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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Fall 2018 Assistant Professor of Sociology, Elmhurst College, Elmhurst, IL

EDUCATION

2018 Ph.D. in Sociology with concentration in Gender and Women's Studies from the University of Illinois at Chicago
Dissertation: The Humanitarian Borderlands: Unaccompanied Immigrant Youth and Systems of Aid in the United States
Preliminary Examination: Sociology of Gender

2012 M.A. in Sociology from the University of Illinois at Chicago

2008 B.A. in Spanish Language and Literature from Grand Valley State University
Graduated with Honors, *magna cum laude*

2006 Coursework in Teaching English as a Second Language at Indiana Wesleyan University

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Migration/Border Studies	Gender	Teaching Sociology
Humanitarianism	Race and Ethnicity	Qualitative Methods
	Childhood and Youth	

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Ruehs, Emily, Regina Pessagno, Rachel Lois, William J. Scarborough, Michael De Anda Muñiz, Max Cuddy and Dennis Kass. 2018. "A Relevant Social Science: Outcomes from a High School Sociology Research Practicum." *Journal of Public and Professional Sociology* 10(2): 1-22.

Ruehs, Emily. 2018. "Front Door, Backdoor, No Door? An Exploration of Formal and Informal Means for Recruiting Unaccompanied Immigrant Youth for Research." *SAGE Research Method Cases Part 2*. London: Sage Publications Ltd. DOI: 10.4135/9781526428011

Ruehs, Emily. 2016. "Adventures in El Norte: Masculinity and the Immigration of Unaccompanied Minors." *Men and Masculinities* 20(3): 364-384. DOI: 10.1177/1097184X16634796.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Ruehs, Emily. 2018. Instructors Guide and Ancillary Materials for *Men's Lives*. 10th Ed. Edited by Michael S. Kimmel and Michael A. Messner. New York: Oxford University Press.

Ruehs, Emily. 2016. "Book Review: Traveling Heavy: A Memoir in between Journeys." *Teaching Sociology* 44(2): 142-143.

Ruehs, Emily. 2016. "Film Review: The Hand That Feeds." *Teaching Sociology* 44(2): 144-145.

Ruehs, Emily, William "Buddy" Scarborough, Carolina Calvillo, Michael De Anda Muñoz, Jesse Holzman. 2014. "Bringing Public Sociology to High School Students: UIC Sociology and Chicago's Little Village Lawndale High School." *ASA Footnotes* 42(2): 5.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Ruehs, Emily. "Dangerous Victims and the Manipulators of Innocence: A Critical Discourse Analysis of 2014 News Coverage on Unaccompanied Immigrant Youth." *Sociological Inquiry* (Revise and Resubmit)

Ruehs-Navarro, Emily. *The Humanitarian Contradiction: How Unaccompanied Youth Navigate the United States* (book manuscript in progress)

MEDIA APPEARANCES

2018 "As Months Pass in Chicago Shelters, Immigrant Children Contemplate Escape, Even Suicide." ProPublica Illinois. (<https://www.propublica.org/article/chicago-immigrant-shelters-heartland-internal-documents>).

2018 "Gloria's Dilemma." Separate and Unequal Podcast. (<https://player.fm/series/separate-and-unequal-shining-a-light-on-education-in-america/episode-3-glorias-dilemma>).

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

2016 Dean's Scholar Fellowship, University of Illinois at Chicago

2016 Rue Bucher Memorial Award for Qualitative Studies. University of Illinois at Chicago

2015 Chancellor's Graduate Research Award Renewal, University of Illinois at Chicago

2015 Provost Award for Graduate Research, University of Illinois at Chicago

2014 Carla B. Howery Teaching Enhancement Fund. American Sociological Association

2014 Chancellor's Graduate Research Award, University of Illinois at Chicago

HONORS AND AWARDS

2016 SAGE Teaching Innovations & Professional Development Award, ASA Section on Teaching and Learning in Sociology

2016 UIC Excellence in Undergraduate Mentoring Award, University of Illinois at Chicago

2015 UIC Excellence in Undergraduate Mentoring Award Honorable Mention, University

- of Illinois at Chicago
 2014 Sociology Graduate Student Teaching Award, University of Illinois at Chicago
 2014 UIC Excellence in Undergraduate Mentoring Award Honorable Mention, University of Illinois at Chicago
 2013 David P. Street Masters Paper Award, University of Illinois at Chicago

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Sociology courses designed and taught as a sole instructor:

- 2012 – 2018 **University of Illinois at Chicago**
 Special Topics in Race, Class and Gender: Borders and Human Rights
 Race and Ethnicity
 Sociological Research Methods
 Gender and Society
 Sociology of Childhood and Youth
- 2012 – 2018 **Northeastern Illinois University**
 Introduction to Sociology
 Sociological Research Methods
 Race and Ethnic Relations
 Sociology of Intimacy, Marriage and Family
 Women, Gender, and the “F-Word”
 Men and Masculinities
 Social Inequalities and Social Change
- 2016 – 2018 **Dominican University**
 Introduction to Sociology
 Race and Race Relations in the US (hybrid course)
 Research Methods (hybrid course)
 Critical Race Theory (hybrid course)

Teaching assistant or discussion leader:

- 2010-2012 **University of Illinois at Chicago**
 Social Theory
 Sociology of Asia and Asian Americans
 Global Theoretical Frameworks of Women

Other teaching experience

- 2011 - 2014 **Universidad Autónoma de México-Chicago**
 English Pronunciation and Conversation (Intermediate)
 English Reading (Beginning, Intermediate and Advanced)
 English Writing and Grammar (Intermediate and Advanced)
 English Listening and Speaking (Intermediate)

INVITED LECTURER

- 2018 "Unaccompanied Children and Refugee Youth." University of Chicago.
2016 "The Experience of Unaccompanied Youth Immigrants." Dominican University.
2016 "Unaccompanied Minors: The Basics." DePaul University. The Immigrant Experience

INVITED SPEAKER

- 2018 "The Humanitarian Borderlands." Chicago Immigration Scholars Network.
2017 "Child Advocate Round Table." Young Center for the Rights of Immigrant Children, University of Chicago
2015 "Discussion Techniques." Colloquium on College Teaching of Sociology
2014 "Learning Through Discussion Method." Colloquium on College Teaching of Sociology
2014 "More Than What You Read in the News: Immigration Scholars Speak about Their Research." Department of Sociology Alumni Event
2014 "Immigration in the Suburbs: Insights from the 2010-2011 Chicago Area Study." Jewels of UIC Lecture Series
2014 "Content Based Learning." Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México-Chicago Centro de Enseñanzas de Lenguas Extranjeras
2013 "Masculinity and Immigration." Latin American and Latino Studies Brown Bag
2012 "Masculinity, Power and Choice for Unaccompanied Minors." Real Talk Seminar

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2017 "The Stories of Unaccompanied Youth." Association of Humanist Sociologists, Havana Cuba
2017 "Borderland Legendry: The Paradoxes of Ideal Victimhood for Unaccompanied Minors." Chicago Ethnography Conference, Chicago
2016 "Thugs or Refugees? Unaccompanied Immigrant Minors in 2014 Newspaper Coverage." Social Science History Association, Chicago
2016 "Thugs or Refugees? The Discourse on Unaccompanied Immigrant Minors." Society for the Study of Social Problems, Seattle
2016 "Deserving Thugs? Unaccompanied Minors in the US Immigration System." Chicago Ethnography Conference, Chicago
2015 "Clandestine Youth: Unaccompanied Minors in the Borderlands." Crossing Over Symposium, Cleveland State University, Cleveland
2015 "Clandestine Youth: Securitization, Humanitarianism, and Unaccompanied Minors in the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands." Society for the Study of Social Problems. Chicago, IL
2014 "Becoming a Man in El Norte: Intersections of Identity for Unaccompanied Minors." Society for the Study of Social Problems Roundtable, San Francisco, CA
2012 "Adventures in El Norte: Masculinity and the Experience of Unaccompanied Minors." Chicago Ethnography Conference, Chicago, IL
2012 "Adventures in El Norte: Masculinity and the Experience of Unaccompanied Minors." Midwest Sociological Society, Minneapolis, MN
2008 "Pascual Duarte como la manifestación de una necesidad existencial." Congreso Internacional de Literatura Hispánica, Cusco, Peru

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2011 American Cities Survey. Columbia University. Research assistant.
2011 Chicago Area Studies. National Science Foundation. University of Illinois at Chicago

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- 2016 ASA Section on Childhood and Youth Roundtable Discussant
2016 – present ASA Section on Childhood and Youth Student Representative
2016 – present *Societies without Borders* Reviewer
2015 - present *Interdisciplinary Undergraduate Research Journal* Reviewer
2014 – 2015 *Social Problems* Student Advisory Board Member
2013 – present *Gender and Society* Reviewer
2012 National Latino Congreso Rapporteur, Arturo Velazquez Institute

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

- 2015-2017 Teaching Assistant Orientation, Panelist and Break-out Session Leader
2014 Society of Women Engineers “Miss Representation” Viewing, Panelist
2014 Model World Conference, Mentor/Instructor
2013 – 2015 Little Village Lawndale High School/University of Illinois at Chicago Department of Sociology Partnership, Mentor and Volunteer Coordinator
2011 - 2012 Chicago Ethnography Conference, Co-Chair
2011 Graduate Student Recruitment Day, Committee Member
2010 - 2011 Public Relations Committee, Committee Member

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2009 – 2010 Employment Retention Specialist, Program Assisting Refugee Acculturation, Bethany Christian Services, Grand Rapids, MI.
2008 – 2009 Workforce Development Specialist, Goodwill Industries/Work First, Grand Rapids, MI.
2005 – 2008 Trip Coordinator, Experience Mission, Port Townsend, WA. (Inscription House, Navajo Nation; Tecate, Mexico; Ruiz, Mexico; Bribri Reservation, Costa Rica)

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT IN TEACHING AND PEDAGOGY

- 2016 ASA Teaching and Learning Section’s Pre-conference Workshop, American Sociological Association, Seattle, WA
2014 Feminist Pedagogy Graduate Seminar. University of Illinois at Chicago
2014 Becoming an Undocumented Student Ally Workshop. Northeastern Illinois University
2013 Sociology Teaching Colloquium. University of Illinois at Chicago
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PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- 2014 – present Society for the Study of Social Problem
Sections: Global Division, Teaching Social Problems
- 2013 – present Sociologists for Women in Society
- 2011 – present American Sociological Association
Sections: Childhood and Youth (student representative); Latino/a Sociology; Human Rights; International Migration; Teaching and Learning

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- 2015 – present Unaccompanied Child Advocate with the Young Center for Immigrant Children's Rights, Chicago
- 2009-2011 Refugee Youth Mentor with Bethany Christian Services, Grand Rapids

FOREIGN LANGUAGES

Spanish: Reading, Writing, and Speaking, Advanced Proficiency