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Education

2016 – Present Ph.D. University of California, Los Angeles
Chicana and Chicano Studies

2014 – 2016 M.A. University of California, Santa Barbara
Chicana and Chicano Studies

2008 – 2010 M.Ed. Iowa State University
Higher Education Student Affairs

Research: “Chicana/o Student Activism in Higher Education: Unveiling the Multiplicity and Complexity of Identities in the Student Movement”

2003 – 2007 B.A. University of California, Irvine
Chicano/Latino Studies (African American Studies and Education Minors)

Research Interests

Critical Sports Studies, Chicana/o/x Studies, Race and Ethnicity, Sport of Boxing, Black and Brown Boxers, Boxing Ring Entrances, Expressive Culture, Performance of Dissent and Resistance in Sports, Oral History and In-depth interviews

Skills

Bilingual (English and Spanish)
Photography

Teaching and Readerships

University of California, Los Angeles

2019 Summer Chicana/o Studies 10A (**Lead Instructor**)

2019 Spring Chicana/o Studies 116 (TA)

Professor: Dr. Alexandro D. Hernández

2019 Winter Chicana/o Studies 10B (TA)

Professor: Dr. Roberto Chao Romero

2018 Fall Chicana/o Studies 10A (TA)

Professor: Alma López

University of California, Santa Barbara

2016 Spring	Intro to Chicana/o Studies 1C (TA) Professor: Dr. Dolores Inés Casillas
2016 Winter	Black/Brown Metropolis Los Angeles (TA) Professor: Dr. Ralph Armbruster-Sandoval
2015 Fall	Intro to Chicana/o Studies 1A (TA) Professor: Dr. Miroslava Chavez-Garcia
2015 Summer	Intro to Chicana/o Studies 1C (TA) Professor: Dr. Amber Workman
2015 Spring	Black Studies (Reader) Professor: Dr. Roberto Strongman
2015 Winter	Black Experience in Southern California (Reader) Professor: Dr. Gaye Theresa Johnson

Iowa State University

2009 Spring	Education for Liberation: Reading Paulo Freire Honor Seminar Professor: Dr. Ryan Evely Gildersleeve
2009 Fall	University Studies 116 (Lead Instructor)
2008 Spring	University Studies 115 (Lead Instructor)

Publications

Books and Book Chapters

Gaye Theresa Johnson, Rudy Mondragón, and David J. Leonard (eds.), *Rings of Dissent: Boxing and the Performance of Rebellion* (Proposed)

“The Son of God and The Ghost: Colorblind Christian Struggles and Sonic Spaces of Liberation in Boxing,” in *Liberating Sport: Latinx and Latin American Perspectives*. (Under Review)

Articles

Ryan E. Gildersleeve, Corey Rumann, and Rudy Mondragón, (2010), “Serving Undocumented Students: Current Law and Policy,” *New Directions in Student Services: Undocumented Students in Higher Education*, 2010, 131, (5-18).

Reviews

Louis Moore, *I Fight for a Living: Boxing and the Battle for Black Manhood, 1880-1915* for *International Review for the Sociology of Sport*, 2018, (1-4).

“Champs Film Review,” for *Journal of Sport History*, 2018, vol. 45, no. 2, (229-230).

Online Articles

“History Andy Ruiz Win Jolts Elation Among Mexican Americans,” By Russell Contreras and Deepti Hajela (Associated Press), Published June 5, 2019 (**Quoted in Article**)*

***Article also appeared in:**

ESPN, Fox Sports, New York Times, NY Daily News, Washington Times, Washington Post, USA Today, Business Insider, El Universal (Mexico), Reforma (Mexico)

“Andy Ruiz is ‘Destroyer’ and Disrupter in Boxing, Fatphobia,” LATaco.com, Published June 5, 2019.

“Enter The Ring,” TheStreetsMag.com, Published April, 2019. (Featuring my photos)

“Where Julio Cesar Chavez and Macho Camacho Became Stars – How Azteca Boxing Club in Bell Became a Training Ground for Champions,” LATaco.com, Published December 6, 2018. (Featuring my photos)

“The Beisbolismos You Need to Know for the Serie del Caribe,” (Presented by ESPN Deportes), Remezcla.com, Published January 30, 2018.

“Find Out How These Two Afro-Cuban Boxers ‘Became’ Mexican and Changed the World,” WeAreMitu.com, Published October 6, 2017.

“Some Might Say It’s Going to be a Close One But Here’s Why I Say Put Your Money on Canelo vs. GGG,” WeAreMitu.com, Published September 14, 2017.

“If You Liked Mayweather vs. McGregor, You’re Going to Love Canelo vs. GGG,” By Jonathan Snowden, BleacherReport.com, Published September 14, 2017. (**Quoted in Article**)

“This Smithsonian Exhibit will Explore the Complex, Forgotten History of ‘Latinos and Baseball’ in the US,” Remezcla.com, Published August 29, 2017.

“The Real Mexican Holiday: Canelo vs. Chavez Is for More than Title Gold,” By Jonathan Snowden, BleacherReport.com, Published May 4, 2017. (**Quoted in Article**)

“With Golden Boy Promotions at her side, Marlen Esparza Could be Boxing’s First Crossover Latina Star,” Remezcla.com, Published March 23, 2017.

“Saúl ‘Canelo’ Álvarez: Creating the Next Cash Cow King of Boxing,” Remezcla.com, Published May 25, 2016.

Academic Conference Presentations and Guest Speaking Engagements

“Marshawn Lynch: A History.” Post-film discussion with film Director David Shields and Sociology Professor Ben Carrington. Laemmle Theater, Beverly Hills, California. July 2019.

“There’s a Drama to it: Race, Space, and Expressive Culture in Boxing”

- Guest Lecture, Warren Wilson College. September 2018.
- Guest Lecture, University of North Carolina, Asheville. September 2018.
- Guest Lecture, California State University, Fullerton – Sociology Sports Course. April 2018.
- Guest Lecture, California State University, Northridge - Sports Seminar Series. March 2018.

“Courageous Conversations: Take a Knee”

- Discussion Facilitator, University of California, Santa Barbara Multicultural Center. October 2017.

“Can the Athlete Speak? Why Politics in Sports Matter”

- Guest Lecture, Hope International University. September 2017.

“Intersections in the Sports World”

- Guest Lecture, Hope International University - Social Justice Course. September 2017.

“Exploring Chicana/o Communities Through Boxing”

- Guest Lecture, Hope International University - Critical Thinking Course. September 2017.

“Fighting the Power and Resistance Movements in Sports”

- Guest Lecture, Hope International University - Government Course. September 2017.

“Exploring Chicana/o Communities Through Boxing”

- Guest Lecture, University of California, Santa Barbara - Chicano Sociology Course. September 2017.

“Counterpunch: Boxing and Race in the American West”

- Paper Presentation, Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Association. August 2016.

“In the Game: Why Studying Latino/a Sporting Lives Matter”

- Roundtable Discussant, Latina/o Studies Association. July 2016.

“Qualitative Research Methods”

- Guest speaker, University of San Francisco - Qualitative Methods course. July 2016.

“The Savage Aztec Warrior and Gentle Golden Boy: Performance of (American) Mexican Identities & Masculinity in Boxing”

- Guest Lecture, University of California, Santa Barbara - Chicana/o Studies Culture Course. February 2016.

“The Savage Aztec Warrior and Gentle Golden Boy: Spatial Entitlements in the Performance of (American) Mexican Identities in Boxing”

- Guest Lecture, University of California, Santa Barbara - Chicana/o Studies Culture Course. July 2015.

“Manifestations of Intersectionality in the Sports World”

- Guest Lecture, University of Washington - Feminism and Pop Culture Course. June 2013.

“A ‘Diversity Monologues’ Campus Initiative: Enhancing Community and Inclusion Through Critical Spoken Word”

- Co-Presenter, National Conference on Race and Ethnicity, New Orleans, LA. With Michael Benitez Jr., Richard Story and Yazmin Watkins. May 2013.

“Chicana/o Identity: A Journey of Becoming”

- Guest Lecture, Gonzaga University - American History Course. October 2011.

“Nuestras Historias Como Latinos: Sharing Our Personal Life Journeys in Higher Education”

- Co-Presenter, American Association of Hispanics in Higher Education, Costa Mesa, CA. With Eligio Martinez, Luis Ramirez, Chris Tudico, and Cirilo Cortez. March 2010.

Professional Experience

2013 – 2014	Coordinator of Diversity and Leadership Training University of Washington
2012 – 2013	Pre-College Programs Manager University of Washington
2010 – 2012	Intercultural Relations Specialist, Multicultural Education Center Gonzaga University

Select Trainings and Workshops

Mondragón, R. (2014). *A Journey of Self-Growth and Becoming: Using Our Identities to Inform Our Work Workshop*. University of Washington Ethnic Cultural Center Staff Training. Seattle, WA.

Mondragón, R. *From Self-Growth to Inclusive Engagement: Embracing the Work of Change Agents*.

(2014) University of Washington Law School Staff Retreat. Seattle, WA

(2013) University of Washington Physics Graduate Student Training. Seattle, WA.

Fonseca, M., Mondragón, R., Gaeta, C., & Herrera, M. (2013). *Supporting Undocumented Students in Higher Education Workshop*. University of Washington Staff Professional Development Day. Seattle, WA.

Mondragón, R. *Interrogating the Intersections of our Multiple Identities*.
 (2013) Women Who Rock (un)Conference. Seattle, WA
 (2013) University of Washington Purple and Gold Program. Seattle, WA.
 (2012) College Assistance Migrant Program Student Leader Training. Seattle, WA.

Mondragón, R. *I Am Poetry Workshop*.
 (2013) University of Washington Dare to Dream Academy. Seattle, WA.
 (2013) Adelante Con Educacion Conference. Seattle, WA.
 (2010 & 2011) Summer BRIDGE Program. Spokane, WA.

Service, Leadership and Committees

University of Washington, Ise Lyfe Campus Wide Program, (Chair)	2014
University of Washington, A Night of Live Hip Hop, (Chair)	2013
University of Washington, Pre-College Programs Manager Search Committee	2013
University of Washington Tim Wise Lecture Committee	2013
Gonzaga Diversity Monologues Planning Committee, (Chair)	2010 – 2012
Gonzaga Green Dot Committee	2010 – 2012
Gonzaga LGBT Coordinator Search Committee	2011
Comprehensive Leadership Program East Los Angeles Immersion Trip	2011
Gonzaga Campus Security Assistant Director Search Committee	2010
Iowa State University Minoritized Student Retention Committee	2009 – 2010
A Night of Chicana/o Poetry by Joaquín Zihuatanejo Committee, (Chair)	2009 – 2010
Educational Leadership and Policy Studies Interview Days Committee	2009
Higher Education Graduate Student Info Session Panelist	2009 – 2010

Awards and Honors

UCLA Gold Shield Alumnae Graduate Fellowship, 2019-2020
 UC Berkeley Oral History Center Graduate Student Fellowship, 2019
 UCLA Graduate Summer Research Mentorship Awardee, 2018
 Smithsonian Latino Museum Studies Program Fellowship, 2017
 UCLA Graduate Research Mentorship Awardee, 2017-2018
 UCLA Graduate Summer Research Mentorship Awardee, 2017
 UCLA Cota-Robles Fellowship, 2016-2020
 American Historical Association-PCB Travel Award, 2016
 Ford Foundation Fellowship Pre-Doctoral Honorable Mention, 2016
 NASPA Region V Knowledge Community Award for Collaboration and Visibility, 2013
 NASPA Introduce a Speaker Video Contest Winner, 2010
 Graduate Minority Assistantship Program, 2008-2010
 NCAA Ethnic Minority Enhancement Postgraduate Scholarship, 2008
 Arthur Ashe, Jr. Sports-Scholar Award, 2007
 Gary Singer Social Science Scholar Athlete Award, 2006
 Big West Scholar Athlete, 2005, 2006, 2007
 Big West Fall All-Academic Team, 2005, 2006
 Hispanic Scholarship Fund, 2004
 UC Irvine Men's Division-1 Soccer Scholarship, 2003-2007