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Academic Position/Current Appointment

2009 - Present: Teaching/Research Assistant to Dr. Celestino Fernandez
2011: Teaching Assistant to Dr. Charles Ragin

Education/Professional Preparation

2011: M.A. Sociology. University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ
M.A. Thesis: "The Wild West of Charter Schools: School Performance in 13 Arizona Charter High School Sites" GPA: 4.0
M.A. Committee: Celestino Fernandez, Ph.D. (Chair); Ronald Breiger, Ph.D.; and Erin Leahey, Ph.D.
2007: B.A. Sociology and Music, Minor in Spanish. University of Tulsa, Tulsa, OK
Senior Thesis: "Discovering Discourses: Diversity Speech at 'Private Comprehensive University'" GPA: 3.8

Areas of Interest

Honors Pass in written Comprehensive Exam in Culture; Popular Culture; Media; Race/Ethnicity; Immigration; Education; Gender; Qualitative Methods

Accepted for Publication

Finch, Jessie K. "Spanish Language Media;" "Film and Television Representation;" and "Media Representation." Articles in: *Undocumented Immigrants in the United States Today: An Encyclopedia of Their Experiences*. Edited by Anna Ochoa-O'Leary. ABC-CLIO-Greenwood: Santa Barbara, CA.
Fernandez, Celestino and Jessie K. Finch. "Overview of Corridos;" "Narcocorridos;" and "Mariachi Music and Culture." Articles in: *Encyclopedia of Latino Culture: From Calaveras to Quinceañeras*. ABC-CLIO-Greenwood: Santa Barbara, CA.
Finch, Jessie K. and Celestino Fernández. "Vulnerable Immigrant "Subjects": Definitions, Disparate Power, Dilemmas, and Desired Benefits." Chapter in: *Border Research Ethics and Methodology*, University of Arizona Press.
Fernandez, Celestino and Jessie K. Finch. "Immigration: Historical Overview, Mexican Bashing Revisited and Necessary Reform," and "The Role and Meaning of Border Corridos: The Case of Narcocorridos." Chapters in: *Proceedings of the Forum on the Literary Cultures of the Southwest, Firenze-Tucson, 2000-2007*.

Under Review for Publication

Finch, Jessie K. "A Cultural Analysis of Romantic Love in Popular Films" Submitted to *Sociological Perspectives*.
Finch, Jessie K. "The Wild West of Charter Schools: School Performance in 13 Arizona Charter High School Sites" Submitted to *Sociology of Education*.

Working Papers

- Finch, Jessie K. "Racial and Ethnic Identity in the US Border Patrol." Working Paper for Doctoral Dissertation.
- Finch, Jessie K. "How does That Sound?: Exploring the Commensuration of Music." Working Paper.
- Finch, Jessie K. "Video Games as a case of Restricted and Elaborated Codes" Working Paper.
- West, A. Joseph, Jessie K. Finch, and Gary Adler. "The Preacher's Toolkit: Discursive Consciousness and Congregation-Based Political Mobilization Surrounding Gay Marriage." Working Paper.
- Zavisca, Jane and Jessie K. Finch "*My First Place: A Cultural Analysis of American Homeownership*" Working Paper.

Presentations

- 2012, Pacific Sociological Association Annual Meeting. San Diego, CA. West, A. Joseph, Jessie K. Finch, and Gary Adler. "The Preacher's Toolkit: Discursive Consciousness and Congregation-Based Political Mobilization Surrounding Gay Marriage."
- 2011, Binational Forum on Transborder Human Development in the Arizona-Sonora Region. Nogales, Sonora, Mexico. Finch, Jessie K. 2011. "Racial and Ethnic Identity in the US Border Patrol."
- 2011, Latino Graduate Student Association Interdisciplinary Graduate Research Symposium. Tucson, AZ. Finch, Jessie K. 2011. "The Wild West of Charter Schools: A Case Study of School Performance at PPEP-TEC High Schools"
- 2011, Pacific Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Seattle, WA. Finch, Jessie K. 2010. "A Cultural Analysis on Romantic Love in Popular Film."
- 2010, Between the Lines: Border Research Ethics Methods (BREM) Conference. Tucson, AZ. Finch, Jessie K. and Celestino Fernández. 2010. "Vulnerable Immigrant "Subjects": Definitions, Disparate Power, Dilemmas, and Desired Benefits."
- 2007, Tulsa Undergraduate Research Colloquium. Tulsa, OK. Finch, Jessie K. 2007. "Discovering Discourses: Diversity Speech at 'Private Comprehensive University'"
- 2006, American Sociological Association National Conference, Undergraduate Honors Program. Montreal, Quebec, Canada. Finch, Jessie K. 2007. "Discovering Discourses: Diversity Speech at 'Private Comprehensive University'"

Grants/Honors/Awards/Scholarships

- National Science Foundation's Graduate Research Fellowship (\$90,000), April 2011
- Graduate and Professional Student Council's Travel Grant (\$500), March 2011
- Pacific Sociological Association's Student Travel Award (\$125), March 2011
- Graduate Assistantship, University of Arizona, 2009-2010 AY; 2010-2011 AY
- "Outstanding Academic Achievement in Sociology," University of Tulsa, 2007
- University of Tulsa Honors Program, 2003-2007
- University of Tulsa President's Honor Roll, 2003-2007

Teaching Experience/Pedagogy

- Instructor of Record
 - Sociology of Popular Culture (SOC 317), Summer 2011
- Teaching Assistant
 - The Pursuit of Happiness (SOC 357), Spring 2012
 - Sociology of Popular Culture (SOC 317), Fall 2009, Fall 2010
 - Ethnic Relations in the United States (SOC 260), Fall 2009, Fall 2010
 - Social Statistics (SOC 570a), Spring 2011
- University of Arizona – Certificate in College Teaching Program
 - Candidate
- University of Arizona – Office of Instruction and Assessment
 - 2010 Teaching Academy
 - 2011 Teaching Academy

Departmental and Professional Service

- College of Social and Behavioral Science, *9/11: Before and After: Remembering the 10th Anniversary*, Graduate Assistant in charge of Coordination
- College of Social and Behavioral Science, *SBS Immigration Week: Exploring Causes, Expanding Solutions*, Graduate Assistant in charge of Coordination
- Sociology Graduate Student Association – Graduate Member at Large; Listserv Manager
 - Executive Committee - Elected Graduate Student Representative, 2011-Present
 - Undergraduate Studies Committee – Elected Graduate Student Representative, 2009-2010
 - Diversity Committee – Member at Large, 2009; Chair, 2010-Present
- Feminist Theory Group – Member, Co-Chair, 2010-Present
- Inequality Workshop – Member
- Social Organizations Seminars - Member
- Latino(a) Graduate Student Association – Member at Large, 2009-Present
- Graduate and Professional Student Council - Member at Large, 2009-Present

Professional Memberships/Professional Associations

- American Sociological Association, – Member at Large since 2006
- Sociologists for Women in Society, Tucson Chapter – Member at Large since 2009
- Pacific Sociological Association – Member at Large since 2011

Previous Work Experience

- Enumerator, United States Census Bureau, Tucson AZ, April 2010 - August 2010
- School-Based Bilingual Match Support Specialist, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Oklahoma, Kendall Whittier Elementary, Tulsa, OK, February 2008 - July 2009
- Head Start Bilingual Family Support Specialist, Family & Children Services of Tulsa, Early childhood Education Program, Reed Head Start and Family Center, Tulsa, OK, August 2007 - February 2008