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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Assistant Professor, Sociology Department, University of Colorado, Boulder. 2024-present.

- Faculty Affiliate, Center for Latin American and Latinx Studies. 2024-present.

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Sociology. University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, 2024.

Dissertation: “Shaping Subjectivities and Articulating Solidarity in Revolutionary Cuba”

- Winner of 2025 ProQuest Dissertation Award

Committee: Robert S. Jansen (chair), Jaeun Kim, Luciana de Souza Leão, Dan Slater,
Xiaohong Xu

Area exams: Power, History, and Social Change; Culture and Knowledge

M.A. Sociology. University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, 2019.

M.A. Latin American Studies. Tulane University, New Orleans, LA, 2015.

B.A. Classical Studies, Latin American Studies, and International Development. Tulane University, New Orleans, LA, 2013.

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Political sociology, sociology of culture, sociology of gender, collective identity, immigration; sociological theory; qualitative, comparative-historical methods; Latin America, Cuba.

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-reviewed journal articles

Triplett, Jen. 2024. “Ideological Consolidation, Subject Formation, and the Discursive Creation of the ‘New Woman’ in Revolutionary Cuba. *Qualitative Sociology*.”

Triplett, Jen. 2022. “Articulating the *Pueblo Cubano*: Women’s Politicization and Productivity in Revolutionary Cuba, 1959-1969.” *American Sociological Review*. 87(1): 80-104.

- 2022 Reinhard Bendix Student Paper Award, Comparative and Historical Sociology Section of the American Sociological Association.

Other Publications

Triplett, Jen. 2023. “Review of Guerra, Lillian, *Patriots & Traitors in Revolutionary Cuba, 1961-1981*.” H-LatAm, H-Net Reviews.

Triplett, Jennifer. 2018. “Review of Bayard de Volo, Lorraine, *Women and the Cuban Insurrection: How Gender Shaped Castro’s Victory*.” H-LatAm, H-Net Reviews.

Triplett, Jennifer, Johnnie Lotesta, Ricarda Hammer, and Sara Tomczuk. 2018. “A Successful Mentorship Event.” *Trajectories: Newsletter of the ASA Comparative and Historical Sociology Section* 30(1):40-42.

Works in Progress

Triplett, Jen. *Articulating Crisis: Political Consolidation and Meaning-Making in Revolutionary Cuba*. (book manuscript in progress)

Triplett, Jen. “The Long and Short of It: A Processual and Eventful Theory of Political Consolidation.” (article manuscript in progress)

Triplett, Jen. “Imagined Dispossessions: Nested Political Articulation and Peasant Homogenization in Cuba’s 1959 Agrarian Reform.” (article manuscript in progress)

AWARDS AND HONORS

ProQuest Dissertation Award, University of Michigan, 2025.

Reinhard Bendix Student Paper Award, Comparative and Historical Sociology Section of the American Sociological Association, 2022.

Mark Chesler Paper Award, “Articulating the *Pueblo Cubano*: Women’s Politicization and Productivity in Revolutionary Cuba, 1959-1969,” Department of Sociology, University of Michigan, 2021.

Exceptional Graduate Student Instructor Award, Department of Sociology, University of Michigan, 2019.

The Stone Center Award for Best Campus-Wide Graduate Paper on a Latin American Topic, “Feminism and Fertility: Discourse and Policy Disconnect in Fujimori’s Family Planning Program,” Tulane University, 2015.

Shelley Coverman Memorial Award for empirical social science research on women in society, “Clientelism, Corporatism, and Change: The Evolution of State-Women’s Movement Relations in Peru, 1990-2000,” Tulane University, 2015.

Latin American Graduate Organization (LAGO) Outstanding Graduate Student Service Award, Tulane University, 2015.

Phi Beta Kappa, Tulane University, 2013.

The Stone Center Award for Best Campus-Wide Undergraduate Paper on a Latin American Topic, “Pots, Potatoes, and Progress for Women: Rethinking Feminism in Post-Crisis Latin America,” Tulane University, 2013.

Karlem Riess Memorial Award, Phi Beta Kappa, Tulane University, 2013.

George H. Terriberly Prize for Classical Studies, Tulane University, 2013.

FELLOWSHIPS AND COMPETITIVE GRANTS

Weatherhead Center for International Affairs Postdoctoral Fellowship, Harvard University, 2024 (declined).

Robert J. Donia Graduate Student Fellowship, University of Michigan, 2023.

Weiser Center for Emerging Democracies Graduate Student Research Grant, University of Michigan, 2022.

Rackham Language Training Grant, University of Michigan, 2020.

Sociology Graduate Fellowship, University of Michigan, 2016-2021.

Stone Center and Tinker Foundation Summer Field Research Grant, Lima, Peru, 2014.

Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship (academic year award), Tulane University, 2013-2015.

PRESENTATIONS

Invited Talks

“The Long and Short of It: A Processual and Eventful Theory of Revolutionary Consolidation”

- Presented at the Wisconsin Historical Analysis Table of the Department of Sociology of the University of Wisconsin, Madison (virtual). 2025.
- Presented at the Revolutionary Governance and Contestation in Venezuela meeting at Tulane University. New Orleans, LA. 2025.

“Shaping Subjectivities and Articulating Solidarity in Revolutionary Cuba: The Special Case of Women.”

- Presented at the Department of Sociology of the University of Colorado, Boulder. Boulder, CO. 2023
- Presented at the Department of Sociology & Anthropology of the University of Richmond. Richmond, VA. 2023.

“Dealing with Dissent: The Rise and Fall of Hegemonic Rule in Post-1959 Cuba.” Presented at the University of Michigan Center for Emerging Democracies, Ann Arbor, MI. 2023.

“Ideology, Illustration, and Instruction: Constructing the ‘New Woman’ in Cuba.” Presented at the Sociology Department of Missouri State University (virtual). 2022.

Refereed Conference Papers

“On War Footing: Crisis Predictions and Gradated Events in the Bay of Pigs Episode.” Presented at Comparative-Historical Mini-Conference, Chicago, 2025.

“Protecting the Ideologically Vulnerable: Paternalist Policy and Discourse in Early Revolutionary-Era Cuba.” Presented at Social Science History Association Annual Meeting. Toronto, Canada, 2024.

“Political Elites and Socialism: The *Mujeres* Cuban Magazine as an Ideological Tool.” Presented at Latin American Studies Association Congress. Bogotá, Colombia, 2024.

“Ideology, Illustration, and Instruction: Constructing the ‘New Woman’ in Cuba, 1959 to 1969.” Presented at American Sociological Association 117th Annual Meeting. Los Angeles, CA, 2022.

“Articulating the *Pueblo Cubano*: Women’s Politicization and Productivity in Revolutionary Cuba, 1959-1969.” Presented at American Sociological Association 116th Annual Meeting. Virtual Event. 2021.

“Nested Articulation and Recalcitrant Identities: The Revolutionary Incorporation of Cuban Women, 1959-1969.” Presented at American Sociological Association 115th Annual Meeting. Virtual Event. 2020.

“Writing Nationalism, Rewriting History: La Condesa Merlin and Cuba’s Nationalist Literary Canon.” Presented at American Sociological Association 113th Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, PA, 2018.

“Evolution of Liberal Influences in Modernization Theory: ‘Four Liberal Presuppositions’ in Bryce, Rostow, and Huntington.” Presented at American Sociological Association 112th Annual Meeting. Montreal, Canada, 2017.

“Hegemony vs. Globalization: Protest and the Struggle for Power in Post-Chavez Venezuela.” Presented at Latin American Studies Association Congress. Lima, Peru, 2017.

“Old Manuela, New Manuela: A Longitudinal Examination of Adaptive Framing Techniques.” Presented at American Sociological Association 111th Annual Meeting. Seattle, WA, 2016.

“The Revolution Will Be Feminized: Discourse on Women’s Participation in Chávez’s Venezuela.” Presented at American Sociological Association 110th Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL, 2015.

“Fujimori, Feminists, Legitimacy, and Legislation: Reinforcing Interdependent Power Relationships via Legislation.” Presented at Southern Sociological Society 78th Annual Meeting. New Orleans, LA, 2015.

“Vieja Manuela, Nueva Manuela: Three Decades of Framing in the Movimiento Manuela Ramos.” Presented at Southeastern Council of Latin American Studies 61st Annual Conference. New Orleans, LA, 2014.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE AND CERTIFICATIONS

Assistant Professor, University of Colorado, Boulder, Fall 2024-present.

- SOCY 3001: Sociological Theory (undergraduate lecture)
- SOCY 3141: Social Movements and Sociology: Mobilization and Social Change (undergraduate lecture)
- SOCY 5202: Contemporary Theory (graduate seminar)
- SOCY 6041: Cultural Sociology (graduate seminar)

Graduate Student Instructor, University of Michigan, Fall 2017-Spring 2023. Courses taught include Introduction to Sociology: Urban Inequality (Winter 2018; Winter 2021); Social Inequality (Fall 2017); Politics, Power, and Sociology (Fall 2020); Health and Society (Winter 2018; Winter 2019); Introduction to Sociological Theory (Fall 2019; Winter 2022); Sociology of Social Movements (Winter 2023).

Teaching Assistant, Oxford College of Emory University, Spring 2020; Spring 2023. Course titled “Evolution of the Revolution, Cuba.”

Rackham Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Certificate, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, 2023.

Graduate Student Prelim Exam Mentor, University of Michigan, Spring 2020-Fall 2020. Area exam: Power, History, and Social Change.

Graduate Teacher Certificate, Center for Research on Learning and Teaching, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, 2020.

Teaching Assistant, Cuban and Caribbean Studies Institute of Tulane University, Summers 2014-2019. Course titled “Summer in Cuba: Language, Culture, and Society.”

Expanded Learning Teacher, Akili Academy of New Orleans, Fall 2015-Spring 2016. Areas of instruction included art, English as a Second Language, and creative writing.

MENTORING

Graduate

Dissertation Committee: Blade Wagner, Sophia Harris

Master’s Thesis Committee: Noor-Ul-Ain Toor (2025)

Publishable Paper Committee: Sophia Harris (2025)

Comprehensive Exam Committees: Minh Anh Ly (2025-secondary member), Musabber Ali Chisti (2025-secondary member)

Undergraduate

Honors Thesis Committee: Martin Anaya Anaya (2026-chair), Angel Panayiotou (2026-secondary member), Jordan Parks (2025-secondary member)

RESEARCH AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Co-Director, Tulane University Summer in Cuba, Summer 2025. Course titled “Cuba hoy: cine y sociedad.”

In-Country Program Assistant, Oxford College of Emory University, Spring 2020; Spring 2023. Course titled “Evolution of the Revolution, Cuba.”

In-Country Program Assistant, Cuban and Caribbean Studies Institute of Tulane University, Summers 2014-2019. Course titled “Summer in Cuba: Language, Culture, and Society.”

In-Country Program Assistant, Cuban and Caribbean Studies Institute of Tulane University, Summers 2015-2018. Course titled “Teaching Cuban Culture and Society: A Summer Educator Institute in Cuba.”

Cultural Exchange Pavilion Research Assistant, New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Festival, Spring 2015.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND MEMBERSHIPS

Service to the Profession

Editor, Theory Section Blog, Theory Section of the American Sociological Association, 2025-present.

Committee Member, Culture and Contemporary Life series, Cultural Sociology Section of the American Sociological Association, 2025-2026.

Committee Member, Program Committee, Comparative and Historical Sociology Section of the American Sociological Association, 2024-2025.

Student Representative on Council, Political Sociology Section of the American Sociological Association, 2022-2024.

Committee Member, Bendix Student Paper Award Committee, Comparative and Historical Sociology Section of the American Sociological Association, 2023.

Committee Member, Graduate Student Paper Award Committee, Political Sociology Section of the American Sociological Association, 2023.

Committee Member, Mentoring Event Planning, Political Sociology and Collective Behavior and Social Movements Sections of the American Sociological Association, 2023.

Student Representative on Council, Comparative and Historical Sociology Section of the American Sociological Association, 2018-2020.

Committee Member, Mentoring Event Planning, Comparative and Historical Sociology and Global and Transnational Sociology Sections of the American Sociological Association, 2017-2019.

Occasional reviewer, *American Journal of Sociology*; *American Sociological Review*.

Professional Memberships

American Sociological Association (sections: Comparative and Historical Sociology; Political Sociology; Sociology of Culture; Theory)

Latin American Studies Association (sections: Cuba, Venezuela)

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Coordinator, Cuban Diaspora Rackham Interdisciplinary Workshop, Fall 2020-Winter 2021.

Contract Committee Co-Chair, Graduate Employees' Organization (graduate student union), Spring 2020-Spring 2021.

Feminist Caucus Co-Chair, Graduate Employees' Organization (graduate student union), Spring 2020-Fall 2020.

Bargaining Committee Co-Chair, Graduate Employees' Organization (graduate student union), 2019-Spring 2020.

Tulane University, New Orleans, LA

Student Representative, School of Liberal Arts Graduate Studies Committee, Spring 2014-Spring 2015.

Student Representative, School of Liberal Arts Graduate Studies Honor Board, Spring 2014-Spring 2015.

DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

University of Colorado, Boulder

Faculty Coordinator, "Sociology Works in Progress" Workshop, 2025-present.

Committee Member, Speaker Series Committee, 2025-present.

Publishable Paper Review Committee, Spring 2025.

Faculty Coordinator, "Culture, Politics, and Inequality" Workshop, 2024-2025.

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Coordinator, “Social Movements and Political Sociology” Workshop, Winter 2021.

Founder and Coordinator, “Textual Analysis for Sociologists” Workshop, 2018- 2020.

Coordinator, “Culture, History, and Politics” Workshop, Fall 2018-Winter 2019.

Departmental Steward for the Sociology Department, Graduate Employees’ Organization
(graduate student union), Spring 2018-Spring 2019.

Tulane University, New Orleans, LA

Co-President, Latin American Graduate Organization (LAGO), Spring 2014-Spring 2015.

Departmental Representative, Graduate Studies Student Association, Fall 2013-Spring 2015.

LANGUAGES

English (native)

Spanish (proficient)

Haitian Creole (intermediate)