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EDUCATION

Ph.D. University of California, Los Angeles, History, 1998
M.A. University of California, Los Angeles, History, 1993
B.A. University of California, Los Angeles, History, 1991

TEACHING/RESEARCH FIELDS

U.S. history; Chicana/Latina history; Immigration, Migration, & Detention; U.S.-Mexico Border and Spanish/Mexican Borderlands; Race, Eugenics, & Juvenile Justice; Research Methodologies; U.S. Women of Color; Gender & the West

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Faculty Director, McNair Scholars Program	2020-Present
Professor, History, UCSB	2016-Present
Faculty Director, Graduate Diversity Initiatives	2016-2019
Professor, Interim-Chair, Vice Chair, Chicana/o Studies, UCSB	2013-2016
Chair, Chicana/o Studies, UC Davis	2011-2013
Associate Professor, Chicana/o Studies, UC Davis	2006-2013
Assistant Professor, Chicana/o Studies, UC Davis	2000-2006
Assistant Professor, History, Northern Arizona University	1999-2000

PUBLICATIONS

Books

- *Is Grad School for Me? Demystifying the Process of First-Gen BIPOC Students*, co-author, with Yvette Martínez-Vu. Berkeley: University of California Press, April 16, 2024.
- *Migrant Longing: Letter Writing across the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands*. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2018.
 - 2019 Barbara “Penny” Kanner Award, Western Association of Women’s Historians
 - 2019 Choice Outstanding Academic Title
- *States of Delinquency: Race and Science in the Making of California’s Juvenile Justice System*. Berkeley: University of California Press, 2012.
- *Negotiating Conquest: Gender and Power in California, 1770s to the 1880s*. Tucson: University of Arizona Press, 2004.

Edited Book and Journal

- Editor, *Latina Lives, Latina Narratives: Influential Essays by Vicki L. Ruiz*. New York: Routledge, Taylor & Francis, 2021.

- Co-Editor, Special Issue, “Gender and Intimacy Across the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands,” *Pacific Historical Review* (Winter 2020), with Verónica Castillo-Muñoz.

Articles & Book Chapters

- “Framing Defectives, Affirming Science: Critical Archival Research on Eugenic Field Worker Case Files.” Co-author with Isidro Gonzalez In *Sage Research Methods Cases: Diversifying and Decolonizing Research*. London: Sage Publications Ltd., 2023. <https://doi.org/> (March 2024).
- “The Architects of Hate: Garrett Hardin’s and Cordelia S. May’s Battle for Population Control, Environmentalism, and Immigration Restriction.” *Journal of American Ethnic History* 43 (Fall 2023): 88-117.
- “From ‘Tough Love’ to ‘Street Fight’: Garret Hardin and Cordelia S. May’s Battle for Population Control and Eugenics at the Turn of the Millenium,” *Revista Brasileira de História*. São Paulo, 2023, <http://dx.doi.org/10.1590/1806-93472023v43n94-10>.
- “Foreword” to Robert W. Griffith, *Ike's Letters to a Friend, 1941–1958*. Lawrence: University Press of Kansas, 2021 e-book edition.
- “Ego Documents: Letters (Modern),” in *Bloomsbury History: Theory and Method*, ed. Stefan Berger. New York, 2021, e-book edition.
- “Introduction: Forty Years of Narrating Latina Lives,” in *Latina Lives, Latina Narratives: Influential Essays by Vicki L. Ruiz*, 1-14, ed. by Miroslava Chávez-García. New York: Routledge, Taylor & Francis, 2021.
- “Opioids and Marijuana in the United States: Where We’ve Been, Where We’re Headed,” in *USA Country Report/Länderbericht USA*. Berlin: German Federal Agency for Civic Education, 2021.
- “Coming Home to *The Brady Bunch*: In Search of Latina/o Identity,” *Southern California Quarterly*, Vol. 101, no. 4 (November 2019), 430-60.
- “Introduction,” Special Issue, “Gender and Intimacy Across the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands,” *Pacific Historical Review* 89 (Winter 2020), 4-15, co-author with Verónica Castillo-Muñoz.
- “The Murder Trial of Guadalupe Trujillo: Los Angeles, 1843 (reprint).” In *Women’s America: Refocusing the Past*, pp. 209-216, eds. Linda K. Kerber, Jane Sherron de Hart, Cornelia Hughes Dayton, and Karissa Haugeberg. New York: Oxford University Press, 2019.
- “Navigating Successfully Grants and Fellowships Applications,” 71-81, co-author with Luis Alvarez and Ernesto Chávez, in *The Academic’s Handbook*, 4th ed., revised and expanded, eds. Lori Flores and Jocelyn Olcott. Durham: Duke University Press, 2020.
- “Youth, Evidence, and Agency: Mexican and Mexican American Youth at the Whittier State School, 1880-1920 (reprint).” In, *The Chicana/o Education Pipeline: History, Institutional*

Critique, and Resistance, 23-47, eds. Michaela J. L. Mares-Tamayo and Daniel G. Solorzano. Los Angeles: Chicano Studies Research Center, UCLA, 2018.

- “A Genealogy of Chicana History, the Chicana Movement, and Chicana Studies.” In, *Routledge Handbook of Chicana/o Studies*, eds. Denise Segura, Francisco Lomelí, Elyette Benjamin-Labarthe. New York: Routledge International Handbooks, 2018.
- “Strategies for Publishing in the Humanities: A Senior Professor Advises Junior Scholars,” *The Journal of Scholarly Publishing*, 48, no. 4 (July 2017): 199-220.
- “Migrant Longing, Courtship, and Gendered Identity in the Borderlands,” *Western Historical Quarterly* 47, no. 2 (Summer 2016): 137-160.
 - Winner, Bolton-Cutter Prize, Western History Association, 2017
 - Winner, Judith Lee Ridge Prize, Western Association of Women's Historians, 2017
- “Chicana and Chicano Historians Reflect on the Model Mentorship of Norris Hundley, Jr,” co-author with Ernesto Chávez. In, *Passing the Torch: Mentoring in the Social Sciences*, 39-50, eds. Frank Salamone and Marjorie Snipes. Cambridge: Cambridge Scholars Press, 2016.
- “States of Incarceration,” co-author with Mayela Caro, Marissa Friedman, and Sonia Mehrmand, *Boom: The Journal of California*, 6, no. 2 (Summer 2016): 36-41.
- “[Youth of Color and California's Carceral State: The Fred C. Nelles Correctional Facility](#),” *The Carceral State*, *Journal of American History*, 102, no. 1 (June 2015): 47-60.
- “Future Academics of Color in Dialogue: A Candid Q&A on Adjusting to the Cultural, Social, and Professional Rigor of Academia,” co-author with Mayra Avitia and Jorge N. Leal. In *Beginning a Career in Academia: A Guide for Graduate Students of Color*, 128-145, ed. by Dwayne Mack et al. New York: Routledge/Taylor and Francis Group, 2014.
- “Latina/o Youth Gangs in Global Perspective,” in *Juvenile Delinquency and the Limits of Western Influence*, 93-118, ed. by Heather Ellis. Palgrave Macmillan, 2014.
- “The Interdisciplinary Project of Chicana history: Looking Back, Moving Forward,” Special Issue on Chicana/o History, *Pacific Historical Review*, 82, no. 4 (2013): 542-65.
- “Californians Loss of Land After U.S. Annexation in 1848 (reprint).” In, *Major Problems in Latina/o History*, 1st edition, ed. by Omar Valerio-Jiménez and Carmen Teresa Whalen, 55-63. Stamford, CT: Cengage Learning, 2014.
- “An Interview with Yolanda Cruz: A Filmmaker Documents Depopulation in Mexico,” *Boom: California Studies Journal*, 1, no. 3 (September 2011): 57-61.
- “A Chicana Scholar’s Long Road to Engaging in Public Scholarship,” *Western Humanities Association Journal*, 64, no. 3 (2011): 77-80.

- “‘The Crime of Precocious Sexuality’ Celebrates Thirty Years: A Critical Appraisal,” *Journal of the History of Childhood and Youth*, Symposium, “The Crime of Precocious Sexuality,” 2 (Winter 2009): 88-94.
- “In Retrospect: Anthony M. Platt’s *The Child Savers: The Invention of Delinquency* (1969, 1977).” (Reprint). Introduction to *The Child Savers: The Invention of Delinquency, Expanded 40th Anniversary Edition*, xi-xxxv, by Anthony M. Platt with an introduction and critical commentaries compiled by Miroslava Chávez-García. New Brunswick: Rutgers University Press, 2009.
- “Race, Culture, and Justice in Mexican Los Angeles.” (Reprint). In, *Unequal Sisters: An Inclusive Reader in U.S. Women’s History*, 108-117, ed. by Vicki L. Ruiz with Ellen C. DuBois. New York: Routledge, 2008, 4th ed.
- “In Retrospect: Anthony M. Platt’s *The Child Savers: The Invention of Delinquency* (1969, 1977),” *Reviews in American History* 35 (September 2007): 464-81.
- “Intelligence Testing at Whittier State School, 1891 to 1920,” *Pacific Historical Review*, 76, no. 2 (May 2007): 193-228.
- “Youth, Evidence, and Agency: Whittier State School and Mexican and Mexican American Youth” *Aztlán: A Journal of Chicano Studies*, 31 (Fall 2006): 55-83.
- “Hispanic Women and the Law.” In, *Latinas in the U.S.*, eds. Vicki L. Ruiz and Virginia Sánchez-Korrol, 700-703. Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 2006.
- “Women’s Studies and Chicana Studies: Learning from the Past, Looking to the Future.” Co-author with Monica Brown. In *Women’s Studies for the Future: Foundations, Interrogations, Politics*, eds. Liz Kennedy & Agatha Beins, 143-155. Piscataway, NJ: Rutgers Univ. Press, 2005.
- “The Gwin Commission.” In, *Oxford Encyclopedia of Latinos and Latinas in the U.S.*, eds. Suzanne Oboler and Deena J. González, 257-58. New York: Oxford University Press, 2005.
- “Guadalupe Trujillo: Race, Culture, and Justice in Mexican Los Angeles.” In, *The Human Tradition in California*, eds. Clark Davis and David Igler, 31-46. Wilmington, DE: Scholarly Resources, 2002.
- “‘Pongo mi demanda’: Challenging Patriarchy in Mexican Los Angeles, 1830-1850.” In *Over the Edge: Remapping the American West*, eds. Valerie Matsumoto and Blake Almendinger, 272-290. Berkeley: University of California Press, 1998.

Published Book Reviews

- Review of *The Criminalization of Black Children: Race and Gender and Delinquency in Chicago’s Juvenile Justice, 1899-1945*, by Tera Agyepong. *The American Historical Review*, Volume 124, Issue 4 (October 2019): 1472–1473.

- Review Essay: “Child Welfare,” Katherine S. Bullard, *Civilizing the Child: Discourses of Race, Nation, and Child Welfare in America*. Lanham, MD: Lexington Books, 2014; Molly Ladd-Taylor, *Fixing the Poor: Eugenic Sterilization and Child Welfare in the Twentieth Century*. Baltimore: John Hopkins University Press, 2017; and, Catherine E. Rymph. *Raising Government Children: A History of Foster Care and the American Welfare State*. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2017. In, *Journal of Women’s History* Vol. 31, Issue 4 (Winter 2019): 146-153.
- Review of *The Evolution of the Juvenile Court: Race, Politics, and the Criminalizing of Juvenile Justice*, by Barry C. Feld. New York: New York University Press, 2017. In, *Theoretical Criminology* (May 31, 2018), 1-3.
- Review of *City of Inmates: Conquest, Rebellion, and the Rise of Human Caging in Los Angeles, 1771-1965*, by Kelly Lytle Hernandez. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2017. In *Mexican Studies/Estudios Mexicanos* 34, no. 2 (Summer 2018), 250-52.
- Review of *Bad Girls at Samarcand: Sexuality and Sterilization in a Southern Juvenile Reformatory*, by Karen Zipf. Baton Rouge: Louisiana State University Press, 2016). In *North Carolina Historical Review*, Vol. XCIV (January 2017): 104-106.
- Review of *A Promising Problem: The New Chicana/o History*, edited by Carlos Kevin Blanton. Austin: University of Texas Press, 2016. In *Bulletin of Spanish Studies* (June 2017): 30-31.
- “[Revealing Ourselves to Ourselves](#),” a review of *A House of My Own: Stories from My Life*, by Sandra Cisneros. New York: Alfred A. Knopf, 2015. In *Women’s Review of Books (WRB)* (January-February 2016).
- Review of *Three Decades of Engendering History: Selected Works of Antonia I. Castañeda*. Edited by Linda Heidenreich with Antonia I. Castañeda. Original Interviews by María Luz Gordillo and a Conclusion by Deena J. González. In *Pacific Historical Review (PHR)*, 85 (February 2016): 151-52.
- Review of *The Boy Problem: Educating Boys in Urban America, 1870-1970*, by Julia Grant. Baltimore: John Hopkins University Press, 2014. In *American Historical Review* (February 2015): 258-259.
- Review of *Before L.A.: Race, Space, and Municipal Power in Los Angeles, 1781-1894*, by David Samuel Torres-Rouff. New Haven: Yale University Press, 2013. In *The Americas* (2015).
- [Review of Chicana Power! Contested Histories of Feminism in the Chicano Movement](#), by Maylei Blackwell. Austin: University of Texas Press, 2011. In *Women’s Review of Books* (September/October 2011).
- Review of *Private Women, Public Lives: Gender and the Missions of the Californias*, by Barbara O. Reyes. Austin: University of Texas Press, 2010. In *American Historical Review*, 115, no. 2 (April 2010): 507-508.

- [Review of *The Woman in the Zoot Suit: Gender, Nationalism, and Cultural Politics of Memory*](#), by Catherine S. Ramírez. Durham: Duke University Press, 2009. In *WRB* (September/October 2009), 6-8.
- Review of *Testimonios: Early California through the Eyes of Women, 1815-1848*. Trans. with introduction and commentary by Rose Marie Beebe and Robert M. Senkewicz. Berkeley: Heyday Books, 2007. In *California History*, 85 (2007), 74.
- Review of *Whitewashed Adobe: The Rise of Los Angeles and the Remaking of its Mexican Past*, by William Deverell. Berkeley: University of California Press, 2005. In *Social History* (Summer 2006): 1225-26.
- Review of *Las Tejanas: 300 Years of History*, by Teresa Palomo Acosta and Ruthe Winegarten, foreword by Cynthia E. Orozco. Jack and Doris Smothers Series in Texas History, Life, and Culture, no. 10. Austin: University of Texas Press. In *New Mexico Historical Review (NMHR)* (2006).
- Review of *Women and the Conquest of California, 1542-1840: Codes of Silence*, by Virginia M. Bouvier. Tucson: University of Arizona Press, 2001. In *NMHR* 78, no. 3 (Summer 2004): 356-57.
- Review of *Translating Property: The Maxwell Land Grant and the Conflict Over Land in the American West, 1840-1900* by María Montoya. Berkeley: Univ. of Calif. Press, 2000. In *PHR* 72 (May 2003): 299-300.
- Review of *The Decolonial Imaginary: Writing Chicanas into History*, by Emma Pérez. Bloomington: Indiana Univ. Press, 1998. In *PHR* 70, no. 2 (2001): 337-38.
- Review of *The Contested Homeland: A Chicano History of New Mexico*, by Erlinda Gonzales-Berry and David R. Maciel. Albuquerque: Univ. of New Mexico Press, 2000. In *Journal of American Ethnic History*, 21, no. 1 (Fall 2001): 135-36.

Blogs & Online Academic Resources

- "Rise of the Californios: Overview," [The American Mosaic: The Latino American Experience](#), 2021.
- "[Negotiating Power and Privilege](#)," LatinX Talk, January 2019.
- "Obama and Immigration," [The American Mosaic: The Latino American Experience](#), 2019.
- "The Presidency of Donald Trump," [The American Mosaic: The Latino American Experience](#), 2019.
- "Commemorating the Battle for Chicano Studies: El Plan De Santa Bárbara Celebrates 50 Years," [The American Mosaic: The Latino American Experience](#), 2019.

- "Immigration: Post-9/11 Era," [The American Mosaic: The Latino American Experience](#), 2019.
- "Separation of Immigrant Families," [The American Mosaic: The Latino American Experience](#), 2019.
- "The Significance of Dia De Los Muertos," [The American Mosaic: The Latino American Experience](#), 2018.
- "Migrant Children in Detention," [The American Mosaic: The Latino American Experience](#), 2018.
- "UCSB First Gen Faculty: [What Does It Mean to be a First-Generation College Student?](#)" UCSB, August 18, 2017.
- "[An Archive of Intimacy](#)," *Women's Review of Books*, April 2016,
- "[Youth of Color and California's Carceral State](#)," Process, a Blog for American History, August 2015, Organization of American Historians.
- "[The Doctor Is In](#)," November 2014 Edition, The Grad Post, UC Santa Barbara.
- "[The Doctor Is In](#)," December 2014 Edition, The Grad Post at UC Santa Barbara.
- "[We Need Documentaries About Latina Americans](#), Too," *Mujeres Talk*, January 28, 2014.

Newsletters, Magazines, Media

- "[Confronting Forced Sterilizations in ICE Facilities: Why it is wrong and needs to stop](#)," *Sojourners Magazine* (April 2021).
- "A Legacy of Support: The OAH Huggins-Quarles Award," Organization of American Historians *Outlook*, 3, no. 3 (February 2014): 2.
- "Building a Diverse Community of Scholars," Organization of American Historians *Outlook*, 3, no. 2 (November 2013): 2.
- "Validating the Lives of Young Scholars of Color," Organization of American Historians *Outlook*, 3, no. 1 (August 2013): 2.
- "Investing in Young Scholars Pays Off," Organization of American Historians *Outlook*, 2, no. 4 (May 2013): 2.
- "Preface," in *Youth Voices for Change: Opinions and Ideas for the Future of West Sacramento*, ed. by Patty Owens (Center for Regional Change, 2010), 1.
- "[Superprofessor Meets Supermom](#)," *Chronicle of Higher Education* (September 28, 2009)

- “[Preparing a Successful Grant or Fellowship Application](#),” *Organization of American Historians Newsletter*, 37, no. 3 (August 2009), 7, 14. Ford Foundation: [Helpful Resources](#).
- “[Weaving the Threads](#),” Children and Youth of Color in History Column, Society for the History of Children and Youth (SHCY) Newsletter, No. 12 (Winter 2009).
- “[The Challenges and Rewards in Teaching Race and Juvenile Justice History](#),” SHCY Newsletter, No. 11 (Fall 2008)
- “Living History at Rancho Los Cerritos Historic Site: Interpreting the Region’s Spanish and Mexican Heritage,” *Heritage Matters: News of the Nation’s Diverse Cultural Heritage* (August/September 2008) National Park Service.

AWARDS & HONORS

- UCSB, LAIS, Outstanding Faculty Advisor Award 2022
- “[Reconocimiento al Migrante Distinguido, 2020](#)” (Distinguished Migrant Recognition), Calvillo, Aguascalientes, Mexico 2020
- Choice Outstanding Academic Title (*Migrant Longing*, 2018) 2019
- Barbara “Penny” Kanner Award, Western Association of Women’s Historians 2019
- Judith Lee Ridge Prize, Western Association of Women's Historians 2017
- Bolton-Cutter Prize, Western History Association 2016
- Organization of American History (OAH) Germany Residency Program Summer 2016

FELLOWSHIPS & GRANTS

- Department of Education, Ronald E. McNair Scholars Program, (Co-P.I., five-year grant, \$1.27M, 2022-2027) 2021-2022
- UCHRI, Lead Mentor, UC Underrepresented Scholars Fellowship 2021-2022
- UCHRI Multicampus Faculty Working Group Grant, Lead Co-PI Winter 2021
- UCHRI Short Term Residency Grant, Lead Co-PI Fall 2020
- UCSB RISE Institute Course Design Grant Summer 2020
- UCSB Academic Senate Award, “The Greening of Hate” Spring 2020
- UCSB, College of Letters & Sciences, Conference Grant Spring 2017
- FRAP Award, Division of Social Sciences, UCSB Spring 2015
- Mellon Research Initiative, “Culture, (In)security, and Social Justice in the 21st Century,” Co-PI (Declined) 2013-2015
- UC Davis, Small Grant-in-Aid 2010-2012
- Visiting Faculty Fellow, Center for Comparative Studies in Race and Ethnicity, Stanford University 2009-2010
- UC Davis, Faculty Development Grant Winter 2009
- UC Davis, Humanities Institute Research Cluster Spring 2009
- UC Davis, Small Grant-in-Aid 2008-2009
- UC Davis, TRC, TA Development Grant 2007-2008
- UCMEXUS, UC Faculty Grant 2005-2006
- Ford Foundation for Diversity, Postdoctoral Fellowship 2001-2002
- Henry E. Huntington Library Award Summer 2001
- U.C. Office of the President, Postdoctoral Fellowship 1998-1999

- American Association of University Women Dissertation Fellowship 1996-1997

KEYNOTES & TALKS DELIVERED AT SCHOLARLY CONFERENCES

- Keynote, “Migrant Longing, Courtship, and Gendered Identity across the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands,” July 4, 2020, Association of Iberian and Latin American Studies of Australasia, AILASA 2020, Griffith University, Brisbane, Australia (online conference <https://www.ailasaconference.com/key>).
- Mary Whiton Calkins Lecture, “The Rehabilitative Ideal in California’s Early Juvenile Justice System: Promise and Reality,” Society for the History of Psychology, Division 26 of the 52nd American Psychological Association Annual Convention, San Francisco, California, August 9-12th, 2018.
- “Migrant Longing and Courtship Across the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands,” Monthly Lecture Series, Pioneers’ Park Museum, Imperial, California, May 25, 2018.
- “An Archive of Intimacy: Letter Writing Across the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands,” Huntington-USC Institute on California and the West, San Marino, California, May 2018.
- “The Legacy of Vicki Ruíz: Empowering *Mujeres* in Research, Scholarship, and Community,” Organization of American Historians, Annual Conference, Sacramento, Calif., April 14, 2018
- “*A toda madre (ATM)*: Migrant Dreams and Nightmares in *el norte*,” Keynote Speech, Latina/o Luncheon, Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Association, CSU, Northridge, August 3, 2017.
- “Circulating Critical Approaches to Family History,” Organization of American Historians Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA, April 2017.
- “*A toda madre (ATM)*: Migrant Dreams and Nightmares in *el norte*,” Powerful Migrations, UC Riverside, April 27-29, 2017.
- “*A toda madre (ATM)*: Migrant Dreams and Nightmares in *el norte*,” Center for International Migration, UCLA, October 7, 2016.
- “Recovering Emotions and Intimacy in Chicana and Chicano History,” Pacific Coast Branch, American Historical Association, Annual Conference, Hilo, Hawaii, August, 2016.
- “*A Dios*: Migration, Communication, and Heartbreak,” Developing the Field of Gender and Migration, Working Toward Innovative Methodologies and Analytical Techniques,” UC Irvine, February 26-27, 2016.
- “Migration and Gender in the Borderlands,” Gender and the Borderlands Roundtable, Huntington Library, October 2015.

- “Latina/o youths in the West and the World,” Western History Association Annual Conference, Newport Beach, Calif., Oct. 16-18, 2014.
- “Remembering Norris Hundley--Pioneer Scholar, Mentor, Teacher, and Editor of the Pacific Historical Review,” Western History Association Annual Conference, Newport Beach, Calif., Oct. 16-18, 2014.
- “Western History Toolbox Roundtable: How to Survive and Thrive in the Field,” Sponsored by the Graduate Student Caucus Executive Committee, Western History Association Annual Conference, Newport Beach, Calif., Oct. 16-18, 2014.
- “Norris Hundley: Scholar, Teacher, and Mentor,” Pacific Coast Branch, American Historical Association, Portland, Oregon, August 12-14, 2014.
- “From Illegal Aliens to Illegal History: A Roundtable Responds to the Return of the Culture Wars in Arizona,” Organization of American Historians Annual Conference, San Francisco, Calif., April 12, 2013.
- “The Interdisciplinary Project of Chicana history: Looking Back, Moving Forward,” Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Association, Seattle, WA, August 2011.
- “Defective Delinquents or Tragic Heroes? The Suicides of Benny Moreno and Edward Leiva, 1930s-1940s,” Juvenile Delinquency in Comparative (East-West) Context, Centre for British Studies, Humboldt University, Berlin, Germany, March 2011.
- “Escaping the Chains of Mental State Hospitals and Compulsory Sterilization in California,” American Studies Association Annual Conference, San Antonio, Nov. 19-21, 2010.
- “New Research on ‘Intimacy in the American West,’” American Historical Association Annual Conference, San Diego, Calif., Jan 9-12, 2010.
- “At-Risk Subjects in History: Children and Youth of Color,” Society for the History of Children and Childhood, Biannual Conference, Berkeley, Calif., July 2009.
- “Sources of Silence? New Approaches to Finding Latina/o Subjectivity in the Archives,” Organization of American Historians Annual Conference, Seattle, Washington, March 2009.
- “In Retrospect: Revisiting Anthony Platt’s *The Child Savers* (1969, 1977),” American Studies Association Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA., October 2007.
- “Historians Who Have Made a Difference: Albert Camarillo,” Organization of American Historians Association Annual Conference, Washington, D.C. April 2006.
- “An Old Woman and Her Recollections: Eulalia Pérez and the Spanish-Mexican Women of the Southwest, 1770s to 1880s,” Organization of American Historians Association Annual Conference, San Jose, California, April 2005.

- “Delinquent Youth in Late Nineteenth – Early Twentieth Century California,” Western History Association Annual Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada, October 2004.
- “Mexican Women and the Rising Tide of Illegitimacy in Los Angeles, 1850s to 1880s,” 12th Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, Univ. of Connecticut, June 2002.
- “Mexican Women and Divorce in Post-Conquest California,” 33rd Annual Conference of the Western Association of Women Historians, San Marino, Calif., April 2002.
- “Women’s Studies and Chicana/Latina Studies: Problems and Possibilities,” The Future of Women’s Studies Conference, University of Arizona, Tucson, October 2000.
- “American Studies and Chicano/Latino History: Problems and Possibilities,” American Studies Association National Conference, Detroit, MI, Oct. 2000.

PUBLIC HISTORY & CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

- *Humanities Decanted: In Dialogue, Migrant Longing: Letter Writing across the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands*, Interdisciplinary Humanities Center, with John S. Park, UCSB, Nov. 2019.
- “Uncovering the Chavez Family Collection at the Huntington Library,” Huntington Library, Donors Dinner and Social Event, July 12, 2019.
- “The Intimate Archive: Letter Writing and the Personal Worlds of Mexican Migrants in the U.S. and Family Members Who Stayed in Mexico,” Archive Fever: Lost Words, Buried Voices, Visions and Voices, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, Calif., Feb. 2018.
- “*A toda madre (ATM)*: Migrant Dreams and Nightmares in *el norte*,” UCSB Library and Campus Reads, April 14, 2017.
- “Immigrant Stories from the Community,” UCSB Library Campus Reads, Luis Alberto Urrea’s *Into the Beautiful North*, March 9, 2017, Panel Moderator and Organizer.
- “Women of Color and Social Movements,” AVID Central Coast UCSB Campus Visit, McCune Conference Room, February 2017.
- “Immigration, Sanctuary Movements, and Democracy,” Day of Democratic Education, UC, Santa Barbara, January 2017.
- Community Forum, “Youth Justice in the Inland Empire,” UC Riverside, Public History Program & Humanities Action Lab, New School for Research, May 21, 2016.
- Curatorial Review for Humanities Action Lab, National Traveling Exhibit, “States of Incarceration,” New School for Social Research/Schools of Public Engagement, New York, New York, November 2015.

- Advisor for New Exhibit, “LA Starts Here,” *LA Plaza de Culturas y Artes*, Los Angeles, Calif., March 2016.
- Invited Talk, “*Mujeres*: Gender, Power, and Identity in Nineteenth-Century California,” *LA Plaza de Culturas y Artes*, Los Angeles, Calif., April 7, 2016.
- Consultant for “California: In Detention: The War on Youth,” Local Southern California Exhibit, Humanities Action Lab, National Traveling Exhibit, with Professor Cathy Gudis, Public History, UC Riverside, October 2015.
- Invited Talk, “Recovering *Californiana* History: The Stories Behind the Histories,” Interpreters’ Training & Conference, California State Parks Foundation, Point Reyes, Calif., February 13, 2014.
- Invited Talk, “Folding Back the Layers of California’s Latina/o History: The Histories Behind the Histories,” California State Parks Foundation, Los Angeles, Calif., October 2-3, 2013.
- Invited Talk & Historical Consultant, “California’s Ranchos: Building the Hispanic Legacy,” Rancho Los Cerritos Historic Site & Museum, Long Beach, Calif., March 2012.
- “The Historians’ Tools and Techniques,” Keynote Speaker, History Day, California State Archives, Sacramento, Calif., Dec. 8, 2012.
- “States of Delinquency: Race and Science in California’s Juvenile Justice System, 1850s to 1940s,” Presented to the Latino Caucus, California State Capitol, Sacramento, 2011.
- “Vision for Detention,” W. Haywood Burns Institute, December 11-12, 2011.
- “Humanities on the Ground: Bridging the University/Community Divide with Publicly Engaged Scholarship,” UC Davis, Friday, October 8, 2011.
- “Youth, Race, and Science: Testing and Segregating Youth of Color at Whittier State School,” Facing History/Ourselves, Summer Institute, Hayward, California, July 2007.

VIDEO, RADIO, & PODCAST INTERVIEWS

- “[In Conversation with Miroslava Chávez-García](#),” The Huntington-USC Institute on California and the West (*ICW*), June 2020.
- Writing Westward Podcast 020 – “[Miroslava Chávez-García - Migrant Longing](#),” Charles Redd Center for Western Studies, BYU, 2020.
- New Books in History, [Miroslava Chávez-García](#), *Migrant Longing: Letter Writing across the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands*, 2019.
- Video Interview, “[First Generation Experiences at UCSB](#): You Are Not Alone,” Dean of Undergraduate Education, College of Letters and Science, March, 2018.

- Video Interview, “[First Generation Students and Faculty](#),” Unique Challenges for Student Groups, Mental Health Peers, Counseling and Psychological Services, UCSB, March 2018.
- Video Interview, [Nelles, The Story of a California Landmark](#), Glass Eye Productions, Inc., and Brookefield Homes, Spring 2018.
- Video Interview, [Graduate Scholars Program](#), the Graduate Division, UCSB.
- Video Interview by Elizabeth Cohen, Anderson Cooper, CNN, “[History of Eugenic Sterilization in California](#),” 2011. Aired on CBS Channel 5 News, San Francisco Local Station, Television Interview, “Eugenic Sterilization in California,” 2011;
- CBS Channel 13 News, Sacramento, “The Life Penalty: Sterilizing in California,” Nov. 10, 2011. <http://sacramento.cbslocal.com/2011/11/10/the-life-penalty-sterilizing-california/>
- Radio Interview, Spanish-language, *Adelante* Media Group & UC Davis, “*Trabajo de Todos*,” Jan. 24, 2011.

INVITED COMMENTARIES, INTERVIEWS, & GROUP DISCUSSIONS

- Discussant, “Mentorship in Arts & Humanities,” California Forum for Diversity in Graduate Education, UCOP, Fall 2021
- “Migrant Longing: Gender, Identity, and Migration,” Susan B. Anthony House, Rochester, New York, 2021.
- Panelist, “[What Now: Collecting For the Library in the 21st Century](#),” Huntington Library, January 27, 2021.
- Panelist, “Intentional and Inclusive Pedagogy for Classroom Practices, “First-generation Students at UC: Strengthening Our Approach to Support their Success, UC San Diego, July 11-12, 2018.
- Panelist, “Inclusive Classrooms: Practical Advice to Support all Students' Needs,” Center for Teaching and Learning Excellence, UCSB, September 18, 2017.
- Panelist, “Intellectual Authenticity and Academic Success,” Women of Color in the Academy, Staying Fit: Mind, Body, and Soul, Stanford University, March 9-11, 2017.
- Panelist, “Publishing in the Humanities,” Graduate Division, UCSB, May 24, 2016.
- Commentary on Dan Berger’s “Freedom as Method: Slavery, Prisons, and the Insurgent Practices of Struggle,” Slavery, Captivity, and the Meaning of Freedom Conference, UCSB, May 13, 2016.

- Commentary, “In Detention: How Have Kids Been Criminalized,” States of Incarceration National Launch, Humanities Action Lab, New School for Research, New York City, April 15-16, 2016.
- “‘Defective Delinquents’ or Tragic Heroes? The Legacies of Benny Moreno and Edward Leiva in California’s Juvenile Justice System,” UC Riverside, Department of History, October 28, 2015.
- “Gender and Borderlands History” Roundtable, USC-Huntington Institute on California and the West, Huntington Library, San Marino, CA, October 10, 2015.
- Invited Speaker, “The Past and Future of Fred C. Nelles Correctional Facility,” Whittier Museum, Whittier, California, January 24, 2015.
- Workshop Leader, “Dissertation Writing, Social & Behavioral Sciences/Humanities,” Ford Foundation Fall Conference, 2014, Irvine, Calif.
- Guest Speaker, “Methodology as Practice,” CHST 220, Spring 2014, Chicana/o Studies Department.
- Professional Development Workshop, “Writing the Prospectus” and “Navigating the First Three Years of Graduate School,” April 29, 2014, Department of Chicana/o Studies UCSB.
- Invited Speaker, “‘Defective Delinquents’ or Tragic Heroes? The Legacies of Benny Moreno and Edward Leiva,” Ohio State University, Law School, April 2014.
- “Moving from Associate to Full Professor,” The Women's Place, Women of Color Conversations Series, Ohio State University, April 2014.
- “Norris Hundley, Jr.: A Model Mentor,” Invited Talk, The Great Thirst: Recalling the Legacy of Norris C. Hundley, Jr., 1935-2013,” Dept. of History, UCLA, March 5, 2014.
- “Race and Science in California’s Early Juvenile Justice System,” History Department, UCSD, March 20, 2013.
- “Navigating Academia,” Graduate Students of Color Workshop, UCSD, March 21, 2013.
- “Empowerment Through Education,” Keynote Speaker, 29th Annual Latino Youth and Parent Leadership Conference, Napa Valley College, March 23, 2013.
- “Invited Speaker: American Executions,” Cesar E. Chavez Higher Education Series, Sierra College, Rocklin, Calif., March 21, 2013.
- “Demystifying Graduate School,” Chicano/Latino Retreat, UC Davis, Oct. 13, 2012.

- [“Eugenic Sterilization in California: Stories and Statistics,”](#) Boalt Law School, University of California, Berkeley, Eugenics In California: A Legacy of the Past? Symposium, Berkeley, Calif., Aug. 28, 2012.
- “Book Spotlight: [Miroslava Chavez-Garcia’s States of Delinquency](#),” Davis Humanities Institute, UC Davis, June 2012.
- “A Conversation with Author Miroslava Chavez-Garcia,” *States of Delinquency*, Huntington Library, San Marino, Calif. June 3, 2012.
- Living Legacy of Whittier State School, Miroslava Chavez-Garcia, Author, *States of Delinquency*, Whittier Public Library, Whittier, Calif., June 4, 2012.
- “‘Defective Delinquents’ or Tragic Heroes? The Legacies of Benny Moreno and Edward Leiva in California’s Juvenile Justice System,” UC, Santa Barbara, Department of Chicana/o Studies, March 2012.
- “States of Delinquency: Race and Science in the Making of California’s Juvenile Justice System,” UC Davis, Hemispheric Institute of the Americas, March 2012.
- Preview of *States of Delinquency: Race and Science in the Making of California’s Juvenile Justice System*, Campus Bookstore, UC Davis, Davis, Calif., May 2012.
- “Vision for Detention,” W. Haywood Burns Institute, December 11-12, 2011.
- “Women in Academe,” Ford Foundation Annual Conference, Irvine, Calif., October 2011.
- Latinas in Education, Moderator/Commentator, UC Davis, Consortium for Women in Research, 2011.
- "Why are all the Black kids sitting together in the cafeteria?" Panelist with Campus Book Author Beverly Daniel Tatum,” Mondavi Arts Center, Davis, Calif., Dec. 10, 2010.
- “Dissertation and Postdoctoral Humanities,” Ford Foundation Annual Fall Conference, Irvine, California, October 2010.
- “Balancing Life & Career: Taking Care of Others,” Ford Foundation Annual Fall Conference, Irvine, California, October 2010.
- ‘*The Child Savers*’ Symposium, Ann Lucas Lecture Series, SJSU, Oct. 27, 2010.
- “States of Delinquency: Whittier State School, 1890s to 1940s,” Whittier College, Sept. 21, 2010.
- “Juvenile Justice in California, 1850s to 1940s,” Prisons and Detentions Workshop, California Humanities Institute, UCLA, April 23-24, 2010.

- “Eugenics Fieldworkers and Racialization and Criminalization of Youth of Color in California, 1910s-1920s,” Symposium on the Carceral State, Rutgers University, March 2010.
- “Juvenile Justice Comes of Age in Nineteenth Century California,” Presented to the California Studies Faculty Working Group, UC Davis, Humanities Institute, February 2010.
- “Youth, Race, and Science in California’s Early Juvenile Justice System,” Center for Comparative Studies in Race and Ethnicity, Stanford University, January 2010.
- “Race and Juvenile Justice,” Casa Cuahtemoc, Academic Theme House, UC Davis, 2008.
- “The Uses and Abuses of Intelligence Testing,” Guest Lecture, Professor Yvette Flores, Chicana/o Psychology, UC Davis, February 2008.
- Mexican Women in 19th Century California, National Latina Business Women’s Alliance of Sacramento, February 2008.
- Discussant Leader, *The Devil’s Highway*, with Luis Alberto Urrea (author) and UCD Faculty, Robert Mondavi Center for Performing Arts, UC Davis, Davis, Calif., fall 2007.
- Discussant Leader, *The Devil’s Highway*, UCD Campus Bookstore, fall 2007.
- “The Personal Lives Behind *Negotiating Conquest* (2004),” Author Lecture, La Raza Galeria Posada, October 2007.
- “Applying to Graduate School,” Arts and Humanities Workshop, 2007 Northern California Forum for Diversity in Graduate Education, UC Davis, Davis, California.
- “Aftermath of the U.S. Mexico War: Gender and Power,” Presentation, Mexican American History, Professor Lorena Oropeza, History Department, UC Davis, fall 2007.
- “Intelligence Testing at Whittier School, 1890-1920,” Cultural Studies Graduate Group, UC Davis, December 2006.
- “Preparing For Graduate Education,” Arts and Humanities Workshop, 2006 Northern California Forum for Diversity in Graduate Education, Mills College, Oakland, California, October 2006.
- “Eugenics and Delinquency: Whittier State School, 1880s to 1920s,” History 147D, Professor Kathy Kudlick, History Department, UC Davis, 2006.
- Science, Race, and Juvenile Delinquency in California: Mexican Youth in Whittier State School, 1891 to 1920,” From Eugenics to Designer Babies: Engineering the California Dream, Center for Science, History, Policy, & Ethics, California State University, Sacramento, October 2005.

- “Recovering the Voices of Mexican American Youth in Early Twentieth Century California,” History Revealed: Discoveries from the State Archives, California State Archives, Celebrate Archives Week, October 2005.
- “Eugenics in the Juvenile Justice System,” Natomas High School, Sacramento, California, October-November, 2005.
- “Preparing For Graduate Education,” Arts and Humanities Workshop, 2005 Northern California Forum for Diversity in Graduate Education, CSU, Sacramento, Sacramento, California, October 2005.
- “Sex, Race, and Illegitimacy in Los Angeles, 1850s to 1880s,” Center for Race and Ethnicity, UC San Diego, Winter 2005.
- “Teaching Southwestern History,” Area 3 History & Cultures Project, Institute for K-12 Teachers, “Power & Rebellion in History,” July 8-26, 2002.
- Invited Speaker, “Gender, Race, and Power in Nineteenth-Century California,” Stanford Humanities Chicana/o Cultural Studies Workshop, Stanford University, April 2001.
- Workshop Leader, “Going on the Market,” *Mujeres Activas en Letras y Cambio Social*/MALCS Summer Institute, University of California, Davis, August 2000.
- Invited Speaker, “Conquest, Gender, and Power, Mexican Women and the American Conquest in Los Angeles, 1820s to 1880s,” Asian Pacific American Cultural Politics Research Group and Cultural Studies Graduate Program’s Critical Race Theory Series, University of California, Davis, February 2001.
- Panelist, “Experiences of Tenure Track Faculty,” Professors of the Future, UC Davis.
- Guest Speaker, Graduate Seminar, History Department, 20th Century United States History, Professor Lorena Oropeza, Spring 2001.
- Panelist, “Publishing in the Academy,” Professors of the Future, UC Davis, Fall 2000.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Consulting

- Historic Preservation of Fred C. Nelles Correctional Facility, Lead Historian & Consultant on Video Production for Environmental Science Associates, Santa Monica, Calif., 2017.
- “[*Buscando Respeto, La Pelicula*](#),” by Luca Palmas and José Morandi González, Barcelona, Spain, Translation (Spanish-English).
- “[Glimpse Behind the Fence](#): Whittier College Faculty, Staffers Tour Nelles [Correctional Facility],” *Whittier Daily News*, Sept. 21, 2010.

- Cooper-Molera Adobe Interpretation/Education Roundtable, National Trust for Historic Preservation, Regional Meeting, Monterrey, Calif., Feb. 2012.
- W. Haywood Burns Institute, a non-profit organization working on juvenile justice fairness and equity, 2007-2015.
- Latino Technical Assistance and Training Institute, a project of the California Hispanic Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, Inc. (CHCADA), a non-profit organization based in Sacramento, California, 2006-2010.
- *Latina Magazine*, November 2009 Special Issue, “Mexico.”
- Research Advisor, Rancho Los Cerritos Living History Research Center, 2008.
- The Studio for Southern California History, Los Angeles, California, “The Forgotten Girls: The Ventura School for Girls, 1913-1962,” 2008-2010.
- Department of Corrections, State of California, Fred C. Nelles School for Boys (formerly Whittier State School), August 2007.
- Chusma House Publishing/Films, Charlie Trujillo, Director, “[Tiburcio Vasquez: The Lost Bandido](#),” 2007.

Board Memberships & Leadership Positions

- *Journal of American History*, Editorial Board Member, 2022-2025
- Committee member, Walter Rundell Graduate Student Award, Western History Association, 2022-2023
- Program Committee, Co-Chair, 2023, Berkshires Conference for Women’s History, Santa Clara University, California, 2020-present.
- Editorial Board, *Western Historical Quarterly*, 2019-2023.
- Board Member, Chicana and Chicano Oral History Project, Bancroft Library, Berkeley, Calif., 2016-present.
- Editorial Advisory Board Member, Chicano/Latino History, American National Biography, 2014-present.
- Advisory Board, UCSB Migration Initiative, 2020-present.
- Editorial Board, *Latinx Talk*, 2018-2022.
- Advisory Board Member, ABC-CLIO Solutions, [Latino American Experience](#), 2018-2019.
- Advisory Board Member, Interdisciplinary Humanities Center, UCSB, 2017-2020.

- Advisory Board Member, Juana Briones Exhibit, Los Altos Historical Museum, Los Altos, California, 2018-2019.
- UCSB Graduate Dean's Advisory Board on Diversity, Member, 2016-2019.
- UC Chicana/Latina Leadership Group, 2017-2018.
- Editorial Board Member, *Boom: A Journal of California*, 2010-2012.
- Editorial Board Member, *Pacific Historical Review*, 2010-2013.
- Huntington-Martin Ridge Fellowship Committee, Western History Association/Huntington Library, 2014-2017.
- California Historical Society Committee, Book Prize, 2015-2018.
- UCSB Global Studies Committee Member, 2013-2016.
- Chair, Huggins-Quarles Award, ALANA, OAH, 2014.
- ALANA, OAH, Board Member, 2012-2016; Chair, 2014-2015.
- OAH Distinguished Lecturer Series, 2010-2013.
- Norris and Carol Hundley Prize Committee, Pacific Coast Branch, American Historical Association, 2011-2013.
- UC Davis, Cultural Studies Executive Committee Member, 2010-2013.
- Hemispheric Institute of the Americas, UC Davis, Faculty Board Member, 2011-2013.
- Consortium for Women in Research, UC Davis, Faculty Board Member, 2010-2013.
- Faculty Assistant, Art of Regional Change, UC Davis Humanities Institute, 2010-2011.

Newsletter Writing & Editing

- Editor/Writer, *El Noticiero*, a Quarterly Newsletter of the Chicana/o Studies Department, UC Davis, 2009-2012.
- Editor, Latino Technical Assistance and Training Institute Monthly Newsletter, a project of California Hispanic Commission on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, Inc., Sacramento, Calif., 2006-2010.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE

Spanish (native speaker, fluent in speaking, reading, and writing)

MEMBERSHIPS AND PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Organization of American Historians

Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Association

Western Historical Association

Latin American and Caribbean Section, The Southern Historical Association

Western Association of Women's Historians