

Curriculum vitae

JULIE TORRES

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Women's and Ethnic Studies
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EDUCATION

- 2020 Ph.D. Anthropology, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Graduate minor in Latina/o Studies
Dissertation: "In Times of 'Crisis': Puerto Rican Activism, Gender, and Belonging in Orlando"
Committee: Alejandro Lugo (chair), Martin Manalansan, Gilberto Rosas, and Arlene Torres
- 2012 M.A. Anthropology and Education, Teachers College, Columbia University, New York, NY
- 2006 B.A. English, Villanova University, Villanova, PA

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

- 2020-Present Assistant Professor, Women's and Ethnic Studies, University of Colorado Colorado Springs
- 2018-2020 Scholar-in-Residence, Puerto Rico Research Hub, University of Central Florida

RESEARCH AREAS

Ethnography, gender, activism, citizenship, colonialism, Latinx studies, diaspora, transnational feminism, American studies, race and ethnicity

PUBLICATIONS

Refereed Publications

- 2023 Torres, Julie. 2023. "'An act of compassion': Emotion and the struggle for reproductive justice." *Feminist Anthropology* 4: 178–187.
- 2023 Torres, Julie. "'We are Orlando': Silences, Resistance, and the Intersections of Mass Violence." *Meridians: feminism, race, transnationalism* 22(2): 446-474.
- 2021 "'Los Hijos Auscentes': Citizenship, Activism, and Recovery in Post-

Hurricane Maria Orlando.” *CENTRO: Journal of the Center for Puerto Rican Studies* 33(1).

Web-Based Publications

- 2022 Bolivar, Andrea and **Julie Torres**. “Fearless Reflections.” Anthropology News website, September 9, 2022.
- 2020 “Black Latinx Activists on Anti-Blackness.” *Anthropology News* website, September 3, 2020. DOI: 10.14506/AN.1481
- 2019 “Against Ablution.” *Anthropology News* website, October 16, 2019. DOI: 10.1111/AN.1288

Reviews

- 2020 “Review of Exodus/Pilgrimage, 2019. A performance by Wanda Raimundi-Ortiz. Orlando: Dr. Phillips Center for Performing Arts. April 13.” *Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology*. (Invited)
- 2017 “Review of Remixing Reggaetón: The Cultural Politics of Race in Puerto Rico by Petra R. Rivera-Rideau.” *Latino Studies*, 15 (4): 556-558. (Invited)

Other Publications/Creative Works

- 2016 “Mourning in Orlando.” *Anthropology News* 57 (11-12): 14-17. (Photo Essay)

Manuscripts Submitted for Publication or in Preparation

- n.d. *Border Zones of Crisis: Community, Resistance and the Puerto Rican Diaspora to Orlando* (book manuscript in preparation)
- n.d. Torres, Julie. n.d. From Jibaro to Cracker: Symbols of Whiteness in the Sunshine State. [Submitted to *Florida Historical Quarterly*]

FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS, AND HONORS

- 2023 Junior Faculty Outstanding Scholarship and Engagement Award, Association of Latina/o & Latinx Anthropologists
- 2022 Faculty Revitalization Fellowship, University of Colorado Colorado Springs
- 2022 Social Science Symposium Series Grant, University of Colorado Colorado Springs
- 2021 Virginia Sánchez Korrol Dissertation Award, Puerto Rican Studies Association
- 2020 Faculty Success Program Scholarship, National Center for Faculty Development and Diversity
- 2019 Young Scholars Symposium, Institute for Latino Studies, University of Notre Dame
- 2018 Graduate Student Travel Award, National Women's Studies Association

2012-2015	Graduate College Distinguished Fellow, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
2015	Service Award, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Graduate College, Educational Equity Programs
2013	Department of Anthropology Summer Research Grant, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
2012	Summer Pre-doctoral Fellowship, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
2011	Education Pioneers Fellowship, Education Pioneers, New York, NY

PRESENTATIONS

Invited Talks and Panels

2023	“Implicit Bias, Stereotype Threat, Macro/Microaggressions,” Knapsack Institute, co-presented with Abby Ferber. Virtual, June 15.
2022	“‘Somos Orlando’ (We are Orlando): The Intersections of Mass Violence,” Glint Spring Talk Series. Virtual, February 10.
2021	“Plenary: Critical Rican Studies,” Puerto Rican Studies Association. Virtual, November 13.
2020	“An Evening about Latinx Heritage.” Panelist. Women’s Student Association and the Multicultural Office for Student Access, Inclusiveness, and Community. University of Colorado Colorado Springs. Colorado Springs, CO, October 15.
2020	“Storytelling Workshops.” Facilitator. Kraemer Family Library, University of Colorado Colorado Springs. Colorado Springs, CO, September 30, October 1,
2020	“In Times of Crisis: Puerto Rican Activism in Orlando.” Speaker. UCF Puerto Rico Research Hub, University of Central Florida. Orlando, FL, June 24.
2019	“The Other ‘Women of the Storm’: Puerto Rican Activism in Orlando.” Speaker. Department of Anthropology Brown Bag Series, University of Central Florida. Orlando, FL, January 30.
2017	“Narratives of Migration and Belonging.” Panelist. Puerto Rico Day, Tallahassee, FL. April 25-26.

Panels and Roundtables Organized/Chaired

2023	“Intersections of Violence in the Americas,” American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting. Toronto, CA, November 15-19.
2023	“Reimagining Communities of Resistance: Community Panel,” Social Science Symposium Series Forum. Colorado Springs, CO, April 21.
2022	“Critical Race Theory: Pedagogies Under Fire,” American Studies Association Annual Meeting. New Orleans, LA, November 3.

- 2021 “Ethnographic truths: Puerto Rican Migration, Race, and Resistance,” American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting. Baltimore, MD, November 19.
- 2020 “Diasporic Eruptions: (Dis)placements, Culture, and the Politics of Community before and after Hurricane Maria,” Latina/o Studies Association Conference. South Bend, Indiana. (Cancelled due to COVID-19)
- 2018 “Beyond Crisis: Puerto Rican Activism in Orlando,” Puerto Rican Studies Association Conference. New Brunswick, NJ, October 26-28, 2018.

Papers Presented

- 2019 “‘Adopta un Pueblo’: Post-Hurricane Maria Activism in Orlando and the Emergence of ‘Community.’” American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting. Vancouver, BC, CAN November 20-24.
- 2019 “‘We are Orlando’: Puerto Rican Activism Post-Pulse,” American Ethnological Society Spring Conference. St. Louis, MO, March 14-16.
- 2018 “Neoliberalism and the Aesthetics of Resistance Post-Hurricane Maria,” American Studies Association Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA, November 8-11.
- 2018 “Reclaiming Our Time: Re-Centering Intersectional Feminism in Research, Teaching, and Everyday Realities” (roundtable), National Women’s Studies Association Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA, November 8-11.
- 2016 Latina Feminist Ethnography: Perspectives from the ‘New’ South,” Latina/o Studies Association Conference. Pasadena, CA, July 7-9.
- 2015 “Gendered Subjects, Working Class Lives: Women and Men in the Works of Alejandro Lugo.” American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting. Denver, CO, November 18-22.
- 2014 “‘Puerto Rican Cracker’: Anti-Black Racism and the Politics of Mestizaje in Hillsborough County” (Opening plenary), Puerto Rican Studies Association Conference. Denver, CO, October 23-25.
- 2014 “‘Yo No Brinqué Frontera’: Borders, Belonging, and the Puerto Rican Diaspora to Tampa,” Latina/o Studies International Conference. Chicago, IL, July 17-19.
- 2012 “Boricua Borders: Diaspora, Personhood, and the ‘New South,’” Illinois Summer Research Symposium, Champaign, IL, July 26-27, 2012.

COURSES TAUGHT

University of Colorado Colorado Springs

Introduction to Social Justice (spring 2023/2022, fall 2021/2020, spring 2021)

Multiracial Identities (spring 2023/2021, fall 2022)

Women of Color: Image and Voice (fall 2022)

Boricua Crossings: Puerto Rico and its Diaspora (spring 2022)

Contemporary Theory and Methods in WEST (fall 2022/2021,)

"Sí, se puede": Latinx Social Movements (fall 2020, fall 2021)

University of Central Florida

Ethnographic Field Methods (spring 2020)

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Anthropology in a Changing World (spring 2018, fall 2018)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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| 2016-2020 | Primary Investigator, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Ethnographic fieldwork in Orlando, FL on Puerto Rican migration and activism |
| 2015 | Graduate Research Assistant, Department of Anthropology, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
Advised undergraduate anthropology students regarding summer internships/research programs and assisted with department colloquiums |
| 2012-13 | Graduate Researcher, American University Meets the Pacific Century Project, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
PI: Nancy Abelmann, Soo Ah Kwon, Tim Liao, and Adrienne Lo
Examined the internationalization of the undergraduate student population |
| 2011-12 | Graduate Researcher, International Comparative Literacy Project, Teachers College, Columbia University
PI: Lesley Bartlett
Explored the efficacy of dual language programs in New York City |

SERVICE

Profession

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| 2020-2022 | Association of Latina and Latino Anthropologists, Board Member and Contributing Editor of <i>Anthropology News</i> column |
| 2021 | <i>Ethnic and Racial Studies</i> , Article Referee |

University

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| 2020-Present | Latinx Studies Certificate Coordinator, Women's and Ethnic Studies Program, UCCS |
| 2020-Present | Faculty Equity and Inclusion Committee, Member, UCCS |
| 2020-Present | Social Science Symposium Committee, Member, UCCS |
| 2020-2022 | Global Intercultural Research Center, Faculty Affiliate |
| 2022-Present | Pi Lambda Chi Sorority, Faculty Advisor, UCCS |
| 2021-Present | Latinx Student Union, Faculty Advisor, UCCS |
| 2021-Present | Social Media Committee, Head, Women's and Ethnic Studies Program, UCCS |
| 2021-2022 | Website Committee, Member, Women's and Ethnic Studies Program, UCCS |

- 2021 What Can You do With a WEST Major” Alumni Panel, Organizer, Women’s and Ethnic Studies Program, UCCS
- 2020 Cesar Chavez Graduate Scholarship Competition, Judge, UCCS
- 2020 “An Evening about Latinx Heritage,” Panelist, Women’s Student Association and the Multicultural Office for Student Access, Inclusiveness, and Community, UCCS
- 2020 “Storytelling Workshops,” Facilitator, Kraemer Family Library, UCSS

Community

- 2021 Caribbean Studies Symposium and Exhibition, Planning Committee Member, Colorado College
- 2020 Interview with Andrea González-Ramírez, New York Magazine book project on Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, Interviewee
- 2017 Puerto Rico Day. Panelist, Tallahassee, FL

GUEST LECTURES

- 2023 U.S. Latina/o/x Cultural Expression, University of Colorado Colorado Springs. Instructor of Record: Andrea Herrera
- 2021 Global Migration. University of Colorado Colorado Springs. Instructor of Record: Stephen Suh
- 2021 WEST Capstone. University of Colorado Colorado Springs. Instructor of Record: Stephen Suh
- 2020 Methodologies in Women’s and Ethnic Studies. University of Colorado Colorado Springs. Instructor of Record: Tre Wentling
- 2013 “Gender and Latina/o/x Migration.” University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Instructor of Record: Gilberto Rosas.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Anthropological Association (AAA)
 Association of Latina and Latino Anthropologist (ALLA)
 Latin American Studies Association (LASA)
 Latina/o Studies Association (LSA)
 Mujeres Activas en Letras y Cambio Social (MALCS)
 National Women’s Studies Association (NWSA)
 Puerto Rican Studies Association (PRSA)

LANGUAGE

Spanish (fluent spoken; proficient reading and writing)

REFERENCES

Available upon request