

## Melissa K. Quintela

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### EDUCATION

- July 2010      Ph.D., Sociology  
(*expected*)      Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana  
*PhD Minor:* Research methods  
*Qualifying Exam:* Children and Youth, concentration in Latina/o and immigrant youth  
*Dissertation:* "The Power of Youth in an Emerging Latino Community."  
*Committee:* Donna Eder (Chair), William Corsaro, Jennifer Lee, Jose Rosario
- 2003            M.A. in Sociology, Summa Cum Laude  
New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, New Mexico  
*Thesis:* "Testing the Disidentification Hypothesis with Hispanic Subgroup Students"  
*Committee:* Lee Hamilton (Chair), Lisa Frehill, John Nieto-Phillips
- 2001            B.S. in Family Studies, Summa Cum Laude with Honors  
Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas  
*Honors Thesis:* "The Meaning of Teen Pregnancy: Phenomenological Experiences of Hispanic Girls"
- 1999            A.A.S. in Human Services, Highest Honors  
South Plains College, Lubbock, Texas

### RESEARCH/TEACHING INTERESTS

children and youth	research methods (qualitative, quantitative)
immigration	social psychology
race/ethnicity	life course events/outcomes
education	social movements
mental health	culture

### HONORS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2009-2010      Latino Studies Dissertation Year Award, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN
- 2009            Summer Predoctoral Fellowship, Texas State University, San Marcos, TX
- 2006            Committee on Institutional Cooperation (CIC) Scholar, Indiana University and University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
- 2005-2008      National Institute of Mental Health Minority Fellow, American Sociological Association, Washington D.C.
- 2004-present    Chancellor's Fellow, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

- 2004-2008 Tuition Scholarship, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN
- 2001- 2003 Commission on Higher Education Graduate Fellow, New Mexico State University
- 2001 Banner Bearer/Top Honor Graduate, Texas Tech University College of Human Sciences
- 2000-2001 Ronald E. McNair Scholar, Texas Tech University

### RESEARCH GRANTS

- 2008 “Rights, Camera, Action” project grant, Aid for Democracy, Washington, D.C.
- 2006 Summer Methods Training Funds, Indiana University Sociology Department
- 2006 Research Travel Award to Argentina, Indiana University School of Education
- 2005 Summer Research Fellowship, Indiana University Sociology Department
- 2001 Honors Undergraduate Research Fellowship, Texas Tech University Honors College
- 2000 Honors Undergraduate Research Fellowship, Texas Tech University

### PUBLICATIONS

- 2002 Reyes, Melissa K. “Protective Factors Against Teen Pregnancy from the Hispanic Teen Perspective: A Phenomenological Study,” *McNair Scholars Annual Research Journal, Texas Tech University, Vol. 5, 2000-2001*
- 2009 Quintela, Melissa. “Pocho in the Field: Methods in the Study of Latino Youth.”  
Revise and Resubmit: *Journal of Contemporary Ethnography*

### IN PROGRESS

“Hip Hop Culture and Positive Youth Development: Authoring a New Story.” (with Raphael Travis)

“Is Timing Important?: What Age of Immigration Means for Latino Student Outcomes” a quantitative analysis using NELS and Add Health data

### CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- August 2009 *Presenter*: “Out of the Shadows: How Social Justice Development Affects Immigrant Youth Identity and Consciousness” Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA.
- February 2009 *Presenter*: “Methods of Working with Latina/o Youth” Chicago Ethnography Conference, Chicago, IL
- August 2008 *Presenter*: “Parallel Processes: Ethnic Identity within the Identity Theory/Self Esteem Framework” American Sociological Association Annual Conference, Boston, MA.

- July 2008 *Co-presenter*: “The Latino Youth Collective on Immigration,” The Providence Justice Network, St. Mary of the Woods, Indiana
- February 2008 *Co-presenter*: “Los Invenzibles/Our Invincible Youth,” Nuestra America in the U.S.: A Latino Studies Conference, Lawrence, Kansas
- August 2006 *Presenter*: “Academic Experiences for Mexican Immigrant Youth: A U.S. Case Study,” American Sociological Association Annual Conference, Montreal, Quebec, Canada
- March 2006 *Presenter*: “Academic Engagement for Mexican Immigrant Youth: A U.S. Case Study,” 11th Interamerican Symposium on Ethnographic Educational Research, Buenos Aires, Argentina
- January 2006 *Presenter*: “Latino Immigrant Youth Experiences in a Midwestern Town,” Latino Graduate Student Association Spring Research Symposium, Bloomington, IN
- March 2005 *Presenter*: “Some Care More than Others: Academic Disidentification in Hispanic Students,” Latino Graduate Student Association Spring Research Symposium, Bloomington, IN.
- April 2004 *Presenter*: “Hispanic Ethnic Groups and Academic Disidentification” Pacific Sociological Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA
- April 2003 *Presenter*: “A Test of the Disidentification Hypothesis,” Sociology and Anthropology Spring Symposium, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM

## **TEACHING**

- Fall 2008 *Instructor*: Sociology of Childhood, Indiana University. Full responsibility for designing, teaching and grading 300 level class of 50 students/semester
- Summer 2008 *Co-facilitator*: Latino Youth Collective summer workshop, Indianapolis, IN Instructed immigrant and Latino youth on interviewing techniques as method
- Summer 2007 *Facilitator*: El Puente/FIRME summer workshops, Indianapolis, IN. Instructed immigrant and Latino youth to film, create video and design murals
- Summer & Spring 2007 *Instructor*: Youth and Society, New Mexico State University. Full responsibility for designing, teaching and grading online class of 30+ students.
- Fall 2004 *Teaching Assistant*: Social Organizations, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN for Dr. Fabio Rojas grading quizzes and exams and grade entry
- Spring 2004 *Adjunct Faculty*: Two sections of Introductory Sociology, El Paso Community College, Valle Verde Campus, El Paso, Tx. Full responsibility for designing, teaching and grading class of 30+ students.

- Spring 2004 *Instructor:* Introductory Sociology, New Mexico State University. Full responsibility for designing, teaching and grading class of 75 students/semester.
- Fall 2003 *Instructor:* Freshman Year Experience Course, New Mexico State University. Full responsibility for designing and teaching freshman success course for 30+ children of farm workers and first generation college students.
- 2003-2001 *Teaching Assistant:* Introductory Sociology, New Mexico State University for Professors Lee Hamilton, Lisa Frehill, and Stanley Bailey. Duties: grading quizzes and exams, running review sessions, tutoring, grade entry
- 2002 *Teaching Assistant:* Sex and Gender class, New Mexico State University for Dr. Lisa Frehill. Duties: grading quizzes and exams, running review sessions, tutoring, grade entry

### **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

- 2008-present *Co-researcher,* “El Puente: Latino Youth in a Community Organization” Indiana University-Purdue University, Indianapolis, IN. Principal Investigator: Jose Rosario
- 2005 *Research Assistant,* “State Education Policy, Regional Climates, and Local Practice for the Incorporation of Indiana's Newcomer Latino Students” Indiana University, Bloomington, IN. Co-Principal Investigator: Bradley Levinson
- 2005 *Demographic Research Assistant* for Dr. Quincy Stewart, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN: 7 database comparison to determine usefulness in analyzing health effects of racism and discrimination.
- 2004 *Research Assistant,* “From Black Power to Black Studies,” book project for Dr. Fabio Rojas, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN
- 2002-2004 *Principal investigator-*Master’s thesis work with National Education Longitudinal Study of 1988, New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM
- 2002 *Research Assistant,* New Mexico Alliance for Graduate Education for the Professorate (AGEP), New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM. Co-Principal Investigator: Lisa Frehill
- 2000-2001 *Research Assistant,* “The Meaning of Teen Pregnancy and Motherhood: Phenomenological Experiences of Hispanic and African American Girls” Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX, Co-Principal Investigator: Yvonne Caldera
- Spring 2000 *Research Assistant,* “Reading Practices of Hispanic Families” Texas Tech University, Lubbock, TX, Principal Investigator: Stephanie Shine

### **ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

- Fall 2008 *Cross-Ethnic Collaborative Research,* Indiana Intensive Didactic Seminars, Indiana University

- Fall 2008 *Oncourse Discussion Forums* utilizing online forums to facilitate teaching, Indiana University
- Spring 2008 *Oncourse Gradebook* workshop on using online grading, Indiana University  
*Space and Place Seminar*, Indiana Intensive Didactic Seminars, Indiana University
- June 2007 *Qualitative Methods Workshop*, Karl F. Schuessler Institute Intensive Program, Indiana University
- June 2007 *Democracy School: Train the Trainers*: Political education/leadership development program, Fair Immigration Reform Movement, Chicago, IL.
- June- July 2006 *Interuniversity Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) Summer Program*, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor
- Nov. 2003 “*Teaching Minority and First-Generation College Students*,” Teaching Seminar. Teaching Academy, New Mexico State University
- Jan-May 2003 “*Publish and Flourish*” Semester-Long Writing Sem., Teaching Academy, New Mexico State University
- April 2003 “*Be All You Can Be-Teach!*” Teaching Seminar, Teaching Academy, New Mexico State University
- March 2003 “*The Work of Writing*” Interactive writing workshop, Teaching Academy, New Mexico State University
- February 2003 “*Managing Your Time, Managing Your Paper*” (how to get organized and manage time), Organization Seminar, Teaching Academy, New Mexico State University
- August 2002 “*Learning it and Using It*” WebCt Seminar, Information and Communication Technologies, New Mexico State University

#### **INVITED LECTURES/PANELS**

- 2009 *Panel discussant*: The Confident Graduate Student: Successful Strategies for Dealing with Feelings of Self-doubt. ASA Student Forum Professional Workshop
- Spring 2008 *Guest lecturer*: Sociology social psychology/service learning class. Presentation on Latino youth group and participatory research techniques.
- Spring 2008 *Guest lecturer*:. Presentation on Participatory Action Research as method. Methods class, Sociology department, Indiana University
- Fall 2008 *Panel discussant*: “Diversity in the classroom: Teaching Diversity Issues as a Student of Color,” Graduate Sociology Seminar, Indiana University

- Fall 2008 *Guest lecturer:* Presentation on Participatory Action Research as method. Methods class, Sociology department, Indiana University
- Fall 2008 *Guest lecturer:* Presentation on Latino youth group and participatory theatre techniques as pedagogy, Sociology service learning class, Indiana University
- Spring 2008 *Panel discussant:* “Public Sociology in Action,” Public Sociology Colloquium, Indiana University
- Spring 2008 *Guest lecturer:* Presentation on Latino youth group and participatory theatre techniques as pedagogy, Sociology service learning class, Indiana University
- April 2005 *Panel discussant:* “The Graduate School Experience,” Latino Leadership Conference, Indiana University
- May 2004 *Panel discussant:* “The Graduate School Experience,” Alliance for Graduate Education in the Professoriate (AGEP), New Mexico State University
- Spring 2003 *Guest Lecturer:* Presentation on Hispanic high school dropouts, Sociology social problems class, New Mexico State University
- Fall 2001 *Guest Lecturer:* Presentation on substance abuse in teens, Sociology social problems class, New Mexico State University

## **SERVICE**

### **To the Profession**

- 2008 Committee for “Social Research on Race: Building Bridges across the Academic Pipeline,” a race symposium sponsored by the sociology department, Indiana University
- 2008-present Occasional review for *American Journal of Sociology*, a publication of the American Sociological Association
- 2008-present Occasional review for *Social Problems*, a publication of the Society for the Study of Social Problems
- 2008-present Race and Ethnic Relations Committee, Indiana University, founding member
- 2008-present Public Sociology Forum, Indiana University, member
- 2002-2003 Sociology/Anthropology Graduate Student Organization, (Treasurer 2002-03)

### **To the University**

- 2004-present Latino Graduate Student Association, Indiana University (Treasurer 2005-2006)
- 2003–2004 Teaching Academy, New Mexico State University, Distinguished Member
- 2003-2004 Student Voices for Peace, New Mexico State University

- 2003 Organizer and facilitator, 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Sociology and Anthropology Spring Symposium, New Mexico State University
- 2002- 2003 MECHA (Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Atzlan) de New Mexico State University
- 2000-2001 Phi Upsilon Omicron, Texas Tech University, Initiation Chair
- 2000-2001 Minority Scholars Reading and Discussion Group, Texas Tech University Department of Human Development and Family Studies, founding member
- 2000-2001 Human Sciences Ethnic Minority Organization, Texas Tech University
- 1999-2000 Phi Theta Kappa Alumni Organization, Texas Tech University, Secretary

### **To the Community**

- 2007-present Facilitator, Latino Youth Collective, Indianapolis, IN
- 2003-present Las Cruces-Chiapas Connection, organization promoting fair trade sale of weavings for indigenous Maya communities, founding member
- 2002-2004 Amigas de las Mujeres de Juarez, international organization seeking justice for murdered women of Juarez
- 2001-2002 Pen pal program for elementary students, Literacy Council, Las Cruces, NM
- 1999-2000 Americorps Member, Lubbock, Tx. (service to Special Olympics, the Food Bank, Toys for Tots, the Children's Home and Women's Protective Services)

### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

American Sociological Association

*Section Memberships:* Children and Youth, Latino/a Sociology, Collective Behavior/Social Movements

Society for the Study of Social Problems

*Section memberships:* Community Research and Development; Conflict, Social Action and Change, and Youth, Aging and the Life Course

Alpha Kappa Delta

Golden Key National Honor Society

### **REFERENCES**

Donna Eder  
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