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Education

Ph.D. Columbia University
Religion, graduation 2026

M.A. San Francisco State University
Ethnic Studies, 2016

B.A. California State University, Stanislaus
Philosophy, 2010

Awards and Honors

2019-2025 Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Dean's Fellow
2019 Provost's Diversity Fellow \$8000
2013-14 Sally Casanova Pre-Doctoral Fellow \$3500
2010 Student of the Year Award, Philosophy Department Faculty, CSU Stanislaus
2010 Magna Cum Laude, CSU Stanislaus

Research and Teaching Interests

Native American Church, settler colonialism, queer studies, gender, border studies, oral history.

Professional Positions

2016-2019 Lecturer, Race and Resistance Studies & Latino/a Studies
College of Ethnic Studies, San Francisco State University

- *Gender, Sexuality, and Latino/a Communities (WGS/ LTNS 505)*
- *Gender Seminar in Latino/a Studies (LTNS 410)*
- *Race, Activism, and Climate Justice (RRS 276)*
- *Critical Thinking and the Ethnic Studies Experience (RRS/ ETHS 110)*

Keynote Presentations

May 2019 "Bicoastal Roots and Responsibility," University Honors Program
Graduation, California State University, Stanislaus

Research Experience and Publications

- 2014-2016 "Pochos/as Push Back: Multiracial Latinos/as, White Passing, and the Politics of Belonging." M.A. Thesis, College of Ethnic Studies, San Francisco State University. Advisors: Tomás Almaguer and Amy Sueyoshi.
- 2014 "Reconfiguring Black Masculinity: Black Trans Men and the Brown Boi Project" *San Francisco State University Graduate Student Journal*.

Works in Progress

- 2018-2019 Renteria, E. N. (2019). Spiritual orphans on the Red Road: Gender, dissent, and tradition in the Native American Church. In Saldivar-Hull, et al (Eds.), *El Mundo Zurdo 7: Selected Works from the Society for the Study of Gloria Anzaldúa*. Forthcoming.
- 2018-2019 Renteria, E. N. (2019). Rooted pedagogies for an ungrounded world: Teaching environmental justice on occupied territory. In Abdulhadi (Ed.), *Teaching Palestine: Pedagogical Praxis and the Indivisibility of Justice*. Forthcoming.

Conference Proceedings and Presentations

- November 2019** "A Permit to Pray: Eagle Feathers Making and Unmaking Kin" *American Academy of Religions Annual Conference*. San Diego, California
- June 2018** "Rooting Pedagogy: Reflections from Palestine to Cuba" *Caribbean Studies Association Conference*. Havana, Cuba
- May 2018** "Spiritual Orphans on the Red Road: Gender, Dissent, and Tradition in the Native American Church" *Society for the Study of Gloria Anzaldúa*. Trinity University, Texas
- March 2018** "Rooted Pedagogies for an Ungrounded World: Teaching Environmental Justice on Occupied Territory" *Teaching Palestine: Pedagogical Praxis and the Indivisibility of Justice*. Birzeit and An-Najah Universities, Ramallah and Nablus, Palestine
- February 2017** "Injections Can't Cure Witchcraft: *Susto*, the Soul Wound, and Continuing Encounters with Conquest" *National Association of Ethnic Studies*. San Francisco, California
- November 2015** "Middle of the Margins: White passing, Ethnic Options, and the Multiracial Experience" *Social Justice in the Central Valley*, CSU Stanislaus.

- November 2014** *"No Soy de Aqui Ni Soy de Allá: Resistance, Belonging, and Affect in Ethnic Communities"* (With Wei Ming Dariotis)
Critical Mixed Race Studies Association (panel accepted). DePaul University.
- April 2014** *"The Soul Wound, Intergenerational Trauma and Decolonial Healing"*
Decolonizing Empires: U.S. and Global Third World Dialogue. UC Berkeley.
- May 2013** *"Chavela Vargas, Ranchera, and the Subversion of Gender Norms in Borderlands Mexican Music"*
Graduate Colloquium in American Indian Studies. San Francisco, California
- April 2010** *"Harm Reduction, Hepatitis C, and Syringe Exchange Programs: Conflicts, Options, and Context in the Central Valley"*
Honors Capstone Thesis Presentation. CSU Stanislaus.

Contributions to Community and Campus

- April 2018** 1492 to 1948: Palestine, Indigeneity, and Justice, Moderator
- Panel discussion and combined classroom including local poets and activists discussing land, occupation, and Indigenous resistance.
- January 2017-2019** American Indian Cultural Center, Board Secretary
- A San Francisco non-profit that provides gathering, exhibition, and performance space for the American Indian community and youth.
- February 2017** Know Your Rights Fair, Lead Organizer, Stage Manager
- A day-long event for students of SFSU. Community organizations conduct legal workshops and offer self-defense trainings to undocumented, LGBTQ, and/or Arab or Muslim students and allies.
- September 2017** Supervisor, student presentation
- *"The Indigenous Fight to Preserve Filipino Land and Culture"* at Southern CA Conference for Undergraduate Research, Cal Poly Pomona
- June 2015-2017** Girl Army Self-Defense Collective, Instructor
- Sliding scale self-defense, jujutsu, and de-escalation trainings for women and transgender people and community organizations in the Bay Area.
- Spring 2014** College of Ethnic Studies Graduate Student Journal, Co-chair
- Reviewed, edited, and formatted submissions for self-published journal.
- January 2014** Valley Improvement Projects, Lead Facilitator
- Report from studying at the Zapatista Little School in Oventic, Chiapas.
- July 2012** Harm Reduction & Mental Health: Fundamentals of Complex Clients
- Trauma-informed methods for providing harm reduction services.
- April 2012** Social Determinants of Health Equity
- Explores theories about health outcomes in communities of color; highlights barriers to accessing care for direct service providers.

Other Work Experience

- 2011-2012** California State Certified HIV Counselor and Volunteer Manager
HIV Education & Prevention Project of Alameda County, March 2011 – Sept.2012
- Provide bilingual HIV testing and counseling, street outreach, syringe exchange, Casa Segura drop-in center, supervise volunteer program, collaborate with sister agencies, and facilitate process groups and.
- Spring 2011** Bilingual Instructor, Oakland Unified School District, Oakland, CA
- Conduct bilingual classes for grades K-12.

Leadership and Professional Development

Professional Team Dancer, Academy of Hawaiian Arts (2003-201)
Chicano/a Institute for Teaching and Organizing (June 2017)
Finalist, San Francisco Carnaval, Grupo Tania Santiago (May 2016)
La Pocha Nostra Performance Workshop with Guillermo Gomez-Peña (2015)
California State Certified HIV Tester and Counselor (January 2012)
Certified in CPR and First Aid

Languages

Spanish – Working proficiency
Brazilian Portuguese – Elementary proficiency
Hawaiian/ *ʻōlelo Hawaiʻi* – Elementary proficiency

Professional Affiliations

American Academy of Religion
National Association of Ethnic Studies
Society for the Study of Gloria Anzaldúa
Caribbean Studies Association
Critical Mixed Race Studies Association