funding Source: National Institute of Mental Health/Center for HIV and Research in Mental
Health (CHARM)
Project Period: 2020-2021

ENGAGING HISPANIC IMMIGRANTS IN MENTAL HEALTH PROMOTION AND HIV PREVENTION: A
FATHER-SON INITIATIVE

Principal Investigator: Tatiana Perrino (University of Miami)
Role: Mentor
Grant #: P30MH116867
Funding Source: National Institute of Mental Health/Center for HIV and Research in Mental
Health (CHARM)
Project Period: 2020-2021

EXAMINING HEALTH DISPARITIES: THE HEALTH AND HEALTHCARE OF INCARCERATED
ADULTS

Principal Investigator: Kathryn Nowotny (University of Colorado)
Role: Mentor
Grant #: 5F31DA037645
Funding Source: National Institute on Drug Abuse /NIH
Project Period: 2014 – 2016

MEDICAL MARIJUANA, EMERGING ADULTS AND COMMUNITY: CONNECTING HEALTH AND POLICY

Principal Investigator: Stephen Lankenau, Ph.D. (Drexel University)
Role: Senior Consultant
Grant #: R01 DA034067
Funding Source: National Institute on Drug Abuse /NIH
Project Period: 2013 – 2018

EMERGENCE AND DIFFUSION OF CRACK AND RELATED HEALTH RISK BEHAVIORS IN MEXICO CITY

Principal Investigator: Avelardo Valdez, Ph.D.
Role: Co-Investigator
Grant #: R21 DA031376
Funding Source: National Institute on Drug Abuse /NIH
Project Period: 2010 – 2014

DIVERSITY SUPPLEMENT: HEALTH CONSEQUENCES OF DRUG USE AND IPV TRAJECTORIES FOR YOUNG LATINAS

Principal Investigator: Alice Cepeda, Ph.D.
Mentee: Carolina Villamil
Grant #: R01 DA039269- S1
Funding Source: National Institute on Drug Abuse /NIH
Project Period: 2016 – 2018

AT RISK HISPANIC GANGS: LONG TERM CONSEQUENCES FOR HIV, HEPATITIS AND STI

Principal Investigator: (MPIs) Alice Cepeda, Ph.D. (Contact), Avelardo Valdez, Ph.D.
Grant #: R01 DA023857
Funding Source: National Institute on Drug Abuse /NIH
Project Period: 2008 – 2013

AT RISK HISPANIC GANGS: LONG TERM CONSEQUENCES FOR HIV, HEPATITIS AND STI (DIVERSITY SUPPLEMENT)

Principal Investigator: Alice Cepeda, Ph.D.
Avelardo Valdez, Ph.D.
Mentee: Jeffrey Cancino, Ph.D.
Grant #: R01 DA023857 S1
Funding Source: National Institute on Drug Abuse /NIH
Project Period: 2008 – 2013

INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH TRAINING INSTITUTE

Principal Investigator: Avelardo Valdez, Ph.D.
Role: Co-Investigator
Grant #: R25 DA026401
Funding Source: National Institute on Drug Abuse /NIH
Project Period: 200 – 2015

SUBSTANCE USE AND OTHER HEALTH CONSEQUENCES AMONG HURRICANE KATRINA EVACUEES IN HOUSTON

Principal Investigator: Avelardo Valdez, Ph.D.
Role: Co-Investigator

Grant #: 3R01 DA021852
Funding Source: National Institute on Drug Abuse /NIH
Project Period: 2006 – 2010

SUBSTANCE USE AND OTHER HEALTH CONSEQUENCES AMONG KATRINA EVACUEES IN HOUSTON

Principal Investigator: Avelardo Valdez, Ph.D.
Role Co-Investigator
Grant #: 3R01DA021852-03S1 (Supplement: *High Risk Drug and Related Risk Behaviors Among Hispanic Immigrant Workers in New Orleans*)
Funding Source: National Institute on Drug Abuse /NIH
Project Period: 2008-2009

UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON DRUG ABUSE RESEARCH DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Principal Investigator: Avelardo Valdez, Ph.D.
Role Primary Mentee/Principal Investigator (Pilot Project)
Grant #: R24 DA019798
Funding Source: National Institute on Drug Abuse /NIH
Project Period: 2007 – 2011

LOAN REPAYMENT: AT RISK HISPANIC GANGS: LONG TERM CONSEQUENCES FOR HIV, HEPATITIS AND STI

Principal Investigator: Alice Cepeda, Ph.D.
Funding Source: National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities /NIH
Project Period: 2009 – 2011

LOAN REPAYMENT: SUBSTANCE USE AND OTHER HEALTH CONSEQUENCES AMONG KATRINA EVACUEES

Principal Investigator: Alice Cepeda, Ph.D.
Funding Source: National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities /NIH
Project Period: 2007 – 2009

LOAN REPAYMENT: MEXICAN AMERICAN NON-INJECTING HEROIN USERS, HIV AND TRANSITIONING

Principal Investigator: Alice Cepeda, Ph.D.
Funding Source: National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities /NIH
Project Period: 2007 – 2009

ADVANCED RESEARCH PRACTICUM

Principal Investigator: Alice Cepeda, Ph.D.
Funding Source: Curriculum Development Grant Program/University of Houston
Project Period: 2009

UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON SMALL GRANT PROGRAM

Principal Investigator: Alice Cepeda, Ph.D.
Funding Source: Center for Mexican American Studies /University of Houston
Project Period: 2006

PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS (* indicates graduate student or post-doctoral mentee at time of publication, ^ indicates former IRTI or eIRTi Fellow)

Citations = 1525

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1. *^Frankeberger, J., ^Perdue, T., Ramirez, E., Valdez, A., & **Cepeda, A.** (In Press). Correlates of current methamphetamine use and opioid co-use among Latina women in a low-income community. *Journal of Psychoactive Drugs*.
2. **Cepeda, A.**, ^Nowotny, K. M., *^Frankeberger, J., Mora, E. Z., Natera-Rey, G., & Valdez, A. (2024). HIV prevention and crack harm reduction using projection mapping in Mexico City. *Health Education Journal*, 0(0). <https://doi.org/10.1177/00178969241253802>.
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4. ^Cano, M.A., Castro, F., Benner, A., Molina, K., Schwartz, S., Higashi, R., Lee, M., Vaughan, E., Bursac, Z., **Cepeda, A.**, Valdez, A., Rojas, P., De La Rosa, M., Alonso, B., Zvolensky, M. & Dios, M., (2023). Ethnic Discrimination and Self-rated Health among Hispanic Emerging Adults: Examining the Moderating Effects of Self-esteem and Resilience. *International Journal of Intercultural Relations*, 96, 101846. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ijintrel.2023.101846>.
5. Seide, K., Casanova, F. O., Ramirez, E., McKenna, M., **Cepeda, A.**, & ^Nowotny, K. M. (2023). Piloting a Flexible Solicited Diary Study with Marginalized Latina Women During the COVID-19 Pandemic. *International Journal of Qualitative Methods*, 22. <https://doi.org/10.1177/16094069231183119>. PMCID: [PMC10258653](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/PMC10258653/)
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8. Valdez, A., **Cepeda, A.**, *^Frankeberger, J., & ^Nowotny, K. M. (2022). The opioid epidemic among the Latino population in California. *Drug and alcohol dependence reports*, 2, 100029. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.dadr.2022.100029>. PMCID: [PMC9948808](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/PMC9948808/).
9. Valdez, A., Dominguez, M., & **Cepeda, A.** (2021) Practical Morality: Social Order and Criminal Network Processes in an Impoverished Mexico City Neighborhood. *Journal of Ethnographic and Qualitative Research*, 16(1).

10. Zhao, Q., **Cepeda, A.**, Chou, C. P., & Valdez, A. (2023). Incarceration trajectories and mental health problems among mothers imprisoned in state and federal correctional facilities: A nationwide study. *International Journal of Mental Health and Addiction*, 21, 492-510 <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11469-021-00608-w>.
11. *Zhao, Q., **Cepeda, A.**, Chou, C. P., & Valdez, A. (2020). Incarceration trajectories of women who are mothers: A nationally representative study of state and federal prisoners. *Crime & Delinquency*, 67(10), 1513-1535. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1177/0011128720974315>.
12. *Zhao, Q., **Cepeda, A.**, Chou, C. P., & Valdez, A. (2020). Maternal incarceration trajectories and the intergenerational transmission of imprisonment: A nationwide study. *Children and Youth Services Review*, 118, 105461. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.childyouth.2020.105461>.
13. *Fedorova, E. V., Roth, A. M., **Cepeda, A.**, *Wong, C. F., Iverson, E., & Lankenau, S. E. (2020). The Role of Life Events/Contextual Factors and Cannabis Use in Patterns of Other Drug Use Among Young Adult Cannabis Users in Los Angeles: A Qualitative Inquiry. *Journal of drug issues*, 50(2), 157–172. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0022042619900205>. PMID: [PMC7351351](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/351351/).
14. **Cepeda, A.**, ^Nowotny, K.M., ^*Frankeberger, J., Ramirez, E., ^Purdue, T., Valdez, A., *Rodriguez, V.E. (2020). Examination of Multilevel Domains of Minority Stress: Implications for Drug Use and Mental and Physical Health among Latina Women who have sex with Women and Men. *PLOS One*, 15(3): e0230437. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0230437>. PMID: [PMC7098621](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/37098621/).
15. ^Nowotny, K.M., ^*Frankeberger, J., **Cepeda, A.**, & Valdez, A. (2019). Trajectories of Heroin Use: A 15-Year Retrospective Study of Mexican-American Men who Were Affiliated with Gangs During Adolescence. *Drug and Alcohol Dependence*, 204, 107505. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.drugalcdep.2019.06.008>. PMID: [PMC6989031](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/36989031/).
16. *Fedorova, E.V., Schragger, S.M., Robinson, L.F., **Cepeda, A.**, Wong, C.F., Iverson, E., & Lankenau, S.E. (2019). Illicit Drug Use and Prescription Drug Misuse Among Young Adult Medical Cannabis Patients and Non-Patient Users in Los Angeles. *Drug and Alcohol Dependence*, 198, 21-27. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.drugalcdep.2019.01.026>. PMID: [PMC7336713](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/37336713/).
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18. ^Nowotny, K. M., ^*Frankeberger, J., *Rodriguez, V. E., Valdez, A., & **Cepeda, A.** (2019). Behavioral, Psychological, Gender, and Health Service Correlates to Herpes Simplex Virus Type 2 Infection among Young Adult Mexican-American Women Living in a Disadvantaged Community. *Behavioral Medicine*, 45(1), 52-61. <https://doi.org/10.1080/08964289.2018.1447906>. PMID: [PMC6148393](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/36148393/).
16. Valdez, A., ^Nowotny, K. M., *Zhao, Q. W., & **Cepeda, A.** (2019). Interpersonal Partner Relationships, Bonds to Children, and Informal Social Control among Persistent Male Offenders. *Social problems*, 66(3), 468–483. <https://doi.org/10.1093/socpro/spy018>. PMID: [PMC6636053](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/36636053/).
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Journal of Substance Use, 23(5): 520-527. <https://doi.org/10.1080/14659891.2018.1489478>.
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19. ^Nowotny, K.M., ^*Perdue, T., **Cepeda, A.**, & Valdez, A. (2017). Mental health of heroin users with differing injection drug use histories: A non-treatment sample of Mexican American young adult men. *Drug and alcohol dependence*, 181: 124-131. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.drugalcdep.2017.08.041>. PMCID: [PMC5683936](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/PMC5683936/).
20. ^Bazzi, A.R., ^Mogro-Wilson, C., ^Negi, N.J., Reingle Gonzales, J.M., ^Cano, M.A., Castro, Y., & **Cepeda, A.** (2017). Developing scientists in Hispanic substance use and health disparities research through the creation of a national mentoring network. *Mentoring & Tutoring: Partnership in Learning*, 25(2): 151-165. <https://doi.org/10.1080/13611267.2017.1333231>. PMID: [28804254](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/28804254/).
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23. **Cepeda, A.**, Saint Onge, J.M., ^*Nowotny, K.M., Valdez, A. (2016). Associations between long-term gang membership and informal social control processes, drug use, and delinquent behavior among Mexican American youth. *International Journal of Offender Therapy and Comparative Criminology*, 60(13): 1532-1548. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0306624X15584985>. PMCID: [PMC5919194](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/PMC5919194/).
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33. Saint Onge, J.M., **Cepeda, A.**, *King, P., & Valdez, A. (2013). "The Relationship Between Trajectories of Family/Cultural Stressors and Depression and Suicidal Ideation Among Substance Using Mexican-American Adults." *American Journal of Community Psychology*, 52:263–272. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10464-013-9592-4>. PMID: [23904175](https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/23904175/)
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PRESENTATIONS

- 2022 “Using Reflexive Ethnography to Understand Long-Term Drug and Health Disparities among Young Adult Latinas,” (Invited Talk) NYU Center for Opioid Epidemiology and Policy, Department of Population Health, New York University, December 1, 2022.
- 2022 “Immigration Factors & Substance Use Among Floating Immigrant Populations,” National Hispanic Science Network Annual Conference, September 28-30, 2022.
- 2022 “Contemporary Sociological Perspectives on Substance Use Disorder Treatment and Recovery (Presider),” American Sociological Association, August 5-9, 2022.
- 2022 “Risk Reduction in a ‘Fetty’ Market: Strategies for Overdose Prevention and Overdose Response,” Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Conference, August 5-7, 2022.
- 2022 “Sociodemographic Characteristics, Mental Health, and Behavioral Factors Associated with Current Methamphetamine Use among Disadvantaged Latinas,” Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Conference, August 5-7, 2022.
- 2022 “Substance Use Patterns and Mental Health Outcomes among Floating Immigrant Populations,” Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Conference, August 5-7, 2022.

- 2021 "Using Reflexive Ethnography to Understand Long-Term Intimate Partner Violence, Drug and Health Disparities among Latina Young Adults," (Invited Talk) The Center for Conflict Management and the Department of Sociology, The University of Akron, October 18, 2021.
- 2021 "Session on Drugs and Society: Inequality and Substance Use," American Sociological Association, August 8-11, 2021.
- 2021 "Section on Drugs and Society Roundtable (Presider)," American Sociological Association, August 8-11, 2021.
- 2021 "Impact of Covid-19 On Substance Use, Treatment, And Policy," American Sociological Association, August 8-11, 2021.
- 2021 "Addressing Overlooked Drug Using Populations through Social Change: The Case of Opioids and the Latino Population in California," Society for the Study of Social Problems, August 6-10.
- 2021 "The Effect of Mental Health Changes on Mood and Substance Use in Latina Women during the Covid-19 Pandemic," Society for the Study of Social Problems, August 6-10.
- 2021 "Health Disparities associated with Long-Term Partner Violence and Drug Use Patterns among Latina Young Adults," (Invited Talk) Center for Health Equity Transformation, University of Kentucky College of Medicine, March 18, 2021.
- 2019 "Correlates of Drug Patterns of Young Adult Mexican American Women from Disadvantaged Communities," Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP), August 9-11, 2019, New York, NY.
- 2019 "Social Context and HIV Vulnerability in Adolescent Latinas Living in San Antonio, TX: The Role of Symbiotic Goals in Disease Prevention," Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP), August 9-11, 2019, New York, NY.
- 2019 "Using Reflexive Ethnography to Understand Emerging Patterns of Crack Use in Mexico City: A Critique of the Latino Health Paradox," Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP), August 9-11, 2019, New York, NY.
- 2019 "Understanding the social structural production of HIV Risk among a population of marginalized Latina young women: Prevention efforts among changing risk environments" . International AIDS Society (IAS), July 21-24, Mexico City, Mexico.
- 2019 "Feasibility And Effectiveness Of An HIV Education And Harm Reduction Projection Mapping Intervention Among Crack Users In Mexico City" . NIDA International Forum, College on Problems of Drug Dependence, June 15-19, San Antonio, TX.
- 2019 "Opioid use and related socioeconomic and health outcomes among marginalized Mexican-American women" . College on Problems of Drug Dependence, June 15-19, San Antonio, TX.

- 2019 “Cumulative trauma and drug use outcomes among a sample of Mexican-American women living in a marginalized community” . College on Problems of Drug Dependence, June 15-19, San Antonio, TX.
- 2018 “Understanding the role of socio-cultural context on prescription opioid and heroin use among gang-affiliated females in San Antonio”. American Public Health Association (APHA), November 10-14, San Diego, CA.
- 2018 “Trajectories of Heroin Use: Longitudinal Models Based on a 15-Year Follow-Up Study of Mexican American Men” . National Hispanic Science Network (NHSN), October 3-5, Rockville, M.D.
- 2018 “Correlates of Drug Dependence and Drug Treatment Among a Longitudinal Sample of Mexican American Women in a Disadvantaged Community”. National Hispanic Science Network (NHSN), October 3-5, Rockville, M.D.
- 2018 “Drug Use, Incarceration, and Health Indicators of Latina Women who have Sex with Women and Men”. American Sociological Association (ASA), August 10-15, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2018 “‘I May Come Up Dirty’: Substance Use Factors Associated with Non-disclosure of IPV to Law Enforcement among Mexican American Young Adult Women”. Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP), August 10-12, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2018 “Mexico’s Anexos: A Case Study of the Dialectics Enabling and Disabling Factors in Therapeutic Communities for Addiction Treatment” . Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP), August 10-12, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2018 “Understanding the Accessibility of Naloxone through Pharmacies: An Ethnographic Approach” . Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP), August 10-12, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2017 “Perceived Barriers and Recommendations for Improving Opiate Addiction Treatment Entry and Retention Among Residentially Instable Opiate Users in Skid Row, Los Angeles” . American Public Health Association (APHA), November 4-8, Atlanta, GA.
- 2017 “Health and Drug Use Disparities Among Latina Women Who have Sex with Women and Men (LWSWM) in a Disadvantaged Community” . National Hispanic Science Network on Drug Abuse (NHSN), October 4-6, Phoenix, AZ.
- 2017 “Drug Use Among Mexican-American Men with Histories of Incarceration” . National Hispanic Science Network on Drug Abuse (NHSN), October 4-6, Phoenix, AZ.
- 2017 “STIs, HCV, and Drug Use Among a Longitudinal Cohort of Mexican-American Women in a Disadvantaged Community” . National Hispanic Science Network on Drug Abuse (NHSN), October 4-6, Phoenix, AZ.
- 2017 “Effectiveness of a Projection Mapping HIV Education and Harm Reduction Intervention Among Crack Users in Mexico City” . National Hispanic Science Network on Drug Abuse (NHSN), October 4-6, Phoenix, AZ.

- 2017 “Frontiers: Latino Drug Abuse Research from a Veterana to the Next Generation of Scientists” . National Hispanic Science Network on Drug Abuse (NHSN), October 4-6, Phoenix, AZ.
- 2017 “Just Say Know: The Wall Between Criminal and Social Justice” . National Hispanic Science Network on Drug Abuse (NHSN), October 4-6, Phoenix, AZ.
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- 2017 “Promoting Health Behaviors through Projection Mapping: Effectiveness of an HIV Education and Harm Reduction Intervention among Active Crack Users in Mexico City” . Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP), August 11-13, Montréal, Québec.
- 2017 “Fifteen Year Incarceration Trajectories and Mental Health among Drug Using Mexican American Young Adult Men” . Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP), August 11-13, Montréal, Québec.
- 2017 “The Experiences of Opiate Use Transitions Among Residentially Instable Adults Utilizing Harm Reduction Services in Skid Row, Los Angeles” . Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP), August 11-13, Montréal, Québec.
- 2017 “Prevalence of Polydrug Use, STIs and HSV-2 in Young Mexican American Women from a Disadvantaged Community” . Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP), August 11-13, Montréal, Québec.
- 2017 “Transitions and Harm Reduction Strategies Among Diverse Opiate Users”. Society for Social Work Research (SSWR), January 11-15, New Orleans, LA.
- 2017 “Implications of Long-Term Injecting Heroin Use Among Mexican American Users”. Society for Social Work Research (SSWR), January 11-15, New Orleans, LA.
- 2017 “Tirando Esquina: Methodological Considerations in the Implementation of a Projection Mapping Intervention for Crack Users in Mexico City” . Society for Social Work Research (SSWR), January 11-15, New Orleans, LA.
- 2016 “Tirando Esquina – Interveniendo Muros de Salud: International Intervention Science Collaboration” Summer Institute, Interdisciplinary Research Training Institute on Hispanic Drug Abuse (IRTI), June 7-13, Los Angeles, CA.
- 2016 “The Science of Team Research: Notes from the Field”. Summer Institute, Interdisciplinary Research Training Institute on Hispanic Drug Abuse (IRTI), June 7-13, Los Angeles, CA.
- 2016 “Building and Sustaining Effective Intra-University Collaborations in Mentoring and Training”. Sixteenth Annual International Conference, National Hispanic Science Network on Drug Abuse (NHSN), June 15-17, Palm Desert, CA.

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- 2016 "HIV and STI Risk Profile of Crack Users: Preliminary Data from a Projecting Mapping Intervention in Mexico City". Sixteenth Annual International Conference, National Hispanic Science Network on Drug Abuse (NHSN), June 15-17, Palm Desert, CA.
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- 2016 "Tirando Esquina: Methodological Considerations in the Implementation of a Projection Mapping Intervention for Crack Users in Mexico City". Sixteenth Annual International Conference, National Hispanic Science Network on Drug Abuse (NHSN), June 15-17, Palm Desert, CA.
- 2016 "Implications of Race and Class in the Shift from a War on Drugs to Treatment Interventions for the Opiate Epidemic". Globalizing Social Problems, Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP), August 19-21, Seattle, WA.
- 2016 "Practical Morality: Social Order in a Mexico City Impoverished Neighborhood". 66th Annual Meeting, Globalizing Social Problems, Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP), August 19-21, Seattle, WA.
- 2016 "Precocious Transitions and Long-term Heroin use Outcomes: A Longitudinal Study of Gang-affiliated Mexican-American Males". American Sociological Association (ASA), August 20-23, Seattle, WA.
- 2016 "Transitions Among Opiate Users". Society for Prevention Research (SPR), May 31-June 3, San Francisco, CA.
- 2015 "Longitudinal Outreach Strategies in the Relocation and Street Recruitment of Latino Young Adults with Histories of Adolescent Gang Membership and Drug Use". International Conference on Outreach Work: Youth Gangs, Violence and Female Delinquency, December 3-5, Hong Kong.
- 2014 "Social Determinants of Crack Use among Drug Using Women in Mexico City", American Public Health Association, November 14-20, 2014, New Orleans, LA.
- 2014 "Ethnographic Methods in Accessing a Street-Recruited Community Based Sample of Crack Users in Mexico City", American Sociological Association (ASA), August 16-19, San Francisco, CA.
- 2014 "Emerging Patterns of Crack Use in Mexico City", American Sociological Association (ASA), August 16-19, San Francisco, CA.

- 2014 “Prevalence of Biological Risk Factors and STIs among Drug Using Mexican American Men with Histories of Gang Membership”, Society for Study on Social Problems (SSSP), August 15-17, San Francisco, CA.
- 2014 “Substance Use, Mental Health and Incarceration among Mexican-American Young Adult Men with a History of Gang Membership”, College on Problems of Drug Dependence (CPDD), June 14-19, San Juan, Puerto Rico.
- 2014 “Risk, Resilience and Migration: Implications for Drug Use, Mental Health and Services Delivery”, Vulnerability to Drug Abuse among Hispanics (VIDA), May 29-30, El Paso, TX.
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- 2014 “Diffusion of Crack: The Influence of Macro-Level Factors, Migration, and Existing Interdiction Efforts”, Society for Social Work Research, January 15-19, San Antonio, TX [National]
- 2013 “Variations in Mental Health Conditions, Substance Use and Incarceration, Mexican American Young Adult Men with a History of Gang Membership”, Society for the Study of Social Problems, August 9-11, New York City.
- 2013 “Educational Career Trajectory Mentoring,” *Comisión Femenil San Fernando Valley. March 8. Invited Presentation.*
- 2013 “Emerging Patterns in Drug Use: Social and Health Risk Consequences among Mexican-Origin Populations in the U.S. and Mexico”, University of Texas at El Paso. April 13. Invited Presentation.
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- 2013 “Contextual and cultural influences on Substance Use among Latinos in the U.S.” Society for Social Work Research, January 16 – 20, San Diego
- 2013 “Access To and Use of Health Services among Post-Katrina Drug Using Latino Day Laborers in NOLA” Southwestern Social Science Association, March 27 – 30, New Orleans, LA [National]
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- 2012 "Intimate Partner Relationships and Life course Trajectories of Drug Using Mexican American Male Gang Members." American Sociological Association (ASA), August 18-20, Denver, CO. [National]
- 2012 "High Risk Sexual Behaviors among Drug Using Mexican Female Sex Workers." Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP), August 16-18, Denver, CO. [National]
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- 2012 "Social Consequences of Serial Incarceration among Young Adult Mexican American Men" Southwestern Social Science Association, April 4- 7, San Diego, CA. [National]
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- 2011 "Social Stressors, Special Vulnerabilities and Violence Victimization among Latino Immigrant Day Laborers in Post Katrina New Orleans" Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP), August 19-21, Las Vegas, NV.
- 2011 "Mexico's Drug War Exposes Transitional Social Problem and Political Crisis". Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP), August 19-21, Las Vegas, NV.
- 2011 "Social Stressors, Special Vulnerabilities and Violence Victimization among Latino Immigrant Day Laborers in Post Katrina New Orleans" Southwestern Social Science Association, March 16 – 19, Las Vegas, NV. [National]
- 2010 "Examining the etiology of crack use among Latino immigrant day laborers in New Orleans." American Public Health Association (APHA), November 6-10, Denver, CO. [National]
- 2010 "Crack Smoking in Ageing Mexican American Injecting Heroin Users." Study of Social Problems (SSSP), August 13-15, Atlanta, GA. [National]

- 2010 "Social Network Analysis of Aging Mexican American Heroin Users." Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP), August 13-15, Atlanta, GA. [National]
- 2010 "Transitions to Injecting Drug Use Among Mexican American Non-injecting Heroin Users: The Influence of an Injecting Culture." American Sociological Association (ASA), August 14-17, Atlanta, GA. [National]
- 2010 "Health Consequences among Aging Mexican American Heroin Users: An Ethnographic Analysis." American Sociological Association (ASA), August 14-17, Atlanta, GA. [National]
- 2010 "Post-Disaster Substance Use Patterns among Disadvantaged Hurricane Katrina Evacuees: A Multivariate Risk Factor Analysis." American Sociological Association (ASA), August 14-17, Atlanta, GA.
- 2010 "Emerging Drug Use Patterns, New Settlement Destinations & Career Trajectories: Social and Health Risks among Latino Populations". University of Nebraska Lincoln, Department of Sociology Colloquium. May 5th. [National]
- 2010 "Family Context in the Life Course of *tecatos*: An ethnographic analysis of aging Mexican American heroin users." Southwestern Social Science Association (SSSA), March 31-April 3, Houston, TX. [Local]
- 2010 "Black on Brown Violence: Victimization of Latino Immigrant Day Laborers in Post-Katrina New Orleans." Southwestern Social Science Association (SSSA), March 31-April 3, Houston, TX. [Local]
- 2009 "Jornaleros inmigrantes Hispanos en Nueva Orleans: Nuevos patrones de asentamiento y destinos". XII Congreso Internacional Sobre Integración Regional, Fronteras Y Globalización En El Continente Americano. Venezuela 26-28 De Noviembre. [International]
- 2009 "Health Consequences of Latino Immigrant Day Laborers in New Orleans: New Patterns of Settlement and Destination". Social Science Research on Immigration: The Role of Transnational Migration, Communities and Policy, Arizona State University; School of Justice and Social Inquiry. Tempe, AZ. September 10 – 11. [National]
- 2009 "Transitions to Injecting Drug Use among Mexican American Noninjecting Heroin Users". American Sociological Association, San Francisco. August 9 - 11. [National]
- 2009 "*Fumando La Piedra*: Patterns of Crack Use among Latino Immigrant Day Laborers in New Orleans". Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting, San Francisco, August 7 – 9. [National]
- 2009 "Contextual and Cultural Influences of Substance Use among U.S Hispanics". Montgomery County United Way. Conroe, TX. May 26. [Local]

- 2008 "Your Name Carries Weight": Katrina evacuee's adjustment to Houston's criminal networks", American Society of Criminology, St. Louis, MO, November 12 -15. [National]
- 2008 "Your Name Carries Weight": The Impact of Hurricane Katrina on Drug Use Behaviors among Evacuees in Houston" International Conference on Urban Health, Vancouver, BC, October 29-31. [International]
- 2008 "Community Based Participatory Research in Practice," National Hispanic Science Network on Drug Abuse- Summer Research Training Institute, Houston, TX, June 10-16. [Local]
- 2008 "High Risk Drug Use by Hispanic Immigrants in New Orleans" Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, July 31 – August 2. [National]
- 2008 "A Family Based Intervention for Gang Affiliated Adolescent Drug Users" American Sociological Association, Boston, MA, August 1-4, 2008. [National]
- 2007 Participant "Substance Use Patterns among Hurricane Katrina Evacuees Living in High Crime Neighborhoods in Houston," American Society of Criminology, Atlanta, GA, November 14 - 17. [National]
- 2007 Interuniversity Institute for Research Seminar on Gangs, Armed Violence, Urban Transformation and Governance Port-au-Prince, Haiti. October 24 – 27. [International]
- 2007 Heroin Transition Risk Among Daily and Non-Daily Marijuana Users," National Hispanic Science Network on Drug Abuse, *Seventh Annual International Conference Drug Use & Adaptation to Rapidly Changing Environments*, Miami, September 26 – 28. [National]
- 2007 "Substance Use and Other Health Consequences among Hurricane Katrina Evacuees in Houston," Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting, New York City, August 10 –12. [National]
- 2007 "Community Based Research in Practice," National Hispanic Science Network on Drug Abuse- Summer Research Training Institute, Houston, TX, June 4 – 12. [Local]
- 2007 "A Paradox of Autonomy and Risk: Mexican *Sexoservidoras* (Sex Workers) on the U.S. – Mexico Border," Texas A&M University Sociology Department Colloquium, College Station, Texas, Feb 23. [National]
- 2006 Participant. "Disasters and Substance Abuse." National Institute of Health, National Institute on Drug Abuse, Division of Epidemiology, Services and Prevention Research, Bethesda, Maryland. December 7 – 8.
- 2006 Panelist. "Houston and Human Trafficking." Baylor College of Medicine, Baylor World Health and Human Rights Organization, November 9.

- 2006 Co-President. "Town Hall meeting with the NIDA Director." Sixth Annual National Hispanic Science Network on Drug Abuse Conference, Scottsdale, Arizona, September 12 – 16.
- 2006 "Ethnographic Strategies in the Tracking and Retention of a Community Based Sample of Mexican American Heroin Sniffers" Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting, Montreal, CA. August 10 –12.
- 2006 "The Influence of Personal/Behavioral Susceptibility and Community Norms: Understanding Qualitatively the Risk of Transitioning to Injecting Among Mexican American NIUs" American Sociological Association, Montreal, CA. August 11-14.
- 2006 "In the Business: Substance Use Demands, Negotiations and Dependency on the U.S./Mexico Border" American Sociological Association, Montreal, CA. August 11-14.
- 2006 "Livelihood and Migration Experiences of Sex Workers on the U.S./Mexico Border." Internationales Promotionsprogramm Gesellschaftswissenschaften, Johann Wolfgang Goethe-Universität Frankfurt am Main, May 8 – 12.
- 2006 Panelist, "Trafficking Women: A Forum on the Role of Houston in the International Trafficking of Women." The James A. Baker III Institute for Public Policy, Rice University, April 12.
- 2006 "A Paradox of Autonomy and Risk: Substance Use Demands, Negotiations and Dependency Among Mexican Sexoservidoras" Sex Work Matters: Beyond Divides, A Conference at The New School and CUNY Graduate Center, March 30.
- 2005 "Brief Strategic Family therapy: Drug Using Gang Affiliated Adolescents and Their Families." National Association of Social Workers – Texas Chapter, Galveston, TX. November 10-12.
- 2005 "Informal Social Control Processes on Adolescent Delinquent Behavior among Two Types of Mexican American Gangs." American Society of Criminology, Toronto, CA. November 16-19.
- 2005 "HCV Risk Factors Among Mexican American Non-Injecting Heroin Using Networks." Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA. August 12 –14.
- 2004 "Public Health Issues Among Mexican *Sexoservidoras* (Sex Workers) On The U.S. – Mexico Border." Third International Conference on Urban Health. Boston, October 20-22.
- 2004 "Changing Heroin Market Dynamics: The Impact on Patterns of Non-injecting Use in South Texas." Drug Abuse: A Workshop on Behavioral and Economic Research, National Institute on Drug Abuse. Bethesda, Maryland, October 18-20.
- 2004 "Potential Risk Factors Associated with the Transition to Injecting among Mexican American Non-Injecting Heroin Users: A Comparison of Never and Former Injectors

- " 2nd Caribbean Basin and Hispanic Addiction Technology Transfer Center National Conference, Universidad Central del Caribe, San Juan Puerto Rico, August 18 – 24,.
- 2004 "Context of Marijuana Use among Mexican American Polydrug Users" "American Sociological Association. San Francisco, CA, August 14 -17.
- 2004 "Potential Risk Factors Associated with the Transition to Injecting among Mexican American Non-Injecting Heroin Users: A Comparison of Never and Former Injectors." Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, August 13 –15.
- 2003 "A Changing Drug Market: The Impact on Patterns of Heroin Use." American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting, Denver, Co, November 19-22.
- 2003 "Snorting Brown: Contextual Factors and the Process of Addiction among Chicano Non-Injecting Heroin Users." 3rd Annual National Hispanic Science Network on Drug Abuse Conference, Miami, FL, October 1-4.
- 2002 "Inyección de Drogas y Conducta Sexual de Alto Riesgo: La Frontera Mexico/ Estados Unidos Ciudad Juárez, Chihuahua." 8 Congreso Nacional Sobre VIH/SIDS e Infecciones de Transmisión Sexual. Veracruz, Ver. Mexico. December 4-6.
- 2001 "Sex Work and Violence on the U.S. – Mexico Border." Society for the Study of Social Problems. Anaheim, California.
- 2001 "Injecting Drug Use and High-Risk Sexual Behavior on the U.S. – Mexico Border." Pan American Health Organization. Las Cruces, New Mexico, May 29.
- 2000 "Drugs, Gangs, and Homicide in South Texas." American Society of Criminology. San Francisco, California, November, 15-18.
- 2000 "Childhood Trauma Among Violent Mexican American Male Gang Members." American Sociological Association. Washington, DC, August 15-18.
- 1999 "Psychopathy and Childhood Trauma among Mexican American High-Risk Male Youth." American Sociological Association. Chicago, Illinois, August.
- 1998 "Exploring the Relationship between Male Gang Violence and Females." American Sociological Association. San Francisco, California, August 21-25.
- 1998 "Gangs on the Southwest Border Region." National Association for Chicano and Chicana Studies. Mexico City, June 24-27.
- 1997 "Gender Issues Among Mexican American Gangs." American Sociological Association. Toronto, Canada. August 9-13.
- 1996 "The Legal Importation of Prescription Drugs into the United States from Mexico: A Study of Customs Declarations." Poster presentation at the Society for Prevention Research. San Juan, Puerto Rico. June.

1996 "The Legal Importation of Prescription Drugs into the United States from Mexico: A Study of Customs Declarations." National Association for Chicano and Chicana Studies. Chicago, Illinois. March 20-23.

HONORS

2017 Award for Excellence in Mentoring in the category of Faculty Mentoring Graduate Students. University of Southern California.

2015 National Award of Excellence in Mentoring. National Hispanic Science Network on Drug Abuse.

2010 National Award of Excellence in Research by a New Investigator. National Hispanic Science Network on Drug Abuse.

2010 Junior Scholar Award. Society for the Study of Social Problems, Drinking and Drugs Division.

2002 National Hispanic Science Network on Drug Abuse (NHSN), "National Award of Excellence in Research by a Student." Los Angeles, California.

2001 "Somos El Futuro Foundation Fellowship." Center for Latin American, Caribbean and Latino Studies, City University of New York Graduate Center.

1999-2002 Dean K. Harrison Fellowship. City University of New York Graduate Center

1998 "Exploring the Relationship between Violence and Females Associated with Male Gangs." Graduate Student Small Grants Program. University of Texas at San Antonio, College of Behavioral Sciences.

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS MEMBERSHIP

1995 – Present American Sociological Association

2000 - Present American Society of Criminology

2003 - Present Society for the Study of Social Problems

2019 -Present College on Problems of Drug Dependence

2016-Present Steering Committee, National Hispanic Science Network on Drug Abuse, National Institute on Health, National Institute on Drug Abuse

2001-Present Member, National Hispanic Science Network on Drug Abuse, National Institute on Health, National Institute on Drug Abuse

2009-Present Racial Democracy, Crime and Justice-Network

2013-Present Society for Social Work Research

NATIONAL SERVICE

July 2023	Guest Lecturer, Council on Social Work Education Webinar “Reimagining Substance Use Disorders: Engaging in Current Research”
June 2022	Member, National Institute on Drug Abuse Special Emphasis Panel/Scientific Review Group 2022/10 ZDA1 SKM-D (01) S
February 2022	Member, NIH Center for Scientific Review, Health Promotion in Communities Study Section, Healthcare Delivery and Methodologies Integrated Review Group 2022/05 HPC
2021-2022	Chair, American Sociological Association, Drugs and Society Section.
2020 – 2021	Chair-elect, American Sociological Association, Section of Alcohol, Drugs and Tobacco.
2016	Reviewer, National Institute on Drug Abuse, Diversity Scholars Network. Mock Review Workshop, September 22-23.
2014 –2016	Chair, Society for the Study of Social Problems, Drinking and Drugs Division
2013 – 2015	ASA Council Member, Section of Alcohol, Drugs and Tobacco.
2016 - Present	Steering Committee, National Hispanic Science Network on Drug Abuse, National Institute on Drug Abuse/ National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism.
2011 - 2014	Chair, National Hispanic Science Network on Drug Abuse, Early Career Leadership Committee
2012	Chair, American Sociological Association, Alcohol Drugs and Tobacco Student Paper Award Committee
2010 – 2012	Advisory Panel Member, American Sociological Association, Minority Fellowship Program
2006 – 2010	Society for the Study of Social Problems, Drinking and Drug Division, Student Paper Award Committee
2005 - Present	National Hispanic Science Network on Drug Abuse, Summer Research Training Institute Subcommittee
2006 - 2008	ASA Council Member, Section of Alcohol, Drugs and Tobacco.
2008	Ford Foundation Diversity Fellowship Program Predoctoral Sociology Panel Review, Washington, D.C. March 6 - 8

- 2009 Ford Foundation Diversity Fellowship Program Sociology Panel Review, Washington, D.C. March 19 – 21.
- 2009 Racial Democracy, Crime and Justice-Network Summer Workshop Panel, The Ohio State University, Criminal Justice Research Center. Ohio State University, July 23-24, 2009.

INTERNATIONAL PARTICIPATION

- 2022 Dissertation Committee, **Miguel Ángel Graciano Mendoza Meléndez**, Centro De Investigación Y De Estudios Avanzados Del Instituto Politécnico Nacional, Unidad Zacatenco
- 2020 “Investigación en Poblaciones Ocultas: Usuarios de Drogas, Jóvenes, Pandilleros y “Criminales”,” Seminario Permanente Jóvenes entre la Creación y la Criminalización, Escuela Nacional de Antropología e Historia, February 27, Invited Talk.
- 2012 – 2015 Investigador Invitado, Instituto para la Atención y Prevención de las Adicciones en la Ciudad de México (IAPA).
- 2011 Primera Reunión Internacional de Investigadores y Académicos, Organizada por el Instituto para la Atención y Prevención de las Adicciones en la Ciudad de México (IAPA). November 30, 2011. Ciudad de México, D.F.

UNIVERSITY SERVICE AND COMMITTEES

- 2021 – Present **Co-Chair**, Community Engagement and Dissemination Group, University of Southern California (USC) Institute for Addiction Science
- 2021 – Present **Steering Committee Member**, University of Southern California (USC) Institute for Addiction Science
- 2019 – Present **Member**, USC Institute for Addiction Science, University of Southern California
- 2022 – Present **Chair, Research Advisory Board**, School of Social Work, University of Southern California
- 2020 – 2022 **Chair, Research Council**, School of Social Work, University of Southern California
- 2019 – 2020 **Committee Member, Research Council**, School of Social Work, University of Southern California
- 2018 – 2020 **Member, Provost Oversight Committee on Athletic Academic Affairs**, University of Southern California

2018 – present	Member, MSW Admissions Committee , School of Social Work, University of Southern California
2011 – present	Member, Doctoral Committee – School of Social Work, University of Southern California
2015 – 2017	Course Lead, SOWK 635 - School of Social Work, University of Southern California
2014 – 2015	Chair, Research Sequence – School of Social Work, University of Southern California
2013 – 2014	Member, Faculty Council – School of Social Work, University of Southern California
2012 – 2013	Member, Faculty Search Committee – School of Social Work, University of Southern California (served on two search cycles)

STUDENT COMMITTEES and MENTORING

University of Southern California

2022-Present	Ph.D. Mentor & Dissertation Committee Member, Leticia Morales , School of Social Work
2020-2022	Post-Doctoral Scholar, Kay Varela , Suzanne Dvorak Peck, School of Social Work & USC Leonard Davis School of Gerontology
2019 – 2020	Research Mentor, Emily Rodriguez , Research in Science Program at Marlborough High School
2018 – 2021	Ph.D. Qualifying Exam Committee Member, Daniel Chu , Preventive Medicine
2018 – 2020	Graduate Student Mentor, Rebecca Morgan , Public Health
2014 – 2021	Ph.D. Mentor & Dissertation Committee Chair, Tasha Perdue , School of Social Work
2014 – 2020	Ph.D. Mentor & Dissertation Committee Member, Qianwei Zhao , School of Social Work
2014 – 2019	Ph.D. Qualifying Exam Committee Member, Mee-Young Um , School of Social Work
2016 – 2017	Ph.D. Mentor, Grecia Ramos , School of Social Work
2014 – 2016	Graduate Student Mentor, Jessica Frankeberger , Preventive Medicine
2014 – 2015	Graduate MSW Student Mentor, Berenice Castillo , School of Social Work

- 2012 – 2014 USC Undergraduate Honors Mentor, **Tanya Behnam**. Department of Psychology Honors Program.
- Fall 2012 SOWK 590 Directed Research Faculty Supervisor, **Kati Ann Kelleher**. USC MSW School of Social Work
- Spring 2013 SOWK 590 Directed Research Faculty Supervisor, **Andrew Warren Trindle**, USC MSW School of Social Work

University of Pittsburgh

- 2020 – present eIRTI Senior Mentor, **Jessica Frankeberger** (PhD Candidate), University of Pittsburgh, Graduate School of Public Health

University of Texas at El Paso

- 2019 – 2021 eIRTI Senior Mentor & Dissertation Committee Mentor, **Rubi Gonzalez** (PhD Candidate), University of Texas at El Paso, Department of Psychology

Colorado University at Boulder

- 2012 – 2016 Dissertation Committee Member, **Kathryn M. Nowotny**. Department of Sociology, Colorado University, Boulder.

Drexel University

- 2018 – 2019 Dissertation Committee Member, **Ekaterina V. Fedorova**. Community Health and Prevention, Drexel University.

University of Houston

Thesis Committee Chair. **Ginni van Katwijk**. “Employment as an Informal Social Control Mechanism and its Effect on Current Illegal Activities of Former Adolescent Mexican American Gang Members”. Department of Sociology. May 2011.

Thesis Committee Chair/Member. **Lucia Galvan**. “The Impact of Male Migration on Gender Roles in Mexico” Department of Sociology May 2011.

Thesis Committee Member. **Isolina Sanchez**. “Negotiation and Reconstruction of Gender Identity: The Experience of Women Refugees from Bhutan.” Department of Sociology. December 2010.

Thesis Committee Chair. **Ozge Coskun**. “The Expatriate Worker Experience: The Case of Professional Turkish Workers”. Department of Sociology. August 2010.

Thesis Committee Chair. **Gianncarlo Muschi**, “Approach to the Expectations Held by Professional Immigrants and their Evolution through the Migration Experience: The Case of the Latin Americans

Working as Bilingual Teachers in the Houston Independent School District” Department of Sociology. May 2010.

Dissertation Committee Member. **Sonia Vasan**, “Women’s Participation in the Death Metal Subculture” College of Education, Department of Educational Psychology. May 2010.

Thesis Committee Member. **Simay Ozlu Diniz**, “Turkish Community Based Organizations in Houston: Replicating Home Country Tensions” Department of Sociology. May 2009

Senior Thesis Committee Member. **Ginni van Katwijk**, “Prison Gang Influence on Youth Street Gangs” Department of Sociology. May 2009

COMMUNITY SERVICE

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| 2012 – present | Member , Cannabis, Health, and Young Adult Study (CHAYA/ CHAYA II) – Community Advisory Board, Children’s Hospital Los Angeles |
| 2013 – 2015 | Member , Prevention Council, Jewish Family Service of Los Angeles |
| 2013 – 2015 | Member , Comision Femenil of the San Fernando Valley, Los Angeles |