

René D. Flores

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Appointments

- **Neubauer Family Assistant Professor** 2018-
Department of Sociology, University of Chicago
- **Donald D. Harrington Faculty Fellow** 2017-2018
Population Research Center, University of Texas at Austin
- **Assistant Professor** 2016-2018
Department of Sociology, University of Washington
- **Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Scholar in Health Policy Research** 2014-2016
School of Public Health, University of Michigan

Education

- **Ph.D. in Sociology and Social Policy** 2014
Princeton University
 - Committee: Edward Telles (Chair), Douglas Massey, Miguel Centeno, and Devah Pager
- **M.A. in Sociology** 2011
Princeton University
 - Exams (with distinction): Social Stratification, Race & Ethnicity, and International Migration
- **B.A. in Interdisciplinary Studies** 2007
University of California, Berkeley
 - Highest Distinction in General Scholarship, *Phi Beta Kappa*
- **A.A. in General Studies** 2005
San Diego City College

Research Interests

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

Publications

Peer-Reviewed Articles

(* indicates equal co-authorship)

Flores, René D. Forthcoming. "A Little More Ghetto, a Little Less Cultured': Are there Racial Stereotypes About Interracial Daters in the U.S.?" *Sociology of Race and Ethnicity*.

Stewart, Ian, René D. Flores, Ingmar G. Weber, and Emilio Zagheni. Forthcoming. "Rock, Rap, or Reggaeton?: Assessing Mexican Immigrants' Cultural Assimilation Using Facebook Data." *Proceedings of the 2019 Web Conference*.

Flores, René D. and Ariela Schachter. 2018. "Who are the 'illegals?': The Social Construction of Illegality in the U.S." *American Sociological Review*. 83, no. 5: 839-868.

- Lead article.
- Featured by National Public Radio, Los Angeles Times, Pacific Standard, The Chicago Maroon, The Society Pages, San Diego Union-Tribune, and Vox.

Flores, René D. 2018. "Can Elites Shape Public Attitudes Toward Immigrants?: Evidence from the 2016 U.S. Presidential Election." *Social Forces*. 96: 1649-1690.

- Featured on the Washington Post's *The Monkey Cage*, May 25, 2018.

Flores, René D. 2018. "Interviewing in the Eye of the Storm: Do Local Anti-immigrant Policies Have Social Consequences?" *SAGE Research Methods Cases*.

Flores, René D. 2017. "Do Anti-immigrant Laws shape Public Sentiment?: A Study of Arizona's SB 1070 using Twitter data." *American Journal of Sociology*. 123, no. 2, 333-384.

- Lead article.
- Featured by Public News Service, Science Daily, The Society Pages, and The Daily of the University of Washington.
- Louis Wirth Best Article Award, ASA International Migration Section, 2018.
- Distinguished Contribution to Research Article Award, ASA Latina/o Sociology Section, 2018.

***Flores, René D.** and Robert Vargas. 2017. "The 2014 Medicaid Expansion and Ethnoracial Disparities in Health Insurance Coverage." *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*. 1-17.

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.

Centeno, Miguel Angel, 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.

Book Reviews

Flores, René D. Review of *From Deportation to Prison: The Politics of Immigration Enforcement in Post-Civil Rights America* by Patrisia Macías-Rojas (NYU Press 2016) in *American Journal of Sociology* 125(2): XX.

Manuscripts Under Review

Flores, René D. and David Sulmont. "Can Non-Ethnic Factors Shape Indigenous Identity in Latin America?: Evidence from National Survey Experiments."

Flores, René D. and Ariela Schachter. "Are you an 'illegal'? :Examining Americans' Stereotypes about Illegality."

Flores, René D. "Sticky Boundaries: Do Immigrants in Europe Feel Discriminated Against due to their Religion or Race?"

Works In Progress

Flores, René D., Regina Martínez-Casas, and María Vignau Loria. "Symbolic Ethnicity? The Unexpected Rise of Indigeneity in Mexico."

Schachter, Ariela, **René D. Flores**, and Neda Maghbouleh. "Still One Drop of Blood?: the New Rules of Racial Classification in the U.S."

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 at 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

- 2018 Louis Wirth Best Article Award, ASA International Migration Section.
- 2018 Distinguished Contribution to Research Article Award, ASA Latina/o Sociology Section.
- 2018 2017-2018 Blackmar lecturership, Sociology Department, University of Kansas.
- 2017 Faculty Award for Scholarly Achievement, Latino Center for Health, University of Washington.
- 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 Chicago

- 2018 Sophie Fajardo - SOC.

Dissertation Committee Member, University of Washington

2017 Savannah Larimore - SOC.

2017 Anne Tseng - 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

2019 Cristina Maria Riegos Distinguished Student Paper Award Committee Chair, Latino Section, American Sociological Association.

2018 Presider, International Migration Section Roundtable, American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.

2018 Discussant, Panel on "Migration Policy and Enforcement in Local Context," Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Denver, CO.

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 Meeting, New York, NY.

2010-2019 Occasional Reviewer: *American Sociological Review*, *American Journal of Sociology*, *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, *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*, *International Migration*, *Contexts*, *Comparative Migration Studies*, and *Current Sociology*.

Internal Service

2017-2018 Member, Faculty Hiring Committee, Sociology Department, University of Washington.

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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