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APPOINTMENTS

- 2023 - *present* Associate Professor of Sociology
Affiliation: Women's and Gender Studies
University of North Texas
- 2023-2024 Faculty Fellow & Mentor
Institute for the Study of Employee Ownership & Profit Sharing, Rutgers University
- 2018-2023 Assistant Professor of Sociology
University of North Texas

INTERESTS

Inequality, gender & sexuality, family, work & organizations, qualitative research methods, ethnography

EDUCATION

- Ph.D. Sociology, University of Texas at Austin, 2018
M.A. Sociology, University of Texas at Austin, 2012
B.A. Plan II Honors (*with Special Honors*), University of Texas at Austin, 2009
B.B.A. International Business (*with High Honors*), University of Texas at Austin, 2009
Phi Beta Kappa, Beta Gamma Sigma

PUBLICATIONS

†Equal authorship, *Student co-author

Books

- 2022 **Sobering, Katherine.** *The People's Hotel: Working for Justice in Argentina*. Durham, NC: Duke University Press.
* Winner, 2025 Max Weber Book Award, ASA Section for Organizations, Occupations and Work (OOW)
* Honorable Mention, William Foote Whyte and Kathleen King Whyte Book Prize
* Selected for Author-Meets-Critics session at Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics Annual Conference (2023)
* Reviewed in *American Journal of Sociology*, *Contemporary Sociology*, *Journal of Labor & Society*, *Journal of Global South Studies*, *Journal of Social History*, *Mobilization*, *Public Books*, *Urban Studies*
- 2021 Auyero, Javier and **Katherine Sobering.** *Entre Narcos y Policías. Las Relaciones Clandestinas entre el Estado y el Delito, y su Impacto Violento en la Vida de las Personas*. Buenos Aires: Siglo XXI.
* Reviewed in *Delito y Sociedad*, *Revista Perspectivas de Políticas Públicas*
* Press coverage in *La Nación* (Argentina), *Página Central Jujuy* (Argentina), *Rosario Nuestro* (Argentina), *El Popular* (Argentina), *El Mostrador* (Chile)
* Partially reprinted in "El Estado Ambivalente: Entre Narcos y Policías." *Revista Anfibia*

2019 Auyero, Javier and **Katherine Sobering**.† *The Ambivalent State: Police-Criminal Collusion at the Urban Margins*. New York: Oxford University Press.

* Reviewed in *American Journal of Sociology*, *Contemporary Sociology*, *Journal of Latin American Studies*, *Revista de Sociología*

Articles

Forthcoming LaFleur, Liss, matteline deVries-dilling, L Marmon, and **Katherine Sobering**. “Ecosystems of Care: Rethinking Artist Editions in Neon.” *GAS Journal*.

2026 Auyero, Javier, Faith Deckard, Alexander Diamond, Maricarmen Hernandez, Katherine Jensen, Allison Lang, Eldad Levy, Águeda Ortega, **Katherine Sobering**, and Mary Ellen Stitt. “Why Ethnography?” *Qualitative Sociology*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11133-026-09640-5>

2025 Kwon, Ronald, William J. Scarborough, **Katherine Sobering**, and Tasmiah Amreen.* “The Relative Contributions of Vertical and Horizontal Mechanisms to Occupational Gender Segregation in the U.S., 2006-2019.” *Social Science Quarterly* 105(5): e70086.

Mumtaz,* Mehr, Vincent Roscigno, and **Katherine Sobering**. “Gendered Employment Precarity & Refugee Resettlement in the United States.” *The Sociological Quarterly* 66(1): 31-51.

Stitt, Mary Ellen, **Katherine Sobering**, and Javier Auyero. “Collusion and Violence in Underground Drug Markets.” *Social Problems* 72(4): 1565-1579.

Yeatts, Dale, Chetan Tiwari, Samuel Coleman*, Michelle Yeatts, and **Katherine Sobering**. 2025. “A Qualitative Study of Unplanned Hospital Readmissions: Patient Perspectives on Their Hospital to Home Transition.” *Nursing Reports* 15(6):192.

2024 Stitt, Mary Ellen, **Katherine Sobering**, and Javier Auyero. “The Clandestine Hands of the State: Dissecting Police Collusion in the Drug Trade.” *Social Forces* 103(1): 286-304.

2023 Perez, Marcos and **Katherine Sobering**.† “The Persistent Influence of December 2001: Collective Action in Twenty-First Century Argentina.” *Bulletin of Latin American Research* 42(3): 323-340.

Perez, Marcos and **Katherine Sobering**. “Introduction: The Contentious Legacy of Argentina’s Great Crisis: Social Mobilization in the 20 years after December 2001.” *Bulletin of Latin American Research* 42(3): 321-322.

Scarborough, William J., **Katherine Sobering**, Ronald Kwon, and Mehr Mumtaz.* “The Costs of Occupational Gender Segregation in the Innovation Economy.” *Socio-Economic Review* 21(1): 643-664.

Sobering, Katherine and Pablo Lapegna.† “Alternative Organizational Survival: A Comparison of Two Worker-Recuperated Businesses in Buenos Aires, Argentina.” *Social Problems* 70(1): 126-142.

- 2021 **Sobering, Katherine.** "Working for Justice in Argentina." *Contexts* 20(1): 52-57. Special issue on New Ethnographies of the Global South, edited by V. Reyes and M. Garrido.
* Partially reprinted on the [American Sociological Association website](#)
- Sobering, Katherine.** "Survival Finance and the Politics of Equal Pay." *British Journal of Sociology* 72(3): 742-756.
- 2019 **Sobering, Katherine.** "The Relational Production of Workplace Equality: the Case of Worker-Recuperated Businesses in Argentina." *Qualitative Sociology* 41(4): 543-565.
* Honorable Mention, LASA Labor Studies Best Article Award
- Sobering, Katherine.** "Watercooler Democracy: Rumors and Transparency in a Cooperative Workplace." *Work and Occupations* 46(4): 411-440.
- Sobering, Katherine** and Javier Auyero. "Collusion and Cynicism at the Urban Margins." *Latin American Research Review* 54(1): 222-236.
- 2017 Auyero, Javier and **Katherine Sobering.** "Violence, the State, and the Poor: A View from the South." *Sociological Forum* 32(S1): 1018-1031.
- 2016 **Sobering, Katherine.** "Producing and Reducing Gender Inequality in a Worker-Recovered Cooperative." *The Sociological Quarterly* 57(1): 129-151.
- 2014 **Sobering, Katherine,** Jessica Thomas, and Christine L. Williams. 2014. "Gender In/equality in Worker-Owned Businesses." *Sociology Compass* 8(22): 1242-1255.

Book Chapters

- Forthcoming* **Sobering, Katherine.** "Alberto: Trabajo de Servicio y Cambio Social en Argentina." *Retratos de la Persistencia*. Edited by J. Auyero. Barcelona: La Oveja Roja.
- Sobering, Katherine,** Mary Ellen Stitt, and Javier Auyero. "An Interactional and Processual Approach to the Gray Zone of Politics." *Processes of Collective Action*, edited by Lorenzo Bosi and Stefan Malthaner. Philadelphia: Temple University Press.
- 2024 **Sobering, Katherine.** 2024. "Alberto: Service Work and Social Change in Argentina." *Portraits of Persistence: Inequality and Hope in Latin America*. Edited by J. Auyero. Austin, TX: University of Texas Press.
* Reviewed in *Booklist*, *Journal of Latin American Studies*, *Latin American Review of Books*, *Racial and Ethnic Studies*
* Named one of the best books of 2024 by Literal Magazine / Latin American Voices
* Invited session in the Ethnographic Café (Spring 2025)
- 2021 **Sobering, Katherine.** "The Emotional Dynamics of Workplace Democracy: Emotional Labor, Collective Effervescence, and Commitment at Work." Pp. 31-54 in *Organizational Imaginaries: Tempering Capitalism and Tending to Communities through Cooperatives and Collectivist Democracy*. Vol. 73, *Research in the Sociology of Organizations*, edited by K. K. Chen and V. T. Chen. Bingley, UK: Emerald.

- * Winner, Joyce Rothschild Book Prize, Institute for the Study of Employee Ownership and Profit Sharing, Rutgers University
- * Reviewed in *Fortune* and the Markets, Power and Culture Blog

- 2015 **Sobering, Katherine.** "Ethan: A Product of the Service Industry." Pp. 162-183 in *Invisible in Austin: Life and Labor in an American City*. Edited by Javier Auyero. Austin, TX: University of Texas Press.
- * Reviewed in the *Austin American-Statesman*, *Bloomberg Business*, *Booklist*, *Contemporary Sociology*, *The Daily Texan*, *The Guardian*, *Kirkus Reviews*, *Publishers Weekly*, *Texas Monthly*, and *Metropolitique*
 - * Chapter partially reprinted in "Challenging Austin Exceptionalism." *Texas Observer*

Book Reviews

- 2025 *A Good Reputation: How Residents Fight for an American Barrio* by Elizabeth Korver-Glenn and Sarah Mayorga. *Contemporary Sociology* 54(5):419-20.
- 2022 *Workers' Self-management in Argentina: Contesting Neo-liberalism by Occupying Companies, Creating Cooperatives, and Recuperating Autogestión* by Marcelo Vieta. *Socialism and Democracy*.
- 2021 *Dust and Dignity: Domestic Employment in Contemporary Ecuador* by Erynn Masi de Casanova. *Contemporary Sociology*.
- 2018 *Beyond Civil Society: Activism, Participation, and Protest in Latin America*. Edited by Sonia E. Alvarez, Jeffrey W. Rubin, Millie Thayer, Gianpaolo Baiocchi, and Agustín Laó-Montes. *Humanity and Society*.
- 2014 *Securing the City: Neoliberalism, Space and Insecurity in Postwar Guatemala*. Edited by Kevin Lewis O'Neill and Kendron Thomas. *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research*.

Research Briefs, Professional Newsletters & Op-Eds

- 2021 **Sobering, Katherine**, William Scarborough, Ronald Kwon, and Mehr Mumtaz.* "Can Gender Equality Spur Tech Growth?" *Gender Policy Report*. December 8.
- 2020 **Sobering, Katherine.** "Watercooler Democracy: How Rumors Can Democratize Information at Work." *Orgtheory.net*. February 26.
- 2019 **Sobering, Katherine.** "Can Workplaces Foster Equality?" *Work in Progress: Sociology on the Economy, Work and Inequality*. December 19.
- Auyero, Javier and **Katherine Sobering.** "Narcops: How Police and Drug Dealers Collude in Argentina." *InSight Crime*. November 20.
- Sobering, Katherine** and Javier Auyero. "Collusion and Cynicism at the Urban Margins." *Panoramas: Blog of the Latin American Research Review*. June 7.

- 2018 **Sobering, Katherine.** “Equality Projects in Argentine Worker-Recuperated Businesses.” *Perspectives: Newsletter of the ASA Theory Section* 40(1):18-20.
- Bariola, Nino*, **Katherine Sobering**, and Javier Auyero. “Culture Program Profile: UT-Austin’s Urban Ethnography Lab.” *Newsletter of the ASA Culture Section* 30(1).
- 2014 **Sobering, Katherine.** “Longitudinal Ethnography and the Changing Face of Ethnographic Research.” *UT Austin SOC Blog*. November 13.
- Sobering, Katherine.** ““With Dignity, We Will Fight!” Worker Self-Managed Hotel BAUEN Once Again Under Threat.” *Grassroots Economic Organizing Newsletter*.

Exhibitions & Artworks

- 2024-25 LaFleur, Liss and **Katherine Sobering.** “The Queer Birth Project” in *Designing Motherhood*. Center for Contemporary Craft. Houston, Texas. November 8-March 15.
* Press coverage in *GlassTire, Paper City, OutSmart: Houston’s LGBTQ Magazine*
- 2024 LaFleur, Liss and **Katherine Sobering.** “FUTURE KIN / The Queer Birth Project.” Galleri Urbane. Dallas, Texas. August 24-September 28.
* Press coverage in *CultureMap Dallas, Dallas Morning News*
- 2023 LaFleur, Liss and **Katherine Sobering.**† “The Queer Birth Project and They Can’t Steal My Joy.” *Rejoinder* 8. August-September.
- 2022 LaFleur, Liss and **Katherine Sobering.** “Nasher Public: Liss LaFleur / The Queer Birth Project.” Nasher Sculpture Center. Dallas, Texas, May 7-July 17.
* Reviews and press coverage in *Art & Seek, The Cultivist, Glasstire, Dallas Morning News, Dallas Voice, Feminine Moments, Mombian, Visual Art Source, World Art Foundations*

Pedagogical Tools & Publications

- 2015 **Sobering, Katherine.** “Teaching and Learning Guide for ‘Gender In/equality in Worker-Owned Businesses.’” *Sociology Compass* 9(5): 412-421

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

Under Review & Revision

Anandita, Prapi,* **Katherine Sobering**, and William J. Scarborough. “(Trans)Gendered Coloniality: Transnormativity and Hijra Misrecognition in Bangladesh.” Resubmitted.

Sobering, Katherine, and Liss LaFleur. “Arts-Based Public Sociology: Interdisciplinary Collaboration and Creative Methods in the Queer Birth Project.” Invited to revise and resubmit.

Sobering, Katherine, Amanda Stevenson, and Liss LaFleur. “Queering the ‘Biological Clock:’ Age and Family Formation among LGBTQ+ Parents.” Under review.

Young-Hyman, Trevor, Suntae Kim, and **Katherine Sobering**. “From Utopian to Pragmatic Ontologies: Organizational Democracy's Microsocial Emergence.” Under review.

In Progress

Sobering, Katherine, and Liss LaFleur.† *QUEER KIN: Art, Reproduction, and Families in the 21st Century*. Book manuscript in preparation.

Sobering, Katherine. *El Hotel de Los Trabajadores*. Manuscript translation in progress.

Sobering, Katherine, and Liss LaFleur. “Kinship Constellations: Documenting Dynamism in LGBTQ+ Family Structures.” In preparation.

Jangeti, Neha,* and **Katherine Sobering**. “Status Coercion and Precarity among H1-B Workers in the US.” In preparation.

Katherine Sobering, Momna Rami,* Prapti Anandita,* and Natália Heringer-Mendonça.* “Translation and Cultural Meaning-Making in Cross-Language Ethnography.” In preparation.

Yining Pan,* Courtney Thornton,* Anna Wood,* Robyn B. Adams, Aileen Portugal, Tamara Lea Spira, **Katherine Sobering**, and Carly Thomsen. “Queering Reproductive Justice: A Roundtable Discussion.” In preparation.

GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS

Under Review

2026 “How late can you wait? Unbiased estimates of age-related fecundability decline” (\$3.6 million)
Resubmitted to the Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and
Human Development
R01 Research Project Grant
Role: University of North Texas Principal Investigator

Received

2026-31 “The Queer Birth Project” (\$50,000)
Creative Capital
Creative Capital Award

Completed

2022-23 “The Queer Birth Project: Interdisciplinary arts-based research” (\$18,000)
Institute for the Advancement of the Arts
University of North Texas
Role: Fellow

2015 “Workplace in/equality in Argentine worker-recuperated businesses” (\$3,698)
National Science Foundation – Sociology Program
Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant
Role: Co-Principal Investigator

- 2015 U.S. Student Award to Argentina (\$10,650)
Fulbright Commission

Other Awards & Fellowships

- 2026 Keith Haring Foundation
2025 Rapid Response Grant, Institute of Behavioral Science, University of Colorado, Boulder
2025 Summer Research Award, Sociology Department, University of North Texas
2025 Faculty Development Leave, University of North Texas
2023 Summer Research Award, Sociology Department, University of North Texas
2022 Research Seed Grant, University of North Texas Division of Research
2021 Scholarly and Creative Award, College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, University of North Texas
2016 Continuing Fellowship, University of Texas at Austin
2015 Department of Sociology Excellence Award, University of Texas at Austin
2014 Graduate Dean's Prestigious Fellowship Supplement, University of Texas at Austin
2014 Argentine Studies Grant, University of Texas at Austin
2013 Pre-Doctoral Fellowship, University of Texas at Austin
2012 International Education Fund Scholarship, University of Texas at Austin
2012 Research Grant, Teresa Lozano Long Institute for Latin American Studies

HONORS & AWARDS

- 2025 Finalist, Advisory Board Award for Excellence in Graduate Teaching, College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, University of North Texas
2025 Max Weber Book Award, ASA Section for Organizations, Occupations and Work
2023 William Foote Whyte and Kathleen King Whyte Book Prize, Honorable Mention
2022 Sociology Department nominee, Advisory Board Award for Excellence in Graduate Teaching, College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, University of North Texas
2021 Sociology Department nominee, Advisory Board Award for Excellence in Graduate Teaching, College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, University of North Texas
2020 Best Article Award, Honorable Mention, Labor Studies Section, Latin American Studies Association
2013 Distinction in comprehensive exams: political sociology and social movements, UT-Austin
2009 Model Thesis Award, Plan II Honors Program, UT-Austin

INVITED TALKS

National, International Talks

- 2026 University of Texas at Austin, Texas Feminist Conference: Panel on Feminist Research
Washington University-St. Louis, Roundtable: "Queering Reproductive Justice"
Smithsonian Institution, Public Program: "Artistic Lines: Art and Parenthood"
2025 University of Georgia, Department of Sociology
University of Georgia, Program in Women's & Gender Studies
2024 The Ethnographic Café, Book presentation: *Portraits of Persistence*
2022 New School for Social Research, Institute for the Cooperative Digital Economy
2021 Universidad de San Martín, Book Presentation: *Entre Narcos y Policías*
2018 Rutgers University, Beyster Institute, Mid-Year Fellows Workshop
Concordia University, Montreal Ethnography Workshop

- 2017 University of Texas at Austin, Taller UNSAM-UT: Argentina en Perspectiva Sociológica
University of Notre Dame, Kellogg Institute for International Studies
University of North Texas, Department of Sociology
Johns Hopkins University, Department of Sociology
Purdue University, Department of Sociology
- 2016 Hamilton College, Department of Sociology
University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies
- 2014 Rutgers University, Beyster Institute, Mid-Year Fellows Workshop

Public, Guest Lectures

- 2026 University of Texas at Austin, Undergraduate course: Politics & Society in Latin America
- 2025 Barnard College, Undergraduate course: Portraits of Persistence
University of Texas at Austin, Urban Ethnography Lab Workshop
University of Texas at Austin, Plan II seminar: Readings in Ethnography
Washington University, St. Louis, Graduate seminar: Qualitative Research Methods
- 2024 Museum of Contemporary Craft, Lunchtime talk on Queer Parenthood, Houston, TX
University of Wisconsin, Madison, Undergraduate course: Life Stories from Latin America
University of North Texas, Undergraduate seminar: Gender & Design, 1850–Today
University of North Texas, Undergraduate course: Inequality, Social Justice & the City
- 2023 University of Texas at Austin, Graduate seminar: Readings in Ethnography
University of North Texas, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute
- 2022 University of Texas at Austin, Undergraduate course: Social Scientific Imagination
University of North Carolina, Greensboro, Graduate seminar: Ethnography as Theory & Practice
Washington University, St. Louis, Graduate seminar: Qualitative Research Methods
University of North Texas, In-CLASS Distinguished Scholar Series
University of North Texas, Graduate seminar: Professional Development in Sociology
- 2021 University of Texas at Austin, Undergraduate course: Social Scientific Imagination
University of North Texas, Panel: Feminist Future of Collective Care
University of Texas at Austin, Graduate seminar: Readings in Ethnography
- 2020 CUNY Graduate Center, Graduate seminar: Organizations, Markets & the State
University of North Texas, Graduate seminar: Professional Development in Sociology
- 2019 University of Buenos Aires, Graduate seminar: Marxist Sociology
University of North Texas, Undergraduate course: Narco-geographies
- 2018 University of North Texas, Panel: Feminist Struggles in Dark Times
University of Texas at Austin, Undergraduate course: The Politics of Poverty
University of Texas at Austin, Undergraduate course: Social Scientific Imagination
KUT Book Club, Austin Public Radio
Fulmore Middle School, Civic Action Symposium
- 2017 McCallum High School, AP Macroeconomics class
Austin Community College, Sociology Book Club
Foundation Communities Free Minds Speaker Series
- 2016 University of Texas at Austin, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute
Austin Area League of Women Voters
University of Texas at Austin, Institute for Urban Policy and Research
Austin Neighborhood Council

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

Panels Organized

- 2026 “Interventions in Inequality: Constructing Workplace Equality.” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. New York, NY
- 2025 “Portraits of Persistence: Inequality and Hope in Latin America,” Latin American Studies Association International Congress. San Francisco, CA.
- 2023 “Centering Inequality in Economic Sociology.” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, PA.
- 2022 “The Power and Politics of Violence.” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Los Angeles, CA.
- 2020 “Practical Logics of Corruption and Anti-Corruption in the Americas.” Section on Instituciones y Procesos Politicos, Latin American Studies Association International Congress. Guadalajara, Mexico. *[Cancelled]*
- 2020 “Resistance Through Innovation: New Forms of Work and Organization in Latin America.” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. San Francisco, CA.
- 2017 “Worker-Recuperated Enterprises in Latin America: Resistance, Innovation, and Threats.” Latin American Studies Association International Congress. Lima, Peru.

Papers Presented

- 2026 “Queering the ‘Biological Clock’: Age and Family Formation among LGBTQ+ Parents.” (w/Amanda Stevenson & Liss LaFleur). American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. New York, NY.
- 2026 “From Utopian to Pragmatic Ontologies: Organizational Democracy's Microsocial Emergence.” Academy of Management. Philadelphia, PA. [Non-presenting author]
- 2025 “Arts-Based Public Sociology: Methods Braiding and Reflexive Knowledge in The Queer Birth Project.” (w/Liss LaFleur). American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL. August 10.
- 2025 “Portraits of Persistence: Inequality and Hope in Latin America.” (w/Katherine Jensen, Pablo Lapegna, Eldad Levy, and Marcos Pérez), Latin American Studies Association International Congress. San Francisco, CA. May 23.
- 2025 “New Models for Art Editions: The Queer Birth Project.” (w/Liss LaFleur, matteline dilling and L Marmon). Glass Art Society. Fort Worth, TX. May 16.
- 2023 “Queer Childbirth in America: Reimagining Judy Chicagos’ Birth Project through Arts-Based Research.” (w/Liss LaFleur). Motherhood to Motherhoods Conference, Chapman University.
- 2023 “Equality Projects: Theorizing the Organizational Production of Equality in a Worker-run Business.” RC28 2023 Summer Meeting: Inequality, Mobility, and Equality. Stone Center for Inequality Dynamics, University of Michigan. Ann Arbor, MI. August 15.
- 2023 “Cooperatives that Close: Understanding the Impacts of Workplace Democracy After Organizational Demise.” Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics Annual Conference. Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. July 21. *[Canceled due to travel delays]*
- 2022 “Teaching about Alternatives to Bureaucracy: New Discussions and Approaches.” (w/Katherine C. Chen, Victor Chen, Adria Scharf, and Joyce Rothschild), American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Los Angeles, CA. August 7.
- 2022 “Occupational Resorting and the Redefinition of Skill: Democratic Learning through the Practice of Job Rotation.” 12th International Researching Work & Learning. July 13.

- 2022 “Does Democracy Die on a Budget? Examining Democratic and Entrepreneurial Ideals in an Emergent Democratic Organization.” (w/ Trevor Young-Hyman and Suntae Kim). Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics Annual Conference. Amsterdam, Netherlands. July 9.
- 2022 “The Crisis that Never Ended: Assessing the Influence of December 2001 in Two Decades of Mobilization in Argentina.” (w/Marcos Pérez). Latin American Studies Association Virtual Congress. May 5.
- 2021 Book Panel on the “State, Austerity, and Alternatives.” Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting. August 5.
- 2021 “Nostalgic Progressivism: Traditional Norms and Radical Mobilization in Two Argentinean Grassroots Movements.” (w/ Marcos Pérez). Latin American Studies Association International Congress. May 26. [Non-presenting author]
- 2020 “The Costs of Occupational Gender Segregation in Tech Sector Growth.” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. San Francisco, CA. [*Cancelled*]
- 2020 “‘Occupy, Resist, Produce!’: How Politics Shape Alternative Organizations in the Neoliberal City.” International Sociological Association. Porto Alegre, Brazil. [*Withdrawn*]
- 2020 “The Clandestine Hands of the State.” Latin American Studies Association International Congress. Guadalajara, Mexico. [*Cancelled*]
- 2019 “Beyond Non-Enforcement: The Dynamics of Police-Criminal Collusion.” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. New York. August 11.
- 2019 “‘Occupy, Resist, Produce!’: How Politics Shape Alternative Organizations in the Neoliberal City.” ASA Community and Urban Sociology Section preconference on Inequalities and Social Justice in the 21st Century City. New York. August 9.
- 2019 “Serving the Customer, Serving the Movement: Activism and Emotion in a Cooperative Workplace.” Eastern Sociological Society. Mini conference on Emotions at Work. Boston, MA. March 14.
- 2018 “Survival Finance and the Politics of Equal Pay.” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, PA. August 12.
- 2018 “Depoliticizing Labor: Union Politics in the Texas Panhandle.” Southern Sociological Society Annual Meeting. New Orleans, LA. April 6.
- 2017 “*Rumores de pasillo*: Democratizing Information in a Transparent Organization.” Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics Mini-Conference: Seeking a More Just and Egalitarian Economy. Lyon, France. June 30.
- 2017 “*Rumores de pasillo*: Democratizing Information in a Transparent Organization.” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Montréal, QC. August 15.
- 2017 “Workplace Recuperation and Organizational Survival: A Comparison of Two Worker-Recuperated Businesses.” Latin American Studies Association International Congress. Lima, Peru. April 30.
- 2016 “Constructing Organizational Equality in a Worker-Recovered Cooperative.” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Seattle, WA. August 22.
- 2016 “From the Threat of Eviction to the Promise of Expropriation: State Practices in a Recuperated Hotel.” ILASSA Graduate Student Conference. Teresa Lozano Long Institute of Latin American Studies, University of Texas at Austin. March 4.
- 2014 “Are Worker-Owned Cooperatives ‘Gendered Organizations?’” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. San Francisco, CA. August 17.
- 2012 “From Worker to Worker-Owner: Service Work as a Site of Social Change.” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting. Denver, CO. August 18.

- 2012 “From Worker to Worker-Owner: Service Work as a Site of Social Change.” International Sociological Association. Buenos Aires, Argentina. August 4.
- 2012 “From Worker to Worker-Owner: Service Work as a Site of Social Change.” ILASSA Graduate Student Conference. Teresa Lozano Long Institute of Latin American Studies, University of Texas at Austin. February 4.
- 2012 “From Worker to Worker-Owner: Service Work as a Site of Social Change.” Graduate Student Conference, Stone Center for Latin American Studies, Tulane University. New Orleans, LA. January 19.
- 2011 “Networks of Innovation: Hotel B.A.U.E.N. and the Solidarity Economy in Argentina.” SIT Human Development Conference. University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN. February 12.

Discussant, Moderator

- 2022 Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics Annual Conference, Amsterdam
- 2022 Latin American Studies Association Virtual Congress
- 2020 American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Virtual
- 2019 American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, New York, NY
- 2018 Beyster Mid-Year Fellows Workshop, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ
- 2017 American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Montréal, QC
- 2017 Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics Annual Conference, Lyon, France
- 2016 Austin Queer Methods Symposium, Austin, TX

TEACHING

University of North Texas

Graduate seminars:

Qualitative Data Analysis
 Qualitative Research Methods
 Social Inequality
 Sociology of Gender
 Work and Organizations

Undergraduate courses:

Gender and Society
 Introduction to Sociology
 Qualitative Data Collection
 Social Problems
 Sociology of Work

University of Texas at Austin

Undergraduate courses:

Introduction to Social Demography
 Social Change and the Future

Online courses

(4-, 8- and 16-week online course sections for each)

Undergraduate online courses:

Qualitative Research Methods
 Social Problems

ADVISING & MENTORING

Ph.D. dissertations

Current:

Natalia Heringer Mendonça, 2024-*present* (chair)
 Jessica Moeder, 2023-*present* (member)

Prapti Anandita, 2022-*present* (chair)
 Neha Jengati, 2022-*present* (chair)
 Sarah Pinney, 2022-*present* (member)

Ph.D. dissertations***Completed:***

Marisa Gonzales, 2023-2025 (member)
 Deborah Fessenden, 2020-2023 (chair)
 Lauren Dent, 2019-2022 (member)
 Farinaz Basmechi, 2018-2021 (member)
 Alexandra Veselka-Bush, 2018-2020 (co-chair)

Master's theses***Current:***

Khoi Tran, 2024-*present* (chair)
 Rashel Hariford, 2026-*present* (chair)
 Virgine Borges de Castilho Sacoman, 2026-
present (member)

Completed:

Prapti Anandita, 2021-2022 (chair)
 Neha Jengati, 2021-2022 (chair)
 Jessica Moeder, 2021-2022 (member)
 Loren Clupny, 2019-2020 (chair)
 Deborah Fessenden, 2019-2020 (member)
 Ronaldo Monasterio, 2019-2021 (member)
 Zoriliz Rivera, 2019-2021 (chair)
 Mehr Mumtaz, 2019-2020 (chair)
 Emma Ward, 2021 (member)

Undergraduate honors theses***Completed:***

Megan Brauner, 2022
 Lindsey Hughes, 2018

Special problems courses

Adriana Marcela Garcia Garcia, 2026
 Rashel Hariford, 2026
 Khoi Train, 2025
 Natalia Heringer Mendonça, 2024
 Prati Anandita, 2024
 Prati Anandita, 2023
 Neha Jangeti, 2023
 Kathryn Wilson, 2022
 Zoriliz Rivera, 2020
 Loren Clupny, 2019
 Deborah Fessenden, 2019
 Mehr Mumtaz, 2019

Graduate qualifying papers

Diamond Carter, 2026 (MS chair)
 Shahab Razaghipoor, 2024 (MS chair)
 Natalia Heringer Mendonça, 2024 (PhD chair)
 Prapti Anandita, 2024 (PhD chair)
 Neha Jengati, 2024 (PhD chair)
 Sarah Pinney, 2024 (PhD reader)
 Hannah Andrades, 2023 (MS reader)
 Ryan Edwards, 2023 (MS chair)
 Marisa Gonzales, 2023 (PhD reader)
 Vicky Ji, 2023 (MS reader)
 Jessica Moeder, 2023 (PhD reader)
 Journey Riggs, 2023 (MS reader)
 Kathryn Wilson, 2022 (MS chair)
 Tanya Fagile, 2021 (PhD reader)
 Matthew Montiel, 2021 (MS reader)
 Deborah Fessenden, 2020 (PhD chair)
 Farinaz Basmechi, 2018 (PhD reader)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

To the Department, University

2025 - *present* Undergraduate Director, Sociology Department, University of North Texas
 2025 - *present* Chair, PAC-Merit Committee, Sociology Department, University of North Texas
 2025 - *present* Member, Reappointment, Tenure and Promotion Committee, Sociology Department,
 University of North Texas
 2024 - *present* New faculty mentor, Sociology Department, University of North Texas
 2026 Member, Kilgore-Michel Mentoring Program Ad Hoc Committee, Sociology
 Department, University of North Texas
 2025 Faculty Panelist, Civil Discourse in Teaching Workshop, University of North Texas
 2025 Member, Kilgore-Michel Mentoring Program Ad Hoc Committee, Sociology
 Department, University of North Texas

2023 - 2024 Member, Reappointment, Tenure and Promotion Committee, Sociology Department, University of North Texas

2024 Undergraduate Director, Sociology Department, University of North Texas

2024 Member, Kilgore-Michel Mentoring Program Ad Hoc Committee, Sociology Department, University of North Texas

2024 Faculty advisor, Sociology Grantmaking Workshop, University of North Texas

2024 Member, Faculty Council, University of North Texas

2024 Chair, Faculty Awards Committee, Sociology Department, University of North Texas

2024 Faculty reader, Sociology Grantmaking Workshop, University of North Texas

2022 - 2024 Member, Sociology Speaker Series Committee, University of North Texas

2022 Member, Ad Hoc Sociology Scholarship Committee, University of North Texas

2022 Chair, Ad Hoc Committee on Qualitative Data Collection for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Initiative in Sociology, University of North Texas

2021 - 2024 Member, CLASS Graduate Curriculum Committee, University of North Texas

2021 Member, Scholarly & Creative Award Sub-Committee, University of North Texas

2020 Member, Hiring Committee, Department of History, University of North Texas

2019 Member, Hiring Committee, Department of Sociology, University of North Texas

2018 - 2024 Member, Sociology Graduate Committee, University of North Texas

2018 - 2020 Faculty advisor, Sociology Graduate Colloquium, University of North Texas

2016 - 2017 Lab manager, Urban Ethnography Lab, University of Texas at Austin

2016 Co-organizer, Sociology Job Market Workshop, University of Texas at Austin

2015 Co-organizer, Craft of Ethnography Workshop, University of Texas at Austin

2012 - 2014 Lab manager, Urban Ethnography Lab, University of Texas at Austin

2011 - 2013 Chair, Working Paper Series Chair, Rapoport Center for Human Rights and Justice

2011 - 2012 Researcher, Human Rights Clinic, University of Texas School of Law

To the Discipline

2027 - Editorial Board Member, *Contemporary Sociology*

2025 - *present* Editorial Board Member, *Gender & Society*

2024 - *present* Editorial Board Member, *Journal of Organizational Sociology*

2022 - 2025 Councilmember, Economic Sociology Section of the American Sociological Association

2025 Member, Zelizer Best Book Committee, Economic Sociology Section of the American Sociological Association

2023 - 2024 Chair, Granovetter Best Article Committee, Economic Sociology section of the American Sociological Association

2023 Nominated for council position, Theory Section of the American Sociological Association

2022 Reader, Book workshop, University of Chicago Press

2022 Co-organizer, "Publishing International Research in OOW," Mid-year event of the ASA Section on Organizations, Occupations, and Work

2021 - 2023 Commissioning Editor, *Work in Progress*, a public sociology blog of the American Sociological Association

2021 Co-organizer, Book presentation, *Divested: Inequality in the Age of Finance* (OUP, 2020)

2020 - 2021 Co-organizer, "The Contentious Legacy of Argentina's Great Crisis: Social Mobilization in the 20 Years after December 2001," Special Edition of the *Bulletin of Latin American Research*

2020 Member, Program Committee, American Sociological Association section on Organizations, Occupations, and Work

2019 Member, Max Weber Award Committee, American Sociological Association section on Organizations, Occupations, and Work

Occasional Reviewer

Journals: *Acta Sociologica, American Journal of Sociology, American Sociological Review, Annals of Public and Cooperative Economics, Apuntes, Contexts, Gender and Society, ILR Review, Journal of Labor and Society, Journal of Participation and Employee Ownership, Latin American Research Review, Law & Society Review, Qualitative Sociology, Research in the Sociology of Organizations, Social Currents, Socio-Economic Review, Sociological Perspectives, Social Problems, Social Forces, Sociological Forum, Sociology Compass, Sur: International Journal on Human Rights, The Sociological Quarterly, Work and Occupations*

Funders: American Philosophical Society (Lewis and Clark Fund for Exploration & Field Research), National Endowment for the Humanities (Archeological & Ethnographic Field Research Program), National Science Foundation (Sociology)

Presses: Palgrave Macmillan, Routledge, University of Texas Press

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

2026 NIH Proposal Workshop, UNT Research & Innovation

Mastering Dialogue Workshop (Crucial Conversations), UNT Faculty Success

2025 Faculty/Staff Training: Creating Inclusive and Accessible Environments for Students with Visual Impairments, UNT Division of Student Affairs

Training on Digital Safety for Sociologists for Women in Society, PEN America

2024 UNT Faculty Mentoring Program (2-part training), UNT Faculty Success

2022 Section Leader Orientation, American Sociological Association

Team Tenure: Preparing for Tenure Review, American Sociological Association

2019 Faculty Success Program, National Center for Diversity and Development

Faculty Grantsmanship Workshop, AtKisson Training Group, UNT Division of Research and Innovation

2018-2019 "Faculty First Flight" new teacher training, UNT Center for Learning, Experimentation, Application, and Research

2017 Allyship Workshop: Part 1 and 2, University of Texas at Austin

MEDIA

Interviews or coverage of research

National Public Radio

Podcast: CBC Ideas, "[Talking Trash](#)"

AFFILIATIONS

American Sociological Association
Sociologists for Women in Society

LANGUAGES

English

Spanish