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Curriculum Vitae

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**EDUCATION**

- 2009**      **Doctor of Philosophy, American Studies, Yale University, December**  
Dissertation: "Testifying to Rightlessness: Redressing the Camp in Narratives of U.S. Culture and Law"
- 2008**      **Graduate Certificate in Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, Yale University**
- 2007**      **Master of Philosophy, American Studies, Yale University**  
Exam Fields:  
Theories of Empire and Imperialism (Michael Denning);  
Feminism without Borders (Hazel V. Carby);  
Asian American History and Literary & Cultural Studies (Sanda Mayzaw Lwin);  
Rethinking the 20<sup>th</sup> Century U.S. Literary Canon (Wai Chee Dimock)
- 2005**      **Master of Arts, American Studies, Yale University**
- 2001**      **Bachelor of Arts, *cum laude*, Women's & Gender Studies and Asian American Studies, Columbia University**

**ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT**

- 2021 – present      **Associate Professor**  
Department of Criminology, Law, & Justice and Global Asian Studies,  
University of Illinois, Chicago
- 2020 – 2021      **Faculty Fellow in Legal Humanities**  
Humanities Research Institute-Mellon Foundation, University of Illinois,  
Urbana-Champaign
- 2019 – 2021      **Associate Professor**  
Department of Asian American Studies. Affiliations with Department  
Gender & Women's Studies and Department of History, University of  
Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
- 2014 – 2019      **Assistant Professor**  
Department of Asian American Studies, University of Illinois, Urbana-  
Champaign

- 2010 – 2014      **Assistant Professor**  
 Department of American Studies, Center for Asian American Studies, Center for Women's and Gender Studies, and Department of African and African Diaspora Studies, The University of Texas at Austin
- 2012 – 2013      **Early Career Postdoctoral Fellow**  
 Humanities Center, University of Pittsburgh
- 2009 – 2010      **Chancellor's Postdoctoral Fellow**  
 Asian American Studies Program, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

## PUBLICATIONS

### Books

- 2020    *Bans, Walls, Raids, Sanctuary: Understanding Immigration for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*  
 May 2020, University of California Press.
- 2016    *Rightlessness: Testimony and Redress in U.S. Prison Camps since World War II*  
 April 2016, University of North Carolina Press.  
*Runner up, John Hope Franklin Prize for best book in American Studies, American Studies Association, 2017*  
*Winner, Best Book Award in History, Association for Asian American Studies, 2018*

### In Progress

**"Sanctuary for All"**

Book manuscript in progress.

**"Outsourcing U.S. Security: Legal Ambiguities, Diminished Democracy"**

Book manuscript in progress.

### Peer Reviewed Articles

#### Published

- 2020    **"Universities, Unjust Law, and Campus Sanctuaries"**  
 Invited contribution to *Departures in Qualitative Research, "Sanctuary, Fugitivity, and Insurgent Models of Immigrant Justice,"* Spring 2020, 95-100
- 2019    **"Between Rights and Rightlessness: Haitian Migrants and the Elusive Promises of Humanitarianism"**  
 Invited article for *e-misferica*, 14: 1 (2019). Special Issue on "Expulsions/Expulsión/Expulsão," edited by Marcial Godoy and Macarena Gómez-Barris.  
*Prize for Best Faculty Research, Illinois Program for Research in the Humanities, 2019*
- 2018    **"Representing the Disappeared Body: Hunger Strikes at Guantánamo"**  
*Humanity: An International Journal of Human Rights, Humanitarianism, and Development*, 9:3 (Winter 2018): 423-448.

- 2017 **"Abolitionist Futures and the U.S. Sanctuary Movement"**  
*Race & Class*, 59:2 (Fall 2017): 3-25.
- 2013 **"Education and Empire, Old and New: H.R. 3077 and the Resurgence of the U.S. Imperial University"**  
*Cultural Dynamics*, 25:1 (March 2013): 3-28.
- "Carceral Quarantine at Guantánamo: Legacies of U.S. Imprisonment of Haitian Refugees, 1991-1994"**  
*Radical History Review*, 115:1 (Winter 2013): 142-168. Special Issue on "Haitian Lives/Global Perspectives," edited by Amy Chazkel, Melina Pappademos, and Karen Sotiropoulos.
- 2010 **"Testifying to Rightlessness: Haitian Refugees Speaking from Guantánamo"**  
*Social Text*, 28:3 (Fall 2010): 39-65. Special issue on "Dislocations Across the Americas," edited by Micol Siegel and David Sartorius.

### In Progress

- 2021 **"Towards Abolitionist Unionism: Resisting Pandemics, Police, and Academic Austerity at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign"**  
Forthcoming. *Journal of Academic Freedom*, Volume 12 (Fall 2021). Co-authored with Chelsea Birchmier, Austin Hoffman, Angela Ting, and Logan Middleton

### Co-edited Special Issue Journals and Introductions

- 2020 **"Policing, Justice, and the Radical Imagination," Special Issue of *Radical History Review*, Summer 2020**  
Co-edited with Amy Chazkel and Monica Kim. Issue 137 (May 2020)
- "Worlds Without Police,"** co-authored with Amy Chazkel and Monica Kim, *Radical History Review* 137 (May 2020): 1-11.
- 2019 **"Radical Histories of Sanctuary," Special Issue of *Radical History Review*.**  
Co-edited with Jason Ruiz and Rebecca Schrieber. Issue 135 (October 2019): 1-13.
- "Sanctuary's Radical Networks,"** co-authored with Jason Ruiz and Rebecca Schrieber, *Radical History Review* 135 (Fall 2019).
- "Militarism and Capitalism: The Work and Wages of Violence," Special Issue of *Radical History Review*, Winter 2019.**  
Co-edited with Melina Pappademos and Simeon Man. Issue 133 (January 2019).
- "Violent Entanglements: Militarism and Capitalism,"** co-authored with Simeon Man and Melina Pappademos, *Radical History Review* 133 (Winter 2019): 1-10.

### In Progress

- "Alternatives to the Anthropocene," Special Issue of *Radical History Review*,**  
Co-edited with Ashley Dawson. Issue 145. January 2023.

## Peer Reviewed Book Chapters

- 2018 **“Between Storytelling and Truth-Telling: Testimonial Narratives of Guantánamo”**  
*Guantánamo and American Empire: The Humanities Respond*, edited by Don E. Wallace and Jessica Adams. (New York: Palgrave-McMillan, 2018): 121-148.

## In Progress

**“Deadly Entanglements: US Imperialism and Perils of Privatizing Security”**

Invited contribution to *Insecurity: 21<sup>st</sup> Century Studies*, edited by Richard Grusin. (Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press)

**“State”**

Invited contribution to *Keywords for Gender and Sexuality Studies*, edited by Aren Aizura, Aimee Bahng, Amber Muser, Karma Chavez, Mishuana Goeman, Shona Jackson, and Kyla Wazana Tompkins (managing editor), NYU Press.

## Popular Publications

- 2021 **“From “Crisis” to Futurity: Migration and Borderlands in the 21st Century”**  
Co-edited with Geraldo Cadava and Catherine Ramirez. Collection of essays and introduction for *Public Books, Borderlands*, July 5, 2021, (<https://www.publicbooks.org/from-crisis-to-futurity-migration-and-borderlands-in-the-21st-century/>)
- “Create a Different Language”: Behrouz Boochani & Omid Tofighian”**  
*Public Books, Borderlands*, April 14, 2021, (<https://www.publicbooks.org/create-a-different-language-behrouz-boochani-omid-tofighian/>)
- “On Collective Grief and Lines of Solidarity”**  
*Society & Space*, March 23, 2021, contribution to forum on anti-Asian violence, (<https://societyandspace.webflow.io/articles/on-collective-grief-and-lines-of-solidarity>)
- 2020 **“Abolishing Police Includes Abolishing ICE and Border Protection”**  
*Truthout*, July 13, 2020, (<https://truthout.org/articles/abolishing-police-includes-abolishing-ice-and-border-protection/>).
- “21 Lessons From America's Worst Moments – May 24, 1924: The Johnson-Reed Act”**  
*Time Magazine*, Contributing author, July 6, 2020, (<https://time.com/5858169/americas-worst-moments/>)
- 2019 **“ICE detainees on hunger strike are being force-fed, just like Guantánamo detainees before them”**  
*The Conversation*, February 7, 2019, (<https://theconversation.com/ice-detainees-on-hunger-strike-are-being-force-fed-just-like-guantanamo-detainees-before-them-111328>). Reposted on *Truthout*, *Salon*, *Alternet*, and other outlets.
- 2018 **“Immigration activists fighting to abolish ICE have a bigger vision”**  
*The Conversation*, August 13, 2018, (<https://theconversation.com/immigration-activists-fighting-to-abolish-ice-have-a-bigger-vision-100939>). Reposted on *San Francisco Gate*, *Government Executive*, and other outlets.

Spanish translation, **“Los activistas que luchan por abolir el ICE plantean una visión**

**más amplia,”** September 11, 2018, (<https://theconversation.com/los-activistas-que-luchan-por-abolir-el-ice-plantean-una-vision-mas-amplia-101561>). Reposted on *Univision, Impacto Latino*, and other outlets.

**“US turned away thousands of Haitian asylum-seekers and detained hundreds more in the 90s”**

*The Conversation*, June 28, 2018, (<https://theconversation.com/us-turned-away-thousands-of-haitian-asylum-seekers-and-detained-hundreds-more-in-the-90s-98611>). Reposted on *Truthout, International Business Times, Latino USA*, and other outlets.

2017 **“The Mass Incarceration of Japanese Americans Offers a Lesson for Muslims and Allies”**  
*The Chicago Reporter*, June 25, 2017 (<http://chicagoreporter.com/the-mass-incarceration-of-japanese-americans-offers-a-lesson-for-muslims-and-allies/>)

2016 **“Guantánamo Bay: A Palimpsest of Carceral Violence”**  
*The Funambulist Magazine*, 04 (March-April 2016): 34-40

## Interviews

2020 **“Abolitionist Sanctuary”**  
Immigration Short Takes: Race, Immigration, and Black Mobility, Zolberg Institute on Migration and Mobility, The New School, Conducted by Alex Aleinikoff, October 20, 2020  
<https://vimeo.com/470300388>

**“The Revolution Continues with Professor Angela Naomi Paik Discussing Her New Book *Bans, Walls, Raids, Sanctuary* and Abolitionist Sanctuary”**  
Another World is Podable, Conducted by Peter Bloom, July 24, 2020,  
<https://anchor.fm/peter-bloom/episodes/Episode-22-The-Revolution-Continues-with-Professor-Angela-Naomi-Paik-Discussing-her-new-book-Bans--Walls--Raids--Sanctuary-and-abolitionist-sanctuary-egiur2>

**“Q&A with Naomi Paik, author of *Bans, Walls, Raids, Sanctuary*”**  
University of California Press, Conducted by Editorial Director Kim Robinson, June 30, 2020, [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I4VomFWewtk&feature=emb\\_logo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I4VomFWewtk&feature=emb_logo)

**“Why the calls for defunding police?”**  
University of Illinois News Bureau, Conducted by Craig Chamberlain, June 11, 2020,  
<https://news.illinois.edu/view/6367/809536>

**“Underlying Conditions: Immigration and the Coronavirus”**  
Center for the Study of Race and Ethnicity in America, Brown University, Conducted by Tricia Rose, May 1, 2020,  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wJ9klJU7psk&feature=youtu.be>

2019 **“Public Thinker: A. Naomi Paik on a Future without Rights”**  
*Public Books*, Conducted by Dylan Rodriguez, February 8, 2019. Published on January 10, 2020, <https://www.publicbooks.org/public-thinker-a-naomi-paik-on-a-future-without-rights/>

**“Forum on ‘The City in the Age of Trumpism: From Sanctuary to Abolition,’** invited conversation with Ananya Roy and Malini Ranganathan to *Society and Space*, November 13, 2019, <http://societyandspace.org/2019/11/13/on-the-city-in-the-age-of-trumpism-a->

[conversation-with-ananya-roy/](#)

**“Toward a Decolonized Pacific: An Interview with Simeon Man”**

*The Abusable Past*, Conducted by A. Naomi Paik of Simeon Man on his book *Soldiering Through Empire: Race and the Making of the Decolonizing Pacific*, February 26, 2019, <http://www.radicalhistoryreview.org/abusablepast/?p=2888>

2018 **“Interview With A. Naomi Paik, Author Of *Rightlessness: Testimony And Redress In U.S. Prison Camps Since WWII*”**

*Latinx Talk*, Conducted by Theresa Delgadillo, April 24, 2018, <https://latinxtalk.org/2018/04/24/interview-with-naomi-paik-author-of-rightlessness-testimony-and-redress-in-u-s-prison-camps-since-wwii/>

2016 **“Interview with Naomi Paik On Guantánamo And Other U.S. Prison Camps”**

*The Moderate Voice*, Conducted by Seth Farber, August 2016, <http://themoderatevoice.com/218504/>

2014 **“Manufacturing Rightlessness: The Camp As A Legal Fiction”**

*The Archipelago*, Conducted by Léopold Lambert, July 2014, <https://thefunambulist.net/podcast/a-naomi-paik-manufacturing-rightlessness-the-camp-as-a-legal-fiction>

### Online Working Paper

2006 **“The ‘Visible Scapegoats’ of U.S. Imperialism: HIV Positive Haitian Refugees and Carceral Quarantine at Guantánamo Bay”**

*Work & Culture*, 2006. (online working paper)  
[http://research.yale.edu/laborculture/documents/paik\\_visible\\_scapegoats\\_tepoztlan.pdf](http://research.yale.edu/laborculture/documents/paik_visible_scapegoats_tepoztlan.pdf)

### FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

2020 **Initiative for Multiracial Democracy Funding Award for *Bans, Walls, Raids, Sanctuary: An Organizing Guide***

2019 **HRI-Mellon Faculty Fellow in Legal Humanities**, Illinois Program for Research in the Humanities and the Mellon Foundation, 2019-2021

**Resident Associate, “Abolition,”** Center for Advanced Study, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, 2019-2021

**Winner**, Prize for Best Faculty Research, Illinois Program for Research in the Humanities, for the article “Between Rights and Rightlessness: Haitian Immigrants and the Elusive Promises of Humanitarianism”

**Initiative for Multiracial Democracy Funding Awards (3) for *Bans, Walls, Raids, Sanctuary***

2018 **Helen Corley Petit Scholar**, recognizing “extraordinary” early career faculty,

University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

**Winner**, Best Book in History, Association for Asian American Studies

**Winner**, International Women's Day Award, Women's Resource Center, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

**Winner**, Lavender Award for Outstanding Innovation for Sanctuary of the People, LGBT Resources Center, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

2017 **Runner-up/Finalist**, John Hope Franklin Prize for best book in American Studies, American Studies Association

**Runner-up**, Diversity and Social Justice Education Award for Faculty / Staff, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

**National Finalist**, Whiting Foundation Public Humanities Fellowship

2016 – 2017 **Faculty Fellowship**, Illinois Program for Research in the Humanities, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

2015 **Publication Subvention Award**, Campus Research Board, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

2015 **Humanities Release Time**, Campus Research Board, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

2014 **Research Assistant Award**, Campus Research Board, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

2013 **Summer Research Fellowship**, Warfield Center for African and African Diaspora Studies, The University of Texas at Austin, Summer 2013

2012 – 2013 **Early Career Postdoctoral Fellowship**, Humanities Center, University of Pittsburgh

**Postdoctoral Fellowship**, The Bill and Carol Fox Center for Humanistic Inquiry, Emory University (declined)

**Summer Research Fellowship**, Warfield Center for African and African Diaspora Studies, The University of Texas at Austin, Summer 2012 (declined)

2011 – 2012 **Faculty Development Program Grant**, Center for Women's and Gender Studies, The University of Texas at Austin

**Signature Course Grant**, Embrey Foundation for Women's Human Rights Initiative, Center for Women's and Gender Studies, The University of Texas at Austin. (For development and instruction of first-year undergraduate course, Gender, Migration, and Rights.)

**Summer Research Assignment**, The University of Texas at Austin

2010 – 2011 **New Americanist Working Group (member)**, Institute for Scholarship in the

Liberal Arts Grant, University of Notre Dame

- 2009 – 2010 **Chancellor’s Postdoctoral Fellowship in Asian American Studies**, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
- 2008 – 2009 **Leylan Dissertation Writing Fellowship**  
**Yale University Dissertation Fellowship** (declined)
- 2004 – 2008 **Jacob K. Javits Fellowship**
- 2004 – 2005 **A. Barlett Giamatti Fellowship** (declined 2004-2005)
- 2003 – 2007 **Yale University Fellowship** (declined 2004-2007)
- 2001 **Fulbright Fellowship Finalist**, Australia

#### INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- 2021 **“The Space And Time Of Abolitionist Sanctuary”**  
Cartographies of Racial Justice Beyond Borders: Territories of Dispossession and Migration  
Summer Institute, Cornell University, July 15, 2021
- “What Ethnic Is & What It Is Not”**  
Ethnic Studies Collective, Each One Teach One Ethnic Studies Virtual Conference, Western  
Washington University, May 6, 2021
- “Borders Can Go”**  
Hagop Kevorkian Center, New York University, panel on Global Uprising: Afterlives of  
Uprising II: Borders, Mobility, Movements, April 6, 2021
- “Bans, Walls, Raids, Sanctuary”**  
Class conversation with Chandra Mohanty, April 9, 2021
- “Bans, Walls, Raids, Sanctuary: U.S. Immigration and Abolitionist Futures”**  
Humanities Center, Miami University, Ohio, March 29, 2021
- “Abolition and Immigrant Justice”: 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Balgopal Lecture on Human Rights and  
Asian Americans**  
Department of Asian American Studies, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign,  
March 11, 2021
- “Haitian Refugees, the U.S. State, and Precedents for Global Border Regimes”**  
Refugee Studies Center, Oxford University, UK, March 3, 2021
- “Bans, Walls, Raids, Sanctuary: U.S. Immigration and Abolitionist Futures”**  
Critical Ethnic Studies and Latin American and Latino Studies, DePaul University,  
March 2, 2021
- “Violence and White Supremacy: A Conversation”**  
Department of Black Studies, University of Illinois, Chicago, February 5, 2021



**"Bans, Walls, Raids, Sanctuary: U.S. Immigration and Abolitionist Futures"**  
Intra-disciplinary Seminar Series, The Cooper Union, February 2, 2021

**"Abolition Open School: How We Get Organized"**

"Understanding Abolition Speaker Series: An American Studies Association Freedom Course," American Studies Association, January 8, 2021

2020 **"Transnational Migration Deterrence and the Possibilities for #AbolishICE"**  
Panel with Jenna Loyd and Alison Mountz, University of Illinois, Chicago, November 18, 2020

**"An Ongoing Crisis: Tracing the Confluence of Systemic Racism in US Law and Policy"**

Panel with Deepinder Mayell and Nekima Levy Armstrong, James H. Binger Center for New Americans and the Immigration History Research Center, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities, November 12, 2020

**"Bans, Walls, Raids, Sanctuary"**

Class conversation with Sigma Colon, Lawrence University, November 11, 2020

**"Bans, Walls, Raids, Sanctuary: U.S. Immigration and Abolitionist Futures"**

Ethnicity, Race, and Migration, Yale University, November 10, 2020

Gender and Women's Studies, Notre Dame University, October 28, 2020

FOCUS Program and Humanities Unbounded, Duke University, October 26, 2020

Department of English, University of British Columbia, October 21, 2020.

**"Border Inhumanities: How Did We Get Here?"**

Panel with Laura Briggs and Nicole Guidotti-Hernandez, Mahindra Humanities Center, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, October 5, 2020.

**"Rightlessness"**

Class conversation with Karen Miller, The Graduate Center of the City University of New York, October 1, 2020

**"Bans, Walls, Raids, Sanctuary"**

Class conversation with Allan Isaac, Rutgers University, September 17, 2020.

**"Bans, Walls, Raids, Sanctuary: Abolishing Borders"**

Center for Latin American, Caribbean, and Latino Studies (CLACLS), The Graduate Center, City University of New York, March 13, 2020 – Postponed due to Covid-19.

**"Steal the University: Making Teaching and Scholarship Work for Publics"**

Center for the Study of Race and Ethnicity in the Americas, Brown University, March 6, 2020.

**"Bans, Walls, Raids, Sanctuary: U.S. Immigration and Abolitionist Futures"**

Center for the Study of Race and Ethnicity in the Americas, Brown University, March 5, 2020.

Department of Mexican American and Latino Studies, Program in Asian American Studies,  
The University of Texas at Austin, February 13, 2020

Programs in American Studies, Asian American Studies, and Latino Studies, Princeton  
University, February 3, 2020

**“Confinement in the United States: Deep Histories, Intersecting Oppressions”**

Mellon Sawyer Seminar Series on “Suffer Well,” Department of Asian American Studies  
and Humanities Center, University California, Irvine, January 24, 2020.

**2019 “Bans, Walls, Raids, Sanctuary: U.S. Immigration and Abolitionist Futures”**

Department of Studies in Race, Colonialism, and Diaspora, Tufts University, November 12,  
2019

**“Rights, Rightlessness, and Sanctuary’s Potential”**

Keynote Lecture, “The Past, Present, and Future of Rights Symposium,” University of  
Western Australia, Perth, Western Australia, November 29, 2019

**“Deadly Entanglements: US Imperialism and Perils of Privatizing Security”**

University of Western Australia, Perth, Western Australia, November 27, 2019

**“Deadly Entanglements: US Imperialism and Perils of Privatizing Security”**

Keynote Plenary Lecture, “Insecurity Conference,” 21<sup>st</sup> Century Studies and the College of  
Letters & Sciences, University of Wisconsin, Milwaukee, May 3, 2019

**“Transgressing State Sovereignty, New Modes of Relationality”**

Sanctuary, Fugitivity, and the Ungovernable, Program Committee Plenary, Association for  
Asian American Studies Annual Meeting, Madison, WI, April 25, 2019

**“Internationalism and Sanctuary: Challenges to State Sovereignty”**

Opening Panel, “Migrations and Mobilizations: Revolutionary Internationalism Today,”  
City University of New York, The Graduate Center, The Center for Place, Culture, and  
Politics, April 12, 2019

**“Walls, Bans, Raids, Sanctuary: Critical Diaspora Studies for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century”**

Critical Diaspora Studies Cluster, Department of Criminology, Law, and Justice, and  
Program in Global Asian Studies, University of Illinois, Chicago, April 1, 2019

**“Abolitionist Sanctuary and U.S. Universities”**

Asian/Pacific/American Institute, New York University, March 7, 2019

**“Rightlessness: Hunger Strikes, Force-feeding, and Testimony at Guantánamo”**

Center for Asian American Studies, The University of Texas at Austin, February 19, 2019

**“Deadly Entanglements: US Imperialism and the Rise of Military Outsourcing since  
World War II”**

Department of Gender & Women’s Studies and Program in Asian American Studies,  
University of Wisconsin, Madison, February 14, 2019

**2018 “‘Goodbye my family’: Haitian Refugees and Guantánamo’s Carceral Quarantine”**

Duke in the World: Refugees and Camps in the Making of the Modern, Department of

History, Duke University, November 5, 2018

**“Linking Sites of Incarceration and State Violence”**

Opening Plenary, Imagining America National Gathering, “Transformative Imaginations: Decarceration & Liberatory Futures,” Chicago, IL, October 19, 2018

**“Walls, Bans, Raids, Sanctuary: Asian American History and Abolitionist Futures”**

Dartmouth University, Futures Institute of American Studies, June 21, 2018

**“Representing the Disappeared Body: Hunger Strikes and Force-Feedings at Guantánamo”**

University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign and the University of Birmingham, UK, Carceral Studies Workshop (BRIDGE Award), June 18, 2018

**“Rightlessness: Sanctuary and the Work Ahead”**

Oberlin College, Departments of History and Comparative American Studies, March 1, 2018

**“Abolitionist Futures and the U.S. Sanctuary Movement”**

Duke University, Opening Plenary, “The Logic of Sanctuary” Symposium, February 8, 2018

2017 **“Adhikari v. Daoud: Legal Quandaries and the Outsourcing of U.S. Military Labor”**

Seminar, University of Toronto, Department of Geography, December 1, 2017

**“Rightlessness: Hunger Strikes, Force-feeding, and Testimony at Guantánamo”**

University of Toronto, Department of Geography, December 1, 2017

University of Massachusetts, Boston, Keynote Address, Department of American Studies, November 2, 2017

Duke University, Keynote Address, International Comparative Studies, September 28, 2017

**“Rightlessness: Hunger Strikes, Force-feeding, and Testimony at Guantánamo”**

University of Wisconsin, Madison, Keynote Address for “Imprisonment, Encampment, Incarceration: Prison Studies in a Global Frame.” The Anonymous Fund of the College of Letters & Science; the Institute for Research in the Humanities; the Center for the Humanities; the Middle East Studies Program; the Legal Studies Program; and The History and Politics Research Seminar. May 11, 2017.

**A Dialogue on *Rightlessness* and *Unsettled***

University of Connecticut, Storrs, Department of Asian/Asian American Studies, April 20, 2017

**“Rightlessness: Testimony and Redress in US Prison Camps since World War II”**

Dartmouth University, Hanover, NH, The Leslie Center for the Humanities, COSO, The Office of the Provost, LALACS, Women’s Gender and Sexuality Studies, and the Society of Fellows, April 11, 2017

**“Rightlessness: Sanctuary and the Work Ahead”**

Indiana University, Bloomington, Keynote Address for En/Counternarratives: A Critical Ethnic Studies Symposium, March 30, 2017

- “Rightlessness: Testimony and Redress in US Prison Camps since World War II”**  
University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Department of Asian American Studies, March 28, 2017
- “Not a Place to Live: Resisting Rightlessness through Word and Body”**  
City University of New York, The Committee on Globalization and Social Change, March 7, 2017
- “Adhikari v. Daoud: Legal Quandaries and the Outsourcing of U.S. Military Labor”**  
Princeton University, American Studies Program, Modern American Workshop and the Program in Law and Public Affairs, March 6, 2017
- “Rightlessness: Hunger Strikes, Force-feeding, and Testimony at Guantánamo”**  
Northwestern University, Program in American Studies, March 1, 2017
- “Beyond Surviving: Histories of Rightlessness and the Work Ahead”**  
Northwestern University, Colloquium on Ethnicity and Diaspora, January 16, 2017
- 2016 **“Rightlessness: Hunger Strikes, Force-feeding, and Testimony at Guantánamo”**  
New York University, A/P/A Institute, the NYU Center for Multicultural Education and Programs, NYU Muslim Students Association, and Guantánamo Public Memory Project, November 10, 2016
- “Rightlessness: Testimony and Redress in US Prison Camps since World War II”**  
Sciences Po Leon, Leon, France (by Skype). Seminar on *Rightlessness*. November 11, 2016
- “Rightlessness: Hunger Strikes, Force-feeding, and Testimony at Guantánamo”**  
Yale University, the Center for the Study of Race, Indigeneity, and Transnational Migration and the Department of Women's, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, October 24, 2016
- University of California, Davis, Cultural Studies, American Studies, Asian American Studies, Human Ecology, The School of Law, and the Davis Humanities Institute, October 6, 2016
- Claremont Graduate University, School of Arts and Humanities, October 5, 2016.
- University of California, Irvine, Department of Asian American Studies and the Orange County & Southeast Asian Archive Center, October 4, 2016
- University of California, San Diego, Departments of History, Ethnic Studies, and Literature, and the UCSD Institute for Arts and Humanities, October 3, 2016
- Occidental College, Departments of History, American Studies, and Critical Theory and Social Justice, September 30, 2016
- “Rightlessness: Testimony and Redress in US Prison Camps since World War II”**  
University of Southern California, Department of American Studies and Ethnicity and the Center for Law, History and Culture, September 29, 2016

- “Rightlessness: Testimony and Redress in US Prison Camps since World War II”**  
Brown University, Guest Seminar for Race and Violence, Department of American Studies,  
April 2016
- 2015 **“Creating the ‘Enemy Combatant’”: Performances of Justice, Realities of Rightlessness”**  
University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign/Osaka City University Research Exchange  
Seminar, Osaka City University, Japan, December 2015
- “Islamophobia and Our Current Condition”**  
University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign/Osaka City University Research Exchange  
Seminar, Osaka City University, Japan, December 2015
- 2014 **“Internment Remains”**  
Race & Ethnicity Group, Department of Sociology, University of Texas at Austin, April 25,  
2014
- 2013 **“Producing the ‘Enemy Combatant’ at Guantánamo: Rightlessness and the Politics of  
Testimony”**  
Department of Asian American Studies, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign,  
February 2013
- “Producing the ‘Enemy Combatant’ at Guantánamo: Performances of Justice and  
Counter-Performances of Rightlessness”**  
Humanities Center, University of Pittsburgh, Seminar, January 2013
- 2012 **“‘Just to Stay Alive’: Haitian Refugees Testify to Living Death at Guantánamo”**  
Humanities Center, University of Pittsburgh, October 2012
- “Redressing Rightlessness: The Politics of Testimony in Japanese American Internment”**  
Department of History and Committee on Degrees in History and Literature,  
Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, February 2012
- 2011 **“Rightlessness, Enemy Combatants, and the Politics of Testimony at Guantánamo”**  
Department of Social and Cultural Analysis and Program in Asian/Pacific/American  
Studies, New York University, December 2011
- “‘Just to Stay Alive’: HIV Positive Haitian Refugees and Living Death at Guantánamo”**  
Center for Women’s and Gender Studies, The University of Texas at Austin, November  
2011
- 2010 **“‘Nothing More than an HIV Prison Camp’: Haitian Refugees and Carceral Quarantine  
at Guantánamo Bay”**  
Asian American Studies Program. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, April 2010
- 2009 **“‘You Don’t Have the Right to Have Rights’: Testimonial Representations of ‘Enemy  
Combatants’ at Guantánamo”**  
Asian American Studies Program. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, October 2009
- Center for the Comparative Study of Race and Ethnicity, Connecticut College,  
New London, March 2009.
- Department of American Studies and Center for Asian American Studies, The

University of Texas at Austin, February 2009

Department of Ethnic Studies, University of California, Berkeley, February 2009

Department of Asian American Studies, University of California, Davis,  
February 2009

- 2008 **“Representing Rightlessness in *Guantánamo: ‘Honor Bound to Defend Freedom’*”**  
Department of Law, Jurisprudence, and Social Thought, Amherst College,  
Amherst, MA, November 2008

#### COMMUNITY-BASED AND PUBLIC SERVICE PRESENTATIONS

- 2021 **“Anti-Asian Racism, Sexism & Violence: Our Past...Our Present”**  
Humana, March 30, 2021

**“Dreamers Reflet on DACA: Contemporary Conversations on Race”**  
Spurlock Museum, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, March 4, 2021

**“Bans, Walls, Raids, Sanctuary”**

Department of African American Studies, Brown Bag Series, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, February 19, 2021

**“Keeping Campuses Safe: Alternatives to University Police”**

Virtual Townhall, Illinois Public Media, Urbana-Champaign, IL, February 25, 2021,  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WchJsoEIN\\_Y](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WchJsoEIN_Y)

**“Campus Safety & the Role of the Police at the University of Illinois”**

Virtual Townhall, Illinois Public Media, Urbana-Champaign, IL, February 9, 2021,  
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FSiqF1HS\\_Kc](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FSiqF1HS_Kc)

**“Rights or Rightlessness?: The Lives of Men Imprisoned at Guantánamo”**

19<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Guantánamo’s Opening, Center for Constitutional Rights, Witness Against Torture, Justice for Muslim Collective, and Amnesty International, January 11, 2021

- 2020 **“We Rise: Solidarity Across Communities”**

Panel with Damian Vergera Bracamontes and Malik Washington. Bruce Nesbitt African American Cultural Center, La Casa Cultural, LGBT Resource Center, and the Women’s Resource Center, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, October 20, 2020

**“Immigration: How Did We Get Here?”**

Panel with Ana Minian, Race and Ethnicity Speaker Series, Horace Mann School, Bronx, NY, October 6, 2020.

**“History of the Deportation Machine: Chinga la Migra/F\*ck ICE Teach-In”**

Organized Communities Against Deportations, Chicago, August 18, 2020

**“Immigration and Identity: Conversation with Laura Briggs, A. Naomi Paik, and Ted Hesson”**

Books in Bloom Book Festival, Downtown Columbia Partnership, August 6, 2020.

**“Bans, Walls, Raids, Sanctuary”**

The Booksmith Bookstore, San Francisco, August 3, 2020.

**“What Should Be the Role of Police in Champaign-Urbana?”**

Virtual Townhall, Illinois Public Media, Urbana-Champaign, IL, July 23, 2020,  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OJJEun7GCIQ>

**“Asians in Solidarity with Black Lives: Defund Doubt”**

Teach-In, National Asian Pacific American Women's Forum (NAPAWF), Boston, July 18, 2020

**Teach-In: Abolition at UIC, Session 2**

Moderator, University of Illinois, Chicago, July 2, 2020

**“Abolitionist Sanctuary”**

Student Reading Group on Police Abolition and Transformative Justice, organized by Ezra Shin of Princeton University

**“Steal the University: Making Teaching and Scholarship Work for Publics”**

Friday Forum, University YMCA, Champaign, February 7, 2020

**2019 “Tsuru for Solidarity”**

Film screening and discussion of *Then They Came for Me*, Asian American Cultural Center, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, December 10, 2019

**Migration and (Im)Mobility: Land, Labor, and the Commons**

Sawyer Seminar on Urban Edges: Dreams, Divisions, and Infrastructures, Comparative Cross-Disciplinary Dialogue about 21<sup>st</sup> Century American Cities, University of Illinois, Chicago, October 3-4, 2019

**“A Brief History of Japanese American ‘Internment’”**

Opening comments for *An American Dream*, Lyric Opera, Chicago, IL, March 15, 2019

**“The Politics of Accompaniment”**

Inaugural Symposium on Local Immigration Activism, Champaign-Urbana, IL, February 28, 2019, sponsored by The Refugee Organization, Sanctuary of the People, University YMCA, and many others

**2018 “Walls, Bans, Raids, Sanctuary”**

Asian American Cultural Center, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, December 4, 2018

**“Teach-In: Central American Migration and U.S. Border Militarization”**

with Gilberto Rosas and Ellen Moodie  
UIUC Ayuda, November 12, 2018

**“Rapid Response: Border Violence + Community Care”**

with Timmy Châu of the People’s Response Team and Arianna Salgado of Organized Communities Against Deportation  
Axis Lab Chicago, Chicago, IL, June 29, 2018

**“Rightlessness: Testimony and the Redress of Japanese American ‘Internment’”**  
Japanese American Service Committee, Chicago, IL, September 16, 2018

- 2017 **“Rightlessness: From Japanese Incarceration to the Muslim Ban”**  
Alphawood Gallery, Chicago, IL. Opening Panel for the exhibit “Then They Came For Me: Incarceration of Japanese Americans During WWII and the Demise of Civil Liberties,” July 7, 2017.
- 2014 **“Amplify Archives: Texas After Violence Project in the Classroom”**  
The Texas After Violence Project and the Human Rights Documentation Initiative of the University of Texas at Austin, March 20, 2014.

#### CONFERENCE AND PANEL PRESENTATIONS

- 2021 **“Towards Abolitionist Universities: Alternate Models of Care, Learning, and Mutual Aid Beyond the Institution”**  
Association of Asian American Studies, April 8, 2021
- 2019 **“Sanctuary’s Radical Networks”**  
American Studies Association Annual Meeting. Honolulu, HI. November 2019.
- 2018 **“Violent Entanglements: Militarism and Capitalism”**  
American Studies Association Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA. November 2018.
- 2017 **“Abolitionist Sanctuary”**  
American Studies Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL. Part of roundtable on “Sanctuary and Its Radical Futures: Sanctuary Movements in the Framework of Joint Struggle.” November 2017

#### **Social Justice Pedagogy**

American Studies Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL. Part of roundtable “ASA Students Committee: Organizing for Social Justice in the Classroom.” November 2017

#### **“Rightlessness and Exceptions”**

The Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations. Arlington, VA. Part of roundtable on Crafting Citizenship in Times of Exception.” June 2017.

#### **“Rightlessness, Pacification, and Public Safety”**

Association of American Geographers. Boston, MA. Part of roundtable on the Contours of Pacification and Public Safety. April 2017.

**“Sanctuary at UIUC” - What’s at Stake?: Intersectional Conversations in a Post-Truth Era**  
Unit for Criticism and Interpretive Theory, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. February 2017.

#### **“Sanctuary – Radical Resistance: Opposing Trump’s Presidency”**

United Muslim and Minority Advocates, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. February 2017.



- 2016 **"Labor Migration and U.S. Military Outsourcing"**  
American Studies Association Annual Meeting. Denver, CO. Part of roundtable on Transpacific Militarization and Permanent War." November 2016
- "Adhikari v. Daoud: Legal Quandaries and the Outsourcing of U.S. Military Labor"**  
Tepoztlán Institute for the Transnational History of the Americas. Tepoztlán, Mexico, July 2016.
- 2015 **"The Impossible Haitian Refugee"**  
Immigrant America Conference: New Immigration Histories from 1965 to 2015. Minneapolis, MN. October 2015.
- "Rightlessness: Guantánamo in the Genealogy of the U.S. Imprisonment Regime"**  
American Studies Association Annual Meeting. Toronto, Ontario, Canada. October 2015.
- "Camps"**  
Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations, Arlington, VA. Part of Roundtable on Spatial Histories. June 2015.
- 2014 **"Representing the Disappeared Body: Videos of Hunger Strikes at Guantánamo"**  
American Studies Association Annual Meeting. Los Angeles, CA, November 2014.
- "Guantánamo and the Law,"**  
John Nicolas Brown Center for the Public Humanities and Cultural Heritage, Brown University, Providence, RI. Part of New Perspectives on Guantánamo: Art, Activism and Advocacy Conference. September 2014.
- "The State of U.S. Empire Studies: A Roundtable."**  
Department of American Studies, Notre Dame University, South Bend, IN, March 22, 2014.
- 2013 **"War, Labor, and the Gift of Citizenship"**  
American Studies Association Annual Meeting. Washington, D.C., November 2013.
- "Living in a Dying Situation": Preserving Life at Guantánamo**  
Tepoztlán Institute for the Transnational History of the Americas. Tepoztlán, Mexico, July 2013.
- "Performing Justice at Guantánamo"**  
Association of Asian American Studies Conference. Seattle, WA, April 2013.
- "Producing the 'Enemy Combatant' of Guantánamo"**  
Department of American Studies and Department of History, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ. Part of *Curating Guantánamo* conference. March 2013.
- "Refugee Rights and Rightlessness: Haitian Refugees at Guantánamo in the 1990s"**  
Department of American Studies, University of Minnesota and the Immigration History Research Center of Minneapolis, MN. Part of GTMO in MSP conference. February 28, 2013.
- 2012 **"Preserving Life at Guantánamo" in "The Violence of Life Itself: Progress, Design, Beauty, Humanitarianism"**  
American Studies Association Annual Meeting. San Juan, Puerto Rico,

November 2012.

**"U.S. Imperialism and Carceral Quarantine: Guantánamo and HIV Positive Haitian Refugees."**

Latin American Studies Association Annual Congress. San Francisco, CA, May 2012.

2011 **"Witnessing, Radical Violence, and the (Im)Possibilities of Reparations"**

American Studies Association Annual Meeting. Baltimore, MD, November 2011.

**"After Camp?: Postmemorial Hauntings and the Afterlife of Internment"**

Tepoztlán Institute for the Transnational History of the Americas. Tepoztlán, Mexico, July 2011.

**"Negative Freedom and the Politics of Self-Harm in Guantánamo's Prison Camps"**

Association of Asian American Studies Annual Meeting. New Orleans, LA, May 2011.

**"Refining Racial Statecraft through the Redress of Japanese American Internment"**

Critical Ethnic Studies and The Future of Genocide Conference. University of California, Riverside, March 2011.

2010 **"Testimony's Multidirectional Links and the Redress of Japanese American Internment"**

American Studies Association Annual Meeting. San Antonio, TX, November 2010.

**"Political Horizons and Definitions of the Human: Closing Remarks"**

Bios: Life, Death, Politics Conference. Unit for Criticism and Interpretive Theory, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. April 2010.

**"Closing Guantánamo?"**

Association of Asian American Studies Annual Meeting. Austin, TX, April 2010.

2009 **"The Unfinished Business of Redress and the Afterlife of Internment"**

American Studies Association Annual Meeting. Washington, D.C., November 2009.

2008 **"The Unexceptional Present" in "Engaging Exception: Interdisciplinarity, Intervention, and 'States of Exception' in U.S. Imperial Pasts and Presents."**

American Studies Association Annual Meeting. Albuquerque, NM, October 2008.

**"Testifying to Rightlessness: Haitian Refugees Speaking from Guantánamo"**

Tepoztlán Institute for the Transnational Study of the Americas. Tepoztlán, Mexico, July 2008.

2007 **"Rights and the Human as Mere Body"**

American Studies Association Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, PA, October 2007.

**"Sounds of Torture"**

Remapping America Conference. Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, April 2007. Presented as part of the collaborative keynote address, *Audiopolitics: Measures of Global Soundscapes*.

- 2006 **"Katrina's Refugees"**  
*When the Levees Broke: Screening and Symposium.* Yale University, New Haven, CT, December 2006.
- "Inside/Outside: The State of Exception and Stateless Persons at Guantánamo Bay"**  
 American Studies Association Annual Meeting. Oakland, CA, October 2006.  
 Ethnicity, Race, and Migration Lecture Series. Yale University, New Haven, CT, October 2006.
- "The 'Visible Scapegoats' of U.S. Imperialism: HIV Positive Haitian Refugees and Carceral Quarantine at Guantánamo Bay"**  
 Tepoztlán Institute on the Transnational History of the Americas. Tepoztlán, Mexico, July 2006.
- "Hiding in the American Dream: Hauntings of the Unspeakable in *The Kite Runner*"**  
 Multi-Ethnic Studies: Europe and the Americas Conference. University of Navarra, Pamplona, Spain, May 2006.
- "Global Spaces, Stateless Spaces: Guantánamo, 'Enemy Combatants,' and Haitian Refugees"**  
 The Biopolitics of Global Subjectivity Symposium, sponsored by The Working Group on Globalization and Culture. Yale University, New Haven, CT, March 2006.
- 2005 **"Education and Empire, Old and New."**  
 Bouchet Conference on Diversity in Graduate Education. Yale University, New Haven, CT, April 2005. *Awarded best graduate student paper in the humanities.*
- The Left Forum. Graduate Center of the City University of New York, New York, NY, April 2005.
- "H.R. 3077: Defending Intellectual Freedom after 9/11"**  
 World Social Forum. Porto Alegre, Brazil, January 2005. Presented as part of the series, "Breaking Down the Ivory Tower: The University in the Creation of Another World."
- 2001 **"Beyond the Bloodline: Eat a Bowl of Tea, Queer Space, and the Reproduction of the Family."**  
 New England Association for Asian Studies Annual Conference. Williams College, Williamstown, CT, October 2001.

#### CONFERENCES, LECTURES, AND PANELS ORGANIZED

- 2021 **Dara Bayer, Xhercis Méndez, Xochi Cartland, and Camila Pelsinger, "Transformative Justice and the University,"** Center for Advanced Study, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, May 3, 2021
- Legal Humanities Undergraduate Research Symposium,** Humanities Research Institute and the Mellon Foundation, Legal Humanities Series, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, April 30, 2021, <https://legalthumanities.web.illinois.edu/>

- Leti Volpp, "Shithole Countries,"** Humanities Research Institute and the Mellon Foundation, Legal Humanities Series, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, April 22, 2021  
**Seminar** with Volpp, April 23, 2021
- Shahram Khosravi, Maurice Stierl, and Martina Tazzioli, "Migration and Border Regimes,"** Humanities Research Institute and the Mellon Foundation, Legal Humanities Series, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, February 24, 2021  
**Seminar** with Khosravi, Stierl, and Tazzioli, February 25, 2021
- Patrisse Cullors, "# BlackLivesMatter: From the Frontlines of Criminal Justice Reform,"** Panel Discussion, Center for Advanced Study, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, February 18, 2021
- Amna Akbar and Jackie Wang, "Dialogue on Abolition and Legal Humanities,"** Humanities Research Institute and the Mellon Foundation, Legal Humanities Series, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, February 11, 2021  
**Seminar** with Akbar and Wang, February 12, 2021
- 2020 **"An Evening with Behrouz Boochani,"** Discussion with Boochani and his translator-collaborator, Omid Tofighian, Humanities Research Institute and the Mellon Foundation, Legal Humanities Series, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, December 3, 2020
- Cristina Ibarra and Alex Rivera, "The Infiltrators: Film Screening and Discussion with the Filmmakers,"** Humanities Research Institute and the Mellon Foundation, Legal Humanities Series, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, October 15, 2020  
**Seminar** with Ibarra and Rivers, October 16, 2020
- Bianca Gomez, Zon Moua, Andrea Ortiz, Veronica Rodriguez, "# PoliceFreeSchools: Learning From a Growing Movement,"** Panel Discussion, Center for Advanced Study, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, October 1, 2020  
**"Organizing for # PoliceFreeSchools,"** Workshop
- Dima Khalidi, "Censoring Palestine,"** Lecture, Humanities Research Institute and the Mellon Foundation, Legal Humanities Series, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, September 9, 2020  
**"Organizing for Social Justice on Campus: Know Your Rights & Build Power,"** Workshop, September 10, 2020
- 2019 **Jaskiran Dhillon, "Indigenous Resistance, Anti-Colonial Politics, and Global Environmental Justice,"** Lecture, Center for Advanced Study, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, March 3, 2020  
**"Abolition, Indigeneity, and Environmental Justice: Organizing for Social Movement Building,"** Workshop
- Carlos Ramirez-Rosa, Arianna Salgado, Bárbara Suarez Galeano, Rey Wences, Immigrant Justice Panel,** Center for Advanced Study, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, February 6, 2020  
**Anatomy of a Campaign: Immigrant Justice Organizing for the Long Haul,** Workshop
- Leah Lakshmi Piepzna-Samarasinha, "Crippling TJ: Survivors as Organizers, Vicarious Trauma and Disability Justice in Transformative Justice,"** Lecture, Center for Advanced Study, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, November 19, 2019,

- "Care Webs, Disability Justice, and Transformative Justice,"** Workshop
- Dean Spade, "Queer and Trans Resistance, Abolition, and Mutual Aid,"** Lecture, Center for Advanced Study, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, October 30, 2019,
- Mariame Kaba, "Shrinking the Prison Industrial Complex: Strategic Abolitionist Organizing in the 21st Century,"** Lecture, Center for Advanced Study, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, September 18, 2019
- "An (Abbreviated) Introduction to Community Accountability & Transformative Justice,"** Workshop
- 2018 **Death by Policing: University of Illinois Sesquicentennial Symposium,** Organizing Committee, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, April 2018
- Roundtable Panel Organizer, "Militarism and Capitalism: The Work and Wages of Violence,"** American Studies Association Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA
- 2017 **Public Art and Activism in U.S. Cities,** Site Resources Committee and Program Committee, American Studies Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL. November 2017
- Rightlessness: From Japanese Incarceration to the Muslim Ban,** Alphawood Gallery, Launch Event for the exhibit "Then They Came for Me: Incarceration of Japanese Americans During WWII and the Demise of Civil Liberties." Chicago, IL, July 2017.
- 2016 **Film Screening and Discussion, "In Response to Executive Order 9066: A Day of Remembrance,"** Center for East Asian and Pacific Studies, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, February 2016
- Erika Lee, "Before Trump, Brexit, and Europe: A History of the First Global Migration Crisis,"** Center for East Asian and Pacific Studies, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, September 2016
- 2013 **Roundtable Panel Organizer, "Indebted Practice: Collaborative Research and Intellectual Debts."** American Studies Association Annual Meeting. Washington, D.C., November 2013.
- Panel Organizer, "Empire's Debts: Freedom, Refuge, Reparations."** American Studies Association Annual Meeting. Washington, D.C., November 2013.
- 2012 **Roundtable Panel Organizer, "The Violence of Life Itself: Progress, Design, Beauty, Humanitarianism."** American Studies Association Annual Meeting. San Juan, Puerto Rico, November 2012.
- 2011 **Roundtable Panel Organizer, "Witnessing, Radical Violence, and the (Im)Possibilities of Reparations: A Roundtable."** American Studies Association Annual Meeting. Baltimore, MD, November 2011.
- 2010 **Panel Organizer, "Stories that Don't End."** American Studies Association Annual Meeting. San Antonio, TX, November 2010.

- Panel Organizer**, "Military Bases and Asian American Confrontations with U.S. Imperialism from World War II to the Present." Association for Asian American Studies Annual Meeting. Austin, TX, April 2010.
- 2008 **Roundtable Panel Organizer**, "Engaging Exception: Interdisciplinarity, Intervention, and 'States of Exception' in U.S. Imperial Pasts and Presents." American Studies Association Annual Meeting. Albuquerque, NM, October 2008.
- Conference Organizer**, From the Plantation to the Prison: Imprisonment and U.S. Culture. Yale University, New Haven, CT, April 2008.
- 2007 **Panel Organizer**, "If America is Over There, Where is Here?: Appealing for Rights and Representation in the Context of U.S. Imperialism." American Studies Association Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, PA, October 2007.
- 2006 **Conference Co-Organizer**, The Biopolitics of Global Subjectivity Symposium. The Working Group on Globalization and Culture. Yale University, New Haven, CT, March 2006.

#### CONFERENCE PANEL CHAIR, DISCUSSANT, MODERATOR

- 2021 **Chair and Discussant**, "Current Resistance & Future Alternatives," Oxford Migration Conference 2021: Borders and Justice, Oxford University, May 15, 2021,
- Discussant**, panel, "Closely Controlled Spaces: Company Towns, Military Bases, and the Undemocratic Organization of Economic Landscapes," Organization of American Historians, recorded February 26, 2021
- 2019 **Chair**, panel, "Rightlessness and Refugee Futures." Association of Asian American Studies, Madison, WI, April 2019
- 2018 **Chair**, panel, "Beyond Police: Lessons From History," sponsored by MARHO: The Radical Historians' Organization American Historical Association. Washington, DC. January 2018
- 2016 **Chair and respondent**, panel, "Regimes of Post-9/11 National Security." American Studies Association Annual Meeting. Denver, CO. November 2016
- Chair**, panel, Transpacific Militarization and Permanent War." American Studies Association Annual Meeting. Denver, CO. November 2016
- Respondent**, "Beyond the Carceral State and Queer Futurity: Detention, Deportation, and Policing / Más allá del estado carcelario y el futuro queer: Detención, deportación, y vigilancia policial." Tepoztlán Institute for the Transnational History of the Americas. Tepoztlán, Mexico, July 2016.
- Chair**, panel, "Revisiting Nikkei Transnationalism(s)." Association of Asian American Studies Annual Meeting. Miami, FL. April 2016.
- 2015 **Chair**, panel, "Blackness, Relation, and Liberal Ways of War." American Studies Association Annual Meeting. Toronto, Ontario, Canada. October 2015.

- 2013 **Discussant**, panel, “Cabaret Político Transnacional/Transnational Political Cabaret.” Tepoztlán Institute for the Transnational History of the Americas. Tepoztlán, Mexico, July 2013.
- 2012 **Respondent**, colloquium, Hoang Tan Nguyen and “The Politics of Starch: Gay Asian Documentary and the Re-Education of Desire.” Humanities Center, University of Pittsburgh. November 2012.
- Discussant**, panel, “Linsanity and Afro-Asian America.” The Warfield Center for African and African Diaspora Studies, the University of Texas at Austin. March 2012.
- 2011 **Moderator**, panel, “Ley/Law.” Tepoztlán Institute for the Transnational History of the Americas. Tepoztlán, Mexico, July 2011.
- Discussant**, panel, “Violencia/Violence.” Tepoztlán Institute for the Transnational History of the Americas. Tepoztlán, Mexico, July 2011.
- 2010 **Chair and Moderator**, “Literature and Citizenship.” Faultlines: Graduate Student Conference. Department of American Studies, The University of Texas at Austin. Austin, TX, October 2010.
- Discussant**, panel, “Teaching Crisis: A Roundtable.” Faultlines: A Graduate Student Conference. Department of American Studies, The University of Texas at Austin. Austin, TX, October 2010.
- 2008 **Discussant**, panel, “Post-Colonial Babel: Security and Culture at the Global Crossroads.” Tepoztlán Institute for the Transnational Study of the Americas. Tepoztlán, Mexico, July 2008.
- Discussant**, panel, “Dylan Rodriguez’s ‘Death was Swiftly Running After Us:’ Disaster, Evil, and Radical Possibility.” From the Plantation to the Prison: Imprisonment and U.S. Culture. Yale University, New Haven, CT, April 2008.
- 2006 **Discussant**, panel, “Theorizing Globalization and Resistance.” Tepoztlán Institute for the Transnational History of the Americas. Tepoztlán, Mexico, July 2006.
- Moderator**, panel, “Translatinidades: Why Shakira’s Hips Don’t Lie.” Tepoztlán Institute for the Transnational History of the Americas. Tepoztlán, Mexico, July 2006.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### **University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign**

#### *Undergraduate Courses:*

Introduction to Asian American Studies  
Prisons, Race, and Terror  
Immigration, Law, and Rights  
U.S. Race and Empire  
Immigrant, Women, Labor  
Race, Immigration, Rights and Culture  
Race, Memory, Violence  
Immigration, Law, and Culture

#### *Graduate Course:*

Theories and Methods of Asian American Studies  
Abolition

### **Teacher Ranked as Excellent by Their Students**

Spring 2020 Abolition  
Fall 2019 Immigration, Law, and Rights  
Fall 2019 U.S. Race and Empire  
Fall 2018 Immigrant, Women, Labor  
Fall 2018 Prisons, Race, and Terror  
Spring 2018 Introduction to Asian American Studies  
Fall 2017 Immigration, Law, and Rights  
Fall 2015 Prisons, Race, and Terror  
Spring 2015 Immigration, Law, and Culture

### **The University of Texas at Austin**

#### *Undergraduate Courses:*

Introduction to Asian American Studies  
Race, Immigration, and Culture  
Gender, Migration, and Rights  
U.S. Race and Empire  
Race, Memory, and Violence  
Borders of Asian American Studies

#### *Graduate Course:*

Introductory Readings in American Studies

### **Yale University**

#### *Teaching Fellow for Undergraduate Courses:*

Senior Essay Seminar, Ethnicity, Race, and Migration; Professor Alicia Schmitt Camacho.  
The Formation of American Culture, American Studies, Professor Matthew Frye Jacobson.



## STUDENT ADVISING AND MENTORING

### **Postdoctoral Fellow Mentor**

Eman Ghanayem, Chancellor's Postdoctoral Fellow in Asian American Studies, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, 2021-2021

### **Dissertation Co-Chair (with Barbara Harlow, English)**

Jennifer Kelly, Department of American Studies, The University of Texas at Austin, Spring 2015

"Your Work is Not Here': Solidarity Tourism in Palestine"

### **Dissertation Committee Member**

Daniel Gonzalez, Department of Geography and Geographic Information Science, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, in progress

"Logistical Borderlands: Data Infrastructures Migrant Management"

Jane Im, Department of English, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, in progress

"The Everyday Affective Life Of Racism": Forms Of Racial Melancholia In Early Asian American Literature," Spring 2021

Eric Covey, Department of American Studies, The University of Texas at Austin, Spring 2014

"US Mercenary Encounters with the Ottoman World, 1805-1882"

### **Qualifying Examinations Committee Member**

Daniel Gonzalez, "U.S. Histories of Immigration, Citizenship, and Rights/Rightlessness," Department of Geography, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, scheduled for January 2019.

Jane Im, "American Fiction with a Focus on East Asian/Asian American Representations from 1846 to 2000," Department of English, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, passed March 2016.

Jennifer Kelly, "Transnational Feminisms," Department of American Studies, The University of Texas at Austin, passed with distinction 2011.

### **Undergraduate Thesis Second Reader**

Rubi Conchas, Honors Thesis, Department of Anthropology, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, "A Reflection on the End of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals" (DACA), Spring 2018

David Donatti, Plan II Honors Thesis, The University of Texas at Austin

"*Otonashii*: Identifying the Origins of Japanese American Internment," 2011-2012

### **James Scholar Advisor**

Claire Hampton, "Immigration, Law, and Culture," University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Spring 2015

Jack Norcross, "Immigration, Law, and Culture," University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, Spring 2015

## Independent Study Advisor

Annabelle Goldin-Mertdogan, "Transgender Women of Color in Prison," Fall 2015

### TEACHING INTERESTS

Transnational American Studies  
Cultural Approaches to Legal Studies  
Comparative Ethnic Studies  
Asian American Studies  
Im/migration  
Race and Labor  
Imprisonment Regimes and Abolition  
U.S. Imperialism and Militarism  
(Transnational) Gender Studies, Feminist Theory, and Women of Color Feminisms  
Postcolonial Studies and Theories of Imperialism  
Twentieth Century and Contemporary U.S. History and Literature

### NATIONAL SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

2021 – present      **Member**, Migration Scholars Collaborative  
2020 – present      **Co-editor**, "Borderlands," *Public Books*  
2020 – present      **Co-chair**, *Radical History Review*  
2019 – 2021        **Angela Y. Davis Prize Committee**, American Studies Association  
2020 – present      **Board Member**, Mamas Activating Movements for Action & Solidarity  
2018 – present      **Board Member**, The Texas After Violence Project  
2015 – present      **Editorial Collective Board Member**, *Radical History Review*  
2015 – 2018        **Advisor**, Humanities Action Lab, Global Dialogues on Incarceration  
2011 – 2018        **Board Member**, Freedom University Georgia  
2016 – 2017        **Site Committee**, 2017 Annual Meeting, American Studies Association  
Organized three walking tours of public art and activism in Chicago's neighborhoods of Bronzeville, Argyle/Uptown, and Pilsen  
2012 – 2013        **Programming Committee**, 2013 Annual Meeting, American Studies Association

### SERVICE TO SCHOLARLY PUBLISHING

Manuscript Reviewer      Duke University Press  
University of California Press  
Oxford University Press  
University of North Carolina Press  
University of Illinois Press

Article Reviewer  
*Humanity*  
*Kalfou: A Journal of Comparative and Relational Ethnic Studies*  
*Radical History Review*  
*MELUS: The Society for the Study of the Multi-Ethnic Literature of the United States*  
*Security Dialogues*  
*Migration and Society*  
*Critical Ethnic Studies*

## UNIVERSITY SERVICE

2020-2021 **Co-President**, Campus Faculty Association  
**Member, Working Group on Public Safety, Policing, and the Justice System**  
Addressing Racism and Social Injustice at the University of Illinois, Office of the Vice Chancellor for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, *Resigned in protest, May 2021*

2019-2021 **Resident Associate**, Center for Advanced Study, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign  
**Faculty Senator**, Department of Asian American Studies, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

2019-2020 **Scholarship Committee**, Department of Asian American Studies, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

2018-2021 **Scholar-Collaborator**, The Humanities Innovating New Knowledge (THINK), Presidential Initiative to Celebrate the Impact of the Arts and Humanities. Barbara Ransby, Kathryn Oberdeck, and Devin Hunter, Principal Investigators.

2018-2020 **Advisory Committee**, Department of Asian American Studies, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

2018-2019 **Curriculum Committee**, Department of Asian American Studies, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

2017-2018 **Chancellor's Task Force on Emerging Areas in the Humanities**, Illinois Program for Research in the Humanities, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign  
**Co-director, New New Left Research Cluster**, Illinois Program for Research in the Humanities

2015-2017 **Programming Committee**, Department of Asian American Studies, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

2016-2017 **Postdoctoral Selection Committee**, Department of Asian American Studies, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign

- 2015-2017      **Advisory Board**, Center for East Asian and Pacific Studies, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
- Fall 2016      **Fulbright Selection Committee**, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
- 2015 -2016      **Search Committee**, “Assistant Professor of Asian American Social Sciences,” Department of Asian American Studies, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
- Curriculum Committee**, Department of Asian American Studies, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign
- 2013 – 2014      **Faculty Council**, Committee on Recruitment and Retention, The University of Texas at Austin
- 2010 – 2013      **Executive Committee**, Center for Asian American Studies, The University of Texas at Austin
- 2012              **Coordinator**, Faculty Development Workshop, Center for Asian American Studies, The University of Texas at Austin
- 2011 – 2012      **Programming Committee**, Center for Asian American Studies, The University of Texas at Austin
- Faculty Development Program**, Center for Women’s and Gender Studies, The University of Texas at Austin
- Visioning Committee**, Center for Women’s and Gender Studies, The University of Texas at Austin
- 2011              **Graduate Summer Research Fellowship Selection Committee**, Department of American Studies, The University of Texas at Austin

**COMMUNITY SERVICE**

- 2020-Present      **Member**, Abolition2Abundance
- 2016-2019      **Member**, Sanctuary of the People
- 2018-2019      **Member**, Organizing Committee, Inaugural Symposium on Local Immigration Activism held on February 28, 2019

**VOLUNTARY UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

- 2004 – 2009      **Member**, Working Group on Globalization and Culture. Yale University, New Haven, CT
- 2004 – 2009      **Coordinator**, Working Group on Marxist and Cultural Theory. Yale University, New Haven, CT

- 2007 – 2009 **Affiliate**, Initiative on Race, Gender, and Globalization. Yale University, New Haven, CT
- 2006 **Member**, Ethnic Studies Affiliate Program. Yale University, New Haven, CT
- 2003 – 2009 **Member**, Photo/Memory Reading Group. Yale University, New Haven, CT
- 2008 **Guest Lecture Co-Organizer**, Achille Mbembe. Yale University, New Haven, CT, April
- 2007 **Guest Lecture Organizer**, Vijay Prashad and *The Darker Nations: A People's History of the Third World*. Yale University, New Haven, CT, October.
- 2005 **Guest Lecture Co-organizer**, Michael Hardt and *Multitude*. Yale University, New Haven, CT, October
- 2004 – 2005 **Coordinator**, Keywords of American Studies Colloquia Series. Yale University, New Haven, CT
- 2004 – 2005 **Graduate Liaison**, American Studies Program. Yale University, New Haven, CT

#### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Studies Association  
 Association of Asian American Studies  
 Latin American Studies Association  
 Organization of American Historians  
 The Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations  
 American Historical Association