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Newsletter of the American Sociological Association's Section on International Migration

# From the Section Chair: *Jacqueline Hagan*

#### Dear Members:

I am very much looking forward to seeing everyone in Seattle this summer as this year's ASA meeting promises to be a memorable one. Our energetic Chair-elect, Jennifer Lee, has coordinated a stimulating program of four regular sessions focused on a wide range of timely international migration topics: Culture and Achievement among the Children of Immigrants (organizer Patricia Fernández-Kelly); Detention, Deportation, and the Refugee Crisis (organizer Emily Ryo); New Frontiers in Gender and Migration (organizer Jen'nan Read); and Political Integration of Immigrants and Their Adult U.S. Citizen Children: Mechanisms



of Inclusion and Exclusion (organizer Rob Smith). For our fifth session, awarded by ASA because our section sessions fall on the last day of the conference (August 23), Jennifer has put together an invited session that promises to be an exciting one: Engaging in Public Sociology with Academic Research. In addition, thanks to Jody Agius Vallejo we can look forward to a slate of 18 roundtables on a variety of topics, ranging from Integration and Mobility to Civic Engagement to Immigrants and Labor Markets. (See pages 3-5 of this issue of WoM for complete information on sessions, organizers, and panelists).

Following last year's resounding success, we will once again be hosting the annual mentoring lunch and reception at the same venue, the renovated Sole Repair Shop located in the Capitol Hill neighborhood of Seattle, about a 20-minute walk from the Sheraton Seattle Hotel. Many thanks go out to PhD students Christina Hughes and Michelle O'Brien (University of Washington) for locating this charming venue. Both the mentoring lunch and reception are scheduled for Monday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>. The lunch is from noon to 2 pm and the reception is from 6:30-8:30 pm. A warm thanks is extended to the *Ethnic and Racial Studies* for partially supporting the reception. Please join us at both events! Sign-up information for the mentoring lunch can be found on page 6 of this issue of WoM. Space is limited at the mentoring lunch so be sure to sign up soon!

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Please note that this issue of WoM includes two featured essays -- Holly Straut Eppsteiner (UNC-Chapel Hill) shares insights and findings from her research on how immigrant women navigate work and motherhood under conditions of legal precarity; and David Kyle (UC-Davis) shares with us his new and exciting research on cognitive migration.

In other news, I am pleased to announce that we have continued to raise funds for the next IM section miniconference, which will be held in Philadelphia the day before the 2018 ASA meeting commences. Last year, through a fundraising effort, the section collected more than \$2,800 for the conference. This year, through marketing advertising space in WoM, we have collected an additional \$1,000, an amount we hope to earn annually. You will see press advertisements featured throughout the issue. (continued on page 2)

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With 556 members, our section membership remains strong and is now higher than this time last year. If we climb to 600 we will be entitled to another regular section so I urge all of you not only to renew your own memberships and but also to consider purchasing them for your graduate students. Finally, ASA elections are currently open, so please don't forget to vote. Thanks to our Nominations Committee, we have an exciting slate of candidates!

I would like to close by extending a warm thanks to our section secretary, Sergio Chavez, who is stepping down this year after serving us faithfully for four-year term. I don't know how I would have managed this year in the absence of his institutional memory, section experience, and overall generosity in stepping up to the plate. I would also like to extend a hearty thanks to our newsletter editor, Claudia Youakim, and our Co-Editor, Samantha Saghera, for the tireless work they have devoted to the section and to the production of our newsletter. A special thanks also goes to Oshin Khachikian for creating and managing our Facebook and Twitter accounts (https://www.facebook.com/ASAinternationalmigration/and @ASAmigration). Thank you Sergio, Claudia, Samantha, and Oshin!

With best wishes for a productive and happy spring and summer!

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# ASA International Migration Section Sessions 2016 ASA – Seattle, WA

**SESSION I** 

Title: Culture and Achievement among the Children of Immigrants
Organizer and Presider: Patricia Fernández-Kelly, Princeton University, mpfk@princeton.edu

#### Panelists:

1. Jean Beaman, Purdue University

"Growing up French? - Social Marginalization, Cultural Capital, and Intergenerational Connections in France"

2. Armand Rene Gutierrez, UC San Diego

"Narrative of Need: How and Why Second-Generation Filipino-Americans Engage in Transnational Economic Connections"

3. Albert F. Arcarons, European University Institute (EU)

"Patterns of Intergenerational Social Mobility Across Ethnic Origin Groups in the United Kingdom"

 Mehdi Bozorgmehr, The Graduate Center and City College, CUNY, Eric Ketcham, CUNY Graduate Center

"Socioeconomic Progress without Cultural Integration: Second-Generation Muslim Americans"

SESSION II

Title: Detention, Deportation, and the Refugee Crisis

Organizer: Emily Ryo, USC Gould School of Law, eryo@law.usc.edu

Presider and Discussant: Irene H.I. Bloemraad, University of California, Berkeley, bloemr@berkeley.edu

#### Panelists:

- 1. Irene I. Vega, University of California, Los Angeles "Legitimizing Immigration Control: Empathy, Morality, and Criminality at the U.S.-Mexico Border"
- Jacob S. Rugh, Brigham Young University, and Matthew Hall, Cornell University "Latino Deportations and Latino Foreclosures: Connecting the Dots"
- 3. Margot Moinester, Harvard University

"Beyond the Border and into the Heartland: Inequality in the Spatial Patterning of U.S. Immigration Enforcement"

4. Daniel E. Herda, University of California-Davis

"Qualitative Ignorance Compared: Misperceptions of the Typical Immigrant's Legal Status in the U.S. and Europe"

# ASA International Migration Section Sessions 2016 ASA – Seattle, WA (Continued from Page 3)

#### **SESSION III**

Title: New Frontiers in Gender and Migration

Organizer and Presider: Jen'nan G. Read, Duke University, jennan.read@duke.edu

#### Panelists

 Julia Hess, University of New Mexico; Jessica Rose Goodkind, UNM; Brian Isakson, UNM, and Matthew Nelson, A.T. Still University

"'My World Is Upside Down': Transnational Iraqi Gendered Perspectives on Resettlement in the United States"

2. Cristina Lacomba, Columbia University

"Gender and Politics: The Case of Ecuadorean Immigrants in Madrid and New York City"

- 3. Ragini Saira Malhotra, Joya Misra, and Diego Leal, University of Massachusetts Amherst "Gendered Migration and Networks of Care in Asia"
- 4. Leah Caroline Schmalzbauer, Amherst College; and Leisy Janet Abrego, University of California, Los Angeles "The Micro-Contexts of Illegality: Undocumented Latina Mothers Negotiating Daily Life"

#### SESSION IV

Title: Political Integration of Immigrants and Their Adult U.S. Citizen Children: Mechanisms of

**Inclusion and Exclusion** 

Organizer and Presider: Robert C. Smith, Baruch College and Graduate Center, CUNY, Robert.smith@baruch.cuny.edu

#### Panelists:

1. Silvia Pedraza, University of Michigan

"Inclusion and Exclusion: Immigration Reform and Latino Political Mobilization"

2. Angela S. Garcia, University of Chicago

"Local Laws and Undocumented Mexicans' Political Engagement: Why Immigrant Destinations Matter"

3. Theo J. Majka, University of Dayton; Jamie Longazel, University of Dayton "Becoming Welcoming: Grassroots Collaboration and Immigrant Integration in Dayton, OH"

- 4. Grace Yukich, Quinnipiac University; Brad R. Fulton, Indiana University; Richard L. Wood, University of New Mexico "The Challenges of Altruism: Organizing for Immigrant Rights"
- 5. Elizabeth Jacobs, University of Pennsylvania

"Multilingual Mobilization in the Global City: How immigrant organizers in NYC built coalitions across language lines"

#### SESSION V

Title: Engaging in Public Sociology with Academic Research
Organizer and Presider: Jennifer Lee, University of California, Irvine, jenlee@uci.edu

#### **Panelists:**

- 1. Philip N. Cohen, University of Maryland
- 2. Karthick Ramakrishnan, University of California, Riverside
- 3. Letta Page, The Society Pages and Contexts Magazine
- 4. Chris Uggen, University of Minnesota

This invited session will focus on the ways in which scholars have successfully reached a broader audience with their academic research. Convening researchers who have engaged in various types of public sociology, the participants will speak about their experiences, provide tips for how researchers may reach a more general audience beyond academic books and journals, and also highlight the advantages of doing so.

#### 2016 ASA International Migration Section Roundtables

#### Organizer: Jody Agius Vallejo (University of Southern California)

1. Gender 8. Health 15. Crimmigration Minjeong Kim Katharine Donato Tanya Golash-Boza San Diego State University Vanderbilt University University of California, Merced 2. Theorizing Migration and Assimilation 9. Immigrant Mobilizations 16. Refugees and Displaced Persons Susan Brown Zulema Valdez Leisy Abrego University of California, Irvine University of California, Merced University of California, Los Angeles 3. Transnationalism 10. Xenophobia and Racialization 17. Ethnic Identities and Boundary Movements David Fitzgerald Cynthia Feliciano Tomas Jimenez University of California, San Diego University of California, Irvine Stanford University 4. Central American Migration 11. Citizenship and Belonging 18. Immigration Policies and Practices Cecilia Menjivar Kara Cebulko Alexis Silver University of Kansas Providence College State University of New York, Purchase 5. Immigrants and Labor Markets 12. Integration and Mobility Jaqueline Hagan Rob Smith University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill CUNY, Baruch College 6. Civic Engagement 13. Ethnic Communities David Cook-Martin Patricia Fernandez Kelly Grinnel College Princeton University 7. Migration and Immigrant Integration in China 14. Migration Motivations John Skrentny Emily Ryo University of California, San Diego

### Aristide Zolberg Student Scholar Award Deadline: May 1, 2016

University of Southern California

The International Migration Section's Distinguished Student Scholar Award Committee invites nominations and submissions for the section's annual graduate student paper competition. Students from any discipline may submit papers about any topic related to international migration broadly conceived. At the time of submission the submitter must be graduate student. Unpublished papers are encouraged. Papers must be single authored and no more than 10,000 words, including the abstract and references. Only one paper per student may be nominated. A student who is a member of the International Migration Section may self-nominate the paper. A student who is not a member of the International Migration Section must be nominated by an IM Section member. A cover letter, abstract, and copy of the paper should be sent via email by **May 1, 2016** to the committee chair:

> Chair: Steve Gold, Michigan State University, gold@msu.edu Members: Alexis Silver, SUNY-Purchase Silver, <u>alexis.silver@purchase.edu</u> Susan Peace, East Carolina University, Pearces@ecu.edu

# 2016 ASA International Migration Section Mentoring Luncheon

Please join us for an afternoon of good food and great conversation, where graduate students, post-docs, and faculty can meet and enjoy longer discussions than usually possible during the regular conference program.

The venue for this year's lunch is the renovated Sole Repair Shop, which is located in the trendy Capitol Hill neighborhood of Seattle. The food at Sole Repair is an imaginative take on American cuisine that uses locally sourced fresh ingredients.

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<sup>\*</sup>Register by June 1. Act fast, as seating capacity is limited!\*

# 2016 ASA International Migration Section Mentoring Luncheon

# **Registration Form**

Up to four people may register for the luncheon using this form.

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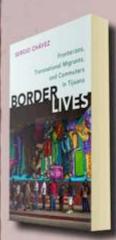
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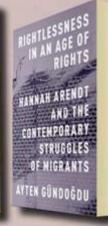


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# Interrogating Migrant Women's Labor Force Incorporation in the New South

## by Holly Straut Eppsteiner

Scholars have published important studies on the gendered nature of migrant incorporation into the labor force in traditional U.S. destinations (e.g. Hondagneu-Sotelo 1994; Hagan 1998; Parreñas 2001; Dreby 2010) and have examined how labor market outcomes vary across legal status and in tandem with the passage of significant legislation and policies. Immigration policies at the end of the 20th century that sought to restrict the employment of undocumented workers have had substantial impacts on the conditions of work for those without legal status. In many cases, conditions have been worse for women. For example, following IRCA, women experienced greater wage deterioration, worked fewer hours, and were more likely to be pushed into the informal sector relative to men (Donato et al. 2008.) Yet we know much less about how migrant women are incorporated into new destination labor markets, and how their labor force participation is shaped by local contexts of reception, family characteristics, and an uncertain policy landscape at federal, state, and local levels.

Why might new destinations matter? New destinations, particularly southern states, generally present more hostile contexts of reception and new-destination migrants have less developed networks and institutional support from community organizations. The conditions of work and labor markets in which immigrants are concentrated, such as industrial and occupational composition and employment relations, differ between traditional and new destinations (López-Sanders 2013). Destination context also matters when we consider that state and local levels increasingly enact immigration policies, and there exists great variation across and within states.

New-destination migrants are more likely to be undocumented than their counterparts in traditional gateways. But there are also paths to labor market incorporation in southern states through guestworker visas via the H-2A and H-2B programs. Historically, guestworker programs recruited men, and men remain concentrated in many H-2 industries, such as agriculture. But contemporary programs also hire women to work in industries like seafood processing and hospitality (Griffith 2006). Many scholars argue that guestworker programs purposefully hire workers who have spouses and children in their countries of origin as a mechanism of social control and to deter permanent settlement (e.g. Schmalzbauer 2015). In my research interviewing Mexican women who work as crab processors in North Carolina and Virginia (Straut Eppsteiner forthcoming), I find that women's temporary legal status, embededdness in transnational families, and isolated working and living conditions intersect to prevent them from pursuing settlement in the U.S. Yet the long periods of time they spend working in the U.S. constrain their roles as mothers and wives in Mexico. Although many women are held in limbo between the two countries for decades, other women without husbands and children sometimes settle permanently. These findings indicate that we must consider how family issues intersect with political and work contexts of reception to understand labor market incorporation and settlement.

In a new study, I examine how Mexican and Central American women negotiate work, family, and legal status in a new destination state. Preliminary data suggest that immigration policies at various levels, in combination with local labor market contexts and gendered family expectations, shaped labor force transitions, type of work, and sector of employment. I investigate the conditions under which women are pushed into informal work and out of the labor force entirely, and the strategies women use to cope with legal and family constraints, such as in-home work and entrepreneurship.

As we continue to develop migration scholarship during a dynamic period of policy change and regional shifts, scholars should examine how a variety of contexts intersect to shape outcomes like settlement and labor force incorporation, and to consider the ways that these processes are gendered. It will be particularly important to follow the progress of proposed new Deferred Action programs and the evolution of federal regulations in the wake of a changing administration and the Supreme Court vacancy. We should also take care to acknowledge how state and local governments constrain or facilitate labor market incorporation and settlement.

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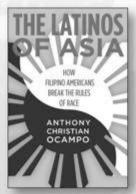
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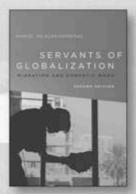
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# David Kyle Answers Questions About New Research on "Cognitive Migration."

Your recently published article on cognitive migration is the outgrowth of prior research. How did you first become interested in this topic and did your research questions change over time?

I've been intrigued by a mystery since my first book, *Transnational Peasants* (2001), and from ongoing research in Mexico, especially under very risky conditions. Why do entire communities and regions empty out in ways not entirely explained by rational self-interest, even risking death, imprisonment, and enslavement by traffickers, though they are not refugees or the poorest of the poor? In contrast, millions of people who "should" leave according to conventional social science models, do not. I kept coming back to the notion that many of our big decisions are pre-defined and pre-experienced by the social "mind" moving many times over before we bring the body along, thus often making the actual move only a single step in a much longer and complex process. However, this is not a purely psychological process of individual brains, but rather best described as the intersection of cognition and culture.

The concept of "cognitive migration" is an attempt to sensitize us to the crossing of the mental threshold in which we begin to move from imagination to bodily mobility, not unlike the Star Trek Holodeck (Microsoft just released Holoportation which will externalize and inspire some of these mental migrations. We are not talking about brainstorming to generate many options and then weigh them in our minds, but rather the move to new beliefs about one's future self we begin to inhabit. The process is best characterized as mentally experimenting with the physical, social and emotional details of a *specific future time and place*. This is a process that becomes self-reinforcing and self-fulfilling, much like Captain Kirk, who in contrast to Spock's logical thinking, relentlessly pursues a hunch. Of course, Kirk recognizes the value of Spock's objectivity, just as we all constantly find this tension within ourselves, and with each other, when making consequential leaps. These are not either/or propositions of reason vs. imagination, but rather a series of complex rehearsals, trial runs, and mental experiments before the "real decision" and it's after-the-fact cover story.

What was your most surprising or exciting research finding?

Most surprising? We leave in order to stay. It's a truism that we take leaps based on perceptions of a future change in status we find desirable, but for most of us a particular adventure is compelling only if we can keep the things we value from the original location, and not sever our ties and identities. Our ability to recreate ongoing lifestyles in the destination is critical, not just changing them in some radically different way for self-improvement or social acceptance. We might say that we are imagining ourselves in this future status as being able to continue to retain the status and feelings we enjoy from existing social ties. Paradoxically, much of our cognitive migration imagines how we might leave with our bodies without fully leaving the connections and identities of home. There is a difference between imagining past and future states; we may be more sanguine about future states than we are about past events employing memory-as-belief.

You argue for more empirical research on imagination and prospective thinking. For the benefit of graduate students working across the social sciences and humanities, what might that research look like?

More than anything, this research focuses on those who do not take the path under consideration without assuming a "choice" was made or considered and foreclosed. Good research has always done this, and I think this will continue along with more sensitivity to cognitive dimensions not reducible, however, to psychological models. Also, as technology continues to advance toward a world of Holodeck-like experiences, this will further deepen researchers' needs for both highly quantitative, computational approaches, but also highly imaginative, qualitative and historically sensitive studies that might employ this immersive virtual and augmented reality within mobility studies of mind and body. Will traditional migrations of bodies even be necessary? Or will this blurring of cognitive and physical migration lead to more bodily travel and resettlement based on an expansive sense of "home" and new social relationships easily made? Certainly, the stakes are no longer academic as mobility and its wider connection to notions of freedom will touch everyone for decades, as the unfolding events of refugees in the EU attest.

Can the concept of cognitive migration be mapped back in time onto historical communities? For example, some seventeenth century Puritan migrants to the New World based their decision to emigrate on randomly selected passages from the Bible in order to divine the will of God. Is it reasonable for a historian or historical sociologist to apply cognitive migration to interpret this phenomenon? (Continued on page 13)

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This concept supports more non-Whiggish histories that don't presume linear progress, while also sensitizing us to a phenomenon that suggests how we all engage in some version of the random selection of a Bible passage, though we may emphasize how we rationally pursued the dream as an exercise in intelligent problem-solving. If we search for rationality after-the-fact, we nearly always find it, though not capturing the wider cultural logic at play. As economist and sociologist Vilfredo Pareto observed, we need to be cautious about forcing logic onto aspects of our goal-seeking behavior that fundamentally lie outside of this rational capacity, while forming recurring patterns integral to intentional movements.

How might cognitive migration work in transitory populations, such as pastoralists and gatherer-hunter societies? If mental time travel has hardwired humans for historical thinking, is cognitive migration an evolutionary adaptation to an ever-changing natural environment?

We need the capacity to engage in both creative *and* critical thinking when our bodies, if not our lives, are on the line. But we should be careful to note that while our imaginative capacity allows us to radically step out of biological evolutionary processes, it has not always been viewed as a positive or helpful aspect for individuals or communities. We currently live in a time in which the creative disruption of everything is at its dynamic zenith, but this has not been the case for most of our history, perhaps for good reason.

How did this project inspire your current book length project on the invention of creativity, under contract with Stanford University Press?

We live in a world in which imaginative leaps of logic and their rapid realizations are encouraged widely as a kind of normative Zeitgeist, and, yet, more risky than ever for those not already part of a new power elite at the controls of digital dashboards—I find this fascinating, a little frightening, and an historical oddity to be understood. These are the concerns that drive an archeology of the creative present on that project with my collaborator, John Dale.

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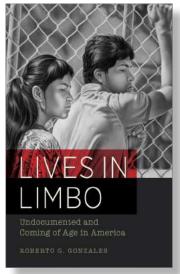
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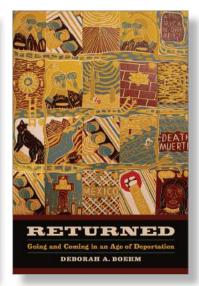
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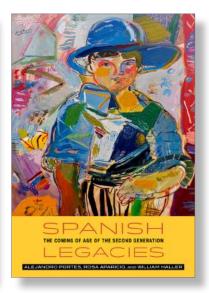
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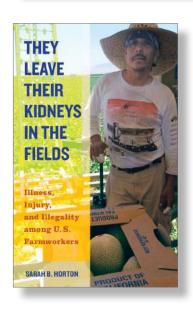
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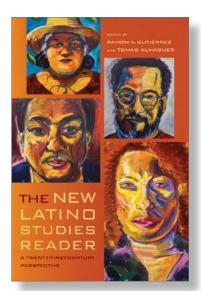


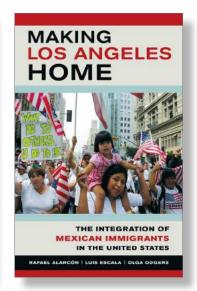


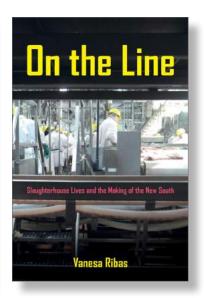


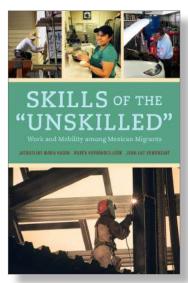


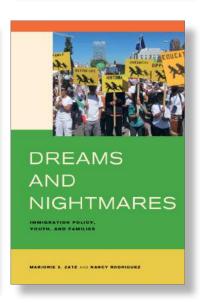


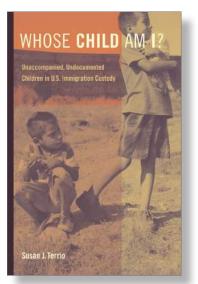












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## Members' News and Announcements

## Migrations and Transitions

Hana Brown was promoted to Associate Professor with tenure at Wake forest University.

**Dana Moss** has accepted a tenure-track position as Assistant Professor at the University of Pittsburg. She is currently ABD in Sociology at UC Irvine, and will be graduating in June.

**Orly Clerge** is Assistant Professor in the Department of Sociology and Africana Studies, Tufts University (Since Fall 2014).

#### Dissertations

**Mahesh Somashekhar** defended his dissertation "Immigrant Business in Suburban America: How and Why Ethnic Economy Workers in the Suburbs Are Struggling To Get By" at Princeton University in January, 2016. His dissertation advisor was Douglas Massey. He is currently a post-doctoral scholar at the University of Washington.

#### **Awards**

Rubén G. Rumbaut and Cynthia Feliciano (UC Irvine) will be Visiting Scholars at The Russell Sage Foundation for the 2016-2017 academic year (http://www.russellsage.org/visiting-scholars/incoming-scholars). They will work on a book on "The New Second Generation in Middle Adulthood," exploring the varied socioeconomic, cultural, and political trajectories of the immigrant second generation, who completed their adult transitions during and after the Great Recession. Based on a unique panel study of respondents from diverse national and class origins now in their late thirties who were followed from 1991 to 2016 -- spanning a quarter of a century of their life course from mid adolescence to middle adulthood -- the project examines their educational and occupational attainment, intergenerational mobility, experiences with the criminal justice system, family and identity formation, political views, and linguistic patterns in a context of widening economic inequality.

**Benjamin Waddell**, Ph.D. in Sociology, was recently awarded the 2016 Tom L. Popejoy Dissertation Prize for his manuscript, "The Political Economy of Remittance-led Development in Guanajuato, Mexico." Completed in 2013, the dissertation combines ethnographic and statistical analysis to examine the long-term effects of mass emigration on migrant sending communities in central Mexico. The Tom L. Popejoy Dissertation Prize was established as a permanent memorial to the late Tom L. Popejoy, President of The University of New Mexico from 1948 to 1968. This year's award recognizes the best dissertation in the social sciences from the last three years.

**Pierrette Hondagneu-Sotelo's** book, *Paradise Transplanted: Migration and the Making of California Gardens* (University of California Press 2014), was awarded the 2016 John Brinckerhoff Jackson Book Prize from the Foundation for Landscape Studies.

**Laura López-Sanders** (UNC-Chapel Hill) received a Ford Foundation 2016 Postdoctoral Fellowship to work on her book manuscript on Immigrant Labor Market Integration in New Destinations and on her research related to Undocumented Immigrant Healthcare Access and Utilization under the 2010 Affordable Care Act.

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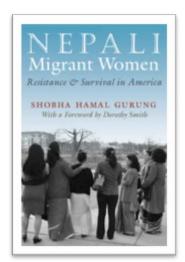
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### **RECENT BOOKS**



#### Nepali Migrant Women: Resistance & Survival in America

#### Syracuse University Press Shobha Hamal Gurung

In this pathbreaking and timely work, Hamal Gurung gives voice to the growing number of Nepali women who migrate to the United States to work in the informal economy. Highlighting the experiences of thirty-five women, mostly college educated and middle class, she challenges conventional portraits of Third World émigrés as victims forced into low-wage employment. Instead, she sheds light on Nepali women's strategic decisions and their agency in building transnational communities through formal participation in NGOs and informal networks of migrant workers. In great detail, she documents Nepali migrant women's lives, making visible the profound and far-reaching effects of their civic, economic, and political engagement.

#### **Immigrant Families**

Cambridge, UK: Polity

by Cecilia Menjívar, Leslie J. Abrego and Leah Schmalzbauer

*Immigrant Families* aims to capture the richness, complexity, and diversity that characterize contemporary immigrant families in the United States. In doing so, it reaffirms that the vast majority of people do not migrate as isolated individuals, but are members of families.

There is no quintessential immigrant experience, as immigrants and their families arrive with different levels of economic, social, and cultural resources, and must navigate various social structures that shape how they fare. *Immigrant Families* highlights the hierarchies and inequities between and within immigrant families created by key axes of inequality such as legal status, social class, gender, and generation. Drawing on ethnographic, demographic, and historical scholarship, the authors highlight the transnational context in which many contemporary immigrant families live, exploring how families navigate care, resources, expectations, and aspirations across borders. Ultimately, the book analyzes how dynamics at the individual, family, and community levels shape the life chances and wellbeing of immigrants and their families.

As the United States turns its attention to immigration as a critical social issue, *Immigrant Families* encourages students, scholars, and policy makers to center family in their discussions, thereby prioritizing the human and relational element of human mobility.

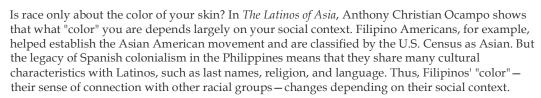


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#### The Latinos of Asia: How Filipino Americans Break the Rules of Race

#### Stanford University Press

#### by Anthony Christian Ocampo



The Filipino story demonstrates how immigration is changing the way people negotiate race, particularly in cities like Los Angeles where Latinos and Asians now constitute a collective majority. Amplifying their voices, Ocampo illustrates how second-generation Filipino Americans' racial identities change depending on the communities they grow up in, the schools they attend, and the people they befriend. Ultimately, *The Latinos of Asia* offers a window into both the racial

consciousness of everyday people and the changing racial landscape of American society.

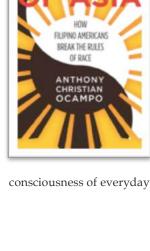
#### On the Line: Slaughterhouse Lives and the Making of the New South

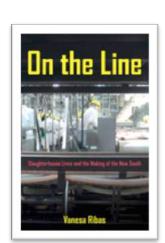
#### **UC Press**

### by Vanesa Ribas

In this gutsy, eye-opening examination of the lives of workers in the New South, Vanesa Ribas, working alongside mostly Latino/a and native-born African American laborers for sixteen months, takes us inside the contemporary American slaughterhouse. Ribas, a native Spanish speaker, occupies an insider/outsider status there, enabling her to capture vividly the oppressive exploitation experienced by her fellow workers. She showcases the particular vulnerabilities faced by immigrant workers—a constant looming threat of deportation, reluctance to seek medical attention, and family separation—as she also illuminates how workers find connection and moments of pleasure during their grueling shifts. Bringing to the fore the words, ideas, and struggles of the workers themselves, *On The Line* underlines how deep racial tensions permeate the factory, as an overwhelmingly minority workforce is subject to white dominance. Compulsively readable, this extraordinary ethnography makes a powerful case for greater labor protection, especially for our nation's most vulnerable workers.

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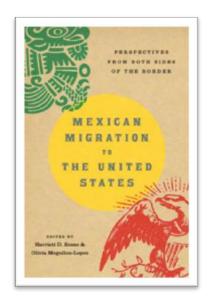
#### Mexican Migration to the United States

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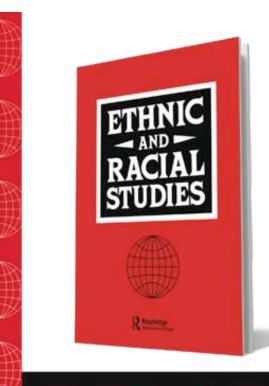
#### Edited by Harriet D. Romo and Olivia Mogollon-Lopez

Borderlands migration has been the subject of considerable study, but the authorship has usually reflected a north-of-the-border perspective only. Gathering a transnational group of prominent researchers, including prominent Mexican scholars whose work is not readily available in the United States and academics from U.S. universities, Mexican Migration to the United States brings together an array of often-overlooked viewpoints, reflecting the interconnectedness of immigration policy.

This collection's research, principally empirical, reveals significant aspects of labor markets, family life, and educational processes. Presenting recent data and accessible explanations of complex histories, the essays capture the evolving legal frameworks and economic implications of Mexico-U.S. migrations at the national and municipal levels, as well as the experiences of receiving communities in the United States. The volume includes illuminating reports on populations ranging from undocumented young adults to elite Mexican women immigrants, health-care rights, Mexico's incorporation of return migration, the impact of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals on higher education, and the experiences of young children returning to Mexican schools after living in the



United States. Reflecting a multidisciplinary approach, the list of contributors includes anthropologists, demographers, economists, educators, policy analysts, and sociologists.



Ethnic and Racial Studies presents a forthcoming Special Issue on Intersectionality and Ethnic Entrepreneurship, Guest Edited by Zulema Valdez and Mary Romero. Articles include:

Entrepreneurship and Interracial Dynamics: A Case Study of Self-Employed Africans and Chinese in Guangzhou, China Min Zhou, Tao Xu & Shabham Shanasi

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