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EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy in Sociology, University of California, Santa Barbara, 2011
Master of Arts in Sociology, University of California, Santa Barbara, 2001
Bachelor of Science in Sociology, Santa Clara University, 1998

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Sociology of Religion, Catholic Studies, Lived Religion Studies, Chicana/Latina Sociology; Ethnographic Methods, Feminist Studies, and the interlocking of Race, Class, Gender, Religion, & Sexuality.

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

2010-Present: Assistant Professor, Department of Religious Studies, Santa Clara University.

1998-2009 Teaching Assistant, Department of Sociology, University of California, Santa Barbara.

PUBLICATIONS

Works in Progress:

- *Our Lady of Everyday Life: Contextualizing Narratives on Everyday Faith, Devotion, and Existence across Three Generations of U.S. Mexican Origin Women* (tentative title) Oxford University Press (forthcoming).
- *Portraits of the Dream: The Importance of Investing in Undocumented America*. Eds., Castañeda-Liles, Socorro and Josef Castañeda-Liles (*in progress*).

Peer-Reviewed Essays

- Castañeda-Liles, Socorro. "Our Lady of Guadalupe." In *Oxford Bibliographies Online: Latino Studies*, Ed. Ilan Stavans. New York: Oxford University Press, 2013
- Castañeda-Liles, Socorro. "Our Lady of Guadalupe." In *Encyclopedia of Global Religion*, Eds. Jurgensmeyer, Mark and Wade Clark Roof. Thousand Oaks CA: Sage Publishers, 2012.
- "Our Lady of Guadalupe and the Politics of Cultural Interpretation." In *Mexican American Religions: Spirituality, Activism, and Culture* (Chapter 6), Eds. Gastón Espinosa and Mario T. Garcia. Durham, NC: Duke University Press, 2008.
- "Spiritual Affirmation and Empowerment: The Mexican American Cultural Center." In *Latino Religions and Civic Activism in the United States* (Chapter 8). Gastón Espinosa, Virgilio Elizondo, and Jesse Miranda, Eds. New York: Oxford University Press, 2005.

Encyclopedia Entries:

- "Spirituality and Religion. " In *The Oxford Encyclopedia of Latinos and Latinas in the United States*, Eds. Suzanne Oboler and Deena Gonzalez. New York: Oxford University Press, 2005.
- "Mexican American Cultural Center." In *The Oxford Encyclopedia of Latinos and Latinas in the United States*, Eds. Suzanne Oboler and Deena Gonzalez. New York: Oxford University Press, 2005.

Other Publications

- Castañeda-Liles, Socorro, photographer "Altar at a Business, México City, July 22, 2004." photograph. In *The Oxford Encyclopedia of Latinos and Latinas in the United States*, Eds. Suzanne Oboler and Deena Gonzalez. Volume 4, New York: Oxford University Press, 2005:2.
- "Cruzando la Frontera, Creando Comunidad," in *Perspectivas: Hispanic Theological Initiative Journal*, Furst. Renata and Zaida Maldonado, Eds. Princeton, NJ: Hispanic Theological Initiative, Spring 2002: 9-13 (issue five).
- "Immigrant Youth and the U.S. Catholic Church, interview." In *Ministry in a Multicultural World: Beyond Borders.* San Antonio Texas: Mexican American Cultural Center and JM Communications, 1999. (CD ROM Text).
- "El Catolicismo en la Frontera: Una fé perfumada de flor, canto y cambio social" in *EL Mensajero de San Antonio*. Padua, Italy, No.7-8 Julio-Agosto 1999: 10-11 (Article written in Spanish).

AWARDS:

- 2016-2018 Bannan Institute Scholar. "Is There A Common Good in Our Common Home? A Summons to Solidarity." (\$6,000)
- 2016 Hackworth Grant, Markkula Center for Applied Ethics, Santa Clara University for the *Living Religions Collaborative Pedagogies Consultation* (\$3,000)
- 2013-2014 Junior Faculty Development Grant, Santa Clara University (\$5,000)
- 2013 Wabash Center For Teaching and Learning In Theology and Religion Summer Grant (5,000).
- 2013-2014 The Louisville Institute First Book Grant for Minority Scholars. (\$30,000)
- 2012. Hackworth Grant, Markkula Center for Applied Ethics, Santa Clara University for *Portraits of the Dream: The Importance of Investing in Undocumented America* (\$3,479).
- 2012. Special Projects grant, Ignatian Center for Jesuit Education Santa Clara University for *Portraits of the Dream: The Importance of Investing in Undocumented America* (\$2,500).
- 2012-2013 Pre-Tenure Latino/a Religion Faculty in Theological Schools, Colleges, and Universities. Wabash Center For Teaching and Learning In Theology and Religion.
- 2008. Dissertation Writing Grant (\$1,000), Hispanic Theological Initiative (HTI).

- 2006. University of California Committee on Latino Research (UCCLR) Committee, Center for Chicana/o Studies, UC Santa Barbara (\$6,000),
- 2006. Graduate Travel Grant (\$324.75), Department of Sociology, UC Santa Barbara.
- 2005-2006. Ford Foundation Diversity Dissertation Fellowship (\$21,000).
- 2004. Graduate Research Grant (\$1,150), UCCLR Committee, Center for Chicana/o Studies, UC Santa Barbara.
- 2004-2005. UC President's Dissertation Fellowship, (\$15,000 plus \$500 for research, travel, fees, and health insurance).
- 2004. Travel Grant (\$200), Latina Goddess GATE (Global Awareness Through Experience).
- 2004. Research Travel Grant (\$500), Department of Sociology, UC Santa Barbara.
- 2003-2005. Dissertation Grant (\$12,000), UC MEXUS (University of California Institute for Mexico and the United States).
- 2003. Research Travel Grant (\$800), Department of Sociology, UC Santa Barbara.
- 2003-2004. Dissertation Fellowship (\$18,000), Hispanic Theological Initiative, Pew Charitable Trusts.
- 2003-2004. Louisville Institute for the Study of American Religion (declined, I was then invited to be an Honorary Dissertation Fellow).
- 2003-2004. Graduate Student Fee Fellowship (\$7,500), Department of Sociology, UC Santa Barbara.
- 2002. Hispanic Theological Initiative Research Travel Grant (\$2,000), Pew Charitable Trusts.
- 2002. Research Travel Grant (\$460), Department of Religious Studies, UC Santa Barbara.
- 2002. Research Travel Grant (\$500), Department of Sociology, UC Santa Barbara.
- 2001. Pew Charitable Trusts, Hispanic Theological Initiative, Research Travel Grant (\$1000).
- 2001-2002. UC Santa Barbara, Graduate Research Mentorship Program (GRMP), Doctoral Fellowship \$15,000 plus fees and health insurance.
- 2001-2002. Pew Charitable Trusts, Hispanic Theological Initiative, Special Mentoring Award (\$1000).
- 2001-2002. Center for Chicana/o Studies, UC Santa Barbara, UCCLR Graduate Research Fellowship (\$2000).
- 2001. Research Travel Grant (\$800), Department of Sociology, UC Santa Barbara.
- 2000-2001. Graduate Student Fee Fellowship (\$7,500), Department of Sociology, UC Santa Barbara.
- 2000-2001. Hispanic Theological Initiative, Doctoral Fellowship (\$15,000), Pew Charitable Trusts.
- 2000. Department of Sociology, Research Travel Grant (\$540), UC Santa Barbara.

- 1999-2000. UCCLR Graduate Research Fellowship (\$2,000), Center for Chicana/o Studies, UC Santa Barbara.
- 1999-2000. Graduate Opportunity Fellowship, Doctoral Fellowship \$12,000 plus fees and health insurance, University of California Santa Barbara.
- 1998. PARAL (Program for the Analysis of Religion Among Latinos) Project funded by the Lilly Endowment and the Ford Foundation. Training Fellowship in Latina/o cultural issues.

PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES

- November 20, 2016 “The Faces behind the Statistics of Forced Migration: A Retrospective Look at the Forced Migration Wave of the 1980’s in Light of Pope Francis’s Visit to Ciudad Juárez.” American Academy of Religion.
- October 14, 2015 *Catholicizing the Female Body from Childhood to Adulthood: A case study among older women of Mexican origin*, Faculty Lunch Lecture sponsored by WGST and Critical Gender Studies Research Initiative,
- April 10, 2015. “*La Virgen Detrás del Fondo—El catolicismo y la política del cuerpo femenino*” presented at *Seminario Permanente sobre Migración Internacional Ciclo 2015*. University of Southern California.
- November 23, 2014. *Decolonizing Pedagogies: Senses, Bodies, and Education*, Presider. American Academy of Religion.
- November 21, 2014. *Talk to Her*, presentation on my current book project to the *La Comunidad* group at AAR 2014.
- November 31, 2014. “Catholicizing Girlhood: Catholic Devotion Across Generations on Mexican-origin Women.” Society for the Scientific Study of Religion
- September 18, 2014 “(Ir)reverence: Thinking Through Alma Lopez’ Art” Doug Adams Gallery, Pacific School of Religion, Berkeley.
- June 02, 2014. “Shame in the Name of God: An Invitation to (Re)member the Latina Body.” Academy of Catholic Hispanic Theologians of the United States (ACHTUS)
- February 25, 2014. “Our Lady of Guadalupe Across Generations.” Winter Seminar at The Louisville Institute.
- December 9, 2012. “Guadalupe at 12/12/12.” Galeria Tonantzin Center for Art and Humanities, San Juan Bautista.
- December 9, 2012. “Art and Religion in Dialogue.” Galeria Tonantzin Center for Art and Humanities, San Juan Bautista.
- December 8, 2012. “Our Lady of Guadalupe and the Politics of Interpretation.” Galeria Tonantzin Center for Art and Humanities, San Juan Bautista.
- November 2012 *Crossing Boundaries: Healing and Walking in Mexico and the Southwest*, Presider. American Academy of Religion.
- October 22-26, 2012. La Red Del Servicio Jesuita a Migrantes Centroamérica y Norteamérica (SJM CANA) in Mexico City. I was part of the U.S. team.
- March 31, 2011. Kino Border Initiative Roundtable, participant.
- July 01, 2006. “Our Lady of Structural Violence: La Virgen de Guadalupe in Chicana/Mexicana Praxis,” National Association for Chicana and Chicano Studies,

- March 20, 2006. " Documenting Our Matriarchal Legacies: La Virgen de Guadalupe in Chicana and Mexicana Praxis," Women's History Month Colloquium, University of Texas, San Antonio.
- March 01, 2006. "Between Heaven and Earth: Mujeres, Madres y Damas Speak on La Virgen de Guadalupe," Chicano/Latino Research Center Colloquium, University of California Santa Cruz.

INVITED LECTURES

- November 14, 2014 “Catholicizing the Latina Body” Guest Lecture given in WGST 115: Race, Class, & Gender in U.S.
- October 9, 2014 “Guadalupe: Our Lady of Everyday Life” Guest Lecture given at Jesuit School of Theology at Santa Clara University graduate seminar.
- April 12, 2012. “Catholic Devotion Among Latinas.” Guest lecture given in TESP 175: Women’s Theology from the Margins.
- January 25, 2010. “Our Lady of Guadalupe among Mexican-origin women.” Guest Lecture given in TEST 175: U.S. Hispanic Theology, Religious Studies Department.
- November 9 and 11, 2010. “Sociology of Religion.” Guest Lecture given in RSOC 179: Research Methods seminar, Santa Clara University.
- April 15, 2008." Doing Critical Ethnography and the Study of Religion." Guest Lecture given in "Ethnographic Methods Graduate Seminar," Religious Studies Department, UC Santa Barbara.

MEDIA COVERAGE

Ethnographic research on Our Lady of Guadalupe among Mexican-origin women covered in the following newspapers.

- San Jose Mercury News, San Jose December 11, 2010.
- Whittier Daily news December 11, 2010
- National Catholic Reporter December 12, 2010.
- Tri-Valley Herald December 12, 2010
- Oroville Mercury-Register December 12, 2010

December 12, 2005. Interview: About my doctoral research aired on national television from La Basilica de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, México City, México, Telemundo Network.

December 11, 2003. Interview: The historical, theological, and cultural interpretations of Our Lady of Guadalupe aired on Channel 48 local bay area network, Telemundo Network.

SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY

- 2014-present. STOP HT (Santa Clara university Teaching, Outreach, and Programs against Human Trafficking) Member
- December 3, 2013. Presentation to the President’s Staff. This presentation was part of a Place-Based Initiative in the greater Washington neighborhood in San Jose, CA.

- July 2, 2012. Motivational Speaker, ALearn SCU Summer Program,
- June 14, 2012. Chicano/Latino Senior Ceremony, Santa Clara University, reader
- April 13, 2012. Noche Latina, Santa Clara University, closing remarks speaker.
- April 12, 2012. Noche Latina, Santa Clara University (faculty participant),
- December 16, 2011. Keynote Speaker, Iglesia Pentecostal Misionera,
- December 10, 2011. Speaker, Sacred Heart Parish, Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebration,
- November 12, 2011. Motivational Speaker, Hispanic Youth Institute, Santa Clara Chapter.
- June 9, 2011. Keynote Speaker, Chicano/Latino Senior Ceremony, Santa Clara University.
- May 25, 2011. Keynote Speaker, Religious Studies Senior Banquet, Santa Clara University.
- April 14, 2011. Keynote Speaker, Noche Latina event for incoming freshmen, Santa Clara University.

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

- 2015, Consultant to the National Geographic for a documentary on Our Lady of Guadalupe.
- 2014-present Latino/a Critical and Comparative Consultation, steering committee member. American Academy of Religion.
- 2012-present Latina/o Religion Culture and Society Group, steering committee member. American Academy of Religion.
- 2012-Present *La Comunidad*, representative at large. American Academy of Religion.
- 2012-present. The Society of Race, Ethnicity, and Religion (SRER), member. American Academy of Religion, founding member.
- 2012- present Mentor at the Women's Mentoring Annual Lunch American Academy of Religion annual meeting. Organized by the Committee on the Status of Women in the Profession, the Committee on Racial and Ethnic Minorities, and the Women's Caucus.
- 2012-present. American Association of University Professors

SERVICE TO THE DEPARTMENT

- Lived Religion Project, Chair. Religious Studies Department, Santa Clara University.
- Invocation for the President's State of the University Address, February 12, 2013
- November 27, 29, and December 4, 2012 Covered Prof. Ana María Pineda's class.
- 2011-2012 Local Religions Project, committee member.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- August 2015. "How to prepare Latina/o elementary school children for college," presentation given at University Day sponsored by Santa Clara University, Sacred Heart Parish, and San Juan Diego Scholarship Committee,
- December 2012. Galeria Tonantzin Exhibit, 21st Annual Images of the Virgin Exhibit. Galeria Tonantzin in San Juan Bautista invited me to serve as juror and curator of their exhibit on images of Our Lady of Guadalupe.
- February 27, 2013. Motivational Speaker, Sacred Heart Homework Center.

- January-June 2005. Committee Member (Spanish-English Translator) City of San José, Art Committee for the Parque de Padre Mateo Sheedy.
- 2004-2005. Committee Member, City of San José, District Three "Parque de Padre Mateo Sheedy" founding committee.
- 2003-2004. Liturgy Committee board member Sacred Heart Parish, San José, CA
- Fall 1997. Co-Founder Misa Guadalupe, Santa Clara University.
- August 1997. Co-Founder Sacred Heart Parish, Computer Center, San Jose, CA.

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION

- Ignatian Faculty Forum, member (2012-2013)
- American Academy of Religion (AAR)
- American Sociological Association (ASA)
- Society for the Scientific Study of Religion (SSSR)
- Academy of Catholic Hispanic Theologians of the United States (ACHTUS),
- Associate Member National Association for Chicana and Chicano Studies (NACCS)

LANGUAGES

Spanish Native (Excellent Bilingual and Bi-literate Skills) **REFERENCES** Upon Request