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Curriculum Vitae

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CURRENT ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT

2020 Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC), Postdoctoral Fellow
Reproductive Sociology Research Group (ReproSoc)
Department of Sociology, Queens' College
University of Cambridge

EDUCATION

2019 Centre of Latin American Studies, University of Cambridge, PhD

“What Happened to Mexican Eugenics?: Racism and the Reproduction of the Nation”

Committee: Mónica Moreno Figueroa (Supervisor), Sarah Abel (Supervisor), Sarah Franklin (Internal Examiner), Carlos López Beltrán (External Examiner), Veronique Mottier (Advisor)

2015 Regional Studies of Latin America and the Caribbean, Columbia University in the City of New York, MA

“Images and Representations of Population Control, Sterilization Procedures, and Contraceptives in the Puerto Rican Press, 1943-1974”

2014 Political Science and simultaneous degree in History, *Summa Cum Laude*, University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras, BA

PUBLICATIONS

Books

2020 What Happened to Mexican Eugenics?: Racism and the Reproduction of the Nation (Under Review: Cambridge University Press)

Peer-reviewed Publications

2020 The Legacies of “Race” Science, Anti-Chinese Racism, and COVID-19 in Mexico, *Bulletin of Latin American Research* (Forthcoming, October 2020)

- 2020 The Making of La Gran Familia Mexicana: Eugenics, Gender, and Sexuality in Mexico, *Journal of Historical Sociology* (Forthcoming)
- 2017 Imágenes y representaciones de control de natalidad, esterilización y anticonceptivos en la prensa puertorriqueña: El Mundo, El Imparcial y Claridad de 1943 a 1974. (Images and Representations of Population Control, Sterilization Procedures and Contraceptives in the Puerto Rican Press), *De Raíz Diversa-Revista Especializada en Estudios Latinoamericanos* Vol.4, No.7: 101-36.

Book Chapters

- 2020 “Whatever...it is Only a Joke”: Exploring Memes, Racialization, and Discrimination in Puerto Rico during Hurricanes, Earthquakes, and COVID-19 in *Internet, Humor, and Nation in Latin/x America* (Forthcoming)
- 2019 Reggaetón, Trap y Masculinidades: Dinámicas sociales a ritmo del perreo combativo en Puerto Rico (Reggaetón, Spanish Trap, and Masculinities in Puerto Rico) in *Adiós a las Armas: Masculinidades en Retirada y otros Avances*
- 2019 Posicionalidades: Queerness y Eugenesia en Latinoamérica (Positionalities: Queerness and Eugenics in Latin America) in *Libro de Actas: Del Otro Lao'*

Academic Publications

- 2020 “Shilling for US Empire in Puerto Rico”: The Legacies of Scientific Racism in Economic Science, *The Abusable Past at the Radical History Review*. (June 22)

Publications

- 2018 Human Rights Violations and the Chalchihuitán-Chenalhó Land Dispute, Mexico|Politics and Security Section, *Latin American News*, 105-11 (January)
- 2017 The Structural Dynamics and Limitations of the New Policy on Disappearances, Mexico|Politics and Security Section, *Latin American News*, 57-62 (December)

In Preparation

- 2020 Mónica Moreno-Figueroa; Juan Carlos Martínez; R Sánchez-Rivera. People who don't matter: The logics of institutional racism in health services in Mexico. *Latin American and Caribbean Ethnic Studies* (To be Submitted-September)
- 2020 Exploring the Legacies of Eugenics: Forced Sterilization and Indigenous Men in Guerrero, Mexico. *Mexican Studies* (To be Submitted-October)
- 2020 Sánchez-Rivera, R; Gallegos, Sergio. Symphonics, Aesthetics, and Racialization in the Works of José Vasconcelos. *Studies in History and Philosophy of Science* (To be Submitted-November)

2020 The Legacies of ‘Race’ Science in Mexican Pediatrics, *Hispanic American Historical Review* (To be Submitted-December)

AWARDS, GRANTS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

2020 Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC), Postdoctoral Fellowship, Department of Sociology, University of Cambridge

2020 Teaching Award, Supervisor Award, Department of Sociology, University of Cambridge

2019 Foundation for the Sociology of Health and Illness, Conference Travel Grant

2019 Global Challenges Research Fund, University of Kent: International Conference for “The Cultural Politics of Reproduction in Latin America”

2019 Society for Latin American Studies, Conference and Seminar Grants: Seminar Series and Reading Groups for “The Cultural Politics of Reproduction in Latin America”

2018 Faculty Research Group Support, Centre for Research in Arts, Social Sciences, and Humanities (CRASSH), University of Cambridge, for International Black Radicalism

2018 Simon Bolivar Fund, Centre for Latin American Studies, University of Cambridge

2018 Queens’ College, University of Cambridge, Travel Grant

2017 Foundation for the Sociology of Health and Illness, Conference and Travel Grant

2017 Queens’ College, University of Cambridge, Travel Grant

2017 Simon Bolivar Fund, Centre for Latin American Studies, University of Cambridge

2016 Santander Mobility Grant, Fieldwork-Mexico City

2014 Dissertation Field Research Travel Grant, Columbia University in the City of New York, Fieldwork-Puerto Rico

SELECTED INVITED TALKS AND KEYNOTE PRESENTATIONS

Keynote Presentations

2018 “Trans-experiences and Human Rights in Latin America”, Coloquio del Otro Lao’ Conference, University of Puerto Rico

Invited Talks

2019 “Towards a slippery eugenics and the scientific production of social inequalities in Latin America and the Caribbean”, Institute of Latin American Studies, University of London

2019 “Performing Black Radicalism in a Colourblind World”, Centre for Research in the Arts, Social Sciences, and Humanities, University of Cambridge

2017 “Gender Violence in Latin America”, Gonville and Caius College, University of Cambridge

2017 “Eugenics and the Construction of the ‘Unfit’ in Post-Revolutionary Mexico”, Jesus College, University of Cambridge

2016 “Forced and Coerced Sterilization and Human Rights Violations in Mexico”, Seminar Series-Mexican Society, University of Cambridge

2016 “Abortion in Latin America”, Amnesty International, Kings College, University of Cambridge

2016 “Reproductive Rights and Abortion in El Salvador, Seminar Series-Health and Illness Research Cluster, Department of Sociology, University of Cambridge

2014 “Libres para Amar” (Free to Love), Film Forum for the Colloquium LGBTTQ, University of Puerto Rico

2013 “Human Rights Violations in Latin America”, University of Puerto Rico

SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2019 “Machete al Machote! An Interdisciplinary Approach to the Struggle for Reproductive Justice”, Gender and Sexuality Section-Sponsored Panel, Annual Meeting, Latin American Studies Association

2018 “Romantiqueo Post-Maria: Identity Politics and Queer Nationalism in Puerto Rico”, Artivismo: Art & Politics in Latin America, University of Cambridge

2018 “Children, Pornography and Sexuality: Women as Guardians of Hereditary Perversion”, Annual Meeting, Latin American Studies Association

2017 “The Regulated Brothel: Syphilis and Prostitution in Post-Revolutionary Mexico”, Radical Americas, University College London

- 2017 “Dealing with HIV in Mexico: Sexual and Reproductive Rights Violations”, Annual Conference, Latin American Studies Association
- 2017 “Indigenous Men in Guerrero, Racism, and Sterilization”, Borderlands Conference, University of Connecticut
- 2017 “The Making of Disability: Eugenics and Obstetric Violence in Mexico”, Annual Meeting, Society for Latin American Studies
- 2016 “Eugenesia, Racismo y Nación en México, 1870-1940” (Eugenics, Racism, and Nation in Mexico, 1870-1940), Red Integra, National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM)
- 2016 “Images and Representations of Puerto Rican Media Regarding Birth Control, Sterilization and ‘The Pill’”, Contagion and Containment, University of Cambridge

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Undergraduate Lectures

University of Puerto Rico, Department of History
Eugenics in Mexico: Racism, Gender, and Nation (Spring Semester 2020)

University of Cambridge, Department of Sociology
Race, Racism and Ethnicity (2018-2019)
Histories of Race: Scientific Racism 18th, 19th and 20th Century
Histories of Race: Scientific Racism in Latin America

Race, Racism and Ethnicity (2017-2018)
Histories of Race: Scientific Racism 18th and 19th Century
Histories of Race: Race, Eugenics, and Genomics

Graduate Seminars

University of Cambridge, Centre for Latin American Studies
Mphil Course: Perspectives on Race in Latin America (2018-2019; 2019-2020)
Eugenics and Reproductive Justice in Latin America

Continuing Education

University of Cambridge, Institute of Continuing Education
What Makes Us Who We Are? (2019)
Race as a Social Construct
Gender/Sex, Nature/Nurture

Small Group Teaching and Supervisions

University of Cambridge, Department of Sociology
Introduction to Sociology (2019-2020)
Social Theory (2019-2020)
Modern Societies II: Global Social Problems and Dynamics of Resistance (2017-2018; 2018-2019; 2019-2020)
Concepts and Arguments in Sociology (2019-2020)
Social Media, Culture, and Society (2018-2019; 2019-2020)
Racism, Race, and Ethnicity (2017-2018; 2018-2019; 2019-2020)
A Subject in Sociology: Modern Britain (2019-2020)
Gender and Sexual Nationalism (2016-2017, 2017-2018, 2018-2019, 2019-2020)

Dissertations

University of Cambridge, Department of Sociology
Abortion Debate in Argentina (2018-2019)
COVID-19, Racialization, and Surveillance (2020-2021)

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

University of Cambridge

October 2020-	Economic Social Research Council (ESRC) Postdoctoral Fellowship, Department of Sociology, Reproductive Sociology Research Group (ReproSoc)
September 2019-	Teacher's Assistant, Department of Sociology
October 2016-	Supervisor-Small Group Teaching
October 2019-August 2020	Research Assistant, Department of Sociology (Dr Mónica Moreno-Figueroa)
October 2019-June 2020	Visiting Lecturer, Centre for Latin American Studies
October 2017-June 2019	Visiting Lecturer, Department of Sociology

Columbia University in the City of New York

January 2015-June 2015	Research Assistant, Institute of Latin American Studies (Dr Dayma Echevarría)
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ACADEMIC ENGAGEMENT

June 2020-	Executive Council Member, Latin American Studies Association-Mexico Section
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June 2018-June 2020 Co-Chair, Latin American Studies Association-Puerto Rico

September 2019-June 2020 Student Group Coordinator, Department of Politics and International Studies, Centre for Governance and Human Rights

May 2019 Chair of Panel, “Visiones caleidoscópicas de América Latina: Breves acercamientos subjetivos”, Latin American Studies Association

February 2020 Academic Journal Reviewer, There is No Hierarchy of Journals: Intersectional Feminist Perspectives, Ohio State University

August 2013-May 2014 Journal Director, Pre-Law Society Journal, University of Puerto Rico

August 2013-December 2013 Editor, Politea Journal, University of Puerto Rico

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

June 2019- Organizer, “The Cultural Politics of Reproduction in Latin America”, University of Kent and University of Cambridge

May 13, 2020 Chair and Organizer of Panel, “Puertoricaness and the Intersectionality of Class, Race, and Gender”, Latin American Studies Association, Sponsored by LASA-Puerto Rico Section

October 2018-July 2019 Organizer, “International Black Radicalism”, Centre for Research in Arts, Social Sciences, and Humanities (CRASSH), University of Cambridge

May 26, 2019 Chair and Organizer of Panel, “Rethinking Puerto Rican Studies: New Perspectives and Interpretations”, Latin American Studies Association, Sponsored by LASA-Puerto Rico Section

October 2017-October 2018 Graduate Student Representative and Welfare Officer, Centre of Latin American Studies, University of Cambridge

November 2015-Oct 2018 Organizer, Race Research Cluster, Department of Sociology, University of Cambridge

January 2016-October 2018 Organizer, Social Studies of Health and Illness Research Cluster

August 30-Sept 3, 2016 Organizer, International Conference, “Politics of Beauty: Discourses and Intersections in the Global Sphere”

May 18, 2016 Organizer, Workshop, “Dealing with the Emotional Dimensions of Race and Class”

February 6, 2016 Organizer, Workshop, “Dealing with the Emotional Dimensions of Racism”

EMPLOYMENT

August 2020 Translator, “Literature in Action: Grassroots Literature Activism for Peacebuilding in Mexico and Colombia”, Cardiff University

July 2020 Translator, “Prisoner Publishing: Supporting Rehabilitation and Reform through Innovative Writing Programmes”, University of Surrey and Cardiff University

October 2017-Jan 2018 Journalist, Latin American News, Mexico|Politics and Security Section

June 2015-July 2017 Translator and Editor, VICE News in HBO, Documentary Projects:
“Illegal Mining in Peru” (July 2015)
“California Draught” (August 2015)
“Mexico, Drug Trafficking and Border Control” (September 2015)
“Project Colombia” (October 2015)
“Banana Pickers in Latin America” (April 2016)
“Student Debt in the United States” (April-May 2016)
“Drug Cartels in Mexico” (June 2016)
“Charged with Journalism” (July 2016)

LANGUAGES

Spanish –Native

English –Native

Portuguese –Advanced Intermediate

PROFESIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Latin American Studies Association

Society of Latin American Studies

REFERENCES

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