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Appointments

Assistant Professor
 Department of Sociology, University of Washington
 Faculty Affiliate
 Center for Statistics and the Social Sciences, University of Washington
 Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Scholar in Health Policy Research
 School of Public Health, University of Michigan

Education

• Ph.D. in Sociology and Social Policy
Princeton University

• M.A. in Sociology
Princeton University

- Exams (with distinction): Social Stratification, Race & Ethnicity, and International Migration

2014

- B.A. in Interdisciplinary Studies
 University of California, Berkeley
 - Highest Distinction in General Scholarship, Phi Beta Kappa
- A.A. in General Studies
 San Diego City College

Dissertation

"The Social Consequences of Restrictive Immigration Policies in the U.S." Committee: Edward Telles (Chair), Douglas Massey, Miguel Centeno and Devah Pager.

Research Interests

International Migration, Race and Ethnicity, Social Stratification, Public Opinion, Causal Inference, Quantitative and Experimental Research Methods, Spain, Latin America, and the U.S.

Publications

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

(* indicates equal co-authorship)

Flores, René D. Forthcoming. 2017. "Do Anti-immigrant Laws shape Public Sentiment?: A Study of Arizona's SB 1070 using Twitter data." *American Journal of Sociology.*

*Flores, René D. and Robert Vargas. Forthcoming. 2017. "The 2014 Medicaid Expansion and Ethnoracial Disparities in Health Insurance Coverage." *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*.

- **Flores, René D.** 2015a. "The Resurgence of Race in Spain: Perceptions of Discrimination Among Immigrants in Spain." *Social Forces.* 94: 237-269.
 - Aristide Zolberg Student Scholar Award, ASA International Migration Section, 2013.
- **Flores, René D.** 2015b. "Taking the Law Into their Own Hands: Do Local Anti-Immigrant Ordinances Increase Gun Sales?" *Social Problems.* 62, no. 3: 363-390.
 - Aristide Zolberg Student Scholar Award, ASA International Migration Section, 2014.
 - Excerpted April 9, 2016 in Contexts, "Building Walls, Buying Guns."
- Telles, Edward, **René D. Flores** and Fernando Urrea. 2015. "Why Skin Color is Better than Ethnoracial Identification at Predicting Inequality in Latin America?" *Research in Social Stratification and Mobility*. Vol. 40, 39–58.
- **Flores, René D.** 2014. "In the Eye of the Storm: How did Hazleton's Restrictive Immigration Ordinance Affect Local Interethnic Relations?" *American Behavioral Scientist*. Vol. 58(13) 1743–1763.
- Telles, Edward and **René D. Flores**. 2013. "Not Just Color: Whiteness, Nation, and Status in Latin America." *Hispanic American Historical Review*. Vol. 93.
- **Flores, René D.** and Edward Telles. 2012. "Social Stratification in Mexico: Disentangling Color, Ethnicity, and Class." *American Sociological Review*. 77:4 86–94. [Comment on Villareal 2010.]

Book Chapters

- Martínez Casas, Regina, Emiko Saldívar, **René D. Flores** and Christina Sue. 2014. "The Different Faces of Mestizaje: Ethnicity and Race in Mexico" in Edward Telles (ed) *Pigmentocracies: Ethnicity, Race and Color in Latin America*. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press.
- Telles, Edward and **René D. Flores**. 2014. "A Reassessment of Ethnicity and Race in Latin America with PERLA findings" in Edward Telles (ed) *Pigmentocracies: Ethnicity, Race and Color in Latin America*. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press.
- Miguel Angel Centeno, Jose Miguel Cruz, **René D. Flores**, and Gustavo Silva Cano. 2012. "Internal Wars and Latin American Nationalism," in John A. Hall and Sinisa Malasevic (eds) *Nationalism and War*. Cambridge University Press.

Manuscripts Under Review

- **Flores, René D.** "Can Politicians Shape Public Attitudes Towards Immigrants?: Evidence from the 2016 U.S. Presidential Election."
 - Revise & Resubmit, Social Forces.
- **Flores, René D.** "Interviewing in the Eye of the Storm: Do Local Anti-immigrant Policies Have Social Consequences?
- **Flores, René D.** "Sticky Boundaries: Do Immigrants in Europe Feel Discriminated Against due to their Religion or Race?"
- **Flores, René D.** "The End of a Taboo?: The Reputational Costs of Interracial Dating for Black and White Women in the U.S."

Flores, René D. "Are you the Company you Keep?: Romantic Relationships and Women's Perceived Race."

Works In Progress

Flores, René D. and Edward Telles. "The Concept of Race in Contemporary Latin America."

Fellowships and Research Grants

Extramural

- **2017** Donald D. Harrington Faculty Fellowship, University of Texas Austin.
- **2014** Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Scholar in Health Policy Research Fellowship.
- **2014** Ford Foundation Dissertation Completion Fellowship, National Research Council of the National Academies, *Declined*.
- **2014** National Center for Institutional Diversity Postdoctoral Fellowship, University of Michigan, *Declined*.
- **2013** Ford Foundation Dissertation Completion Fellowship, National Research Council of the National Academies, *Alternate*.
- **2012** Clifford C. Clogg Scholarship Award, Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research (ICPSR), University of Michigan/ASA Methodology section.
- **2011** Dissertation Proposal Development Fellowship, Social Science Research Council.
- **2009** American Sociological Association Minority Fellowship.
- **2009** National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship.
- **2008** The Paul and Daisy Soros Fellowship for New Americans.
- 2008 Paul Merage Foundation for the American Dream Fellowship.
- **2006** USA Funds- Access to Education Scholarship.
- **2006** Hispanic College Fund Scholarship.
- **2005** AFL-CIO Union Plus Student Scholarship.

Intramural

- 2013 Dissertation Research Grant, Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies.
- 2013 Dean's Fund Travel Grant, Graduate School, Princeton University.
- 2012 Dissertation Research Grant, Sociology Department, Princeton University.
- **2012** Dissertation Research Grant, Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies.
- 2012 Dissertation Research Grant, Center for Migration and Development, Princeton University.
- **2012** Hanna Fund Travel Grant, Graduate School, Princeton University.
- 2011 Research Grant, Joint Degree Program in Social Policy, Princeton University.
- 2010 Pre-Dissertation Research Grant, Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies.

- 2010 Summer Research Grant, Center for Migration and Development, Princeton University.
- 2009 William Ebenstein Student Research Award, Princeton Program in Latin American Studies.
- 2008 Presidential Fellowship, Princeton University.
- **2007** Haas Scholars Fellowship, UC Berkeley.
- **2007** McNair Scholars Fellowship, UC Berkeley.
- 2007 Center for Latino Policy Research Grant, UC Berkeley.
- **2007** Academic Opportunity Fund, Associated Students of the University of California.
- **2007** Bears Breaking Boundaries Grant, UC Berkeley.
- **2006** Doreen B. Townsend Center GROUP Fellowship, UC Berkeley.

Awards and Honors

- **2014** National Center for Institutional Diversity (NCID) Exemplary Dissertation Scholar, University of Michigan.
- **2014** Aristide Zolberg Student Scholar Award, International Migration Section, American Sociological Association.
- **2013** Aristide Zolberg Student Scholar Award, International Migration Section, American Sociological Association.
- 2011 Distinction on Qualifying Exams, Department of Sociology, Princeton University.
- 2007 Highest Honors, Interdisciplinary Studies, UC Berkeley.
- **2007** Highest Distinction in General Scholarship, College of Letters & Science, UC Berkeley.
- 2007 Phi Beta Kappa.
- 2007 Golden Key Honors Society.

Research Positions

- 2008-2013 Research Assistant, Sociology Department, Princeton University, Edward Telles
- 2010-2011 Research Assistant, Sociology Department, Princeton University, Miguel Centeno
- **2008-2009** Research Assistant, Center for International Relations, El Colegio de México, Sergio Aguayo
- 2006-2007 Research Assistant, School of Journalism, UC Berkeley, Lydia Chavez

Additional Training

2016 *Machine Learning for the Analysis of Text as Data,* Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research, Chapel Hill, NC.

2015 Causal Inference, Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research, Ann Arbor, MI.

2012 *Advanced Regression Techniques*, Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research, Ann Arbor, MI.

Teaching Experience

2016 (fall) SOC 201A, "Immigrant America," University of Washington, Sociology Department.

2016 (*fall*) SOC 467, "Immigration and Ethnicity," University of Washington, Sociology Department.

2011-2014 Statistical consultant for Princeton sociology undergraduate students.

2009 (*spring*) Teaching Assistant, Princeton University Department of Sociology SOC 315/LAS 315: Race, Ethnicity, and Nationalism in Latin America, Professor Edward Telles.

2009 (*fall*) Teaching Assistant, Princeton University Department of Sociology SOC 331/LAS 330: Social Exclusion in Latin America, Professor Edward Telles.

Advising

Dissertation Committee Member, University of Washington

2017 Savannah Larimore - SOC.

2017 Christine Leibbrand - SOC.

Undergraduate Senior Thesis, University of Washington

2017 Edwin Pereira - Mass incarceration and immigration in Washington State.

2017 Rachel Sanders - Reexamining Hispanic Immigrants' Health Paradox.

Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program, University of Michigan

2014-2015 Kali Vitek - racial stereotypes and dating in the U.S.

2014-2015 Meredith Wiles - racial stereotypes and dating in the U.S.

Professional Activities

External Service

2014-2015 Aristide Zolberg Distinguished Student Scholar Award Committee Chair, International Migration Section, American Sociological Association.

2013 Presider, Latino Section Roundtable, American Sociological Association Annual Meetings.

2010-2017 Occasional Reviewer: *American Sociological Review, American Journal of Sociology, Social Forces, Social Problems, Latin American Research Review, British Journal of Sociology, Ethnic and Racial Studies, Work and Occupation, Sociology of Race and Ethnicity, Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies, Ethnography, Race and Social Problems, Comparative Migration Studies, and Current Sociology.*

Internal Service

2016-2017 Faculty Member, Executive Committee, Sociology Department, University of Washington.

2016-2017 Faculty Member, Ad Hoc Exploratory Hiring Committee, Sociology Department, University of Washington.

2015-2016 Alliances for Graduate Education and the Professoriate (AGEP), Community Advisory Board Member, University of Michigan.

2012-2013 Center for Migration and Development Senior Thesis Award Committee.

2010-2011 Graduate Student Representative, Executive Committee of the Center for Migration

and Development, Princeton University.

2010-2011 President, Latino Graduate Student Association, Princeton University.

2009-2010 Vice-President, Latino Graduate Student Association, Princeton University.

2008-2009 Graduate Student Representative, Executive Committee of the Program in Latin American Studies, Princeton University.

Membership in Professional Organizations

American Sociological Association (section memberships: International Migration, Methodology, and Latina/o Sociology), Population Association of America (2013), Eastern Sociological Society (2011), and Latin American Studies Association (2011).

References

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Professor Alejandro Portes Princeton University Department of Sociology (609) 258-4436 cnanfra@princeton.edu Professor Douglas Massey Princeton University Office of Population Research (609) 258-4949 dmassey@princeton.edu

Professor Miguel Centeno Princeton University Department of Sociology (609) 258-4452 cenmiga@princeton.edu