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**EDUCATION**

**Columbia University, Joseph L. Mailman School of Public Health**

Master of Science, Biostatistics, October 2002

Clinical Research Methods Track

**Yale University**, **Graduate School of Arts and Sciences**

Doctor of Philosophy in Sociology, May 2001.

***Dissertation Title***: “Body Ethic: Women, the Work Ethic and Concepts of the Body”

Conducted in-depth interviews and statistical analysis to examine how people talk about their work lives and bodies. My research demonstrates that women, more than men, discuss their bodies in a manner consistent with work values. Women often use feminist discourses to justify a concentration on their appearances and bodies.

Master of Science, Sociology, May 1994

Dissertation Fellowship Award, 1998

University of California at Berkeley

Bachelor of Science, Sociology, 1992

• Member of Phi Beta Kappa honor society

• Minor in French

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**San Francisco State University**

Fall 2004 *Associate Professor in Sexuality Studies*

to present Department Chair, Fall 2008 to Fall 2011

Chair, Graduate Committee and Graduate Coordinator, Fall 2006 to Spring 2009

Chair, Undergraduate Committee and Adviser, Fall 2011 to present

Fall 2004 *Senior Research Associate,*

to present *Center for Research and Education on Gender and Sexuality*

**Columbia University**

June 2007 to *Visiting Research Scholar at the School of Social Work*

March 2011

Working with HIV Intervention Science Training Program. Conducted research with Latina and African-American women examining their religious beliefs and practices and how they enforce or contradict messages relating to safer sex and HIV prevention.

December 2000 *Postdoctoral Research Fellow at the HIV Center for Clinical and*

to January 2004 *Behavioral Studies*

National Research Service Award Research Training Fellowship for Behavioral Sciences Research in HIV. Concentration on sexuality training. Conducted collaborative work on a variety of HIV prevention projects. Research included examining the effectiveness of the intervention on secondary outcomes and among women with a history of intimate partner violence.

Designed and conducted pilot research examining HIV risk behaviors of male-to-female transgender individuals attending a community clinic in the Bronx.

**Teaching Experience**

**San Francisco State University, Human Sexuality Studies**

Spring 2004  *Associate Professor, Sexuality Studies Department*

to present

* Designed graduate level research methods and design courses focusing on sexuality research
* Teach in graduate and undergraduate curriculums
* Assist with curriculum and degree development
* Design new approaches to teaching online
* Undergraduate coordinator 2012 to present
* Summer School classes
* Sexuality Summer Institute instructor (2004, 2005, 2015)

**Master’s Degree Committee Membership**

*Committee Chair, Sexuality Studies (2008 to present)*

* 1. Delgado, Rosela. (2018, expected).
  2. Ramsey, Jennifer. (2018, expected).
  3. Salazar, Jillian. 2017. The unbearable whiteness of victimhood: Campus rape coverage in the media
  4. Zuckerman, Mallory. 2017. Cleansing and Purity Rituals for the Bridal Body
  5. Avila, Allan David. 2017. Cultural Reproduction: Child and Adolescent Pregnancy in Rural Guatemala
  6. Bricker, Kristen Marie. 2015. "Condoms and Consent!" Knowledge, efficacy, and positivity in a sexual health program
  7. Miller, Laura Marie. 2015. Impact of orgasmic meditation﻿.
  8. Phan, Vickie. 2015. Silent Minority Influences on Asian-American Women's HIV testing, attitudes, and concerns
  9. Leach, Carolyn Christina. 2015. Engendering support: transgender youth's
  10. Freeman, Anthony. 2015. Cultivating community: content analysis of Frank
  11. Muniz, Iman Camila. 2014. Portraits of everyday rape and resistance in the Dominican Republic
  12. Fradet, Phillippe. 2014. Fat young adults of color in sex and the Internet, and acceptance
  13. Gould, Wren Ariel. 2014. Blond bombshells and fierce revolutionaries: race-based normativities within transgender communities ﻿
  14. Berteau, Lorree. 2013. Female disembodiment: condom use and sexual pleasure
  15. Gil, Francisco Jose Miranda. 2013. Paths to care among midlife and older gay men and lesbians
  16. O' Neal, Joshua. 2013. Condoms, pleasure and policy: Gay men explore condoms & access
  17. Franges, Elizabeth Ashley. 2013. Raging hegemony: Boy's sexual-self formation amid restrictive social constructs of sexuality
  18. Tinga, Arlene Jane Calimbas. 2013. Sex, sexuality and autism ﻿
  19. Kuntzman, Ruth Emily. 2012. Creative inclusive classrooms: Assessing a gender and sexuality workshop for K-12 educators
  20. Acosta, Anthony Michael. 2012. Examining transgender men's experiences of community membership in Bay Area queer communities ﻿
  21. Browe, Dennis. 2011. Crossing Boundaries: Exploring Oppression, Empowerment, and Personal Experiences in LGBTQ Professional Activism
  22. Warfield, Chris. 2011. Gender Consciousness and Gender Identity Centrality in Transgender and Cisgender Individuals
  23. Zolala. Tovar Virginia. 2011. How Fat Women of Color Queer the Feminine
  24. Darling, Jocelyn Robin. 2011. Beyond just bodies : exploring the identity negotiation and community integration of female partners of trans men ﻿
  25. Garcia, Richard Christopher. 2010. Exploring sex, risk, and pleasure among gay and queer trans men ﻿
  26. Anand, Praney. 2010. Beyond the birds and the bees : sexuality discussions among young Indians ﻿
  27. Cook, Conner. 2010. Bodies of knowledge: transexual men's experience of medical discourse
  28. Brooks, Durryle. 2009. What you got to say ‘bout me: Discourse analysis of the construction of Black male identity.
  29. Cornwell, Stephanie. 2009. “And you Belong:” Queer Hip-Hop and sexuality development among queer young women.
  30. Picazo, Angelica. 2009. Shame, pleasure and empowerment: A Critical Analysis of Masturbation on Youtube.com
  31. Nordmarken, Sunny. 2008. Polyamory and alternative discourses on love
  32. Stevens, Bethany. 2008. Transability: A catalyst to view disability as art

*Committee Member, Sexuality Studies (2008 to present)*

* + 1. Williams, Salvaor. 2015 Gays in comic books: the emergence of a new type
    2. Oliker, Savannah. 2014. Women's naviagtion of bisexual identity with with monogamous, same-sex partners
    3. Haner, Shawna April. 2013. Online, acquaintance, and novel situation dating : an analysis of risk
    4. McReynolds, Jaih. 2012. Resiliency in HIV-positive Black women
    5. Vielehr, Peter. 2012. The salience of HIV-positive identity for young gay men living with HIV
    6. Clark, Jennifer Brooke. 2012. Intimate stories : young women's exploration of sexual selves amid discrepant cultural scripts ﻿
    7. Rehor, Jennifer Eve Cavaliero. 2011. The occurrence of unconventional sexual behaviors of women ﻿
    8. Gutierrez-Mock, Luis Ronaldo. 2010. The best practices for adapting DEBIs for transwomen ﻿
    9. Diaz, Michael. 2009. Malleable Machismo: Exploring friendship between straight Latino men and gay men
    10. Khalili, David. 2008. Intersectionality identity conflict sexual silence among Middle Eastern lesbian, gay, bisexual, queer individuals: A qualitative study
    11. Guse, Kylene. 2008. Sexual Morse Politics: Young women in the middle
    12. Shafer, Elizabeth. 2008. Beyond heterosexuality: Sexual subjectivity, personal attitudes, partner negotiations

**Teaching Effectiveness, Sexuality Studies (2007 to present)**

| **Year** | **Semester** | **Course Number and Title** | **Enrollment** | |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 2017 | Summer | SXS 455: Sex, Power and Politics | 63 | |
| Spring | SXS 455: Sex, Power and Politics | 73 | |
| SXS 455: Sex, Power and Politics | 68 | |
| SXS 680: Colloquium in Sexuality Studies | 22 | |
| 2016 | Summer | SXS 455: Sex, Power and Politics | 67 | |
| Fall | SXS 455: Sex, Power and Politics | 40 | |
| SXS 680: Colloquium in Sexuality Studies | 22 | |
| SXS 881: Research Methods in Human Sexuality Studies | 10 | |
| Spring | SXS 455: Sex, Power and Politics | 41 | |
| SXS 680: Colloquium in Sexuality Studies | 25 | |
| RRT: Cultural Humility Project |  | |
| 2015 | Summer | SXS 455: Sex, Power and Politics | 40 | |
| SXS 680: Colloquium in Sexuality Studies | 16 | |
| Fall | SABBATICAL LEAVE: PrEP among Latina Immigrant Women |  | |
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| Spring | SXS 455: Sex, Power and Politics | 47 | |
| SXS 680: Colloquium in Sexuality Studies | 17 | |
| RRT: Generations Project, Research Work with CBOS |  | |
| 2014 | Summer | SXS 455: Sex, Power and Politics | 33 | |
| Fall | SXS 455: Sex, Power and Politics | 49 | |
| SXS 680: Colloquium in Sexuality Studies | 17 | |
| RRT: Generations Project, Research Work with CBOS |  | |
| Spring | SXS 455: Sex, Power and Politics | 40 | |
| SXS 680: Colloquium in Sexuality Studies | 18 | |
| SXS 882: Research Design in HMSX | 15 | |
| 2013 | Fall | SXS 455: Sex, Power and Politics | | 40 |
| SXS 601: Sex, Ethnicity and Health | | 24 |
| SXS 680: Colloquium in Sexuality Studies | | 16 |
| Spring | SXS 601: Sexuality, Ethnicity, and Health | 21 | |
| SXS 680: Colloquium in Sexuality Studies | 19 | |
| SXS 882: Research Design in HMSX | 14 | |
| 2012 | Fall | SXS 455: Sex, Power and Politics | 41 | |
| SXS 601: Sexuality, Ethnicity, and Health | 26 | |
| SXS 680: Colloquium in Sexuality Studies | 23 | |
| Spring | SXS 601: Sexuality, Ethnicity, and Health | 30 | |
| SXS 882: Research Design in Human Sexuality Studies | 10 | |
| RRT: Generations Project, Research Work with CBOS |  | |
| 2011 | Fall | SXS 455: Sex, Power and Politics | 45 | |
| SXS 601: Sexuality, Ethnicity, and Health | 23 | |
| Course release for Chair duties |  | |
| Spring | SXS 890: Professional Development | 14 | |
| RRT: Proyecto Acceso |  | |
| Course release for Chair duties |  | |
| 2010 | Fall | RRT: Proyecto Acceso and Generations Project, Research Work with CBOS  Course release for Chair duties |  | |
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| Spring | SXS 890: Professional Development | 14 | |
| RRT: Proyecto Acceso |  | |
| Course release for Chair duties |  | |
| 2009 | Fall | Parental Leave |  | |
| Spring | SXS 890: Professional Development | 12 | |
| RRT: Proyecto Acceso |  | |
| Course release for Chair duties |  | |
| 2008 | Fall | SXS 799: Independent Study | 5 | |
| Spring | SXS 601: Sexuality, Ethnicity, and Health | 21 | |
| SXS 890: Professional Development | 8 | |
| 2007 | Fall | SXS 455: Sex, Power and Politics | 33 | |
| SXS 890: Professional Development | 10 | |

**Yale University**

## Spring 1999 Head Teaching Fellow, Culture and Society in America, Sociology

* Assisted with creation of course outline and general administration.
* Conducted weekly seminars reviewing and extending course material.

### Spring 1998 Instructor, Historical Approaches to Sociology

* + - * Designed course syllabus and selected course readings.
      * Students required to use archival materials for research project.

### Spring 1997 Teaching Fellow

to Fall 1994 • Formation of Modern American Culture, American Studies Dept.

* + - * Methods of Inquiry, Sociology Department (twice)
      * Culture and Society in America, Sociology Department (twice)
      * Social Deviance, Sociology Department

**TRAINING**

**HIV Intervention Science Training Program for Racial/Ethnic Minority Investigators** at Columbia University’s School of Social Work.The program provides two-week training on grant writing, mentorship and 10K in funds for a research project.

**Minority Researcher Infrastructure Support Program (MRISP)**

Training by Rafael Diaz, selected from SFSU faculty to participate in Grant Writing workshop, 2004.

Office of AIDS Research and National Institutes of Health

Training and Career Development Workshop on HIV Prevention Research for and by Racial and Ethnic Minorities, July 26-27, 2003, Atlanta, Georgia.

The Kinsey Institute for Research in Sex, Gender, and Reproduction

2002 Summer Research Institute “Interventions for High Risk Sexual Behavior:

Design, Implementation and Evaluation,” June 9-16, 2002. Kinsey Institute, Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana.

#### Research Design in Qualitative Social Inquiry

Training by Gary Dowsett, Ph.D. at the HIV Center, Columbia University, October 16–20, 2000.

**Publications**

**Peer-reviewed journal articles**

Melendez, R.M., Zepeda, J., Fuentes, K., Alaniz, G. ( 2017). HIV-Positive Latinas: Families, secrecy and care. (submitted).

Melendez, R.M., Zepeda, J., Lozano-Verduzco, I., Samaniego, R. and Garcia, C.

(2017). Anti-Immigrant Political Discourse and the Impact of Health Access for Latino Immigrants. Migration and Health Series Report. CONAPO (forthcoming).

Melendez, R.M., Zepeda, J., Samaniego, R., Chakravarty, D., Alaniz, G. (2013). La Familia HIV Prevention Program: A focus on disclosure and family acceptance for Latino immigrant MSM to the USA. *Salud Publica*, 55.

Melendez, R.M. and R.M. Pinto (2009). HIV Prevention and Primary Care for Transgender Women in a Community-Based Clinic. *Journal of the Association of Nurses in AIDS Care*, 20, 5: 387-397.

Pinto, R.M., Melendez, R.M., Spector, A. (2008). Male-to-female transgender individuals building social support and capital from within a gender-focused network. *The Journal of Gay and Lesbians Social Services: Policy and practice*, 20.

Melendez, R.M. and Pinto, R.M. (2007). ‘It’s really a hard life:’ Safety, gender and HIV risk among male-to-female transgender persons. C*ulture, Health and Sexuality,* 9, 3:233-245.

Sandfort, T.M., Melendez, R.M., Díaz, R. (2007). Gender noncomformity, Homophobia, and Mental Health in Latino Gay Men. *Journal of Sex Research,* 44, 2:181-189.

Melendez, R.M., Bonem, L.A. and Sembler, R. (2006). On Research and Bodies: Issues in transgender HIV research. *Sexual Research and Social* Policy, 3, 4: 21-38.

Melendez, R.M., Exner, T.E., Ehrhardt, A.A., Dodge, B., Remien, R.H., Rotheram-Borus, M.J., Lightfoot, M., Hong, D. and the NIMH Healthy Living Project Team. (2006). Health and Health Care Among Male-to-Female Transgender Persons Who Are HIV Positive, *American Journal of Public Health*, 96, 6:1034-7.

Dworkin, S.L, Exner,T.E., Melendez, R., Hoffman, S. & Ehrhardt, A.A. (2006). Revisiting “Success”: Post-Trial Qualitative Results From a Gender-Specific HIV Intervention for Women. *AIDS & Behavior*, 26:1-11.

Heintz, A.J. and Melendez, R.M. (2006). Intimate Partner Violence and HIV/STD Risk among LGBT. *Journal of Interpersonal Violence,* 21, 2:193-208.

Whittier, D.K. and Melendez, R.M. (2004). Intersubjectivity in the Intrapsychic Sexual Scripting of Gay Men. *Culture, Health and Sexuality,* 6, 2:131-143.

Melendez, R.M., Hoffman,S., Exner, T., Leu,C.S. and Ehrhardt, A.A.. (2003). Intimate Partner Violence and Safer Sex Negotiation: Effects of a Gender-Specific Intervention. *Archives of Sexual Behavior*, 32: 499-511.

Hirky, A.E., Kirshenbaum, S.B., Melendez, R.M., Rollet, C., Perkins, S.L., and Smith, R.A. (2003). The Female Condom: Attitudes and Experiences of HIV-Positive Women. *Women and Health,* 37: 71-89.

**Book chapters**

Melendez, R.M., Salizar, J, Fuentes, K., Zepeda,. S.J. (2017). HIV-Positive Latino Immigrants: Long-distance and close-distance family relationships. Chapter in Stilton, N. (ed.) *Family Dynamics and Romantic Relationships in a Changing Society*. IGI Global Press. (Peer-reviewed)

Melendez, R.M., Salizar, J., and Fuentes, K. (2017). Intimate Partner Violence among LGBT: Issues and best practices. Chapter in Smalley, B., Warren, J., and Barefoot. N. (eds.) *LGBT Health: Meeting the Health Needs of Gender and Sexual Minorities*. Springer Publishing Company.

Melendez, R.M., C. Dickenson, C. Sol, L.A. Pinzon. (2013) An Innovative HIV Prevention Program for Latinas. Chapter in Graham, C and Hall, K. (eds.) *The Cultural Context of Sexual Pleasure and Problems.* Routledge Press*.*

Melendez, R.M. and Pinto, R.M. (2012). ‘It’s really a hard life:’ Safety, gender and HIV risk among male-to-female transgender persons. C*ulture, Health and Sexuality: An Introduction.* New York: Routeledge Press. (reprint)

Melendez, R.M. (2007). No place to call home: Transgender persons, discrimination and HIV. In Howe, C. and Herdt, G. (eds.) *21st Century Sexualities: Contemporary Issues in Health, Education and Rights.* New York: Routledge Press. (peer-reviewed)

Whittier, D.K. and Melendez, R.M. (2007). Sexual Scripting and self-process: Intersubjectivity among gay men. In Kimmel, M. (ed.) *The sexual self: The construction of sexual scripts.* Nashville, TN: Vanderbilt University Press, 191 -210. (reprint)

Melendez, R.M. and Tolman D.L. (2006). Gender, Vulnerability and Young People. In Mane, P. and Aggleton, P. (eds.) *Sex, Drugs and Young People*. London: Taylor and Francis, 29-47. (peer-reviewed)

**Factsheets**

Rita M. Melendez with Valerie Spencer and David Whittier. Transgender Persons and HIV Prevention. Factsheet prepared for CDC, found at: <http://www.effectiveinterventions.org/References/TransgenderedPersons.pdf>

Rita M. Melendez. Latinas and HIV. Factsheet prepared for AIDS Project Los Angeles (APLA).

Rita M. Melendez. Transgender Latinas and HIV. Factsheet prepared for AIDS Project Los Angeles (APLA).

**Non-peer reviewed Publications**

Melendez, R.M. and J. Zepeda. Healthcare has no borders, it is a human right. *La Salud no tiene Fronteras, en un Derecho Humano*. (2017). Published on [www.conexionmigrante.com](http://www.conexionmigrante.com/), reviewed and edited by Patricia Mercado Sánchez. Located at: <http://www.conexionmigrante.com/08-02-2017/la-salud-fronteras-derecho-humano/>

Melendez, R.M. and J. Zepeda. Nuestras Mil Caras: Latino Sexual Rebellions. (2013) Art and Poetry book from “La Familia” participants. Available at: https://issuu.com/sfaidsfoundation/docs/nuestrasmilcaras-latinosexualrebell/10

**Book Reviews**

Review of Religion, Dress and the Body. (2001). Edited by Linda B. Arthur. *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*, 40, 2.

Review of Scripture and Ethics: Twentieth-Century Portraits. (1998). Jeffrey S. Siker. *Review of Religious Research*, 40, 1.

# Invited Presentations

October 2014 United States Conference on AIDS annual conference

• Workshop on linking HIV-positive Latino Immigrants to care

January 2013 HIV Center for Clinical and Behavioral Studies, Columbia University

• Grand Rounds

• Outreach and Treatment of HIV-Positive Latino Immigrants

December 2011 World AIDS Day at SFSU

• HIV-Positive Latino Immigrants

March 2011 Community Collaborative Consortium (CHRP)

• Proyecto Accesso: HIV-Positive Latino Immigrants and Health Care

November 2010 Annual UCSF Student AIDS Forum

• Latinas and HIV: Sexuality and Culture Factors

November 2010 Annual UCSF Student AIDS Forum

• Latinas and HIV: Sexuality and Culture Factors

April 2010 Latino Medical Student Association Regional Conference at UCSF

• HIV, Latinas, Sexuality and Gender

June 2007 HIV Center for Clinical and Behavioral Studies, Columbia University

• Grand Rounds

• Latinos, Gender, and HIV: Analysis of Latino Immigrant Adolescents

January 2007 CDC community based organization capacity building

**•** Transgender Latinas and HIV

**•** Presentation to national community based organizations

October 2006 CDC community based organization capacity building

**•** Latinas and HIV

**•** Presentation to national community based organizations

December 2005 San Francisco State University World AIDS Day

**•** Women of Color: HIV risk and treatment

December 2004 Psychology Department, San Francisco State University, Developmental Brown Bag

**•** Overview of HIV Risks among Male-to-Female Transgenders

April 2004 Cesar E. Chavez Research-Practice Forum addressing health disparities among ethnic minority youth

**•** Sexuality and Gender roundtable facilitator

March 2004 Gender Working Group at the New York State Psychiatric Institute

# • Gender and HIV among Male-to-Female Transgenders

January 2004 HIV Center for Clinical and Behavioral Studies, Columbia University

# • Grand Rounds

# • HIV Issues among Male-to-Female Transgenders: Preliminary findings

# Conference Presentations

May 2016 Yale University, 13th Conference on Global Health And Innovation Conference, “Law and Health intersection in HIV care for Latinos.”

October 2014 USCA, workshop “HIV Bi-National Health Bridge: Retention in HIV Care for Mexicans in transit from the United States to Mexico.

July 2013 Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality, “Nuestras Mil Caras” book Presentation.

October 2012 American Public Health Association’s Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA

• Presentations on 1) Latino Adolescents, 2) Outreach for HIV positive Latino Immigrants and 3) Intervention for Latino MSM

July 2012 International AIDS Conference, Washington, DC

• Presentations on 1) on Latinos and issues of sexual identity disclosure, 2) HIV Positive immigrants, and 3) outreach to adolescent Latinos

January 2012 Minority Health Conference

• Outcomes and Lessons Learned of an HIV Prevention Program for Latinas

October 2011 Latino and Hispanic Studies Conference

• De Mujer a Mujer: An HIV Prevention program for Latinas

November 2007 American Public Health Association, Washington DC

* Latino immigrant adolescents and gender ideology: Implications for safer sex

March 2007 Pacific Sociological Association Meeting, Oakland, CA

* Presider and discussant for “Movement Research: Partnership between social justice organizations, funders, and researchers”

March 2006 Society for Research on Adolescents

* “They say no to see if the man will seek her out:” Latino adolescents, TV and coercion (poster presentation)

December 2005 American Public Health Association, Philadelphia, PA

**•** HIV Positive Male-to-Female Transgender Individuals: Health care needs

June 2005 International Association for the Study of Sexuality, Culture and Society

* Health Care Needs of HIV Positive Male-to-Female Transgender Persons

February 2004 Couch-Stone Winter Symposiumof the Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada

* *Sexual Self Process: Intersubjectivity in the intrapsychic sexual scripting of gay men* Joint presentation with David Whittier

August 2003 American Sociological Association, Sexuality Section, Atlanta, GA

• *Roundtable discussant Rethinking sexuality, health, and “risk”*

November 2002 Society for the Scientific Study of Sexuality, Montreal, Canada.

* *Negotiation Skills in a Gender-Specific HIV Intervention Program: Project FIO*

August 2000 American Sociological Association, Gender Section, Washington, D.C.

* *Women, Control and the Body: How Feminism Influences Women’s Understanding of the Bodies with Regards to Eating Disorders and Work*

November 1998 Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Montreal, Canada.

• *Dissertation Writing Workshop*

March 1998 Eastern Sociological Society, Philadelphia, PA.

• *Modernity and Self-Conception: Public labor and the private body*

March 1997 Eastern Sociological Society, Baltimore, MD.

Joint presentation with Debora Paterniti

• *Rationality and the Body: An examination of medical discourses as relating to normal and abnormal visions of gender*

November 1996 Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Nashville, TN.

• *The Sacred Body: Images of the human body as relating to capitalism, work and religion*

August 1995 American Sociological Association, Culture Section, Washington D.C.

March 1995 Eastern Sociological Society, Philadelphia, PA.

April 1995 Works-in-Progress, Yale University, Sociology Department’s Annual Conference.

• *The Modern Confessional: A Foucaultian study of contemporary confession* *in the lives of Catholics and gays*

**Service**

**San Francisco State University**

Fall 2011 to Undergraduate Adviser, Department of Sociology and Sexuality Studies.

Present

* Complete redesign of Minor curriculum for SXS and LGBT studies.
* Advise undergraduates in minors
* Teach SXS 680 colloquium class, culminating experience for minors

Fall 2013 to Graduate Advisory Committee, Department of Sociology and Sexuality Studies

Fall 2016

* Curriculum development, assisted with redesign of MA program

Fall 2008 to Chair, Department of Sexuality Studies

Fall 2011

* Coordination of all department activities,
* Planning of MA program and curriculum changes
* Scheduling of courses
* Evaluation of MA program

Fall 2006 to Graduate Coordinator, Department of Sexuality Studies

Spring 2008

* Coordinate and advise on all aspects of MA program
* Developed and implemented a faculty mentor program
* Conduct evaluation and assessment of MA program
* Serve as liaison between faculty and graduate students
* Developed and coordinated annual conference for graduate students to present their research – The SF State of Sexuality

Fall 2004 to Undergraduate Adviser, Department of Sexuality Studies

Spring 2006

* Handled administrative duties relating to two minors in Sexuality Studies Department
* Attended campus events geared for incoming undergraduate students
* Served as liaison between faculty and Sexuality Studies minors

Fall 2005 IRB Member at SFSU

Fall 2006

Fall 2008

Spring 2006 Scholarship Award Committee

Spring 2010

Spring 2012

Spring 2013

Spring 2014

Spring 2006 Faculty Search Committee

Spring 2007

Spring 2008

Spring 2013

Spring 2015

AIDS United (formally National AIDS Fund)

Spring 2007 to Provide technical assistance with regard to research methodologies and

Spring 2017 practices to two community based organizations funded through the National AIDS Fund and Johnson & Johnson for research on and prevention of HIV among women and families. Cynthia Gomez leads the technical assistance team.

National Sexuality Resource Center (NSRC)

September 2006 Project Coordinator for *Sexualidades Latinas*, a Spanish Language online

to 2008 magazine covering topics in sexuality for Latinos.

February 2005 Editorial Board for Sexuality Research and Social Policy: Journal of the

to 2008 National Sexuality Resource Center

March 2003 Editorial Board for American Sexualities Magazine

to 2005

Behavioral and Social Science Volunteer Program (BSSV)

September 2004 Volunteer with community-based organizations to assist in research related

to 2008 tasks

**Columbia University, HIV Center for Clinical and Behavioral Sciences**

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Dec 2003 *New York City’s HIV Centers Consortium Conference*

* Executive committee member
* Responsible for planning the first annual consortium for all HIV-related research centers in the New York area

2003 *MOSAIC Program*

to 2004 • Teach seminars on sexuality research methods for undergraduate students from New York City area colleges

• Assist with course curriculum and administration of program

2000 *STAR (Sexuality Training and Research) Program*

to 2003 • Taught seminars in statistics and gender to individuals from local and national community-based organizations

• Mentored the research projects of three individuals for community-based organizations

**Yale University, Department of Sociology**

*1994 Undergraduate Affairs Committee,* *Graduate Student Representative*

*to 1995* • Evaluated undergraduate curriculum and assisted in reorganization of course requirements

##### Hollingshead Lecture Committee

• Gathered and evaluated sociological literature in search of annual lecture and award recipient. Research resulted in Arlie Hochschild’s acceptance and lecture

1994 *Graduate Student Union, President*

• Organized academic full-day conference

• Organized periodic meetings with graduate students

• Attended faculty meetings to present graduate student perspectives

GRANTS

Principle Investigator, PIMSA: PrEP among Rural Latino Immigrants in California, awarded 30K for collaborative work assessing HIV prevention and care including PrEP among rural Latino immigrants in California. (September 2016, one year).

Principle Investigator, PIMSA: Health Assessment of Zacatecans Living in Texas, Georgia, Colorado, and California, awarded 10K for collecting and analyzing over 600 responses to surveys from 5 locations in the US. (June 2015, one year with extension).

Principle Investigator, PIMSA: *Using a Binational Web-based Platform to Ensure HIV/AIDS Continuity of Care & Health Coordination*, awarded 40K for collaborative work developing and testing a web-based tool for HIV-positive Latino immigrants to use for improved medical care. (January 2012, one year)

Principle Investigator, PIMSA: La Familia –Bi- National Intervention to Change the Impacts of Family Values on HIV Prevention, awarded 30K for collaborative work. (January 2010, two years).

Principle Investigator, California HIV Research Project (CHRP), Proyecto Acceso: HIV-Positive Latino Immigrants, awarded over 150K for project involving qualitative interviewing at two time points of HIV-positive Latino immigrants to the US to assess their health care needs. (June 2009, three years)

Principle Investigator, HIV Intervention Science and Training Program (HISTP). Latinas and African American women, HIV and religious organizations, awarded 10K to conduct qualitative interviews on women’s perceptions of religious organizations and HIV prevention efforts. (March 2008, three years).

Co-Investigator, National Institute of Mental Health. (R21) with Lynn Sorsoli (Principle Investigator) Adolescents Perceptions of Risk in Research Participation. Co-wrote grant proposal with Dr. Sorsoli and consulted on project. (January, 2009).

Co-Investigator, National Council for Research on Women, Bringing Women of Color into Sexuality Research Centers*.* (January, 2008, one year).

Principle Investigator, National Institute of Child Health and Human Development. Minority Supplement to Deborah Tolman’s *Television Consumption and Teenage Behavior* (R01), 119,000K. (October, 2006).

Principle Investigator, HIV Center for Clinical and Behavioral Studies Pilot Grant to examine gender roles and safer sex negotiation among male-to-female transgender. $9,076 grant to conduct 20 in-depth interviews.

LANGUAGES

Spanish (bilingual)

French