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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2021 - Present	University of California, Irvine <i>Associate Professor of Sociology</i>
2014 - 2021	University of California, Irvine <i>Assistant Professor of Sociology</i> Courtesy Appointment, Department of Chicano/Latino Studies
2012 - 2014	University of California, San Diego <i>Chancellor's Postdoctoral Fellow</i> Center for Comparative Immigration Studies and Sociology

EDUCATION

2012	University of California, Los Angeles Ph.D. in Sociology
2008	University of California, Los Angeles M.A. in Sociology
2005	Princeton University A.B. <i>cum laude</i> in Sociology with a certificate in Latin American Studies

RESEARCH INTERESTS

International Migration, Urban Sociology, Race & Ethnicity, Sociology of Work, Latinas/os in the US, Law & Society, Qualitative Research Methods/Ethnography

PUBLICATIONS

Book

Rosales, Rocío. 2020. *Fruteros: Street Vending, Illegality, and Ethnic Community in Los Angeles*. Oakland: University of California Press.

- **Winner**, 2021 Distinguished Book Award presented by the American Sociological Association's Latina/o Sociology Section
- **Honorable Mention**, 2021 Thomas and Znaniecki Book Award presented by the American Sociological Association's International Migration Section

- **American Sociological Association Book Forum Selection**, Philadelphia 2023
- **Reviewed** in *Ethnic and Racial Studies*; *American Journal of Sociology*; *City & Community*; *Southern California Quarterly*

Peer-reviewed Articles

Vogler, Stefan and Rocío Rosales. 2022. "Classification and Coercion: The Gendered Punishment of Transgender Women in Immigration Detention." *Social Problems*. Online First.

Armenta, Amada and Rocío Rosales. 2019. "Beyond the Fear of Deportation: Understanding Unauthorized Immigrants' Ambivalence Towards the Police." *American Behavioral Scientist*. 63(9): 1350-1369.

Rosales, Rocío. 2014. "Stagnant Immigrant Social Networks and Cycles of Exploitation." *Ethnic and Racial Studies*. 37(14): 2564-2579.

Rosales, Rocío. 2013. "Survival, Economic Mobility and Community Among Los Angeles Fruit Vendors." *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*. 39(5): 697-717.

Book Reviews

Rosales, Rocío. 2017. Review of *Border Lives: Fronterizos, Transnational Migrants, and Commuters in Tijuana* by Sergio R. Chávez. *American Journal of Sociology*. Volume 122, No. 6: 2008-2010.

Rosales, Rocío. 2015. Review of *Fresh Fruit, Broken Bodies: Migrant Farmworkers in the United States* by Seth M. Holmes. *Contemporary Sociology*. Volume 44, No. 4: 517- 519.

FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS, GRANTS

2021	UC Irvine, Joseph L. White Mentorship Award
2019	UCI Center for Organizational Research (COR) Small Grant Co-PI: "Moral Judgments of Banking and Bankers"
2017	Woodrow Wilson Career Enhancement Fellowship for Junior Faculty
2017	UC MEXUS Small Grant PI: " <i>Understanding the Impact of Mass Immigrant Detention and Deportation</i> "
2016	UROP Faculty Mentor of the Month (January 2016)
2015	UCLA Institute for Research on Labor and Employment Project Grant PI: " <i>Understanding the Impact of Mass Immigrant Detention and Deportation</i> "
2014	UCI ADVANCE Career Development Award
2012	Mellon Mays Foundation, Dissertation Completion Grant
2011 - 2012	American Philosophical Society, John Hope Franklin Dissertation Fellowship
2011	UCLA Latin American Institute, Faucett Field Research Grant
2010 - 2011	John Randolph & Dora Haynes Foundation Dissertation Research Fellowship
2009, 2011	UCLA Center for the Study of Urban Poverty, Travel Grant
2007	Mellon Mays Foundation, Graduate Studies Enhancement Grant
2006	UCLA Institute of Industrial Relations Labor and Employment Research Grant
2005 - 2008	Ford Foundation Pre-doctoral Fellowship
2004	UC Berkeley Summer Research Opportunity (SROP) Fellowship
2003	Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship

PROFESSIONAL MEETING PRESENTATIONS

Accepted Presentations

“The Violence of Illegibility: Immigrant Detention in the United States.” Accepted Paper. AMR Session: Lawyering, Legal Consciousness, and Social Mobilization. Lisbon, July 2022

“Legal Consciousness Among Asylum-Seeking Immigrants in the US: From Expectations of Fairness to Increasing Legal Cynicism.” Accepted Paper. Session: Legal Entanglements in Immigration Enforcement. American Sociological Association. New York City, August 2019.

“Developing Legal Consciousness in Immigrant Detention.” Law and In/Justice: Resisting the Law. Society for the Study of Social Problems. Philadelphia, August 2018.

“Immigrant Detention and Social Capital: Divergent Experiences Among African, Latino, and Transgender Detainees in the US.” International Meeting on Law and Society. Mexico City, June 2017.

“Shifting Landscapes of Threat: Local Level Policing of Immigrant Street Vendors.” California Sociological Association Conference. Riverside, November 2016.

“Surviving or Contesting the Street: Street Vendor and Activists’ Contrasting Strategies and Expectations for Mobilization.” Law and Society Association Annual Conference. Seattle, May 2015.

“Informal Agreements: Trust, Control and Bounded Opportunity Among Street Vendors.” American Sociological Association Annual Conference. New York City, August 2013.

“Immigrant Informal Work as Stepping Stone? The Case of Los Angeles Fruit Vendors.” American Sociological Association Annual Conference. Las Vegas, August 2011.

“Fruit Vendors in Los Angeles: Survival and Criminalization.” Law and Society Association Annual Conference. San Francisco, June 2011.

“Working the Mean Streets: Survival Strategies of Fruit Vendors in Los Angeles.” Urban Street Vending: Economic Resistance, Integration or Marginalization? Conference. Berlin, May 2009.

“Help Wanted: International Labor Recruitment Among Los Angeles Fruit Vendors.” UCLA Migration Industry Conference. Los Angeles, October 2008.

Invited Presentations

“Contesting the Street: Gentrification and Street Vendors in Los Angeles.” Invited Presentation, Regional Spotlight Session: Racialized Gentrification, Displacement and Urban Growth in Equity in Los Angeles. American Sociological Association. Los Angeles, August 2022.

“Understanding Immigrant Detention From Within: Legal Consciousness and the Victimization of the Crimmigration System.” Special Session: Legal Apartheid? A Dialogue about Life under Mass Incarceration and Mass Deportation. American Sociological Association. Philadelphia, August 2018.

Discussant/Presider

Labor and Labor Movements Section, Labor and Race Panel. Presider. American Sociological Association. Virtual Meeting, August 2021.

Author-Meets-Critic Panel. *Migration-Trust Networks: Social Cohesion in Mexican US-Bound Emigration*, by Nadia Y. Flores-Yeffal. Southern Sociological Society Annual Conference. New Orleans, March 2015.

COLLOQUIUMS AND INVITED TALKS

“Fruteros: Street Vending, Illegality, and Ethnic Community in Los Angeles.” Book Talk. Invited Speaker. California State University-Fullerton. May 12, 2022

“Fruteros: Street Vending, Illegality, and Ethnic Community in Los Angeles.” Book Talk. Invited Speaker. Northwestern University. April 13, 2022

“Fruteros: Street Vending, Illegality, and Ethnic Community in Los Angeles.” Book Talk. Invited Speaker. Workshop for Urban Ethnography. Yale University. November 1, 2021

“Fruteros: Street Vending, Illegality, and Ethnic Community in Los Angeles.” Book Talk. Invited Speaker. Crown Family School of Social Work, Policy, and Practice. University of Chicago. April 20, 2021

“Fruteros: Street Vending, Illegality, and Ethnic Community in Los Angeles.” Book Talk. Invited Speaker. Ethnography Workshop. Harvard Graduate School of Education. March 11, 2021

“Fruteros: Street Vending, Illegality, and Ethnic Community in Los Angeles.” Book Talk. Invited Speaker. Reimagining the Latinx Experience in America Book Talk Series. UCI Law School. February 25, 2021

“Fruteros: Street Vending, Illegality, and Ethnic Community in Los Angeles.” Book Talk. Invited Speaker. California State University, Monterey Bay. December 2, 2020

“Fruteros: Street Vending, Illegality, and Ethnic Community in Los Angeles.” Book Talk. Invited Speaker. New York University. September 18, 2020

“Surviving the Sidewalk: Latino Street Vendors in Los Angeles.” Book Talk. Invited Speaker. Center for Ethnographic Research. UC Berkeley. October 29, 2019

“Fruteros: Street Vending, Illegality, and Transforming Ethnic Community in Los Angeles.” Book Talk. Invited Colloquium Speaker. Department of Sociology. UC Berkeley, October 7, 2019

“Fruteros: Street Vending, Illegality, and Transforming Ethnic Community in Los Angeles.” Invited Colloquium Speaker. Industrial and Labor Relations School. Cornell University, May 1, 2019

“Social Mobility and Illegality Among Street Vendors.” Invited Speaker. UCLA Latin American Institute. March 9, 2019

“Informal Work and Social Mobility among Street Vendors.” Invited Guest Speaker. Alpha Kappa Delta Sociology Honor Society. Cal State Northridge. April 24, 2018

“Los Angeles Fruit Vendors: Understanding Informal Work and Social Mobility.” Invited Speaker. UCLA Latin American Institute. March 24, 2018

“Issues in Feminist Methodologies: Two Fieldwork Case Studies.” Invited Speaker. Marcela Lagarde y de los Rios International Conference on Gender Violence Studies. University of Texas at El Paso. March 23, 2017.

“Surviving the Sidewalk: Street Vending, Illegality, and Ethnic Community in Los Angeles.” Keynote Address. Westminster College. Salt Lake City, September 2016.

PANEL PRESENTATIONS AND CONFERENCE ORGANIZING

“Conducting Research with Vulnerable Latino Populations.” Panel Presentation. UC Irvine, Department of Chicano/Latino Studies. February 15, 2017

“Understanding the Impact of Immigrant Detention and Deportation.” UC Labor Research Conference. Los Angeles, April 2016.

“Organizing Informal Immigrant Workers.” Social Movements and Reform Panel. UCI Law School Food Equity Symposium. Irvine, March 2015.

“Hometown Social Networks and Exploitation: Understanding Challenges to Informal Immigrant Worker Organizing.” UCLA Low Wage Work and Worker Organizing Conference. Los Angeles, April 2013.

Contesting the Streets: Vending, Open-Air Markets, and Public Space. UCLA Center for the Study of Urban Poverty and USC Center for the Study of Immigrant Integration. Los Angeles, May 2010.

MEDIA APPEARANCES AND INTERVIEWS

Interviewed Guest. “L.A. Fruterors’ Colorful Umbrellas Are Powerful Symbols Against Development and Covid.” April 12, 2022. <https://www.lataco.com/frutero-cart-umbrellas-los-angeles/>

Featured Guest. “Hispanic Heritage Month Series: Part I.” KZXY Talking California. July 22, 2020. <https://www.kzyx.org/post/hispanic-heritage-month-series-2019-part-1#stream/0>

Featured Guest. “Who are the fruterors?” KCRW Good Food. October 2, 2020. <https://www.kcrw.com/culture/shows/good-food/grocery-stores-frutero-street-vendors-indian-buffets/rocio-rosales-fruterors-street-vending>

COURSES TAUGHT

Social Problems*

Lower division undergraduate, requirement for majors, 200-300 student enrollment

Sociology of the Street

Upper division undergraduate, conducting ethnographic research

Immigrant and Ethnic Economies
Graduate student seminar

Race, Class & Public Space in the City
Graduate student seminar

Ethnographic and Qualitative Methods
Graduate student seminar, two-quarter methodology sequence

Ethnographic Field Notes
Graduate student seminar, on methodological praxis

*Outstanding Teaching Recognition for top 15% course in all of School of Social Sciences – Winter 2021, Spring 2021, Winter 2022

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND SERVICE

American Sociological Association

2021 – 2022 ASA Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant, Reviewer
2021 - 2024 Publications Committee Member, ASA Community and Urban Sociology Section
2020 - 2023 Council Member, ASA Labor and Labor Movements Section (elected)
2021 – 2022 Distinguished Scholarly Article Award, Committee Chair, ASA Labor and Labor Movements Section
2021 – 2022 Distinguished Contribution to Research Book Award, Committee Co-Chair, ASA Latina/o Section
2020 - 2021 Best Student Paper Award, Committee Chair, Labor and Labor Movements Section
2017 Cristina Maria Riegos Student Paper Award Committee, ASA Latina/o Sociology Section

Other Institutions

2018 California State University Los Angeles, Department of Sociology, 2nd Annual Graduate School Application Forum, Faculty Panelist and Workshop Facilitator

UC (system-wide)

2020 Virtual Academic Retreat for the President's and Chancellor's Postdoctoral Fellowship Programs (April 2020)
2019 UC MEXUS-CONACYT Postdoctoral and Collaborative Grant Program, Reviewer
2014 - Present UC President's Postdoctoral Fellowship Program, Ad Hoc Reviewer

UC Irvine (campus)

2022 - Present Inclusive Excellence Professor, UCOP Advancing Faculty Diversity Grant (appointed)
2022 - Present Mentor to PFPF postdoctoral fellow, Office of Inclusive Excellence
2022 - Present Committee for Faculty Diversity and Inclusion and Development (CFDID); advisory committee to Associate Dean for Faculty Development and Diversity
2021 - Present School of Social Sciences Executive Committee
2020 – 2021 School of Social Sciences Committee on Graduate Student Diversity, Inclusion, and Development (GSDID)
May 2020 Faculty Development and Diversity Office, Graduate Student Thriving in the Academy Series, “Strategies for Racial-ethnic Minority Success in the Academy,” Panelist
Nov. 2020 First Generation Student and Faculty Initiative, Faculty-Student Lunch Mixer
July 2019 UCI Student Parent Orientation Program, Faculty Keynote Speaker
May 2019 UCI First Generation Faculty Initiative Mixer

2018 - 2019 UCI Engage Internal Advisory Board (IAB), Member
 2018 - Present Basic Needs Training/FRESH Basic Needs Hub, Advocate
 Feb. 2017 UCI Department of Chicano/Latino Studies, "Approaches to Research with Vulnerable Latino Populations," Panelist
 Feb. 2017 First Generation Student and Faculty Initiative, "Building Bridges: First Generation Faculty & Student Networking Luncheon"
 2016 UC Students of Color Conference, "Transitioning: Graduate School to Job," Panelist
 2016 DECADE PLUS Chancellor's Excellence Scholars, "First Gen Experience," Panelist
 2016 UCI Undergraduate Research Symposium, Session Moderator
 2015 - Present UCI Community and Labor Project, Faculty Affiliate
 2014 - Present First Generation Student and Faculty Initiative, Member

UC Irvine (department)

2021 - 2022 Faculty Search Committee, Member (appointed)
 2021 - 2022 Ad hoc Committee (appointed)
 2020 - 2022 Graduate Committee (appointed)
 2020 - 2021 Presidential Postdoctoral Committee (appointed)
 2019 - 2020 Colloquium and Robin Williams Lecture Committee (appointed)
 2018 - 2020 Presidential Postdoctoral Committee (appointed)
 2016 - 2018 Awards Committee (appointed)
 2015 - 2017 Executive Committee (elected)
 2015 - 2016 Faculty Search Committee (appointed)
 2014 - 2016 Undergraduate Committee (appointed)

Ad Hoc Journal Reviewer

2022 - 23 Qualitative Sociology; Migration and Society; Social Forces
 2020 - 21 Law and Society Review; Law and Social Inquiry
 2018 - 19 American Behavioral Scientist
 2017 - 18 American Sociological Review; Qualitative Sociology
 2015 - 16 Qualitative Sociology; Ethnic and Racial Studies
 2014 - 15 Journal of Contemporary Ethnography; Ethnic and Racial Studies; Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies; Social Problems; Association of Mexican American Educators Journal

Membership in Professional Organizations

American Sociological Association (ASA); Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP); Law and Society Association (LSA); California Sociological Association (CSA)