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Education

2021-Present: Ph. D, Political Science, and International Relations. Fields: American Politics and Methods & Research Tools. University of Southern California (USC), Los Angeles. Dissertation: “*Latinx vote or Latinx votes? Nuances of Latinidad in Presidential Vote Choice*”.

2023–Present: Graduate Certificate in Visual Studies University of Southern California (USC), Los Angeles.

2021-2024: Master’s degree, Political Science and International Relations University of Southern California Concentrations: American Politics and Methods & Research Tools. Thesis: “*Fear, Resignation and Faith: Mexican Undocumentalities in Dallas-Fort Worth*”.

2018-2020: Master’s degree, Cultural Studies, El Colegio de la Frontera Norte (COLEF), Tijuana. Concentration: Identities, Borders, Immigration. Thesis: “*Beyond the Wall: The Rhetoric of the Republican Party of San Diego County during Donald. J. Trump’s Presidency*” (Special Distinction for Outstanding Thesis).

2017-2018: Specialization, Mexico-United States Border Studies, El Colegio de la Frontera Norte (COLEF), Tijuana.

2012-2017: Bachelor’s degree, International Relations (Honors) Universidad Iberoamericana (IBERO), Mexico City. Concentration: Culture. Thesis: “*The limits of Soft Power: A Critical Look*”.

Peer Reviewed Publications

Múzquiz, J.E., & Alcocer, J. (2025). *Legislator responsiveness to racialized constituencies in Mexico*. Journal of Experimental Political Science, 1–13. <https://doi.org/10.1017/XPS.2025.10008>

Múzquiz, J. E., & Junn, J. (2025). *Latinx for Trump: disaggregating support among voters in 2020*. Politics, Groups, and Identities. 1–22. <https://doi.org/10.1080/21565503.2025.2580934>

Under Review

Muzquiz, J.E. *Affective undocumentality among Mexican Immigrants in Dallas-Fort Worth*. Under review at the Journal of Race, Ethnicity, and Politics.

Coauthor – *Ameliorating the fear: Sanctuary cities, fear of deportation, and comfort giving out personal information* with Gabriel Martinez and Professor Loren Collingwood. Invited to revise and resubmit at the Urban Affairs Review.

Other Research Publications

Suro, R., & Múzquiz, J. E. (2025). *Latino Voters Survey: The 2024 Election*. University of Southern California Annenberg School for Communication and Journalism.

Múzquiz, J. E. (2025). *Voces indocumentadas: El bienestar entre los migrantes mexicanos indocumentados en Estados Unidos* (Policy Brief No. 2). El Colegio de la Frontera Norte & CONAHCYT.

Múzquiz Loya, J. E. (2025). Review of *Making the Latino South: A History of Racial Formation*, by Cecilia Márquez. *Aztlán: A Journal of Chicano Studies*, 50(1), 245–249.

Múzquiz, J. E. (2025). Review of *Chino: Anti-Chinese Racism in Mexico, 1880–1940*, by Jason Oliver Chang (2017). *Not Even Past*. <https://notevenpast.org/review-of-chino-anti-chinese-racism-in-mexico-1880-1940-by-jason-oliver-chang-2017/>

Research Experience

2018-2023: Researcher – COLEF-CONAHCYT Research Project “*Sanctuary Cities as Emerging Borders*” Directed by Dr. Benjamin Patrick Bruce & Dr. Yetzi Rosales.

2019: Lead Writer – “*Guide for the Promotion of Higher Education for Refugees in Mexico*” by Dialogo Intercultural Mexicano and The Canada Fund for Local Initiatives.

2017: Collaborator – “*Violence and Terror: Findings con Clandestine Graves in Mexico*” by Universidad Iberoamericana and the Mexican Commission for Defense and Promotion of Human Rights.

Teaching Experience

2024: Teaching Assistant for Applied Politics (POSC-323) by Professor Robert Shrum at the University of Southern California.

2024: Guest Lecturer for Race and Ethnic Politics (POIR-618) by Professor Christian Dyogi Philips at the University of Southern California.

2024: Teaching Assistant for Applied Politics (POSC-248) by Professor Steven Swerdlow at the University of Southern California.

2023: Teaching Assistant for Law, Politics & Public Policy (POSC-130) by Professor Jeb Barnes at the University of Southern California.

2017-2018: Academic Coordinator for the Integral Course for Spanish Learning and Academic Regularization (CIAERA) at The Habesha Project.

2016: Teaching Assistant for the Introduction to International Relations Course by Professor Erick Fernández at Universidad Iberoamericana, CDMX.

Academic Presentations

2025: “*Five Critiques of Social Identity Theory*” at the American Politics Workshop at the University of Southern California.

2025: “*Putting the Mex in Mexicali: Immigration, Mexicanization and Monuments in the Mexican Borderlands*” at the Latin American Studies Association Conference in San Francisco, California.

2025: “*Mexicanas: The Divergent Trajectories of Mexican American Women Voters in recent Presidential Elections*” at the Western Political Science Association Conference in Seattle, Washington.

2025: “*Fear, Resignation and Faith: Mexican Undocumentalities in Dallas Fort-Worth*” at the Sanctuary Symposium at San Diego State University.

2025: “*Mexicanas: The Divergent Trajectories of Mexican American Women Voters in recent Presidential Elections*” at the Southern Political Science Association Conference in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

2024: “*The Mexicanization of Tijuana: Nationalism and Monuments at the Mexico-U.S. Border*” at the Latin American Studies Association Conference in Bogotá, Colombia.

2024: “*Fear, Resignation and Faith: Mexican Undocumentalities in Dallas Fort-Worth*” at the Western Political Science Association Conference in Vancouver, Canada.

2024: “*Latina/os Trumpistas: Disaggregating Republican Party Support Among Latino Voters in 2020*” at the Southern Political Science Association Conference in New Orleans, Louisiana.

2024: “*La Raza: Race and Legislator Responsivity in Mexico*” at the Center for International Studies Workshop, University of Southern California.

2023: “*Diversity of Latinx Identities and likelihood of Support for Donald Trump in 2016 and 2020*” at the Politics of Race, Immigration and Ethnicity Consortium (PRIEC) in Phoenix, AZ., organized by Arizona State University.

2023: “*Fear, Resignation and Faith: Mexican Undocumentalities in Dallas Fort-Worth*” at El Colegio de la Frontera Norte. Sanctuary Cities as Emergent Borders Project Seminar Cycle.

2023: “*Fear, Resignation and Faith: Mexican Undocumentalities in Dallas Fort-Worth*” at The Graduate Symposium, University of Southern California.

2019: “*Mexican Trumpists in the California Border Region: National and Ethnic Identities in US politics*” at the Conference Celebrating the 50th anniversary of Chicano Studies in Tijuana. Organized by COLEF, Centro Cultural Tijuana and San Diego State University.

Discussant Roles

2025: Discussant for Estefanía Castañeda Pérez, Transborder Hierarchies, Friction, and Empire: Limits and Possibilities for Social Cohesion, American Politics Workshop Series, University of Southern California, October 2025.

2022: Discussant for Eric Kaufmann, Culture Wars in Contemporary America, American Politics Workshop Series, University of Southern California, November 2022.

Awards

2026: UCSD-USMEX Visiting Fellows Program 2025-2026.

2025: Del Amo Foundation Research Award.

2025: USC Visual Studies Graduate Certificate Summer Grant.

2025: USC Political Science and International Relations Dept. Summer Research Grant.

2024: USC Political Science and International Relations Dept. Summer Research Grant.

2023: USC Political Science and International Relations Dept. Summer Research Grant.

2022: USC Political Science and International Relations Dept. Summer Research Grant.

2021: Fulbright-Garcia Robles Grantee for Ph. D Studies in the United States.

2020: Special Distinction for Outstanding Thesis by El Colegio de la Frontera Norte.

2018: Fully Funded CONACYT Scholarship for master's degree studies.

2016: National Prize for Outstanding Performance from the National Center for Education Evaluation (CENEVAL).

Media

2025: *The New York Times*, Op-Ed by Thomas B. Edsall, "Another Group the Democrats Should Stop Taking for Granted" published on April 8th, 2025, mentions findings from my research on the Latino 2024 vote.

2025: Toutiao, article by Yang Xiaoyu titled "Los Angeles After the Riots: Silent Business Districts, Fewer Cars on the Freeway, National Guard Remains" (骚乱平息后的洛杉矶：商区陷入沉寂，高速车辆变少，国民警卫队留守), published on July 24th, 2025, cites my analysis on Latino political attitudes and protest participation.

2025: *The Times of San Diego* "Opinion: In 2024, Latinos opted for the couch, not Trump or Harris" Published on May 23rd, 2025.

2025: Podcast Host for "Tacos de Sesos" with Iskar Waluyo.

2023: *San Diego Union-Tribune* "Opinion: Immigration statistics don't tell the full stories of the people they count", Published on May 24th, 2023.

2018-2021: "Mareas Lejanas" Weekly Opinion Column in La Jornada Aguascalientes.

Curatorial Work

2025: Archival exhibit "*Historia al gusto: Tijuana 1911–1959*" for Tacos Irma, Tijuana, Baja California.

University Service

2024-2025: Guide – United Auto Workers Local 872 Representing USC Graduate Student Workers.

2023-2024: President – Dornsife Graduate Student Association at USC.

2022-2024: Senator – Political Science and International Relations Graduate Student Association

Professional Experience

2020-2021: Lead Coordinator – United States Committee for Refugees and Immigrants (USCRI) office in Tijuana, Baja California.

2019: Program Manager – Habesha Americas Project.

2017-2018: Program Manager – The Habesha Project.

Specialized Training

2025: History of Cartography, California Rare Books School.

2019: Atlas.ti & Qualitative Data Analysis, El Colegio de la Frontera Norte.

2018: Diverse Perspectives on Ethnographic Cinema, El Colegio de la Frontera Norte.