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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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2016-Present	California State University, Sacramento Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology
2014-2016	University of Pennsylvania Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Sociology and Latin American and Latino Studies

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## RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

International migration, immigration laws and policies in the U.S., Latinos, race/ethnicity, globalization, stratification, U.S.-Mexico border, social movements, and methods.

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## EDUCATION

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2014	University of California, Berkeley, Ph.D. in Sociology
2008	University of California, Berkeley, M.A. in Sociology
2004	University of California, Los Angeles, B.A. in Sociology and Chicana/o Studies, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>
2001	Sacramento City College, A.A.

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## PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

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Sarabia, Heidy. 2016. "Borderland Attachments: Citizenship and Belonging Along the U.S.-Mexico Border." *Citizenship Studies*. 20 (3-4):342-58.

Bloemraad, Irene, **Heidy Sarabia**, and Angela Fillingim. 2016. "Staying out of Trouble" and Doing what is "Right:" Citizenship Acts, Citizenship Ideals and the Effects of Legal Status on Second-Generation Youth. *American Behavioral Scientist*. 60(13) 1534-1552.

Sarabia, Heidy. 2015. "Global South Cosmopolitans from Mexico: Privilege, Mobility and the Reinforcement of Difference in the Global South and the Global North." *Ethnic and Racial Studies*. 38 (2): 227-242.

Sarabia, Heidy. 2012. "Perpetual Illegality: Results of Border Enforcement and Policies for Mexican Undocumented Migrants in the U.S." *Analyses of Social Issues and Public Policy*. 12(1):49-67.

Peer Reviewed Publications (continued)

Sarabia, Heidy. 2011. "Organizing 'Below and to the Left': Differences in the Citizenship and Transnational Practices of Two Groups in the San Francisco Bay Area." *Sociological Forum*. 26(2): 356-380.

**OTHER PUBLICATIONS**

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Sarabia, Heidy. *Forthcoming*. "Caging Paloma: illegality and violence along the U.S. Mexico border" in *Forced Out and Fenced In: Immigration Tales from the Field*, Tanya Golash-Boza, editor.

Sarabia, Heidy, and Diana M. Gonzalez. *Forthcoming*. "En las fronteras de la ilegalidad y la violencia: El caso de 26 mujeres deportadas de EEUU a Mexico." Book chapter in *Gobernanza, Sociedad Civil y Fronteras*. Ed. Kenia Maria Ramirez Meda. Universidad Autonoma de Baja California.

Bloemraad, Irene, **Heidy Sarabia**, and Angela Fillingim. *Forthcoming*. "Citizenship Acts: Legality, Power and the Limits of Political Action" *Solicited book chapter in Within and Beyond Citizenship: Lived Experiences of Political Membership*, N. Sigona and R. G. Gonzales, editors.

Sarabia, Heidy. *Forthcoming*. "Uno," "Dos," and "Three" in *Basta: 100+ Latinas Against Gender Violence*. Emma Sepulveda, editor. Reno: The Latino Research Center at the University of Nevada.

Sarabia, Heidy. 2016. "Detention, Incarceration, and Deportation" in *Contemporary Issues for People of Color: Surviving and Thriving in the U.S. Today (5 of 5 volumes - Immigration/Migration)*, Eds. Alvaro Huerta, Norma Iglesias-Prieto and Donathan L. Brown. Santa Barbara: ABC-CLIO / Greenwood.

Sarabia, Heidy and Aida Rodriguez. 2016. "Unaccompanied Undocumented Minors" in *Contemporary Issues for People of Color: Surviving and Thriving in the U.S. Today (5 of 5 volumes - Immigration/Migration)*, Eds. Alvaro Huerta, Norma Iglesias-Prieto and Donathan L. Brown. Santa Barbara: ABC-CLIO / Greenwood.

Sarabia, Heidy. 2012. "U.S.-Mexico Border." *The Wiley-Blackwell Encyclopedia of Globalization*. Edited by George Ritzer.

**WORKS UNDER REVIEW AND IN PROGRESS**

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Sarabia, Heidy and Aida Rodriguez. "Reframing and Expanding the Boundaries of Illegality by Targeting and Deporting Central American Refugees." *Under review*.

Brooks, Jacqueline, **Heidy Sarabia** and Aya K. Ida. *Race and Ethnicity in the U.S.: From the Sociological Imagination to Sociological Mindfulness*. (Under contract with Cognella Academic Publishing).

Works Under Review and In Progress (continued)

Sarabia, Heidi. “Uprooted: Identity and Illegality among return migrants in Mexico.” *Under review.*

Sarabia, Heidi. “Citizenship in the Global South: Policing Irregular Migrants and Eroding Citizenship Rights in Mexico.” *Under review.*

Sarabia, Heidi. “‘Felons, not Families’: criminalized *illegality*, stigma, and membership among deported criminal aliens in Mexico.” *In progress.*

Sarabia, Heidi and Laura Zaragoza. “‘Illegal’ Immigrants, ‘Illegal’ Beings: Identity, abjection, and resistance among undocumented immigrants in the U.S.” *In progress.*

Sarabia, Heidi and Maria Perales. “Operation Streamline: producing legal violence, racialized *illegality*, and perpetual exclusion.” *In Progress.*

Brooks, Jacqueline, and **Heidy Sarabia**. “The Sandra Bland Case: Dissecting Intersectionality and Institutional Segregation in Post-racial America.” *In progress.*

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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2016-Present California State University, Sacramento

Undergraduate courses

*Soc 101: Introduction to Statistics*

*Soc 192: Sociological Theory*

*Soc 164: Sociology of Globalization (online)*

Graduate courses

*Soc 220: Social Change*

2016 Princeton *Latinos in American Life and Culture*

2015 University of Pennsylvania  
*Contemporary Sociological Theory*

2012-2013 CSUS *Introduction to Statistics, Sociological Theory,  
Sociology of Globalization, Race and Ethnicity*

2012 UC Berkeley *Globalization and Borders*

## **INVITED PRESENTATIONS**

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- 2017 “Felons, Not Families: criminalized illegality, stigma, and membership of deported ‘criminal-aliens.’” The Sociology Teaching and Research Symposium. CSU Sacramento.
- 2016 “What to expect from Trump in terms of immigration enforcement.” Social Justice in a Trump Presidency: A symposium for the campus community. CSU Sacramento.
- 2016 “Stigmatizing Deportation: How Mexican and U.S. Migration Policies along the Border Shape Unauthorized Migrants’ Sense of Self and Cross-Border Intentions.” The Center for Migration and Development. Princeton University.
- 2016 Keynote Speaker at Princeton Latinos y Amigos 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Latina Celebration. Princeton University.
- 2015 “Borderland Attachments: Ties, Belonging, and Citizenship Along the U.S.-Mexico Border.” Race, Ethnicity, and Immigration Workshop. University of Pennsylvania.

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

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- 2017 “U-Visas: The Process of Naming, Blaming, Claiming in a Mexican Immigrant Community” with Laura Zaragoza. Pacific Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Portland, OR.
- 2016 “From *Illegality to Criminality*: How policing immigrants and borders shifted from civil to penal punishment.” California Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Riverside, CA
- 2016 “Identity, Cultural Belonging, and Legal Belonging among Returned Migrants in Mexico.” American Sociological Association Annual Conference. Seattle, WA.
- 2016 “Migrants, Activists, and State Framings of Violence Along the U.S.-Mexico Border.” Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Conference. Seattle, WA.
- 2016 “Between the U.S. and Mexico: Border Enforcement in Mexicali.” Middle Atlantic Council of Latin American Studies (MACLAS). Philadelphia, PA.
- 2015 “The Use of Legal Violence by State and Non-State Actors in Mexico along the U.S.-Mexico Border.” American Sociological Association Annual Conference. Chicago, IL.
- 2015 “Illegality in the Borderlands: Citizenship, Identity, and Settlement of Return Migrants in Mexico.” Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Conference. Chicago, IL.

Conference Presentations (continued)

- 2015 “Human Rights Articulations: Understandings from migrants, discourse from activists, and responses from institutions along the U.S.-Mexico border.” XXXIII International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association. San Juan, PR.
- 2015 “Theorizing Transnational *Illegality*.” Eastern Sociological Association. New York City, NY.
- 2015 “Gender Violence at the U.S.-Mexico Border.” Sociologist for Women in Society. Washington D.C.
- 2014 “Mapping the Borderlands: Border-Crossing Practices Along the US-Mexico Border.” American Sociological Association Annual Conference. San Francisco, CA.
- 2014 “Blending, Bending, and Blurring in the Borderlands: Crossing the US-Mexico Border.” Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Conference. San Francisco, CA.
- 2013 “‘Staying out of Trouble:’ Defensive or Active Citizenship and the Effects of Legal Status on Second-Generation Youth.” *Illegality, Youth and Belonging: International Symposium* Conference. Harvard University (with Irene Bloemraad, and Angela Fillingim).
- 2013 “Human Rights Along the U.S.-Mexico Border: Articulations from Below and Responses from Above.” California Sociological Association. Berkeley, CA.
- 2013 “Mapping the Borderlands: Border-Crossing Practices Along the US-Mexico Border.” American Sociological Association Annual Conference. New York, NY.
- 2012 “Helping Vulnerable Women and Desperate Men: Making sense of micro- and macro-violence against undocumented men and women along the US-Mexico border.” Sociologist for Women in Society Regional Meeting. San Francisco, CA.
- 2012 “Global South Cosmopolitans: The Opening and Closing of the U.S.-Mexico Border for Mexican Tourists.” American Sociological Association Annual Conference. Denver, CO.
- 2012 “From Illegal to Criminal: The Legal and Social Membership of ‘Criminalized’ Migrants deported to Mexico.” Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Conference. Denver, CO.

### Conference Presentations (continued)

- 2012 “Exiled Mexicans Along the Border: Social and Legal Membership before and after Deportation from the U.S.” UC Latino Issues Conference. Center for Latino Policy Research. Berkeley, CA.
- 2011 “Disciplining Bodies Along the US-Mexico Border: A Comparison of Border Policing and Law Enforcement in California and Arizona.” Western Historical Association. Oakland, CA.
- 2011 “The Makings of Criminalized Perpetual Outlaws: Deporting Long-term US Residents to Mexico.” American Sociological Association Annual Conference. Las Vegas, NV.
- 2011 “The US-Mexico Border as Liminal Space: Transnational problems, local institutions, and vulnerable migrants.” Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Conference. Las Vegas, NE.
- 2011 “The Transnationalization of Criminality: Deporting ‘Criminal Aliens.’” Second Annual University of California International Migration Conference. UC Davis, Davis, CA.
- 2009 “Immigrant Belonging: Conceptions of Citizenship and American Identity.” Institute for the Study of Social Change Research Symposium. UC Berkeley, Berkeley, CA.
- 2009 “Belonging in ‘A World Where Many Worlds Fit’: Differences in the citizenship practices of two Zapatista groups.” National Association of Ethnic Studies. San Diego, CA.
- 2007 “Illegality in Academia.” SBES/AGEP Conference. UC Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara, CA.
- 2007 “Citizenship in Academia.” Changing the Culture of Academia Conference. UC Berkeley, Berkeley, CA.
- 2003 “Constructing the Self: An ethnographic analysis of self-presentation among girls at Berendo Middle School.” Annual Alpha Kappa Delta (Sociological Honor Association) Conference. UC Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA.
- 2002 “Women in Top Academic Professions: The Supply Angle.” Annual Summer Research Opportunity Program Symposium. UC Berkeley, Berkeley, CA.

### **ADDITIONAL PARTICIPATION AT PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS**

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- 2017 Organizer of Roundtables. Global Division. Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Conference (SSSP), Montreal, Canada.

Additional Participation at Professional Meetings (continued)

- 2017 Session Presider. “Latino Sociology: Immigration, Marginalization, and Resistance.” Pacific Sociological Association(PSA). Portland, OR.
- 2016 Session Chair. “Policing the border and immigrants in the era of Homeland Security.” California Sociological Association (CSA), Riverside, CA.
- 2016 Session Chair. “Citizenship in Comparative Perspective.” Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Conference (SSSP), Seattle, WA.
- 2016 Session Chair. “Standing on the Border: Issues of Immigration and Law Enforcement.” Middle Atlantic Council of Latin American Studies (MACLAS), Temple University.
- 2015 Session Discussant. “Section on Race, Gender and Class Session. Intersectional Approaches to Understanding Migration, Legal Status and Transnationalism.” American Sociological Association, Chicago, IL.

Occasional Reviewer for: *Law & Society Review, Ethnic and Racial Studies, Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies, Social Forces, Anthropology of Work Review, Sage Open*

**RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

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- 2014-16 Prof. Emilio Parrado, Prof. Chenoa Flippen, and Prof. Amada Armenta, Sociology and Demography, University of Pennsylvania  
On the South Philadelphia Research Project, I was in charge of supervising the collection of surveys in South Philadelphia among recent immigrants from Latin America, as well as conducting in-depth interviews with key informants in order to contextualize the quantitative findings.
- 2014-16 Prof. Shannon Gleeson, Latin American and Latino Studies, UC Santa Cruz [now at Cornell]  
I was in charge of conducting phone interviews with representatives of organizations throughout the United States that provide services and resources for Mexican immigrants.
- 2009-10 U.S.-Mexico Border Research Project (Dissertation project)  
I conducted 60 in-depth interviews with border residents in the border city of Mexicali, Baja California, Mexico; I also conducted Participant Observation at the Migrant Help Center (“Juntos en el Camino”).

## Research Experience (continued)

- 2009 Center for Science & Education Opportunity, UC San Francisco  
I was in charge of guiding focus-group discussions with Spanish-speaking immigrant parents about their college-bound children.
- 2006-08 Prof. Irene Bloemraad, Institute for the Study of Social Change, UC Berkeley  
I conducted interviews, coded and analyzed interview data, and wrote theoretical memos about the political socialization of immigrant parents and their U.S.-born citizen children.
- 2005-08 Transnational Activism Project (M.A. Project)  
I conducted participant observation and in-depth interviews with activists in the San Francisco Bay Area who organized around the Zapatista call to organized locally and globally.
- 2003-04 Prof. Edward Telles, Sociology Department, UC Los Angeles  
I coded and analyzed statistical data and wrote theoretical memos about the educational pipeline of Latinos.
- 2002 Prof. Cristina Pons, Chicana/o Studies Department, UC Los Angeles  
I developed a literature review of Mexican writers.

## **HONORS AND AWARDS**

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- 2016 College of Social Science and Interdisciplinary Studies Faculty Research Fellow, CSU Sacramento
- 2011 Institute for the Study of Societal Issues, Graduate Student in Residence, UC Berkeley
- 2010 Department of Sociology Grant, UC Berkeley
- 2009 Dean's Normative Time Fellowship, UC Berkeley
- 2006 Mentor Fellowship, UC Berkeley
- 2005 Andrew W. Mellon Summer Research Fellowship, UC Berkeley
- 2004 Center for Latino Policy Research Grant, UC Berkeley
- 2004 Diversity Fellowship, UC Berkeley

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

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- 2016-17 Member, Sociology Department Curriculum Committee, CSUS
- 2016-17 Member, Sociology Department Graduate Program Committee, CSUS
- 2016-17 Member, College of SSIS Taskforce on Race Center, CSUS
- 2016-17 Member, College of SSIS Taskforce on Race Center: Subcommittee on Mentoring, CSUS
- 2016-17 Member, College of SSIS Taskforce on Race Center: Hiring Committee for Director, CSUS
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**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

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American Sociological Association  
Society for the Study of Social Problems  
Pacific Sociological Association  
California Sociological Association  
National Association for Chicana and Chicano Studies

**LANGUAGES**

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English and Spanish: writing, reading and verbal fluency