

# MELINA JUÁREZ PÉREZ, PhD

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#### **EDUCATION**

2013- 2018 UNIVERSITY OF NEW MEXICO, ALBUQUERQUE

Ph.D. Political Science

Subfields: American Politics, Public Policy

Dissertation: "Queering Latinidad: Latinx Politics Beyond Nativity"

Committee: Gabriel R. Sanchez (Chair), Kathy L. Powers, Timothy Krebs,

Kendra Koivu, Edward D. Vargas, Melissa Michelson

2017 APSA Kenneth Sherrill Best Dissertation Topic in LGBTQ+ Politics

2011-2013 UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, CHAPEL HILL

MA Transatlantic Politics

Thesis: "Immigrant or Economic Refugee?"

Committee: Anna Brigevich (Chair), John Stephens, Gary Marks

Received Mark of Clear Excellence

2005-2011 CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, STANISLAUS

B.A. Political Science, Minor in Anthropology

Ronald E. McNair Scholar

#### ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

2019- Present	<b>Assistant Professor</b> , Department of Political Science and Women, Gender, & Sexuality Studies Program, <i>Western Washington University</i>
2019	<b>Instructor</b> , Department of Political Science and Women, Gender, & Sexuality Studies Program, <i>Western Washington University</i>
2018-2019	Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville
2016-2018	<b>Instructor</b> , Department of Political Science, <i>University of New Mexico</i> , <i>Albuquerque</i>
2017 Spring	<b>Instructor</b> , Community Based Participatory Research Institute, <i>University of New Mexico</i>

### PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

2022 Jackson, Jenn M., and Melina Juárez Pérez. "Reclaiming Our Time and Labor: Contesting and Reframing Productivity Narratives in Political Science," PS: Political Science & Politics, 55(2): 380-384. 2021 López, Nancy, Vargas, Edward, Juárez, Melina, and Lisa Cacari-Stone. "Critical 'Street Race' Praxis: Advancing the Measurement of Racial Discrimination Among Diverse Latinx Communities in the U.S," Critical Public Health, DOI: 10.1080/09581596.2019.1695040 (published online 2019) 2018 Ybarra, Vickie, Juárez, Melina and Gabriel R. Sanchez, "Do Perceptions Match Reality? Analysis of Latinos' Perceived Views of State Immigrant Policy Compared to Enacted Legislation," Policy Studies Journal, 42 (3): 459-483. \*Reprinted for PSJ Virtual Special Issue on Racial Justice, July 30 2020. 2018 Vargas, Edward, Juárez, Melina, and Gabriel R. Sanchez. "Latino's Connections to Immigrants: How Knowing a Deportee Impacts Latino Health," Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies, 43(12): 2037-2054. 2018 Juárez, Melina, Gomez-Aguiñaga, Bárbara, and Sonia Bettez, "20 Years After IIRIRA: The Effects of Immigrant Detention on Latinx Communities Across the Nation," *Journal on Migration and Human Security*, 6(1): 74-96. 2017 López, Nancy, Vargas, Edward D., Juárez, Melina, Cacari-Stone, Lisa, and Sonia Bettez. "What's Your Street Race? Contextualizing Racialization for Measuring Health Inequities Among Latinas and Latinos in the U.S." *Sociology of Race and Ethnicity*, 4(1): 49-66. Sanchez, Gabriel R., Pedraza, Francisco I., Vargas, Edward D., Juárez, 2017 Melina, and Bárbara Gomez-Aguiñaga. "How Nativity and Citizenship Status Shape Latinos' Health Coverage Under the ACA." Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies, 43(12): 2037-2054. Vargas, Edward, Sanchez, Gabriel R., and Melina Juárez. "Fear by 2017 Association: Perceptions of Anti-Immigrant Policy and Health Outcomes." *Journal of Health Politics. Policy, and Law*, 42(3). 2017 Vargas, Edward, Sanchez, Gabriel R., and Melina Juárez. "The Impact of Punitive Immigrant Laws on the Health of Latina/o Populations." *Politics* and Policy, 45:3.

#### OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Forthcoming **Juárez Pérez, Melina.** "Homenaje/Homage," *New Mexico Poetry Anthology*, Levi Romero and Michelle Otero, eds. Museum of New Mexico Press.

Jackson, Jenn M., **Juárez Pérez, Melina**, Scott, Jamil, and Diane Wong. "Introduction to A Dialogue on the Status of Junior Women of Color in the Discipline," *PS: Political Science & Politics*, 55(2): 361-363.



2016	Sanchez, Gabriel R., Cacari-Stone, Lisa, Chavez, Mario, Abrams, Brooke, and <b>Melina Juárez</b> . "Inventory of Health Care Costs: Evidence for Decision Making in Colorado," report for the Colorado Health Foundation.
2015	Juárez, Melina. " <u>Under Siege: Mexican Immigrant Women in the United States</u> ," in Gerard Gomez and Donna Kesselman (eds.), <i>Dossier: Femmes au travail dans les Amériques</i> , Marseille, France: University of Provence Press.
2015	<b>Juárez, Melina</b> . "Transgender Rights and Communities of Color," in Politics of Color blog, <i>Journal of Race, Ethnicity, and Politics</i> .
2014	<b>Juárez, Melina</b> . "Immigrant Women's Health in the United States," VOFAIR Blog.

### **COURSES TAUGHT**

Undergraduate American National Government, Introduction to Public Policy, Introduction

to State and Local Government, Minority Politics, Women and Politics, LGBTQ+ Politics, Criminalization of Immigrants, Immigration Politics (Senior Seminar and 300-level), Politics of Inequality, Queer Migrations, Feminist & Queer Research Methods, Spiritual Politics, Decolonizing Political Scientists, Education for Social Justice, Race Politics & Policy,

**Immigrant Health** 

Graduate Community-Based Participatory Research

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2019	"Centering the Margins: The Utility of LatinX for Social Science Research," American Political Science Association annual meeting, Washington D.C.
2019	"Who is Afro-Latinx?: The Intersectional Positionalities of Race, Place, Ethnicity, Gender, & Sexuality," 50th Annual Meeting of the National Conference of Black Political Scientists, Baton Rouge
2018	"The Case for Latinx: Differences in Political Behavior Among Latinxs in the US," 6th Annual LGBTQ Research Symposium, University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana (Best Student Paper Award recipient)
2018	"The Case for Latinx: Differences in Political Behavior Among Latinxs in the US," Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco
2018	"Black Lives Matter Beyond Police Brutality: How Knowing and Supporting BLM Increases Support for Other Black Marginalized Groups," with Brooke Abrams, Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans
2017	"Legacies of Subversion: Chicanx and Queer Identities within Latinidad," 7 <sup>th</sup> Blair Legacy Series Symposium: "Legacies of the Chicano Movement," University of Arkansas

2017	"Linked Fate, Latinidad, and Sexuality: Testing Intragroup Connectedness Beyond Race," Politics of Race, Immigration, & Ethnicity Consortium (PRIEC), University of California Riverside
2017	"Black Lives Matter Beyond Police Brutality: How Knowing and Supporting BLM Increases Support for Other Black Marginalized Groups," with Brooke Abrams, Politics of Race, Immigration, & Ethnicity Consortium (PRIEC), University of New Mexico
2017	"Immigrant Detention and Deportation: A threat to democracy?" with Bárbara Gomez-Aguiñaga, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago
2016	"The Demand for Health Insurance and Medical Care: Evidence from the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals," with Joaquin Rubalcaba, Association for Public Policy and Management Fall Research Conference, Washington DC
2016	"Measuring Racialization Among Latinas and Latinos in the U.S. for Advancing Health Justice," with Nancy Lopez, Edward Vargas, Lisa Cacari Stone, and Sonia Bettez, American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, Denver
2016	"Social Determinants of Migrant Farmworker Health: Evidence for Policy Action," with Dr. Lisa Cacari-Stone, National Advisory Council on Migrant Health Bi-Annual Meeting, Las Cruces
2016	"New Landscape of a Majority-Minority State: Politics, Economy, Health and Well-Being of LGBTQI New Mexicans," with C. Estela Vasquez and Brooke Abrams, 3rd Annual Sexual and Gender Diversity Health Summit, University of New Mexico
2016	"Escaping 'Hispanophobia': Can Circular Migration Improve Latinx Health?" American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia
2016	"Escaping 'Hispanophobia': Can Circular Migration Improve Latinx Health?" Association for Public Policy and Management, London School of Economics, London, UK
2016	"Street Race & Street Race-Gender Matters for Latinas & Latinos in the U.S.: Mapping and Interrupting Inequality in Health and Beyond" with Dr. Nancy Lopez, Dr. Edward Vargas, Dr. Lisa Cacari Stone, and Dr. Sonia Bettez, Population Association of America Annual Meet ing, Washington D.C
2016	"Do Perceptions Match Reality? Analysis of Latinos' Perceived Views of State Immigrant Policy Compared to Enacted Legislation," with Dr. Vickie Ybarra and Dr. Gabriel R. Sanchez, Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Diego
2015	"Closing the Gap: DACA's Effects on Latina's Wages," with Joaquin Rubalcaba, Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Fall Research Conference, Miami

2015	"Latino's Connections to Immigrants: How Knowing a Deportee Impacts Latino Health" with Dr. Edward Vargas, Dr. Gabriel Sanchez, and Maria Livaudais, Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Fall Research Conference, Miami
2015	"A Holistic Approach to Immigrant Health: Analyzing Health Policy Regimes in Central American Sending Countries, 18th International Conference "New Political Science," University of Havana, Cuba
2015	"From the Shadows and Into the Grey: DACAmented Youth in the United States," ZOGRIS Project Frejús Seminary, Frejús, France
2015	"Localities and the Immigrant Detention Complex: Profits Over Communities?" with Sonia Bettez, Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Las Vegas
2015	"Investigation on Latinos' Perceptions of Immigrant Policy and Health Outcomes," with Edward Vargas and Gabriel Sanchez, Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Las Vegas
2014	"The Impact of Sociopolitical Environment on the Health of Latino Immigrants," with Gabriel Sanchez and Edward Vargas, Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Fall Research Conference, Albuquerque,
2014	"The Impact of Punitive Immigration Laws on the Health of Latinos," with Gabriel Sanchez and Edward Vargas, Women's Health and Health Equity Symposium, Madison
2014	"Health, Immigration, & Labor: Women Workers in the Borderlands," Normes d'emploi et situations de travail face aux régulations marchandes et politiques: la globalization vue du Nord et vue du Sud, Universite Paris Est Creteil, Paris, France
2013	"Reproductive Health and Family Planning Services in New Mexico: Increasing Access & Equality Among Low SES Women," with Ellie McDonald, New Mexico Public Health Association, Annual Health Policy Legislative Forum, Albuquerque
2011	"Guest Worker Policy Impact on Immigrant Integration in the United States and Germany," Transatlantic Perspectives on the European Union Research Symposium, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill

## AWARDS, GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS

2020 "LatinX Survey" WWU Small Grants competition (\$5,000)

APSA Special Projects Fund "Building an Academic Pipeline: Safe Spaces for the Development of Junior Women of Color in Political Science" with Diane Wong (New York University), Jenn Jackson (Syracuse University) (\$25,000)

2019	APSA Fund for Latino Scholarship, American Political Science Association (\$500)
2018	Outstanding Student Paper Award, "The Case for Latinx: Differences in Political Behavior Among Latinxs in the US," 6th Annual LGBTQ Research Symposium, University of Illinois, Champaign-Urbana (\$500)
2018	¡Si Se Puede! Award, Recuerda César Chávez Committee, Albuquerque, New Mexico (\$250)
2018	Raza Excellence Outstanding Student Award, El Centro de la Raza, University of New Mexico
2018	"Chicanx Youth Institute: Community School Para la Salud," TREE Center for Advancing Behavioral Health Pilot Research Projects in Health Disparities, Co-PI Kate Cartwright, Irene Vasquez, Raza Graduate Student Association, University of New Mexico, and International District Healthy Communities Coalition (\$50,000 not funded)
2017-2018	Student Success Scholarship, LGBTQ Resource Center, University of New Mexico (\$6,000)
2017	APSA Kenneth Sherrill Prize for best dissertation proposal in LGBTQ politics in political science (\$200)
2017	Graduate Research Supplement, Office of Graduate Studies, University of New Mexico (\$1,000)
2017	New Scholars Research Grant, Labor Research Action Network (\$1,600)
2017	Dylan Balch-Lindsay Graduate Memorial Fellowship, University of New Mexico (\$943.09)
2017	Dorothy Cline Graduate Fellowship, University of New Mexico (\$300)
2017	Fellow of the Year, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Center for Health Policy, University of New Mexico
2013-2018	Doctoral Fellow, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Center for Health Policy, University of New Mexico (\$250,000 over 5 years)
2017	Student Pilot Research Grant, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Center for Health Policy, University of New Mexico (\$2,500)
2016-2017	Fellow, <i>Transformar</i> Fellowship, El Centro de la Raza, University of New Mexico (\$500 + 2-week paid leadership institute in Mexico City)
2016-2017	Pre-Doctoral Fellowship, Ford Foundation (not funded, honorable mention)
2016	Research Grant, Latino Center for Leadership Development (not funded)
2016	New Scholars Research Grant, Labor Action Research Network (not funded)
2015	Visiting Graduate Fellow, Center for Poverty Research, University of California, Davis (\$8,000)
2015	Professional Development Grant, El Centro de la Raza, University of New Mexico (\$300)

2015-2016	Pre-Doctoral Fellowship, Ford Foundation (not funded, honorable mention)
2015	Travel Grant, Western Social Science Association, Annual Meeting, Portland, Oregon (\$250)
2015	Travel Grant, ZOGRIS Project, Frejús Seminary, Frejús (\$3,000)
2015	APSA Travel Grant, Fund for Latino Scholarship (\$375)
2009-2011	Scholar, Ronald E. McNair Postbaccalaureate Achievement Program, California State University, Stanislaus (\$2,000)
2010-2011	Honors Scholarship, California State University, Stanislaus (\$1,000)
2009	Travel Scholarship, Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship, University of the Basque Country/EHU, Leoia, Spain (\$4,000)

# PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

2021-Present	<b>Co-Facilitator</b> , Decolonizing Political Science Network (co-facilitator with Diane Wong, Jenn Jackson, and Rachel Torres)
2020-2021	<b>Co-Facilitator</b> , WPSA Decolonizing Political Science Virtual Community (co-facilitator with Danielle Lemi, Diane Wong, Jenn Jackson, and Rachel Torres, Maricruz Osorio)
2020	<b>Co-Lead</b> , Decolonial Politics Study Group (co-lead Rachel Torres, graduate student, University of Iowa)
2020	<b>Discussant</b> , "Toward a More Perfect Democracy," League of Women Voters Bellingham/Whatcom County, Bellingham (cancelled due to COVID-19 pandemic)
2020	Roundtable Discussant, "Transforming Prejudice: Identity, Fear, and Transgender Rights," "Reading is Fundamental: Teaching LGBTQ Politics; "Humanist Approaches to Political Science: Challenges and Responsibilities of Conducting Research in Vulnerable Communities," Western Political Science Association annual meeting, Los Angeles (cancelled due to COVID-19 pandemic)
2020	<b>Reviewer,</b> Taylor & Francis, Cultural Diversity & Ethnic Minority Psychology
2019	Reviewer, W.W. Norton & Company, Ethnic and Racial Studies
2018	Reviewer, International Migration Review, Political Research Quarterly
2018	<b>Lead Organizer</b> , "Legacies of the Chicanx Movement: Past, Present, & Future," Albuquerque Peace & Justice Center
2016- 2018	Undergraduate Mentor, University of New Mexico
2017-2018	<b>Co-Chair for Community Outreach</b> , Raza Graduate Student Association (RGSA), University of New Mexico
2016-2018	<b>Committee Member</b> , Committee on the Status of Graduate Students in the Profession, American Political Science Association

2017	Panel Chair, "Language, Culture, and Work in the Era of NAFTA" Conference, California State University, Dominguez Hills
2017	<b>Lead Organizer</b> , Dia de los Muertos Oaxaca & Puerto Rico Fundraiser, RGSA, Albuquerque, New Mexico
2017	Organizing Committee Member, Farmworker Awareness Week (FAW), University of New Mexico
2016-2017	<b>Graduate Mentor</b> , Political Science Graduate Student Association, University of New Mexico
2016-2017	<b>Student Representative</b> , Robert Wood Johnson Center for Health Policy, University of New Mexico
2016	<b>Organizer &amp; Facilitator</b> , Self-Identified Women of Color Writing Group, University of New Mexico
2016	<b>Selection Committee</b> , Faculty of Color Awards, Program for New Mexico Graduates of Color (PNMGC), University of New Mexico
2015	Panel Chair, "Labor and Use of Health Care: Effects of Federal Mental Health Parity," Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM) Fall Research Conference, Miami, Florida
2014-2016	<b>Organizing Committee Member</b> , Annual Raza Graduate Student Research Conference, University of New Mexico
2014	<b>Roundtable Facilitator</b> , New Mexico Public Health Association (NMPHA) Health Policy Legislative Forum Albuquerque, New Mexico
2014	<b>Graduate Representative</b> , Political Science Graduate Student Association, University of New Mexico
2014	<b>Secretary</b> , Political Science Graduate Student Association, University of New Mexico
2013-2014	<b>Director of Research</b> , Raza Graduate Student Association (RGSA), University of New Mexico
2011	<b>Organizing Committee and Facilitator</b> , Transatlantic Perspectives on the European Union Research Symposium, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

2020	Pedagogy Training, Xican@ Institute for Teaching and Organizing (XITO)
2020	Pre-SPSA Women of Color Writing Retreat, San Juan, Puerto Rico
2018	The Monkey Cage Pre-APSA Workshop, Boston, MA
2017	Women of Color in Political Science Mini-Conference, San Francisco, California
2016	Student PI, "The New Landscape of a Majority-Minority State: Politics, Economy, Health, and Well-Being in New Mexico" (N=1505), Robert Wood Johnson Center for Health Policy, University of New Mexico

Methods Training, Community Based Participatory Research Institute, University of New Mexico
Qualitative Methods Training, Dr. Lisa Sun-Hee Park, University of California, Santa Barbara
Social Network Analysis Training: "Social Networks and Health," Dr. James Moody, Duke University
Pedagogy Training, Xican@ Institute for Teaching and Organizing (XITO), Napa, California
Race & Anti-Racism Training, Racial Justice Leadership Institute, Race Forward, Washington D.C.
Student PI, "Latino National Health and Immigration Survey" (N=1495), Robert Wood Johnson Center for Health Policy, University of New Mexico
Health Impact Assessment Training, University of Virginia School of Architecture's Center for Design and Health and the School of Medicine and the Office of the Santo Doming Housing Authority, Santo Domingo Pueblo, New Mexico
Quantitative Methods Training, Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
Grant Development Certification, University of New Mexico
Ethical Research Training, University of New Mexico
Graduate Module: Sociology and European Politics, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, Getafe, Spain
Graduate Module: European Politics, Char les University, Prague, Czech Republic
Intercultural Communication Training, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

# INVITED TALKS

2022	Guest Speaker, Human Sexuality Department "Dissertation Panel," California Institute for Integral Studies (zoom) (cancelled due to illness)
2022	Guest Speaker, University of California-Irvine Political Science Womxn Caucus (zoom)
2021	"Radical Self-Love as Decolonial Praxis," FoodCorps, Albuquerque, New Mexico (zoom) (two sessions)
2021	"Radical Self-Love as Decolonial Praxis," Department of International Affairs at the University of Georgia, University of Georgia (zoom)
2020	Interview on Latinx Politics with Elizabeth Prosser for final project in Political Science 351 Latinx Politics, Dr. Melissa Michelson, Menlo College
2020	"Immigration Policy and the 2020 Election," Newest Americans Election Talks Series

2020	"100th anniversary of the 19th Amendment," LAW Advocates, Bellingham (cancelled due to COVID-19 pandemic)
2019	"The Supreme Court DACA Hearing," LGBTQ+ Western, Western Washington University
2019	"Criminalization of Immigration and Its Impact on Latinx Communities," Social Justice in the Central Valley Conference Keynote Series, California State University, Stanislaus
2019	"American Hegemony & the Externalization of Immigration Controls," Transatlantic Master's Program Fall Speaker Series, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
2019	Political Science 351 Latinx Politics, Dr. Melissa Michelson, Menlo College (via Skype)
2019	Sociology 354 Introduction to Qualitative Methods, Dr. Claudia López, CSU Long Beach (via Skype)
2018	Raza Graduation Keynote Speaker, University of New Mexico
2018	Rainbow Graduation Keynote Speaker, University of New Mexico
2017	"The Boycott Driscoll's Campaign," Farmworkers Awareness Week, University of New Mexico, Albuquerque
2016	"Research 101: Build Your Own Study," Partnership for Community Action, Albuquerque, New Mexico
2015	"Dia de la Mujer Campesina," Farmworker Awareness Week, University of New Mexico
2014	"U.S. and Latin America: Immigration and Health," Maracaibo, Venezuela
2014	May 1st Worker's Day March & Rally, Albuquerque, New Mexico
2013	"Obama's Immigration Reform Proposal: More of the Same?" University of California-Berkeley
2012	"S.B. 1070, Deferred Action, and Immigration in the U.S. Today," Mexicali, Baja California, Mexico
2012	"The State of Public Education in the United States," Craiova, Romania
2011	"Immigrants and the Labor Movement," South Carolina AFL-CIO State Convention, Georgetown, South Carolina
2011	"Immigrant Youth and the Fight for Public Education and Ethnic Studies," Richmond Heights Community Center & University of Missouri, Kansas City, Missouri
2010	"The Immigration Crisis in the United States Today" Open World Conference Against War and Exploitation, Algiers, Algeria

# OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE

Community Needs Assessment Coordinator, Santa Clara Pueblo Head Start, Santa Clara Pueblo, New Mexico
Program Evaluator for Kellogg Foundation Grants, American Friends Service Committee (AFSC), Albuquerque, New Mexico
Research Assistant, Dr. Gabriel Sanchez, University of New Mexico
Research Assistant, Dr. Kathy Powers, University of New Mexico
Research Assistant, "Leveraging Public Health Institutions to Promote Health and Racial Equity in New Mexico," Dr. Shannon Sanchez-Youngman, University of New Mexico
Graduate Assistant, Dr. Cassy Dorff, University of New Mexico
Research Assistant, Dr. Lisa Cacari-Stone, University of New Mexico
Teaching Assistant, Introduction to American Politics, Dr. Gabriel Sanchez, University of New Mexico
Research Assistant, Dr. Mala Htun, University of New Mexico
Researcher, Grey Zone Project (ZOGRIS) PI Dr. Donna Kesselman Université Par is-Est Créteil, Créteil, France
Farmworker, Hughson, California