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Education

Ph.D., Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, New Brunswick, NJ
Anthropology, November 2013
Dissertation: The Latinization of Orlando: Race, Class, and the Politics of Place

M.A., Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, New Brunswick, NJ
Anthropology, May 2010

M.A., University of Delaware, Newark, Delaware
Liberal Studies, August 2005
Thesis: Puerto Rican Ethnic Identity

B.A., University of Delaware, Newark, Delaware
Political Science, May 2003
Cum Laude

Publications

- 2016 “Cultural Capital, Social Exclusion, and Orlando’s Puerto Rican ‘Elite,’” *Latino Studies Journal*, (Revise and Resubmit).
- 2016 “The Fractured American Dream: From Country Club Living to Suburban Slum in Latino Orlando,” *Florida Historical Quarterly* (Forthcoming).
- 2016 “Language Ideologies and Racial Formation in Latino Orlando.” In *Public Space, Public Policy, and Public Understanding of Race and Ethnicity in America: An Interdisciplinary Approach*, edited by Teresa Booker. University of Akron Press.
- 2014 “Puerto Ricans Live Free: Race, Language, and Orlando’s Contested Soundscape.” *Southern Spaces*. <http://southernspaces.org/2014/puerto-ricans-live-free-race-language-and-orlandos-contested-soundscape>
- 2013 “The Latinization of Orlando: Language, Whiteness, and the Politics of Place.” *Centro Journal*. Vol. XXV, No. 2.
- 2011 “Latinization of Space and the Memorialization of the Borinqueneers.” *Anthropology News*, September Issue.
- 2010 “Reflections from the Field: A Photo Essay of Buenaventura Lakes, FL.” *Centro: Voices* (Barrios Series).

Book Reviews

- 2016 *Corazón De Dixie: Mexicanos in the U.S. South since 1910*, by Julie Weise. In *Agricultural History*. (Forthcoming)
- 2016 *Guatemala-U.S. Migration: Transforming Regions*, by Susanne Jonas and Nestor Rodriguez. In *Journal of Southern History* 82(1).
- 2015 *Sounds of the Citizens: Dancehall and Community in Jamaica*, by Anne Galvin. In *American Ethnologist* 42(3).

Academic Appointments

- 2013-Present **McMullan Assistant Professor of Southern Studies and Assistant Professor of Anthropology**, University of Mississippi, Department of Sociology and Anthropology/Center for the Study of Southern Culture
- Courses: Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (Anth101), Introduction to Anthropology (Anth 101), Introduction to Southern Studies (S St 101), Southern Studies Seminar: Culture (S St 402), Globalization and the U.S. South (S St 612), Anthropologic Films: Visual and Virtual Anthropology (Anth 302), Methods in Southern Studies (S St 301), Southern Studies Graduate Seminar II (S St 602)
- 2011-2013 **Instructor**, Rutgers University, Department of English
- Courses: Expository Writing
- 2007-2009 **Instructor**, Rider University, Department of Political Science
- Courses: Race and Ethnicity in American Politics, American Politics
- 2006-2010 **Teaching Assistant**, Rutgers University, Department of Anthropology
- Courses: Anthropology of the Contemporary United States, Introduction to Cultural Anthropology, Introduction to Archaeology
- 2006-2008 **Course Grader**, Rutgers University, Department of Jewish Studies
- Courses: Arab Israeli Conflict, Israeli Politics

Research and Consulting

- 2016 *El Sur Latino: Oral History Project*, Southern Foodways Alliance, University of Mississippi
- 2016 Digital Literacy Education: Documentary Photography, Film, and Website Design, McLean Institute for Public Service and Community Engagement, Horizons Program, University of Mississippi.

- 2010 Research Assistant to Dr. Yolanda Martinez-San Miguel, Department of Latino and Caribbean Studies/Comparative Literature, Rutgers University.
- 2006-2007 Research Assistant to Dr. Aldo Lauria-Santiago, Department of Latino and Caribbean Studies/ History, Rutgers University.
- 2003- 2005 Consultant/Researcher, N.E.R.V.E. (*Nuevo El Barrio Para La Rehabilitacion de La Vivienda y La Economia*), New York, NY.
- 2003-2005 Graduate Assistantship, Office of Latino and Latin American Heritage, University of Delaware.
- 2004 Consultant/Researcher, Delaware Folklife Program, Delaware Division of Parks and Recreation.
- 2001-2002 Principal Investigator, Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program, University of Delaware.

Awards, Fellowships, and Grants

- 2015 College of Liberal Arts Summer Research Grant, University of Mississippi
- 2014 College of Liberal Arts Summer Research Grant, University of Mississippi
- 2012 Travel Grant, Puerto Rican Studies Association
- 2012 In-Residence Dissertation Fellowship, Center for Puerto Rican Studies, CUNY Hunter College
- 2010-2011 Graduate Fellow, Center for Race and Ethnicity, Rutgers University
- 2010 Bigel Award, Department of Anthropology, Rutgers University
- 2007 Special Opportunity Grant, Graduate School-New Brunswick, Rutgers University
- 2007 Bigel Award, Department of Anthropology, Rutgers University
- 2005-2007 Graduate Fellowship, Graduate School-New Brunswick, Rutgers University
- 2002 Truman Scholar, The Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation
- 2001 McNair Scholar, Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program, University of Delaware

Invited Lectures and Conference Presentations

- 2016 “Pinchos & Publix Sabor: Migration and Latinization in the U.S. South,” Southern Foodways Alliance Symposium (Southern Studies Fantasy Camp), University of Mississippi (Invited Lecture)
- 2016 “Puerto Rican Southern Belle: From Harlemworld to Disneyworld to Mississippi,” Center for the Study of the New South: “Growing Up Southern: Many People, Many Ways,” University of North Carolina Charlotte & Levine Museum of the New South (Invited Lecture)

- 2016 “Spanglish Reflections & Nuyoricán Dreams: Latinos in the US South,” Department of Sociology & Anthropology Brown Bag Lecture, University of Mississippi
- 2016 Hispanic Heritage Month Keynote Address, University of Mississippi
- 2015 “Everyday Activism: From Harlemworld to Disney World to ‘Mississippi Goddam.’” Unity Conference, “Si se Puede: Activismo from the Classroom to the Street.” Minnesota State University. Moorhead, Minnesota. (Keynote Speaker)
- 2015 “New Destinations of Migration: Race, Class and the Politics of Place.” Unity Conference, “Sí se Puede: Activismo from the Classroom to the Street.” Minnesota State University. Moorhead, Minnesota. (Invited Lecture)
- 2014 “Confessions of a Puerto Rican Southern Belle.” Puerto Rican Studies Association Biennial Conference. Denver, Colorado. (Plenary Session Panelist)
- 2014 “Exploring the Latino American Impact: Past, Present and Future.” Hispanic Heritage Month Address, Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College. Dalton, Georgia. (Invited Lecture)
- 2014 “‘Mississippi Goddam:’ Social Class Distinctions and Racialization in the *Nuevo* New South.” International Latino Studies Conference, Northwestern University. Chicago, IL. (Panel Organizer)
2014. “Puerto Ricans Live Free.” Puerto Ricans in United States History Working Group. Department of Latino and Caribbean Studies, Rutgers University. New Brunswick, NJ.
- 2013 “Beyond Black and White: The Multicultural South.” Introduction to Southern Studies (SST101). University of Mississippi. (Invited Lecture)
- 2013 “Demography is Destiny: Hispanic Migration, Racial Ambiguity, and the *Nuevo* New South.” Brown Bag Lecture Series: Center for the Study of Southern Culture. University of Mississippi. (Invited Lecture)
- 2013 The Semantics and Ethics of Racial Language, University of Mississippi, Department of Philosophy and Religion. (Discussant)
- 2013 “Boricuas Viven Libres: Place-Identity and the Formation of a Suburban Slum.” Cuban Research Institute: Conference on Cuban and Cuban-American Studies. Florida International University.
- 2012 “Social Class Distinctions and the Fractured American Dream.” Puerto Rican Studies Association Annual Meeting. Albany, New York.
- 2012 “The Latinization of Orlando: Language, Whiteness, and the Politics of Place.” Latin American Studies Association Annual Meeting. San Francisco, California.
2011. “The Latinization of Orlando: Language, Race, and the Politics of Place.” American Ethnological Society/Society of Urban, National, and Transnational Anthropology Meeting. San Juan, Puerto Rico.

- 2010 “Puerto Rican Suburbia: ‘New’ Destinations of Migration, Middle-Class Aspirations, and the Circulation of Racializing Discourses.” American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting. New Orleans, Louisiana.
- 2010 “Puerto Rican Suburbia: Middle Class Aspirations and “New” Destinations of Migration.” Voz Latina Paso Adelante: A Symposium on Latinos in America. Princeton University.
- 2010 “Puerto Rican Suburbia: ‘New Destinations’ of Migration, Middle Class Aspirations, and the Ambiguities of Status.” Graduate Forum on Race and Ethnicity. Center for Race and Ethnicity, Rutgers University.
- 2007 “Claiming Space, Making Place: Puerto Ricans in Orlando, Florida.” Department of Anthropology, Rutgers University.
- 2002 “An Ethnographic Study of Puerto Ricans in East Harlem.” University of Delaware. Annual McNair Symposium.
- 2001 “Puerto Rican Ethnic Identity: A Comparative Study of Puerto Ricans in East Harlem, New York and Wilmington, Delaware.” University of Puerto Rico. McNair Scholars Conference.
- 2001 “Identity Politics: Puerto Ricans in East Harlem, New York and Wilmington, Delaware.” University of Delaware. Annual McNair Symposium.
- 2001 “Cultural Preservation: Puerto Ricans in Wilmington, Delaware.” Pennsylvania State University. McNair Conference.

University and Professional Service

- 2016-2017 Graduate Student Recruitment Committee, Department of Anthropology, University of Mississippi
- 2015-2016 Search Committee, Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology and Anthropology/Center for the Study of Southern Culture, University of Mississippi
- 2015-2016 Search Committee, Research Assistant, The Center for Archaeological Research, University of Mississippi
- 2015-2016 Assessment Committee, Department of Anthropology, University of Mississippi
- 2015 Reviewer, *The Centro Journal*
- 2014-2015 Search Committee, Director of The Center for Archaeological Research, Department of Anthropology, University of Mississippi
- 2014 Roundtable Co-facilitator, Transforming New South Identities Symposium, University of Mississippi
- 2013-2014 Secretary, Critical Race Studies Group, University of Mississippi
- 2013 Representative, Majors Fair, University of Mississippi, Department of Sociology and Anthropology
- 2013 Panelist, Multicultural Perspective Panel, University of Mississippi

Graduate Student Advising

Current:

- 2015 Suzanne Davidson, MA Thesis Committee Member, Department of Anthropology, University of Mississippi.
- 2015 Grace Myers, MA Thesis Committee Member, Department of Anthropology, University of Mississippi.
- 2015 Kari Edwards, PhD Dissertation Committee Member, "A Religious History of the Space Race," Department of History, University of Mississippi.
- 2014 Christine Rizzi. PhD Dissertation Committee Member. "Travel, Migration and Mobility in Civil War Era Florida." Department of History, University of Mississippi.
- 2013 Arlissa Whisenant. MA Thesis Advisor. "Creolité in Martinique: A Study of Ethnic Identity." Department of Anthropology, University of Mississippi.

Graduated:

- 2014 Anna Hamilton. MA Thesis Committee Member. "Bottling Hell: Myth-Making, Cultural Identity, and the Datil Pepper of St. Petersburg, Florida." Department of Southern Studies, University of Mississippi.