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## Education

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- 2026            Ph. D. in History, Northwestern University
- 2020            M.A. in Borderlands History, University of Texas at El Paso
- 2017            B.A. in History, University of California, Santa Cruz

## Academic Experience

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- 2022-2025      Editor, [Not From Here](#), Immigration and Ethnic History Society
- 2021-2022      Teaching Assistant, Department of History, Latina & Latino Studies Program, Northwestern University
- 2019-2020      Academic and Writing Tutor, History Tutoring Center, Department of History, University of Texas at El Paso
- 2017-2019      Teaching Assistant, Department of History, University of Texas at El Paso
- 2015-2016      Course Assistant, Oakes College, University of California, Santa Cruz
- 2014-2016      Writing Assistant, Oakes College, Writing Program, University of California, Santa Cruz

## Publications

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### Works in Progress

“The Spirit of Cooperation: Negotiating Interdependence and the Future of the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands” (Article)

### Book Reviews

Review of *Banished Citizens: A History of the Mexican American Women Who Endured Repatriation*, by Marla A. Ramirez, *Journal of American Ethnic History*, (Forthcoming, Spring 2026).

Review of *Educating the Enemy: Teaching Nazis and Mexicans in the Cold War Borderlands*, by Jonna Perrillo, *Journal of American Ethnic History* 42, no. 4, Summer 2023.

Review of *Forever Prisoners: How the United States Made the World's Largest Immigration Detention System*, by Elliott Young, *Southwestern Historical Quarterly* 125, Issue 4, April 2022, 535-536.

Review of *Empire Builder: John D. Spreckels and the Making of San Diego*, by Sandra Bonura, *Western Historical Quarterly* 52, Issue 4, Winter 2021, 454–455.

## Fellowships, Grants, and Honors

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- 2025-2026      [Mellon Foundation Fellowship in Latinx Studies](#), Resident Scholar, [School for Advance Research](#), Santa Fe, NM
- 2024            University of California, San Diego, Special Collections & Archives Travel Award
- 2022-2025      [Ford Foundation Predoctoral Fellow](#), National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine

2022	<a href="#">NYU Cities Collaborative-Mellon Summer Institute on Urbanism</a> Fellow, New York University
2021	Honorable Mention, Ford Foundation Predoctoral Fellowship
2019	Philips Academy Andover, <a href="#">Institution for the Recruitment of Teachers</a> , IRT Scholar
2019	Summer Research Grant, University of Texas at El Paso, Graduate School
2019	AHA Council Travel Grant, American Historical Association
2018	Dodson Research Grant, University of Texas at El Paso, Graduate School
2017	President Natalicio Award, University of Texas at El Paso
2017	Chancellor's Undergraduate Achievement Award, University of California, Santa Cruz
2017	Dean's Undergraduate Achievement Award, University of California, Santa Cruz
2017	Linda Peterson Award for Best Paper in the Americas, University of California, Santa Cruz, Department of History "Prostitution at the Border Towns: Moral Reform and Abolition along the U.S.-Mexico Border, 1903-1920"

### Conference Presentations

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"Fronteras 1976: The Bicentennial, Interdependence, and the Future of the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands," *Organization of American Historians*, Philadelphia, PA, April 2026 (Panelist)

"The Spirit of Cooperation: Border Capitalism and Urban Planning in the 1970s U.S.-Mexico Borderlands," *Western History Association Conference*, Albuquerque, NM, October 2025 (Organizer)

Breakout Session Panelist, "Migration, Race, and Borders in the Twentieth Century: Recent Scholarship," *Organization of American Historians Conference*, Chicago, IL, April 2025 (Panelist)

"America's Finest Border Cities: Labor, Capital, and the Making of the San Diego-Tijuana Borderlands," *Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Association Conference* (PCB-AHA), Portland, OR, August 2022. (Organizer)

"The False Promise of Productivity Culture: Guides and Resources for Digital Clutter," *Western History Association Conference*, Portland, OR, October 2021. (Organizer)

"Creating a Digital Workspace: Using the Notion App to Organize Historical Work," *Western History Association Conference*, Online, October 2020. (Organizer)

"Rethinking the San Diego-Tijuana Border: Race in the Making of Urban Borderlands Spaces in the Twentieth Century," *Western History Association Conference*, Las Vegas, NV, October 2019. (Panelist)

"The Suburban Borderland: Race, Conservatism, and Space in the Making of 'South Bay' San Diego in the Twentieth Century," *California American Studies Association Conference*, San Diego, CA April 2019. (Panelist)

### Teaching Experience

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#### Department of History, Latina & Latino Studies Program, Northwestern University

Latino 201: Intro to Latino/a/x Studies (John Marquez, Fall 2021)

History 200: Hamilton's America (Caitlin Fitz & Geraldo Cadava, Winter 2022)

## **Department of History, University of Texas at El Paso.**

History 1302: US History since 1865 (Instructor on Record, Summer 2019)

History 1301: US History to 1865 (Ernesto Chávez, Fall 2018)

History 1302: US History since 1865 (Ernesto Chávez, Spring 2019)

## **Seminars, Talks, Roundtables, Workshops, and Forums**

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- 2020                    “ClioVis: A Workshop in Digital Humanities in the Classroom,” Organizer and Presenter, University of Texas at El Paso, Career Professionalization and Diversity, El Paso, TX, February 2020.
- 2019                    “A Student Roundtable on Researching the Borderlands,” Panel Participant, University of Texas at El Paso, Department of History, El Paso, TX, November 2019.
- 2019                    “Accountability and Action: A Discussion about Race, Sexism, and Academic Culture,” Panel Participant, University of Texas at El Paso, Department of History, El Paso, TX, September 2019.

## **University Service**

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- 2021                    Graduate Student Representative, U.S. History Job Search, Department of History, Northwestern University
- 2021                    El Paso Texas History Day, Volunteer Judge
- 2019                    Harper History Conference, Judge, University of Texas at El Paso, Department of History.
- 2019                    El Paso Texas History Day, Volunteer Judge
- 2018                    Graduate Student Representative, Texas History Job Search Committee, Department of History, University of Texas at El Paso.
- 2018                    Borderlands History Conference, Volunteer, University of Texas at El Paso.
- 2018                    El Paso Texas History Day, Volunteer Judge.

## **Digital Humanities**

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- 2019                    ClioVis UTEP Representative, University of Texas at Austin, Department of History.

## **Professional Affiliations**

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Western Historical Association (WHA)  
Immigration and Ethnic History Society (IEHS)  
Organization of American Historians (OAH)

## **References**

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Ernesto Chávez, Professor of History, University of Texas at El Paso ([echavez@utep.edu](mailto:echavez@utep.edu))  
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