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Education:

University of Illinois at Chicago; Chicago, IL

- Department of Sociology
- M.A (Expected Graduation: Spring, 2014)
- PhD (Expected Graduation: Spring 2016)

Northeastern Illinois University; Chicago, IL

- Bachelor of Arts: Sociology
- Date of Graduation: May, 2010

St. Augustine College; Chicago, IL

- Associate of Arts: Psychology

Professional Work Experience:

DePaul University DePaul University 2400 N. Sheffield Ave. Chicago, IL 60614

- Summer 2013
- College Connect Summer Transition Program
- Professor; course taught: Hidden City: Social Inequality in Chicago

University of Illinois at Chicago, 1007 West Harrison Street, Chicago, IL 60607-714

- Fall 2013 Teaching Assistant – Research Methods
- Spring 2013 – Present Teaching Assistant – Sociology of Latinos
- Fall 2012 - Teaching Assistant - Research Methods
- Spring 2012 - Teaching Assistant - Introduction to Sociology
- Fall 2011 - Teaching Assistant - Introduction to Sociology
- Spring 2011 - Teaching Assistant - Sociology of Work
- Fall 2010 - Teaching Assistant - Sociology of Gender

Northeastern Illinois University Developing Academic Leadership Through Education (D.A.L.E.) Program. 5500 N. St. Louis Chicago, IL

- Assistant Director of Development and Planning, Peer Mentor
- Responsibilities: Responsibilities included direct development, planning, organization, and budgeting of the NEIU D.A.L.E program, as well as providing peer mentorship for freshmen in Latino & Latin-American Studies.
- January, 2009 - May, 2009

Rogers Park Community House, 7463 N. Ridge Chicago, IL 60626

- Co-Founder, Grant writer
- Community house, child care center/youth space, and community meeting space in Chicago's Rogers Park neighborhood.
- March, 2008 - Present

St. Augustine College, 1333 W. Argyle Chicago, IL 60640

- Teaching Assistant.
- English Composition 100 and 200. Primary duties included assisting students with thesis development and essay writing, as well as support with basic computer programs.
- August, 2002 - May, 2003

### Research Experience

University of Illinois at Chicago - Department of Sociology - Chicago Area Study

- Research for my M.A. looks at the role of "white institutions" in and around majority-white suburbs to help us understand how some suburbs are able to stay homogeneously white in the face of impressive demographic changes due to the growing Latino population.

Ronald E. McNair Scholars Program, Northeastern Illinois University, Chicago, IL

- Research title: "*Processes of Social Alienation among Mexican-American Youth*". Applying qualitative research methods, I analyze the transition of Mexican-American youth of immigrant parents, into the labor force. Utilizing purposive and snowball sampling methods, I conduct an analysis of both activist and non-activist youth, and how socio-economic forces affect their transition into labor.

### Professional Conferences:

*76<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Midwest Sociological Society*. Research Presenter: *Institutional Solutions to the "Mexican Problem" in Suburbia*. Midwest Sociological Society, Chicago, IL, March 29, 2013.

*75th Annual Midwest Sociological Society Meeting*. Research Presenter: *The Perpetuation of Suburban Segregation*. Midwest Sociological Society. Minneapolis, MN, March 29, 2012 - April 1, 2012

*Movement for Justice in el Barrio.* Guest Speaker. Center for the Study of Race, Politics & Culture. University of Chicago. Chicago, IL; November 11, 2011

*Never Again for Anyone Conference.* DePaul University, Chicago, IL  
Panelist/Guest Speaker with Dr. Hajo G. Meyer, Holocaust survivor, activist, and essayist, and Dr. Hatem Bazian, UC - Berkeley and Chairman of American Muslims for Palestine.  
February 4, 2011

*16<sup>th</sup> Annual Equity in Action Conference: Immigration and Social Justice.* Research Presenter: “*Social Alienation among Mexican American Youth.*” Northeastern Illinois University. October 12, 2010

*12<sup>th</sup> Annual Texas McNair Research Conference.* Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program. Scholar/Research Presenter. Title of Research: “*Alienation and Youth*” University of North Texas, February 20, 2010

*The Evolution of Activism.* Guest Speaker in a panel with Professor William Ayers. Departments of Sociology, Department of Justice Studies, Department of Woman Studies, Northeastern Illinois University, Chicago, IL. October 29, 2009

*Respecting Democracy: Toward A New U.S. - Latin America Policy.* Presenter/Central organizing committee member. In a joint project of LASC (Latin America Solidarity Coalition), NACLA (North American Congress on Latin America). I presented in the closing panel as well served on the central coordinating committee of the conference which featured invited speakers from Mexico, Cuba, El Salvador, Haiti, Colombia, Venezuela, and Puerto Rico.  
U.S. Northeastern Illinois University. Chicago, IL. April, 2009

*Estudiantes, Maestros é Obreros: Un encuentro en la Revolución Popular.* Guest Speaker in Panel: Representative, Central Organizing Committee for U.S. Delegation, World Festival of Youth and Students/World Federation of Democratic Youth. Universidad Central de Venezuela Caracas, Venezuela, August 2005

### Professional Affiliations

- PTA, Parent Member - Philip Rogers Elementary School, Chicago, IL
- Ronald E. McNair Scholars
- Midwest Sociological Society
- Alpha Chi, National College Honor Scholarship Society. Illinois Zeta Chapter

### Internships

The Latino Union of Chicago. Chicago, IL

- Duties includes helping maintain daily operations of the organization, as well as labor organizer.
- December 2009 - June 2010

### Student Organizations

MCLA (Movimiento Cultural Latino Americano) - Northeastern Illinois University

- Co-Founder/President
- Spring 2008 – Present

CUFFS (Coalition United for Free Speech) - Northeastern Illinois University

- Co-Founder

Community Organizations/Affiliations

- Communities United Against Foreclosure and Evictions, Chicago, IL
- March 10 Movement for Immigrant's Rights, Chicago, IL
- Moratorium on Deportations Campaign, Chicago, IL
- Northside Action for Justice, Chicago, IL
- Chicago Anti-Eviction Campaign
- El Centro Autonomo de Albany Park, Chicago, IL
- Occupy Chicago

Volunteer Work

Community Activist/Organizer for the above mentioned community organizations.

- Activities include, but not limited to, weekly neighborhood meetings; organizing of community-based events and initiatives; organizing of protests/rallies; and neighborhood canvassing.
- I work on issues of housing, immigration, and displacement. I am also a youth recruiter/counselor.

Rogers Park Community House - El Ruiseñor Daycare Center, Rogers Park Chicago, IL

- Volunteer laborer for establishment/construction of community child care center/youth center and community meeting space.
- Volunteer at daycare as teacher's assistant
- March 2008 - Present

Centro Romero, Rogers Park, Chicago, IL

- Volunteer teacher for ESL classes and Citizenship/Naturalization Exam classes
- Spring 2001 - Spring 2002