

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Anthropology (Mexican American Borderlands Social Anthropology)
Doctoral Portfolio in Mexican American Studies
University of Texas at Austin, May 2011

M.A. Anthropology (Mexican American Borderlands Social Anthropology)
University of Texas at Austin, May 2006

B.A. Chicano Studies, Southwestern University, May 2004

TEACHING POSITIONS

2011-2012 Colorado College: Visiting Assistant Professor of Southwest Studies

2008-2011 The University of Texas at Austin: Assistant Instructor

2005-2006 The University of Texas at Austin: Teaching Assistant

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

COLORADO COLLEGE

SW 200: The Drug War

FE 175: The Southwest: An Introduction

SW 200: The Mexican Immigrant Experience

SW 272: Nature, Region and Society of the Southwest (Research Methods)

SW 400: Senior Capstone Project

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN

MAS318/ANT 318L: Mexican American Culture

TEACHING DEVELOPMENT

COLORADO COLLEGE

New Faculty Seminar Series

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN

Advancing Students Professional Excellence with Certificates in Teaching Series

RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

Thematic: Social/Cultural Anthropology, Border Studies, U.S.-Mexico Immigration, Mexican American/Latino(a) Studies, Drug Trafficking in the Americas, Race and Crime in the U.S., Drug Cultures

Geographic Area: U.S.-Mexico Borderlands, Mexico, Mexican Americans/Latinos in the U.S.

FELLOWSHIPS

2010-11 Borderlands Fellowship, University of Texas at Austin,
Center for Mexican American Studies

2006-09 Graduate Research Fellowship, National Science Foundation

2006-09 David Bruton Jr. Fellowship, University of Texas at Austin

2006 Pre-Doctoral Diversity Fellowship, Honorable Mention, Ford Foundation

2005 Pre-Doctoral Diversity Fellowship, Honorable Mention, Ford Foundation

2004-05 Graduate Recruitment Fellowship, University of Texas at Austin

2000-04 Ernest T. Dixon Full-Tuition Scholarship, Texas Methodist Foundation,
Southwestern University

2000 Southwestern Scholar (\$5,000), Southwestern University

2000 Ford Salute to Education Scholarship (\$1,000), Ford Motor Company

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

“*From Vaqueros to Mafiosos: A Community History of Drug Trafficking in Rural South Texas*,” University of Texas at Austin, June 2006 to September 2008. Ethnographic Field Research in Starr County, Texas, which included participant observation, thematic interviews, oral history interviews and archival research on the impact of drug trafficking in South Texas.

“*Cuando llegaron las drogas: A History of Drug Trafficking in a Rural South Texas Community*,” University of Texas at Austin, May 2004 to January 2006. Ethnographic Field Research in Starr County, Texas, which included participant observation and oral history interviews on the impact of drug trafficking in South Texas.

“Environmental Justice in the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands,” Southwestern University, May 2002 to late-June 2002. Conducted ethnographic field research in a *colonia popular* in Matamoros, Tamulipas, Mexico as part of a student research team under the supervision of Melissa Johnson, Ph.D., Emily Niemeyer, Ph.D. and Lara Hobgood-Oster Ph.D. My responsibilities included translating, as well as my own independent research investigation on the history of the *colonia*, and the migratory experiences of the *colonia* residents.

RESEARCH TRAINING

Summer Research Training Institute, National Hispanic Science Network on Drug Abuse, University of Houston, June 2008.

PUBLICATIONS

Guerra, Santiago Ivan. *Forthcoming*. “*La Chota y Los Mafiosos: Mexicanos as Casualties of the Border Drug War*”. *Latino Studies*.

Guerra, Santiago Ivan. *Forthcoming*. “*Entre Los Mafiosos y La Chota: Ethnography, Drug*

- Trafficking and Policing in the South Texas-Mexico Borderlands”. *Anthology of Binational Border Research Ethics and Methodology Conference Proceedings*.
- Guerra Santiago Ivan. 2011. “*From Vaqueros to Mafiosos: A Community History of Drug Trafficking in Rural South Texas*”. Dissertation. The University of Texas at Austin
- Guerra, Santiago Ivan. 2010. “The Drug War, the Border and Anthropology” in *Anthropology News*. January 2010.
- Guerra Santiago Ivan. 2009. “*Los Ganchados: Drug Abuse in the South Texas-Mexico Borderlands*” in *Text, Practice and Performance*. TPP VIII (2009): 59-78.
- Guerra Santiago Ivan. 2006. “*Cuando llegaron las drogas: A History of Drug Trafficking in a Rural South Texas Community*”. Master’s Thesis. The University of Texas at Austin

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

- From Vaqueros to Mafiosos: Drug Trafficking and Policing in the South Texas-Mexico Borderlands*. Book Manuscript. Solicited by New York University Press.
- Co-Authored with Alex Chavez. Under Review. “A Social Archaeology of *Lo Ranchero: The Master Symbol of Mexican National, Popular and Public Culture*”. For submission to *Western Folklore*.

PRESENTATIONS

- 2011 *Antropología entre familia: Going Home to Become an Anthropologist* at the “New Directions in Anthropology Conference” at the University of Texas at Austin. April 29, 2011.
- 2010 *Los Mafiosos y La Chota: Drug Trafficking and Policing in the South Texas-Mexico Borderlands* as part of the panel “Circulating Militarisms, Circulating Subjects” at the 2010 American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting in New Orleans, LA
- 2010 *Entre Los Mafiosos y La Chota: Ethnography, Drug Trafficking and Policing in the South Texas-Mexico Borderlands* at “Between the Lines: Border Research Ethics and Methods” Conference at the University of Arizona at Tucson, Arizona. April 23, 2010.
- 2009 *Mafiosos y La Migra: Mexican Americans as Drug Traffickers and Drug Enforcers in the South Texas-Mexico Border Region* as part of the panel “Latinas/os Killing, Dying and Apprehending for the United States” at the 2009 American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting in Philadelphia, PA
- 2009 *Contrabando y Comunidad: Drug Trafficking and Drug Abuse in a Rural South Texas Community* as part of the Graduate Portfolio Platica Series sponsored by the Center for Mexican American Studies at the University of Texas at Austin
- 2008 *Entre Vaqueros y Mafiosos: Auto-ethnography on Drug Trafficking in Rural South Texas* at the 2008 National Association of Chicana/Chicano Studies (NAACS) National Conference in Austin, Texas
- 2007 *Cuando llegaron las drogas: Drug Trafficking and the Transformation of South Texas* as part of the panel “Illicit and Informal Entrepreneurs: Fighting for a Place in the Neoliberal Economic Order” at the 2007 American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting in Washington D.C.
- 2007 *Contrabando y coyotes: Trafficking and the Contemporary Immigration Debate* as part of the panel “Cruzando Sierras, Voy de Mojad@: Practice, Politics and the Unpacking of Popular Immigration Discourse” at the National Association of Chicana/Chicano Studies (NAACS) Tejas Regional Conference at the University of North Texas in Denton, Texas

- 2006 *Cuando llegaron las drogas: Drug trafficking and the Transformation of South Texas Space* as part of the panel "La(s) Frontera(s) de Desarrollo: The Evolving South Texas Borderland", at the Race, Ethnicity and Place Symposium at Texas State University in San Marcos
- 2004 *Derechos Humanos: The History of a Colonia Popular on the United States-Mexico Border* at the 2004 Rio Bravo Association Conference: Sustainable Development in the Rio Bravo/Rio Grande Borderlands at Texas A&M University-Kingsville, Kingsville, Texas

INVITED TALKS

- 2011 *La Frontera: Militarization and Policing at the U.S.-Mexico Border*. Colorado College at Colorado Springs, Colorado. March 10, 2011.
- 2011 *La Frontera: Militarization and Policing at the U.S.-Mexico Border*. Prescott College at Prescott, Arizona. March 2, 2011.
- 2010 *Los Mafiosos y La Chota: Drug Trafficking and Policing in the South Texas-Mexico Borderlands*. Southwestern University at Georgetown, Texas. January 27, 2010
- 2009 *Studying the Greater Mexican 'Folk' (and their lore) and Activism, Ethnography and the U.S. Political Imaginary*. Guest Lectures at the University of Texas at Austin, Center for Mexican American Studies. October 2009.
- 2006 *Militarization of the Border: Drug Trafficking, Immigration and Border Security*. Guest Lecture at the University of Texas at Austin, Center for Mexican American Studies. December 2006.

ROUNDTABLES

- 2010 "Graduate Education 101" at the National Association of Chicana/Chicano Studies (NAACS) Tejas FOCO Regional Conference at the University of Texas in Austin, Texas
- 2010 "Teaching Chicana/o Studies in Texas" at the National Association of Chicana/Chicano Studies (NAACS) Tejas FOCO Regional Conference at the University of Texas in Austin, Texas

AWARDS AND HONORS

- 2010 Professional Development Award, Department of Anthropology, University of Texas at Austin
- 2010 Student Travel Award for "Between the Lines: Border Research Ethics and Methods (BREM)" Conference at The University of Arizona
- 2009 Professional Development Award, Department of Anthropology, University of Texas at Austin
- 2009 Nominated by the Department of Anthropology for the University of Texas' Co-op Outstanding Graduate Student Award
- 2006 Professional Development Award, Department of Anthropology, University of Texas at Austin
- 2005 U.S.-Mexico Borderlands Research Award, University of Texas at Austin
- 2004 Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities, Southwestern University
- 2003 Sigma Delta Pi, Spanish Honor Society, Southwestern University

MEDIA APPEARANCES

Latino USA: National Public Radio – October 10, 2008: Interview regarding drug trafficking in South Texas

Telemundo Dallas Affiliate KXTX – March 2007: Interview regarding human smuggling and drug trafficking along the U.S.-Mexico Border

Telemundo Houston Affiliate KTMD - June 2006: Interview regarding the effects of drug abuse and drug trafficking on the Latino community

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

American Anthropological Association

Association of Latino and Latina Anthropologists

National Association for Chicana and Chicano Studies

National Association for Chicana and Chicano Studies - TEJAS FOCO

Rio Bravo Society

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Co-Contributing Editor. Association for Latina and Latino Anthropologists Column,
Anthropology News. Winter 2011/2012

UNIVERSITY SERVICE / AFFILIATIONS

COLORADO COLLEGE

The Hulbert Center for Southwest Studies

Southwest Studies Program (Faculty Advisory Committee)

Department of Race and Ethnic Studies

First Generation College Program

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN

Chican@ Latin@ Graduate Student Assembly (CLGSA)

Center for Mexican American Studies (CMAS)

2008-2009 Borderlands Lecture Series Committee

National Association for Chicana and Chicano Studies TEJAS FOCO: 2010 Conference
Planning Committee

LANGUAGES

Spanish