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Curriculum Vitae
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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Sonoma State University 2020 –

EDUCATION

University of Texas at Austin 2020

Ph.D. Sociology

Dissertation: *Organizing in the Trenches: Tactics, Discipline, and Accountability in Texas Left Social Movements*

University of Texas at Austin 2016

M.A. Sociology

Thesis: “*Planchando Consciousness: Public Accountability, Call-out Culture, and a Praxis Sketch in Queer Activist Scenes*”

Boise State University 2013

B.S. Sociology

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Social Movements. Labor and Labor Movements. Race and Ethnicity. Political Networks. International Political Economy. Ethnographic Methods.

PUBLICATIONS, MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW AND IN PROGRESS

Peer-Reviewed Publications

Venegas, Mario. 2021. “Alinskyism and Tactical Dexterity: Building the Texas Chicano Movement, 1965-1978.” *Mobilization: An International Quarterly* 26(3):323-342 DOI: <https://doi.org/10.17813/1086-671X-26-3-323>

Venegas, Mario. 2020. “Between Community and Sectarianism: Calling out and Negotiated Discipline in Precognitive Politics.” *Social Movement Studies* DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1080/14742837.2020.1866528>

Manuscripts in Progress

Venegas, Mario. “Transparency and Image-Management: Organizing and Accountability in Public Sector Unions in Texas”. In Progress

McCormack, Tracy W & **Venegas, Mario.** “The Power of Coded Racial Narratives: the ugly roots of tort reform,

ADR, and judicial complicity.” In progress.

Venegas, Mario & Young, Michael P. “Identity Formation and Reification in the Dreamer Movement.” In progress.

Venegas, Mario. “Political and Academic Networks of Austerity in Puerto Rico, 2016-2021”. In Progress.

Other Publications

Venegas, Mario. 2019 Review of Sina Kramer, “Excluded Within: The (Un)Intelligibility of Radical Political Actors.” Book Review. *Social Forces* 98(1), September 2019:1-3, <https://doi.org/10.1093/sf/soz054>

Venegas, Mario. 2013. “The Racialized Experiences of Video Games.” *McNair Scholars Research Journal* 9 (1), Article 14. https://scholarworks.boisestate.edu/mcnair_journal/vol9/iss1/14

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Sonoma State University

Assistant Professor

Sociology of Race and Ethnicity (2 semesters): Fall 2020, Spring 2020.

Social Movements and Collective Behavior: Fall 2020.

Sociological Research Methods (3 semesters): Spring 2021, Fall 2021, Spring 2022.

Sociology of Immigration: Fall 2021.

Sociology of Globalization: Spring 2022 (current)

University of Texas at Austin

Teaching Assistant

Social Movements (2 semesters): Fall 2016, Summer 2019. Instructor: Dr. Michael P. Young.

Sociological Theory (2 semesters): Fall 2017, Spring 2018. Instructors: Dr. Ari Adut (2017); Dr. Daniel Fridman (2018).

Sociology of Criminal Justice Policy (2 semesters): Spring 2019, Fall 2019. Instructor: Dr. William R Kelly.

US Migration, Fall 2018. Instructor: Dr. Nestor P. Rodriguez.

Sexual Violence across Mexican Cultures (2 semesters): Spring 2018 and Spring 2019. Instructor: Dr. Gloria Gonzalez-Lopez.

Economy, Culture, and Society, Fall 2015. Instructor: Dr. Daniel Fridman.

Introduction to the Study of Society (3 semesters): Fall 2014, Spring 2015, Spring 2016. Instructors: Dr. Kelly Fulton (Fall 2014, Spring 2016); Dr. Tetyana Pudrovskaya (Spring 2015).

Social Statistics, Spring 2017. Instructor: Dr. Diane Coffey.

EXTERNAL FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

2015 PRIDE Foundation Summer Fellowship: \$6,000

2011 – 2012 McNair Scholars Fellowship \$5,500

INTERNAL FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

2019	The University of Texas at Austin, Sociology Department. Fall Semester Research Fellowship: \$500
2017	The University of Texas at Austin, Community Engagement Center. Activist Research Grant Initiative, Community Engagement Center: \$1,200
2017	University of Texas at Austin, Sociology Department. Urban Ethnography Lab Summer Research Fellow: \$1,900
2016-2019	University of Texas at Austin, Graduate School. Professional Development Award: \$1,600
2013-2014	University of Texas at Austin, Graduate School. Ronald E. McNair Scholars Fellowship: \$24,000

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Principal Investigator

2021 –

Austerity Political Networks in Puerto Rico, 2016-2021.

Principal Investigator.

Funding application to Russel Sage Foundation in progress.

2017 – 2018

Organizing in the Trenches: Tactics, Discipline, and Accountability in Texas Left Social Movements.

Principal Investigator.

Funding: Urban Ethnography Lab, University of Texas at Austin; Community Engagement Center, University of Texas at Austin.

2013 – 2016

Planchando Consciousness: Public Accountability, Call-Out Culture, and a Praxis Sketch in Queer Activist Scenes.

Principal Investigator.

Funding: PRIDE Foundation

Research Assistant

2016 – 2020.

Privatizing Justice: Class and Racial Politics of the Tort Reform Movement in Texas.

Principal Investigator: Dr. Tracy McCormack.

Role: Research Assistant.

Funding: Kincaid Horton Fund for Empirical Research

SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Assistant Professor

August 8, 2021. “Transparency and Image-Management: Accountability in Public Sector Unions in Texas,” Presider, *Labor and Labor Movements Refereed Roundtable*. American Sociological Association Annual Meeting.

August 7, 2021. “Social Movements and Resistance Strategies that Work”. *Critical Dialogues*,

Presider/Discussant. Society for the Study of Social Problems.

March 19, 2021. "Transparency and Image-Management: Accountability in Public Sector Unions in Texas," *Dynamics of Individual Participation* Panel. Pacific Sociological Association Annual Meeting.

November 6, 2020. "Transparency and Image-Management: Accountability in Public Sector Unions in Texas," *Race and Social Movements* Panel. California Sociological Association.

Graduate: University of Texas at Austin

August 13, 2019. "Between Community and Sectarianism: Calling out and the religious discipline of prefiguration," *Religion and Contested Understandings of Social Justice*. American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. New York, NY. Panel Presentation.

May 10, 2019. 3rd SDSU Conference on Nonviolence and Social Change: Illiberal Democracies East and West. San Diego State University, San Diego, CA. Panel Presentation.

May 4, 2018. 2nd SDSU Conference on Nonviolence and Social Change: Race, Ethnicity, and Nonviolence. San Diego State University. San Diego, CA. Panel Presentation.

August 12, 2017. American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Montreal, CA. Collective Behavior and Social Movements Roundtable Presentation.

March 21-23, 2016. 21st Alternative Futures Social Movements Conference. Manchester Metropolitan University. Manchester, UK. Panel Presentation.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Sociological Association

Section Memberships: Collective Behavior and Social Movements, Labor and Labor Movements, Marxist Sociology, Comparative and Historical Sociology, Latina/o Sociology, Political Economy of the World System, Teaching and Learning in Sociology, Theory.

Society for the Study of Social Problems

HONORS RECEIVED

2013. HERO Award, Boise State University Student Diversity and Inclusion.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

External

Co-Editor. Critical Mass Newsletter. Collective Behavior and Social Movements (CBSM), American Sociological Association. September 2020 – current.

Member, Publications Committee. Political Economy of the World System (PEWS), American Sociological Association. August 2021- current.

Editorial. Ad-hoc reviewer

Research in Social Movements, Conflict, and Change

Sociology and Race and Ethnicity

Law and Social Inquiry

Internal

Academic Advisor. Department of Sociology. Sonoma State University. 2021-current.

Member. Department of Sociology Curriculum Committee. Sonoma State University. 2020- current.

Member. School of Social Sciences Elections Committee. Sonoma State University. 2021-2023.

University of Texas at Austin, Department of Sociology Coordinator, Power History and Society Network (graduate student working group). September 2015- May 2019. Directed by Dr. Mounira Maya Charrad.

University of Texas at Austin, Department of Sociology. Moderator in *Self-Care, Resilience, and Success in College*, panel discussion. April 12, 2019. Organized by Dr. Gloria Gonzalez-Lopez.

University of Texas at Austin, Department of Sociology Panelist. *Self-Care, Resilience for Graduate Students* panel discussion. October 2010. Organized by Dr. Gloria Gonzalez-Lopez. Department of Sociology.

INVITED TALKS

2021 Venegas, Mario. Panelist in event “Organizing in the Pandemic University”, hosted by Dr. Catherine Liu, University of California Irvine. (May 20th)

Venegas, Mario. Guest lecturer in course “Social Justice Week Organizing”, hosted by Prof. Caitlyn Henry, Sonoma State University. Presentation entitled “Approaches to Social Justice and Navigating Internal Politics”. (May 6th)

Venegas, Mario. Guest speaker in course McNair Scholars Seminar, hosted by Dr. Daniel Malpica, Sonoma State University. Presentation entitled “Imposter Syndrome is Real: How to Overcome It”. (March 19th)

Venegas, Mario. Guest speaker in Science Math Investigative Learning Experiences (SMILE) Club, hosted by Ken Dickey and Martha Lazo, Nyssa High School. Presentation entitled “Sociology: What It Is, and How to Work with Big Data” (March 8th)

COMMUNITY SERVICE

California Faculty Association. Member 2020-current.

Texas State Employees Union. Member 2015, 2017-2020. Delegate: 2018 General Assembly.

Tunnel of Oppression Director. The Tunnel of Oppression is an interactive community theater experience from Boise State University with the goal to shed light to ways oppression and violence interplay in society. Spring 2013.

Boise State University. Cesar Chavez Street Theater Director. April 2012.

MEChA (Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlán) Co-Chair, Boise State Chapter. 2009-2012.

Tunnel of Oppression Funding Coordinator; August-November 2011.

Boise State University. Martin Luther King Jr. Living Legacy Committee Member; Fall 2009 to Spring 2012.

2010-2013 Seven Arrows Pow Wow; Intertribal Native Council and Boise State University.

FOREIGN LANGUAGES

Spanish, native proficiency.