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## EDUCATION

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| In progress | Ph.D., Sociology, University of Wisconsin–Madison<br>Dissertation (in progress): Aging “Out of Place”: Challenges Faced by Older Unauthorized Immigrants<br><i>Committee: Jenna Nobles (advisor), Myra Marx Ferree, Theodore P. Gerber, Katherine Jensen, Almita Miranda</i> |
| 2019        | M.S., Sociology, University of Wisconsin–Madison<br>Thesis: “‘Unos Allá, Otros Aquí.’ Transnational Parenting and Digital Communication across the Mexico–U.S. Border”   |
| 2011        | B.A., Sociology, Reed College, Portland, OR  |

## RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

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Migration and Transnationalism, Gender, Ethnography/Qualitative Methods, Chicanx/Latinx Studies, Aging, Parenting, Race and Ethnicity, Digital Communication Technologies

## WORKING PAPERS AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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| 2022 | Working Paper: “The Price We Pay”: How Unauthorized Immigrants Endure Transnational Grieving ( <i>preparing manuscript for submission</i> )   |
| 2021 | ASA Annual Meeting, Global & Transnational Sociology Roundtable on Migration and Transnationalism: “‘The Price We Pay’: Mexican Immigrants, Transnational Mourning, and Transforming Disenfranchised Grief” |
| 2021 | Midwest Sociological Society, Session on Emotions, Emotion Work, and Emotion  |

Management: "Transnational Death and Strategies for Mourning from Afar"

- 2021 SWS Winter Meeting, Roundtable on Positionality, Research & Qualitative Methods: Using Interviews to Address Unequal Power Dynamics and Increase Transparency in Fieldwork
- 2020 Midwest Sociological Society\*  
"Unos Allá, Otros Aquí": Transnational Parenting and Digital Communication across the Mexico-U.S. Border"
- 2019 SWS Summer Meeting, Roundtable on Gender, Migration, and Identity  
Gendered Motherhood Ideals and Intra-Familial Inequality in a Mexico-U.S. Context
- 2019 Chicago Ethnography Conference  
"Aquí y Allá: Transnational Parenting and Digital Communication across the Mexico-U.S. Border"
- 2018 Chicago Ethnography Conference  
"Separated by the Border: Mexico-U.S. Transnational Families in the Trump Era"

\* Canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic

## AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

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- 2021-2022 Migration Fellow, University of Pennsylvania Migration Initiative (PMI), led by Roberto G. Gonzales
- 2021-2022 Advanced Opportunity Fellowship, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- 2021 Honorable Mention Awardee, Sociologists for Women in Society (SWS) Esther Ngan-ling Chow and Maryjoyce Green Dissertation Scholarship (Funded)
- 2020 Honored Instructor, UW-Madison, Spring 2020
- 2019-2021 Graduate Research Fellowship, Institute for Research on Poverty, UW-Madison
- 2019 Honored Instructor, UW-Madison, Fall 2019
- 2018 Chi Omega Honored Professor, UW-Madison
- 2016-2017 Advanced Opportunity Fellowship, University of Wisconsin-Madison

## RESEARCH POSITIONS

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- 2020-2021 University of Wisconsin-Madison, La Follette School of Public Affairs

Research Assistant to Prof. Denia García

*conduct digital fieldwork; transcribe, code, and analyze qualitative data in Spanish and English using NVivo software; perform extensive literature reviews*

2020

University of Wisconsin–Madison, Sociology Department

Research Assistant to Prof. Jenna Nobles

*oversee a research team of 6 students to transcribe, digitize, and code archival Mexico–U.S. migration data*

## TEACHING POSITIONS

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2019–2020

University of Wisconsin–Madison, Chican@/Latin@ Studies Program

Lecturer, Introduction to Chican@/Latin@ Studies (CHICLA 201)

*designed the syllabus and curriculum, taught 40 students per semester, won two teaching awards*

2019

University of Wisconsin–Madison, Sociology Department

Teaching Assistant, Population Problems (SOC 170)

*worked on a 4-person team to teach 400 students*

2017–2018

University of Wisconsin–Madison, Sociology Department

Teaching Assistant, Sociology of Gender (SOC 138)

*first T.A. for the course (previously taught in a lecture-only format), developed section teaching materials, taught for three semesters under three different instructors*

## LANGUAGES

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English (fluent), Spanish (native speaker)

## DEPARTMENT SERVICE AND VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

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2020–

University of Wisconsin–Madison, Sociology Department, Website Committee

2017

University of Wisconsin–Madison, Sociology Department,

Solidarity Support Group for Graduate Students of Color  
Co-chair

2017–2020     University of Wisconsin–Madison, Sociology Graduate Mentoring  
Mentor

2016–2018     University of Wisconsin–Madison, PASOS, Chican@ Latin@ Studies  
Mentor for Chican@ Latin@ Students

2016–2017     University of Wisconsin–Madison, Sociology Department,  
Teaching Race Workshop  
Co-organizer

## ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

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2015–2016     University of Wisconsin–Madison, Division of Intercollegiate Athletics  
Sociology Tutor  
*Tutored introductory Sociology courses, met with students in groups of 2-10, taught academic  
research and writing skills*

2015             Ms. Foundation for Women  
Communications Associate

2013–2015     Ms. Foundation for Women  
Writer & Direct Marketing Associate

2010–2016     Freelance English-Spanish Translator  
*clients include the Whitney Museum, BuzzFeed, and various non-profit organizations*