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EDUCATION

Present Doctoral Candidate; Sociology, University of California Santa Barbara
2012 Master of Arts; Sociology, University of California Santa Barbara
2008 Bachelor of Arts; Women's Studies (B.A) and Deaf Education (B.A)
 California State University Fresno, *summa cum laude*

RESEARCH SPECIALIZATIONS

Race and Ethnicity, Health, Environmental Justice, Ethnography, and Latino/a Sociology.

HONORS & AWARDS

2017 **Research and Writing Fellowship**, Department of Sociology, UCSB
2017 **Chicano Studies Institute**, Dissertation Award, UCSB
2015 **Chicano Studies Institute**, Doctoral Research Grant, UCSB
2015 **Department Research Grant**, Department of Sociology, UCSB
2014 **UC President Dissertation Year Fellowship**, UCSB
2014 **Alternate**, Ford Foundation Doctoral Fellowship
2014 **Chicano/a Studies Institute**, Research Grant, UCSB
2014 **Continuing Fellowship**, UCSB
2013 **Visiting Scholar**, UC Davis Center for Poverty Research, funding provided by
 the Stanford Center for Poverty and Inequality.
2013 **Graduate Student Travel Grant Program**, UC California Studies Consortium
2013 **Alternate**, Ford Foundation Pre-Doctoral Fellowship
2013 **Chicano Studies Institute Dissertation Fellowship**, UCSB
2013 **Department Research Grant**, Department of Sociology, UCSB
2012 **Honorable Mention**, Ford Foundation Pre-Doctoral Fellowship
2011 **Departmental Research Award**, Dept of Sociology, UCSB
2010 **Diversity in the Graduate Social Sciences (DIGGS)**, UCSB
2009 **Deaf Education Personnel Preparation Fellowship (DEPP)**, CSUF
2008 **Outstanding Women's Studies Graduate Award**, CSUF
2008 **Standard Bearer**, College of Social Science Graduating Class 2008 CSUF
2007 **Ronald E. McNair Directors Award**, CSUF
2007 **Ronald E. McNair Post-baccalaureate Achievement Program**, CSUF
2007 **Student Leadership Award**, California Latino Superintendent Association

PUBLICATIONS

2017 Ahault, Cyrus; Haney, Craig; **Sarah Rios**; and Brie A. Williams. 2017.
 "Reducing the Use and Impact of Solitary Confinement in Corrections."
 International Journal of Prisoner Health, 13(1).

- 2015 Rios, Sarah M. 2015. "Reducing the Impact of Valley Fever in Low-income Communities" Policy Brief. UC Davis Center for Poverty Research.
- 2014 Hoefft KS, **Rios SM**, Pantoja Guzman E, Barker JC. 2015. Using Community Participation to Assess Acceptability of "Contra Caries", a Theory-based, Promotora-led Oral Health Education Program for Rural Latino Parents: A Mixed Methods Study. *BMC Oral Health*; 15:103.
- 2012 Rios. Sarah. 2012. "From Ladies to Organizers: Gender Imagination in the Experiences of Women Cooperative Leaders". MA Thesis.
- 2007 Rios, Sarah M. "Latina Middle School Students & Self Efficacy" *Proceedings of the 2007 Research Symposium, Ronald E. McNair, CSU-Fresno.*

ARTICLES IN PROGRESS

- 2017 **Poverty, Pollution, and Prisons: A Social Ecological Analysis of a Valley Fever Endemic County.** Sarah Rios. Revise and Resubmit to *Sociological Perspective*.
- 2017 ***Citizen-Science: Environmental Health Risk Assessments from the Ground-Up.*** Sarah Rios. Abstract: Environmental activists in Kern County collect air-pollution and water samples in poor and rural communities using professional scientific techniques to produce new knowledge to oppose environmental conditions created over long periods of neglect. Although scientific and political authorities routinely question community based research, less it known about processes where it is legitimized in communities facing decreasing funding for resolving environmental health and redressing safety.
- 2017 **Prisoners and the Planet: Justice Coalitions for Prisoners and Rural Communities.** I propose a new way of thinking about solving environmental health risks, from interviews with former prisoners and prison abolitionists to environmentalists and public health professionals directly addressing concerns about carceral pollution.

TEACHING

- current* **Teaching Apprentice, Department of Sociology**
University of California Santa Barbara
- 2015 **Instructor of Record, Ethnographic Research Methods, Dept. of Sociology**
University of California Santa Barbara
- 2014 **Teaching Apprentice, Black Studies Department**

University of California Santa Barbara

2010-2014 **Collaborate, Technology Services & Support**
College of Letters and Science
University of California Santa Barbara

2009 **Cesar Chavez Education Institute**
National Farm Workers Service Center

PRESENTATIONS & LECTURES

2017 Feminist Global Movements, Guest Lecture, UC Santa Barbara
2017 Environmental Movements & Green Parties, Guest Lecture, UC Santa Barbara
2016 University of the Pacific, Department of Sociology, Stockton CA
2016 Pacific Sociological Association, Oakland CA
2015 Department of Sociology, University of California, Santa Barbara
2015 Department of Anthropology, University of California, Irvine
2014 American Sociological Association, San Francisco CA
2014 Society for the Study of Social Problems, San Francisco CA
2014 Valley Fever Seminar, University of California, Merced CA
2014 School of Unlimited Learning, University of California, Santa Barbara
2013 The Center for Poverty Research, University of California, Davis CA
2012 Pacific Sociological Association, San Diego CA
2011 Global Brown Bag Series, University of California, Santa Barbara
2008--2014 Annual Chicano/a Youth Symposium, Fresno State

LANGUAGES

English (Fluent)
Spanish (Fluent)
American Sign Language (Proficient)

RESEARCH & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

2016 **Committee on the Status of Race and Ethnicity**, *Member*, Pacific Sociological Association.

2015 **Criminal Justice & Health Consortium**, University of California Research Initiative

2015 **Presider of Medical Sociology Roundtable**, American Sociological Association, Annual Meeting, Chicago

2015 **Grant Writer**, Committee for a Better Arvin (CBA), Arvin California

2014 **Environmental Justice Researcher**, Kern County, funding provided by UC President Dissertation Year Fellowship

- 2013 **Visiting Scholar**, The Center for Poverty Research, funding provided by the Stanford Center for Poverty and Inequality. University of California Davis
- 2010-2012 **Research Assistant II**, University of California San Francisco, Contra-Caries Project, Salinas CA
Principal Investigator, Dr. Judith Barker
- 2007 & 2008 **Ronald E. McNair Scholars Research Project**, California State University Fresno
- 2007 **Grant Writing Internship**, Family Self Sufficiency Corps Inc.; Fresno County Housing Authorities