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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

University of Washington

Associate Professor, Department of Geography 2018 – present
Assistant Professor, Department of Geography 2014 – 2018

Affiliations

American Indian Studies Department; Adjunct faculty (2020 – present)
Center for Environmental Politics; Core faculty (2014 – present)
Center for Human Rights; Faculty associate (2015 – present)
Comparative History of Ideas Department (CHID); Affiliate faculty (2015 – present)
Environmental Cultures & Values Program; Affiliate faculty (2018 – present)
Gender, Women and Sexuality Studies Department (GWSS); Adjunct faculty (2015 – present)
Latin American & Caribbean Studies Program; Core faculty (2014 – present)
Women Investigating Race, Ethnicity and Difference (WIRED); Member (2016 – present)

Willamette University

2010 – 2014

Assistant Professor, Department of Politics

Affiliations

American Ethnic Studies Program; Affiliate faculty (2011 – 2014)
Latin American Studies Program; Affiliate faculty (2010 – 2014)

EDUCATION

PhD **University of California, Berkeley**
Department of Environmental Science, Policy & Management
Division of Society & Environment

BA **New York University**
Latin American Studies
Magna cum laude, with honors

RESEARCH

Scholarly Interests

Abolition geographies
Latinx geographies
Politics of knowledge production, citation and participatory methodologies
Environmental justice and political ecology

Works in Progress

Ybarra, M. “Indigenous to Where? Centering Homelands at the articulation of Indigeneity and Latinidades.” Under Review.

Ybarra, M. *The Aroma of Tacoma: Abolition Geographies on Indigenous Land.* Book manuscript in preparation.

Books & Edited Volumes

“Abolition Ecologies” Symposium, Heynen, N. and **Megan Ybarra** (Guest Editors), *Antipode: A Radical Journal of Geography*, Volume 53, Issue 1, January 2021.

Contributors: Eve Bratman & Malini Ranganathan; Laurel Mei-Singh; Nik Heynen; David Pellow; and Megan Ybarra.

Ybarra, M. (2020) *Guerras Verdes: Conservación y Descolonización en la Selva Maya.* Guatemala City, Guatemala: Asociación para el Avance de las Ciencias Sociales en Guatemala (AVANCSO). Autores Invitados N° 29. (272 pages)

Revised translation of *Green Wars* (2017); with prologue by Gladys Tzul Tzul and epilogue by Jennifer J. Casolo.

“Latinx Geographies” Online Forum, Muñoz, L. and **Megan Ybarra** (Guest Editors), *Society & Space* Open Site. <http://societyandspace.org/2019/01/23/introduction-latinx-geographies/>, published January 23, 2019.

Contributors: Madelaine Cahuas, Cristina Faiver-Serna, Daniel González, Alfredo Huante and Kimberly Miranda, Edgar Sandoval, Isabel Urrutia, and Megan Ybarra

Ybarra, M. (2017) *Green Wars: Conservation and Decolonization in the Maya Forest.* Oakland, CA: University of California Press. (204 pages)

Winner, 2019 Outstanding Publication Award of the Cultural and Political Ecology Specialty Group (CAPE) of the American Association of Geographers (AAG)

“Conservation and Security,” *Geoforum* journal special issue, A. B. Kelly and **M. Ybarra** (Guest Editors), volume 69, February 2016.

Contributors: D. Bocarejo and D. Ojeda; C.A. Loperena; M. Ybarra; M.B. Dwyer, M.L. Ingalls and I.G. Baird; L. Lombard; F. Massé and L. Lunstrum; and R. Duffy.

Ybarra, M., Obando Samos, O., Grandia, L. and Schwartz, N.B. (2012) *Tierra, Migración y Vida en Petén, 1999-2009.* Guatemala City: Coordinación de ONG y Cooperativas – Instituto de Estudios Agrarios y Rurales (CONGCOOP-IDEAR) and Magna Terra Editores. (106 pages)

Journal Articles

Heynen, N and **M. Ybarra.** (2021) “On Abolition Ecologies and Making Freedom as a Place”, *Antipode: A Radical Journal of Geography* 53(1): 21 – 35.

Ybarra, M. (2021) “Site Fight! Towards the abolition of immigrant detention on Tacoma’s Tar Pits (and everywhere else).” *Antipode: A Radical Journal of Geography* 53(1): 36 – 55.

- Ybarra, M.** (2019) "We are not ignorant:" Transnational migrants' experiences of racialized securitization." *Environment and Planning D: Society & Space* 37(2): 197-215.
- Ybarra, M.** (2018) Petén, Guatemala, desde la colonización interna hacia migración transnacional: ¿Nuevos paradigmas para el siglo XXI? *Dirección General de Investigación, Universidad de San Carlos, Guatemala. Revista Centroamericana de Investigación y Postgrado: Ciencias Sociales y Humanidades* 5(1): 55-66.
- Lunstrum, E. and **M. Ybarra.** (2018) "Deploying difference: Security threat narratives and state displacement from protected areas." *Conservation & Society* 16(2): 114-124.
 Republished in: T. Kepe and S. Mollett (eds). 2018. *Land Rights, Biodiversity Conservation and Justice: Rethinking parks and people.* (pp. 51-70) New York: Routledge.
- Ybarra, M.** and Peña, I.L. (2017) "We don't need money, we need to be together: Forced transnationality in deportation's afterlives." *Geopolitics* 22: 34-50.
- A.B. Kelly and **M. Ybarra.** (2016) "Introduction to themed issue: Green security in protected areas." *Geoforum* 69: 171-175.
- Ybarra, M.** (2016) "Blind passes' and the production of green security through violence on the Guatemalan border." *Geoforum* 69: 194-206.
- Ybarra, M.** (2014) "Don't just pay it back, pay it forward: from accountability to reciprocity in research relationships." *Journal of Research Practice* 10(2): Article N5.
- Ybarra, M.** (2013) "You Cannot Measure a *Tzuultaq'a*: Cultural politics at the limits of liberal legibility." *Antipode: a Radical Journal of Geography* 45(3): 584-601.
- Ybarra, M.** (2012) "Taming the Jungle, Saving the Maya Forest: Sedimented counterinsurgency practices in Guatemalan conservation." *Journal of Peasant Studies* 39(2): 479-502.
 Republished in: Fairhead, J; Leach, M and Ian Scoones (eds). 2014. *Green Grabbing: A new appropriation of nature.* (pp. 243-266) New York: Routledge.
- Ybarra, M.** (2011) "Privatizing the *Tzuultaq'a*? Private property and spiritual reproduction in post-war Guatemala." *Journal of Peasant Studies* 38(4): 793-810.
 Republished in: Peluso, Nancy L. and Christian Lund (eds). 2012. *New Frontiers of Land Control.* (pp. 127-144) New York: Routledge.
- Ybarra, M.** (2011) "Slashed and Burned: the debate over privatization of Q'eqchi' lands in northern Guatemala." *Society & Natural Resources* 24(10): 1027-1041.
- Ybarra, M.** (2009) "Violent Visions of an Ownership Society: the land administration project in Petén, Guatemala." *Land Use Policy* 26(1): 44-54.

Book Review

- Ybarra, M** (2021) Review of *The Shadow of El Centro: A History of Migrant Incarceration and Solidarity.* Antipode Foundation. https://antipodeonline.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/Book-review_Ybarra-on-Ordaz.pdf, published June 22, 2021.

Public Scholarship (editorials, zines, video documentary – not peer-reviewed)

Carrasco, W. and **Ybarra, M** (2021) *Unjust Enrichment: The struggle for fair wages and an end to all immigrant cages*. <https://tinyurl.com/unjustenrichment>, published June 2021.

Mora Villalpando, M. and **Ybarra, M** (2019) "ICE rebranded the Tacoma detention center. It's still inhumane." *Crosscut*, <https://crosscut.com/2019/09/ice-rebranded-tacoma-detention-center-its-still-inhumane>, published September 24, 2019.

Muñoz, L. and **Ybarra, M**. "Introduction: Latinx Geographies." *Society & Space Open Site*. <http://societyandspace.org/2019/01/23/introduction-latinx-geographies/>, published January 23, 2019.

Ybarra, M. "On becoming a transnational Latinx geographies killjoy." *Society & Space Open Site*. <http://societyandspace.org/2019/01/23/on-becoming-a-latinx-geographies-killjoy/>, published January 23, 2019.

Ybarra, M. (2019) "Why are Indigenous children dying at the US Border? Transnational state violence and Indigenous erasure in asylum bureaucracies." *Society & Space Open Site*. <http://societyandspace.org/2019/01/16/why-are-indigenous-children-dying-at-the-us-border-transnational-state-violence-and-indigenous-erasure-in-asylum-bureaucracies/>, Published January 16, 2019.

Republished by National Peace Corps Association,
<https://travel.peacecorpsconnect.org/indigenous-children>

Ybarra, M. and L. McKinley. (2017) "Hunger Strikes: A call to end immigrant detention." Tacoma, WA: Northwest Detention Center Resistance (NWDCR). Debuted July 23, 2017 at Northwest Film Forum, Seattle, WA. Available at: <http://www.hungerstrikershandbook.org>

Cházaro, A. Madrigal, T., Mitchel, M., Mora, J., Mora Villalpando, M., Pantoja, W, Ríos Alegría, C., Strand, N. and **M. Ybarra**. (2017) *The Hunger Strikers Handbook*. Tacoma, WA: Northwest Detention Center Resistance (NWDCR). Available in English <https://issuu.com/muybarra/docs/hungerstrikershandbook-eng> and Spanish <https://issuu.com/muybarra/docs/hungerstrikershandbook-esp>

McSweeney, K., Bacon, C., Bryan, J., Casolo, J., Mollett, S., Offen, K.H., Pine, A. and **M. Ybarra** (2015) "7 Reasons to Scrap the \$1 Billion Aid Package to Central America." Center for International Policy, Americas Program, <http://www.cipamericas.org/archives/15371>, published May 2015.

Ybarra, M. (2013) "Narco-violence and cartel territoriality in Guatemala." Guest post for Central American Politics blog, Available at <http://centralamericanpolitics.blogspot.com/2013/08/narco-violence-and-cartel.html>, published August 2013.

Ybarra, M. (2007) "Letters to the Editor: Languages, not Dialects." *The New York Times*, page 53. Available at http://www.nytimes.com/2007/12/30/travel/30letters-1-NOTDIALECTS_LETTERS.html, published December 30, 2007.

Legal Briefs and Testimony

Ybarra, M. Testimony in support of House Bill 2576, Concerning private detention facilities, before the

Washington State House Committee on Public Safety. February 3, 2020.

Ybarra, M. Testimony in support of Senate Bill 6442, On Private Prisons and Detention Facilities, before the Washington State Senate Committee on Human Services, Reentry & Rehabilitation. January 29, 2020.

Cházaro, A, Mora Villalpando, M and **Ybarra, M** (2019) *Amicus Curiae Brief of La Resistencia*. Seattle, WA: State of Washington, Plaintiff, vs. the GEO Group, Inc., Defendant. Case No. 3:17-CV-05806-RJB

Expert witness to US Executive Office for Immigration Review (EOIR) on country conditions in Guatemala for asylum (2019; 2018; 2016; 2015; 2013; 2011); country conditions in Mexico for asylum (2013)

24 instances of review for 17 cases: reviewing declarations and supporting evidence, drafting and revising a country conditions affidavit, preparing testimony with lawyers; and testifying before a judge if called upon

AWARDS & HONORS

- 2021 Nominee, University of Washington Distinguished Teaching Award
- 2019 Winner, Cultural and Political Ecology Outstanding Publication Award; American Association of Geographers (AAG). For *Green Wars: Conservation and Decolonization in the Maya Forest*. Oakland, CA: University of California Press, published December 2017.
- 2018 Undergraduate Majors' Award for Faculty Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching, UW Department of Geography.

GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS

- 2021 UW Simpson Center for the Humanities. "Abolitionist Futures & Intentional Kin-making." Co-curricular institute; with Dian Million, Chandan Reddy, and Stephanie Smallwood. (\$12,000)
- 2020 UW Harry Bridges Center; Washington State Labor Research Grant. "Unjust Enrichment and the Struggle for Minimum Wage at the Northwest Detention Center" (Research Assistant funding; \$25,505)
- 2019 National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Award with Edgar Sandoval, lead investigator. "Landscapes of Violence: Immigrants and Mixed-Status Families Navigating Economic Revitalization in Suburbia" (\$16,432)
- 2018 Antipode Foundation Scholar-Activist Project Award, with NWDC Resistance. "Unjust Enrichment: From Labor Rights to the Abolition of Immigrant Detention" (£10,000)

- 2018 University of Washington (UW) Simpson Center Public Scholarship Grant: “Community Engaged Collaboration” (\$5,000): Course development with incarcerated scholars; with Gillian Harkins (PI), Dan Berger and Megan Ming Francis.
- 2017 UW Royalty Research Fund Scholar: “A 21st Century Border? Migration and Security in Southern Mexico” (\$40,000): Funding awarded for field research in 2018/2019.
- 2016 UW Simpson Center Society of Scholars Fellowship (one quarter teaching release)
- 2016 Antipode Foundation Scholar-Activist Project Award, with Northwest Detention Center Resistance. “The Hunger Strikers’ Handbook” (£10,000)
- 2014 Mellon Foundation & Willamette University (WU) President’s Innovation Fund Community-Based Learning with Latinx Leaders in the Willamette Valley (\$3,300)
- 2012 American Association of University Women (AAUW) American Fellowship Summer/Short-term Research Publication Grant (\$6,000)
- 2011 WU Center for Sustainable Communities Curriculum Development Grant
Guest speaker series on the Politics of Equity in the Willamette Valley (\$3,600)
- 2008 National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant in Geography and Regional Science (\$12,000; lead investigator)
- 2006 UC Berkeley Human Rights Center Summer Fellowship (\$3,500)
- 2006 UC Berkeley Center for Latin American Studies
Tinker Summer Field Research Travel Grant (\$750)
- 2006 National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship (3 years tuition & stipend)
- 2005 UC Berkeley Chancellor’s Fellowship (4 years tuition & living stipend)
- 1999 New York University Robert Holmes Travel/Research Award: To study immigration and racial formations from Haiti to New Orleans during the Haitian Revolution (\$5,000)
- 1998 New York University (NYU) College of Arts & Sciences Presidential Honors Scholar (4 years tuition)

PRESENTATIONS

Invited Presentations & Plenaries

- 2021 “Political Ecology: Strengths and Silences.” Cultural & Political Ecology (CAPE) Specialty Group Plenary. Annual meeting of the American Association of Geographers (AAG), Seattle, WA (Virtual); April 9.

- 2021 “The Aroma of Tacoma.” Colloquium, Department of Geography & Environment, Syracuse University. Syracuse, NY. March 12.
- 2021 Presentación del libro, *Guerras Verdes*, con Clara Arenas, Gio B’atz’, Jovita Tzul Tzul y Héctor Asig; Asociación para el Avance de las Ciencias Sociales en Guatemala (AVANCSO). Guatemala City, Guatemala, March 4; published at:
<https://www.facebook.com/Avancso.Guatemala/videos/2379218365558063/>
- 2021 “Abolition.” Katz Lecture Roundtable, with Ruth Wilson Gilmore, Angélica Cházaro, Shaun Glaze and Chandan Reddy. University of Washington. Seattle, WA. February 25.
- 2020 “The Urgency of Abolition in Global Political Ecology.” Yi-Fu Tuan Lecture, University of Wisconsin, Madison. Madison, WI. October 16.
- 2020 “The case for immigration detention in abolition geography.” Colloquium, School of Geography, Development & Environment. Tucson, AZ (online). September 4.
- 2019 “Conversatorio: Situación de las Tierras de Comunidades Indígenas en Petén, Izabal y Alta Verapaz. Una Mirada desde las Investigaciones de Megan Ybarra.” Bufete para Pueblos Indígenas, Centro para la Acción Legal en Derechos Humanos (CALDH), y Instituto Amaq. Ciudad de Guatemala, Guatemala. July 15.
- 2019 “Raíces and Latinidades.” Latinx Unidos Keynote. University of Puget Sound. Tacoma, WA. April 20.
- 2019 “Site Fight! Toward the abolition of immigrant detention on Tacoma’s Tar Pits (and everywhere else)”
Stanford University. Palo Alto, CA. May 16, 2019.
University of British Columbia Geography Department. Vancouver, BC, Canada. November 6, 2019.
Willamette University Green Fund. Salem, OR. November 13, 2018.
- 2018 “Green Wars: Narco Narratives and Indigenous Self-Determination in Guatemala’s Maya Forest.”
University of North Carolina Geography Department. Chapel Hill, NC. September 21.
University of California-Davis Geography Graduate Group. Davis, CA. June 7.
Yale School of Forestry & Environmental Studies; New Haven, CT. April 2.
University of Minnesota; Minneapolis, MN. February 16.
- 2016 “We didn’t invade the park, the park invaded us! Green security and Maya land activism in Guatemala’s protected areas.” York University; Toronto, Canada. October 12.
- 2016 “¿Quién es un invasor? Estudio de la ecología política del Parque Nacional Laguna Lachuá.”
University of San Carlos, Facultad de Agronomía, Subárea de Ciencias Sociales y Desarrollo Rural; Guatemala City, Guatemala. September 8.

- 2015 “Ignite Change.” Keynote speech, 4th Annual Beyond HB 1079 Conference for undocumented students in Washington state; Everett, WA. October 10.
- 2012 “Tierra, Migración y Vida 1999-2009, Resultados Destacados.” Plenary presentation. 2^o Simposium Internacional de Investigación Interdisciplinaria; sponsored by Universidad Juárez Autónoma de Tabasco, División Académica Multidisciplinaria de los Ríos, México; and the Universidad de San Carlos, Centro Universitario de Petén, Guatemala. Santa Elena, Petén, Guatemala. August 16.
- 2012 “Capitalismo, NAFTA y Migración.” Hora Campesina on Radio Movimiento, 95.9 FM, and Viernes Comunitario. Pineros y Campesinos Unidos del Noroeste (PCUN), Woodburn, OR. July 13.
- 2011 “Tierra, Migración y Vida: 1999-2009, Resultados Preliminares.” Centro Universitario Departamento de El Petén (CUDEP), Universidad de San Carlos, Santa Elena, Petén, Guatemala. March 21.

Conference Sessions Organized

- 2019 Organizer and co-chair for two paper sessions, with Juan Herrera and Laura Pulido. Latin Geographies I & II. Annual meeting of the American Association of Geographers (AAG), Washington, DC; April 4.
- 2018 Organizer and co-chair for two paper sessions, with Nik Heynen. Abolition Ecologies I & II. Annual meeting of the American Association of Geographers (AAG), New Orleans, LA; April 13.
- 2014 Organizer and co-chair for paper session, with Sharlene Mollett. Geographies of Loss. Latin American Studies Association (LASA) International Congress; Chicago, IL; May 22.
- 2013 Organizer and co-chair for paper session, with Jennifer Casolo. Who is a Criminal? Rethinking Rights Claims and Justice in Mesoamerica. Latin American Studies Association (LASA) International Congress; Washington, DC; May 31.
- 2013 Organizer and co-chair for paper session, with Alice B. Kelly. Nature, Property and Violence. Annual meeting of the Association of American Geographers (AAG), Los Angeles, CA; April 9.
- 2012 Organizer and chair for paper session, Conservation and Rural Livelihoods in Guatemala. Latin American Studies Association (LASA) International Congress; San Francisco, CA; May 25.

Conference Paper Presentations

- 2021 “How Not To Be Complicit In the Datafication of Environmental Injustice.” Annual meeting of the American Association of Geographers (AAG), Seattle, WA (Virtual).
- 2019 “Settler Colonialism Across Latinidades.” Annual meeting of the American Association of Geographers (AAG), Washington, DC. April 4.
- 2018 “Site Fight! Towards the end of immigrant detention on Tacoma’s Tar Pits (and everywhere else).” Annual meeting of the American Association of Geographers (AAG), New Orleans, LA. April 13.

- 2017 “When Knowing Your Rights is Not Enough: A Hunger Strikers Handbook.” National Association for Chicana and Chicano Studies (NACCS), Irvine, CA; March 23.
- 2016 “Mexico’s Southern Border Plan: Racialized rightlessness in the 21st century migrant management regime.” *Dis/placing the Borders of North America*. McMaster University; Hamilton, ON, Canada; October 13.
- 2016 With Libby Lunstrum. “Where is difference dangerous? Conservation displacement as a security strategy.” *Political Ecologies of Conflict, Capitalism and Contestation (PE-3C)*. Wageningen, The Netherlands, July 7.
- 2016 “Locking In: On the intimate geopolitics of activism.” Annual meeting of the American Association of Geographers (AAG), San Francisco, CA; March 29.
- 2016 With Libby Lunstrum. “Difference is dangerous: Conservation displacement as a security strategy.” Annual meeting of the American Association of Geographers (AAG), San Francisco, CA; March 31.
- 2015 With Isaura L. Peña. “We don’t need money, we need to be together: Families across the US-Mexican border.” Annual meeting of the Association of American Geographers (AAG), Chicago, IL; April 23.
- 2014 “The Land Question in Ladino Politics: Racialized dispossession and trusteeship in post-war Guatemala.” Latin American Studies Association (LASA) International Congress; Chicago, IL; May 22.
- 2014 “The Geopolitics of Parks.” Annual meeting of the Association of American Geographers (AAG), Tampa, FL, April 9.
- 2013 “From *Subversivo* to *Narcocampesino*: The Politics of Crime and Conservation in Guatemala.” Latin American Studies Association (LASA) International Congress; Washington, DC. May 31.
- 2013 “Crossing Borders, Losing Land: Conservation as Dispossession in Post-War Guatemala.” Annual meeting of the Association of American Geographers (AAG), Los Angeles, CA; April 9.
- 2012 “Regularización de Tierras y Campesinos sin Tierra en Petén, Guatemala.” 2^o Simposium Internacional de Investigación Interdisciplinaria; sponsored by Universidad Juárez Autónoma de Tabasco, División Académica Multidisciplinaria de los Ríos, México; and the Universidad de San Carlos, Centro Universitario de Petén, Guatemala. Santa Elena, Petén, Guatemala. August 16.
- 2012 “Effects of the World Bank’s Land Administration Project on Landless Farmers in Petén, Guatemala.” Latin American Studies Association (LASA) International Congress, San Francisco, CA; May 25.
- 2012 “Voting for *Mano Dura*? Remilitarization and Political Activism in Post-War Guatemala.” Annual meeting of the Association of American Geographers (AAG), New York, NY; February 27.

- 2011 “Private Property as Spiritual Reproduction: Contradictory Consciousness in a Guatemalan Development Pole.” Annual meeting of the Association of American Geographers (AAG), Seattle, WA; April 14.
- 2011 “Taming the Jungle, Saving the Maya Forest: The Military’s Role in Guatemalan Conservation.” International Conference on Global Land Grabbing, Land Deal Politics Initiative; Institute of Development Studies, University of Sussex, UK; April 6.
- 2010 “We Didn’t Invade the Park, the Park Invaded Us!” Post-War Politics of Conservation in Guatemala. American Association of Anthropologists (AAA), November 18.
- 2009 “Slashed & Burned: the Debate over Privatizing Q’eqchi’ Lands in Northeastern Guatemala.” Latin American Studies Association (LASA) International Congress; Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. June 13.
- 2009 “Racing the Political Forest: the Effects of Counterinsurgency Territorialization on Parks and Land Titles in Northeastern Guatemala.” Annual meeting of the Association of American Geographers (AAG), Las Vegas, NV. March 22.
- 2007 “Envisioning Guatemala as an ‘Ownership Society;’ the Land Administration Project in Petén, Guatemala.” Annual meeting of the Association of American Geographers (AAG), San Francisco, CA. April 17.

Discussant & Panelist Participation

- 2021 “Political Ecology: Strengths and Silences.” Virtual panel of the Cultural & Political Ecology Specialty Group. Annual meeting of the Association of American Geographers (AAG), Seattle, WA, April 9.
- 2021 “Defund/Disarm or Reform? UW Police: What’s Been Done, and What’s Next?” Panelist. UW Faculty Council on Multicultural Affairs and UW Faculty Council on Student Affairs. Seattle, WA. March 1, published at: https://youtu.be/_QotXL_9srs?t=6
- 2021 Moderator and co-organizer, “Protecting Culture and Tribal Treaty Rights,” Webinar hosted by The Conversation of Tacoma, UW American Indian Studies, and the Puyallup Tribe. February 20, 2021, published at: <https://youtu.be/obwI3AARn4Q>
- 2021 Moderator, “Taking Our Power Back: Indigenous Sovereignty and Pipeline Politics,” Webinar hosted by Seattle 350. February 18, 2021, published at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=msXO-ruT4G0>
- 2020 “Tacoma LNG Resistance on Environmental Injustice.” Panelist. Racial Justice is Climate Justice webinar, hosted by 350 Seattle. Seattle, WA. October 4, 2020, published at: <https://youtu.be/fgxs6R0iJac>
- 2020 “Border Panic! And Contagion.” Panelist. Red May webinar. Seattle, WA. May 31.
- 2020 “The Covid Crisis and the Carceral State.” Panelist. Red May webinar. Seattle, WA. May 30.

- 2020 “COVID-19 Impact on the Latino Community of Pierce County.” Panelist for webinar hosted by Centro Latino, Tacoma, WA. May 5.
- 2020 “Solidarity with Incarcerated Communities.” Panelist for webinar hosted by Washington Environmental Council, Seattle, WA, March 26.
- 2019 “What does Public Scholarship Produce? Artifacts & Evidence.” Social Justice in Campus/Community Partnerships. Panelist. UW Center for Communication, Difference & Equity. October 11.
- 2019 “Immigrant Justice under the Trump administration.” Social Justice Tuesdays. Panelist. UW Law School. Seattle, WA. October 1.
- 2019 “In-reach before Outreach” Environmental Justice Conference. Panelist. UW College of the Environment. Seattle, WA. April 19.
- 2019 “Enough!” Panelist. Annual meeting of the American Association of Geographers (AAG), Washington, DC. April 3.
- 2018 “Author Meets Critics: Green Wars.” Author. Annual meeting of the American Association of Geographers (AAG), New Orleans, LA. April 13.
- 2018 “Latinx Geographies III: Envisioning Latinx Geographies.” Panelist. Annual meeting of the American Association of Geographers (AAG), New Orleans, LA. April 12.
- 2018 “Feminist Methodologies in Researching Migration Management.” Panelist. Annual meeting of the American Association of Geographers (AAG), New Orleans, LA. April 11.
- 2017 “Sexuality and Space Keynote: Treva Ellison: Rethinking Homonormativity - Spatializing Theories of Gender and Sexuality.” Discussant. Annual meeting of the American Association of Geographers (AAG), Boston, MA; April 8.
- 2015 “Central American ‘Crisis’ Revisited.” Panelist. Annual meeting of the Association of American Geographers (AAG), Chicago, IL; April 22.
- 2013 Foro: “La violencia: narcoviencia y etnografías de cada día violento”. Guatemala Scholars Network (GSN) 2ª Conferencia Internacional; Antigua, Guatemala. July 11.

TEACHING

Assistant / Associate Professor, Geography, University of Washington

Graduate Courses

Indigenous Methodologies, co-facilitated with Jean Dennison (2020, 2022)

Critical Race & Postcolonial Geographies (2016, 2018, 2019)

Abolition Reading Group (2017)

Unrecognized Refugees (2015)

Undergraduate Courses

Abolition Geographies (2021)

Summer Institute for Abolitionist Futures, co-facilitated with Dian Million, LaShawnDa Pittman, Chandan Reddy, and Stephanie Smallwood (2020)
Geographies of the Developing World (2015, 2020)
Geographies of Environmental Justice (2016, 2017, 2018, 2019)
Race, Nature & Power (2016, 2018, 2019)
Transnational Latinx Migrations (2019)
Borderlands: Gender, Race & Place (2015)
Cultural Geographies of Latin America (2015)

Assistant Professor, Politics, Willamette University

Undergraduate Courses

Transnational Labor Politics | 40+ hours with community partners (2014)
Borderlands/Fronteras College Colloquium (2013)
Politics in the Developing World (2014, 2013, 2012, 2011, 2010)
Political Ecology (2013, 2011)
Latin American Politics (2013, 2011)
Latin American Revolutions (2013)
Social & Environmental Justice | 40+ hours with community partners (2012)
Senior Thesis in Politics (2013, 2012, 2011)

Graduate Advising

In Progress – Chair

Wesley Carrasco, MA; Geography.
Diego Martínez-Lugo. PhD, Geography.
Olivia Orosco, MA; Geography.
Edgar Sandoval. PhD; Geography.
Ken Wolkin, MA; Geography.

Completed – Chair

Edgar Sandoval. MA; Geography. 2017. "UndocuQueer Disidentifications: 'Being undocumented and gay, just like death, means having to navigate between two worlds.'"
Amelia Schwartz. MA; Geography. 2020. "Indigenous Nations' Access to Geospatial Climate Data: The case of the Lummi Nation."

Completed – Committee Member

Gregory T. Woolston. MS in Architecture (Theory and History). 2020. "Reading the White Spatial Imaginary in the Redevelopment of Yesler Terrace."
Will McKeithen PhD, Geography. 2020. "Life in Prison: Health, Care and Biopolitics in the Neoliberal Penitentiary."
Verónica Guajardo. PhD; Information Science. 2018. "UndocuLives: Understanding the information behavior, needs and networks of Undocustudents in higher education."
Andrew Romero. MA; Geography. 2017. "Permission to Participate: Incorporating Alaska Native Participation on Resource Governance in Alaska through Alaska Native Corporations."
Isaac Fones. MA; International Studies. 2016. "Selective Listening: Why US policymakers did not securitize Colombia's internal displacement crisis."

In Progress – Committee Member

Cristian Aguilar Valverde. PhD, Multicultural Education
 Alike Bourgette. PhD, History
 Jessica Martinez. PhD, Geography; University of Georgia
 Elizabeth Ramírez Arreola. PhD, Gender, Women & Sexuality Studies
 Isaac Javier Rivera. PhD, Geography
 Elizabeth Shoffner. PhD, Geography

Undergraduate Mentoring (faculty supervisor for students awarded funding, does not include internship advising or 20+ undergraduate theses supervised at Willamette University)

- 2020 UW Mary Gates Leadership Scholarship. Mentor for Navon Al-Tareek Morgan, Black Student Union.
- 2019 – 2020 “And Still We Rise: We are all the ‘Other’ in the PNW.” Racquel West, Undergraduate Honors Thesis in Geography
- 2018 – 2020 McNair Scholars Program. Faculty supervisor for Racquel West.
- 2014 Mellon Foundation & WU President’s Innovation Fund: “Latin@ Rights in the Willamette Valley”
 Maria D. Hernández. “Broken Laws, Families Separated, Unprotected Workers: Searching for justice for the Latin@ community in Oregon.”
 Isaura L. Peña. “Tangled in the Barbed Wire: Immigration and deportations.”
 Guadalupe Mosqueda-Franco. “*Delito ser madre* | Is it a crime to be a mother?”
- 2013 Willamette University Carson Undergraduate Research Grant
 Noor Amr. “Beyond Tahrir: Gender, Justice and the Nation in Egypt.”
- 2012 Willamette University Carson Undergraduate Research Grant
 Karin Elena Wimberger. “Generational Impacts on Civil Disobedience: How the legacy of a dictatorship has influenced current student activism in Chile.”
- 2011 Willamette University Liberal Arts Research Collaborative: “Latin American Landscapes”
 Elizabeth Calixtro Solano. “The Right to Life: Indigeneity and territoriality in the case of the Maya of Belize.”
 Octaviano Chavarín. “Debt-for-Carbon: Implications of voluntary offsets for the developing world”

SERVICE***Community Engagement***

Board of Trustees member, Davis-Putter Scholarship Fund (2017 – present)
 Council of Advisors member, CAPACES Leadership Institute (2012 – 2014)
 Community Council member, Willamette Academy (2011 – 2014)
 International advisor to World Bank Guatemala, evaluation of Land Administration Project I (2011 – 2012)

Academic Service

Member, Committee for Annual Honors of the American Association of Geographers (AAG) (elected by general membership) (2021 – 2023)
 Editorial Board member, *The Professional Geographer* (2019 – 2023)
 Editorial Board member, *Environment & Planning D: Society and Space* (2019 – present)
 International Advisory Board member, *Antipode: A Radical Journal of Geography* (2014 – present)
 Chair, Latinx Geographies Specialty Group, American Association of Geographers (2018 – 2020)
 Member, Latinx Geographies Working Group for the American Association of Geographers (2017-2018)
 Advisory Committee member, Political Ecologies of Conflict, Capitalism and Contestation (PE-3C) conference (2015 – 2016)

University Service

University of Washington

Member, Graduate School Selection Committee, Fritz and Boeing Fellowships for International Research and Study (2020)
 Chair, Geography Undergraduate Program Committee (2019 – 2020)
 Member, Planning Committee, UW Environmental Justice Conference (2019 – 2020)
 Member, Geography Search Committee; Assistant Professor of Climate & Health (2019 – 2020)
 Chair, Geography Search Committee; Assistant Professor of Race, Migration or Diaspora (2018-2019)
 Reviewer, Mary Gates Endowment for Students Research Scholarship (2017, 2018, 2019)
 Member, Geography Graduate Program Committee (2016 – 2019)
 Chair, Geography Colloquium Committee (2015 – 2016, 2017 – 2018)
 Member, Geography Executive Committee (2015 – 2016; 2018-2019)
 Member; Success, Education and Empowerment for all DREAMers (SEED) Scholarship Committee (2016)

Willamette University

Undergraduate Grants and Awards, committee member (2013 – 2014)
 Diversity advisor to search committee for university Director of Sustainability (2013)
 Sustainability Council, co-curriculum committee member (2012 – 2013)
 Search committee member, visiting assistant professor of German (2011 – 2012)
 Multicultural Affairs Committee member (2011 – 2012)

University of California, Berkeley

Graduate Admissions Committee member, ESPM Division of Society & Environment (2009)
 ESPM Graduate Diversity Council. Society & Environment Division Representative; (2005 – 2006);
 Secretary (2006 – 2007)
 Graduate student search committee representative; Assistant Professor of Science, Technology & Environment (2006)

Referee

Journals: + indicates more than one peer review for a journal in a calendar year
 Annals of the Association of American Geographers (2017+, 2019)
 Antipode (2013+)
 Conservation & Society (2015)
 cultural geographies (2011)
 Ethnography (2013)
 Environment and Planning D: Society & Space (2018+, 2019)

Geoforum (2016; 2018)
Journal of Latin American & Caribbean Anthropology (2017)
Journal of Peasant Studies (2016+, 2012, 2011)
Journal of Research Practice (2014+)
Journal of Rural Studies (2017)
Land Use Policy (2019)
PoLAR: Political and Legal Anthropology Review (2013)
The Professional Geographer (2020)
Society & Natural Resources (2011)

MEMBERSHIPS

American Studies Association (ASA)
American Association of Geographers (AAG)
Native American and Indigenous Studies Association (NAISA)

Languages

English (native)
Spanish (fluent, written & spoken)
Q'eqchi' Maya (very basic, 200 hours language training)