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CURRENT POSITION

University of California, Irvine

2009-present Associate Professor, Department of Sociology and Department of Chicano/Latino Studies, and, with courtesy, Department of Education

2004-2009 Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology and Department of Chicano/Latino Studies and, with courtesy, Department of Education

Faculty Affiliate:

Center for Research on Immigration, Population and Public Policy
Demographic and Social Analysis Program

EDUCATION

University of California, Los Angeles

Ph.D., Department of Sociology, June 2003

M.A., Sociology, June 1998

Boston University

B.A., *magna cum laude*, Political Science & Sociology, minor in Spanish, May 1995

PUBLICATIONS

Book

Feliciano, Cynthia. 2006. *Unequal Origins: Immigrant Selection and the Education of the Second Generation*. New York: LFB Scholarly Publishing.

Reprinted in paperback, June 2008.

Reviews appear in:

Contemporary Sociology, 2006. 35(5): 471-472.

Interactions: UCLA Journal of Education and Information Studies, 2007. 3(2): 1-5.

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles and Book Chapters

Feliciano, Cynthia. 2009. "Education and Ethnic Identity Formation among Children of Latin American and Caribbean Immigrants" *Sociological Perspectives*, 52(2): 135-158.

Glasser, Carol, Belinda Robnett, and Cynthia Feliciano. 2009, "Internet Daters' Body Types Preferences: Race-Ethnic and Gender Differences." *Sex Roles*, 61: 14-33.

Tovar, Jessica and Cynthia Feliciano. 2009 "Not Mexican-American, but Mexican': Shifting Ethnic Self-Identifications among Children of Mexican Immigrants." *Latino Studies*, 7(2): 197-221.

Feliciano, Cynthia, Belinda Robnett and Golnaz Komaie. 2009. "Gendered Racial Exclusion among White Internet Daters" *Social Science Research*. 38(1): 39-54

Bean, Frank, Cynthia Feliciano, Jennifer Lee and Jennifer Van Hook. 2009. "The New U.S. Immigrants: Do They Elucidate or Confound Our Understanding of the African-American Experience?" *The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science, The Moynihan Report Revisited: Lessons and Reflections after Four Decades*, (621): 202-220.

Feliciano, Cynthia. 2008. "Gendered Selectivity: U.S. Mexican Immigrants and Mexican Non-Migrants, 1960-2000." *Latin American Research Review*, 43(1): 139-160.

Ahmed, Patricia, Cynthia Feliciano, and Rebecca Jean Emigh. 2007. "Internal and External Ethnic Assessments in Eastern Europe." *Social Forces*, 86(1): 231-256.

Feliciano, Cynthia. 2007. "Immigrant Selectivity, Ethnic Capital, and the Reproduction of Educational Inequalities across Borders," pp. 295-324 in *Crossing Borders/Constructing Boundaries: Race, Ethnicity, and Immigration* edited by Caroline Brettell. Lexington Books.

Feliciano, Cynthia. 2006. "Beyond the Family: The Influence of Pre-migration Group Status on the Educational Expectations of Immigrants' Children." *Sociology of Education*, 79(October): 281-303.

Feliciano, Cynthia. 2005 "Does Selective Migration Matter? Explaining Ethnic Disparities in Educational Attainment among Immigrants' Children." *International Migration Review*. 39(4): 841-871.

Feliciano, Cynthia and Rubén Rumbaut. 2005. "Gendered Paths: Educational and Occupational Expectations and Outcomes among Adult Children of Immigrants" *Ethnic and Racial Studies*. 28(6): 1087-1118.

Feliciano, Cynthia. 2005. "Educational Selectivity in U.S. Immigration: How Do Immigrants Compare to Those Left Behind?" *Demography*. 42(1):131-152.

Waldinger, Roger and Cynthia Feliciano. 2004. "Will the Second Generation Experience 'Downward Assimilation' ? Segmented Assimilation Reassessed." *Ethnic and Racial Studies*, 27(3): 376-402.

Feliciano, Cynthia. 2001. "Assimilation or Enduring Racial Boundaries? Generational Differences in Intermarriage among Asians and Latinos in the United States." *Race and Society*, 4: 27-45.

Feliciano, Cynthia. 2001. "The Benefits of Biculturalism: Exposure to Immigrant Culture and Dropping out of School among Asian and Latino Youths." *Social Science Quarterly*, 82(4): 865-879.

Lopez, David and Cynthia Feliciano. 2000. "Who Does What? California's Emerging Plural Labor Force." pp. 25-48 in *Organizing Immigrants: The Challenge for Unions in Contemporary California*, edited by Ruth Milkman. Ithaca: Cornell University Press.

Other Publications

Feliciano, Cynthia. 2008. Review of *Racial Transformations: Latinos and Asians Remaking the United States* edited by Nicholas De Genova, Duke University press, 2006. *American Journal of Sociology* 113(5): 1450-1452.

Feliciano, Cynthia. 2006. "Another Way to Assess the Second Generation: Look at the Parents." *The Migration Information Source*, May. <http://www.migrationinformation.org/>. Washington, D.C.: The Migration Policy Institute.

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

- National Academy of Education/Spencer Postdoctoral Fellowship, 2007-2008
- Ford Foundation Postdoctoral Fellowship, National Research Council, 2007-2008 (declined)
- Association for University Women Educational Foundation American Postdoctoral Fellowship, 2007-2008 (declined)
- University of California President's Postdoctoral Fellowship, 2003-2004
- Honorable Mention, Distinguished Student Scholarship Award, American Sociological Association International Migration Section, 2003.
- Social Science Research Council International Migration Dissertation Fellowship, 2002-2003
- Ford Foundation Dissertation Fellowship, National Research Council, 2002-2003
- UCLA Graduate Division Dissertation Year Fellowship, 2002-2003
- Ford Foundation Predoctoral Fellowship, National Research Council, 1999-2002
- SSRC International Migration Minority Summer Dissertation Workshop Fellowship, 2000
- UCLA Summer Research Mentorship Fellowship, 1999
- UCLA Project 88 Graduate Fellowship, 1996-1997
- Boston University College Prize for Excellence in Sociology, 1995
- AKD, Sociology Honor Society, Outstanding Graduating Senior Award, 1995
- National Hispanic Scholarship Award, 1994, 1995

RESEARCH GRANTS

- UC ACCORD/Gates Foundation, "Young Adults in Poverty and Not on Track to Attain a Post-secondary Credential: A National Portrait," Cynthia Feliciano and Leticia Oseguera, Principal Investigators, \$484,000, 2009-2013.
- UCI Faculty Career Development Award, "Unequal Origins, Unequal Outcomes: Pre-migration Status and College Attainment among Children of Immigrants," \$1000, 2008-2009
- UCI CORCL, Cultural Diversity Research Grant, "Explaining Ethnic and Generational Differences in College Attainment", \$3000, 2008-2009.

- UC ACCORD Faculty Seed Grant, “Ethnic and Gender Disparities in Early School Engagement,” \$10,000, 2007-2008.
- UCI Council on Research, Computing and Library Resources, Cultural Diversity Research Grant, “Complex Colors: Inter-racial Dating in the 21st Century,” Cynthia Feliciano and Belinda Robnett-Olsen, Principal Investigators, \$3500, 2006.
- National Research Council Collaboration in Basic Science and Engineering Grant, “Georgian Labor Migration During the Market Transition,” Rebecca Jean Emigh and Cynthia Feliciano, Principal Investigators, \$8,300, 2003.

INVITED LECTURES

New Directions in the Sociology of Education, ASA Section on Education Pre-Conference. “Why Study Schools and Educational Processes?” San Francisco, CA, August 7, 2009.

University of California, Berkeley, Department of Sociology. “Do Latinos and Asians Accept Dominant U.S. Racial Hierarchies? Evidence from Internet Daters’ Racial Preferences.” March 13, 2008.

UC ACCORD 7th Annual Conference. “Gender, Ethnic, and Generational Disparities in Early School Engagement.” Dec. 8, 2007.

Santa Clara University, Center for Multicultural Learning, Diaspora Symposium. “The Impact and Legacy of the Latino Diaspora on Educational Diversity in the United States.” May 8, 2007.

University of California, Los Angeles. Department of Sociology, Race and Ethnicity Working Group. “Gendered Hierarchies: Racial Exclusion and Inclusion in Dating Choices.” April 30, 2007.

University of California, Berkeley, Center for Latino Policy Research and Center for Latin American Studies. “Unequal Origins: Immigrant Selectivity and Educational Mobility among Second-Generation Latinos” March 16, 2007.

University of Wisconsin, Madison, Department of Sociology (co-sponsored by Race and Ethnicity and FemSem Working Groups). “Gender Hierarchies: Racial Exclusion and Inclusion in Dating Choices.” October 23, 2006.

Harvard University, Graduate School of Education, “Upwards or Downwards? Pre-migration Origins and Educational Mobility among Second-Generation Latinos” December 2005.

University of California, Irvine, Department of Education Distinguished Speaker Series, “Upwards or Downwards? Pre-migration Origins and Educational Mobility among Second-Generation Latinos” November 2005.

PAPER PRESENTATIONS AT PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS (from 2000)

“Racial Boundaries among Latinos: Evidence from Internet Daters’ Racial Preferences” (with Rennie Lee and Belinda Robnett) presented at the *American Sociological Association* Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, August 2009.

“Immigrant-Native and Gender Differences in Children’s School Engagement” presented at the *National Academy of Education Annual Meeting*, Seattle, WA, October 17-18, 2008.

“Unequal Origins, Unequal Outcomes: Pre-migration status and College Attainment among Children of Immigrants” presented at the *International Sociological Association’s First Forum on Sociology*, Barcelona, Spain, September 5-8, 2008.

“The Female Advantage in Educational Success: The Role of Family and School Factors among Adolescent Children of Immigrants” presented at the *American Sociological Association Annual Meetings*, Boston, MA, August 1-3, 2008.

“Gendered Racial Exclusion among White Internet Daters” (with Belinda Robnett and Golnaz Komaie), presented at the *Population Association of America Annual Meeting*, New Orleans, LA, April 17-19, 2008.

“Ethnic and Gender Disparities in Parents’ Educational Expectations among Immigrant and Native-born Minorities.” *American Educational Research Association Annual Meetings*, Invited Session: Emerging Scholars and Scholarship in Education Research, AERA, IES, and NAEd Postdoctoral Fellows and their Work. New York, NY, March 24-28, 2008.

“What Happens to a Dream Deferred? Adolescent Expectations and Adult Outcomes among Children of Immigrants” (with Rubén Rumbaut) presented at the *Society for Research on Adolescence Annual Meeting*, Chicago, IL, March 7-9, 2008.

“Pathways Towards Higher Education: A Longitudinal Analysis of Expectations and Attainment among Children of Immigrants” (with Rubén Rumbaut), presented at the *Sociology of Education Association Annual Meeting*, Asilomar, CA, February 22-24, 2008.

“Education and Ethnic Identity among Children of Latin American and Caribbean Immigrants” presented at the *American Sociological Association Annual Meetings*, New York, NY, 2007.

“Gendered Disparities: Family and Achievement among Children of Immigrants” presented at the *American Educational Research Association Annual Meetings*, Chicago, IL, 2007.

“Gender Disparities in Educational Attainment among Whites, Blacks, and Latinos in the United States, 1960-2000.” presented at the *American Sociological Association Annual Meetings*, Montreal, Canada, 2006.

“Race Still Matters: Dating Preferences among Whites in the United States” with Belinda Robnett-Olsen and Golnaz Komaie, presented at the *Pacific Sociological Association Annual Meeting*, Hollywood, CA, 2006.

“Assimilation *from* What? The Origins of Immigrants and Mobility Patterns of the Second Generation.” presented at the *American Sociological Association Annual Meetings*, Philadelphia, PA, 2005.

“Educational Selectivity among Male and Female Mexican Immigrants to the United States, 1960-2000.” Presented at the International Congress of the *Latin American Studies Association*, Las Vegas, NV, October 2004.

“Beyond the Family: The Effects of Group Characteristics on Immigrant Children’s Educational Aspirations and Expectations.” Presented at the *American Sociological Association Annual Meetings*, San Francisco, CA, 2004.

“Does Selective Migration Matter? Explaining Ethnic Disparities in Educational Attainment among Immigrants’ Children.” Presented at the *American Sociological Association Annual Meetings*, Atlanta, GA, 2003.

“Educational Selectivity and U.S. Immigration.” Presented at the *American Sociological Association Annual Meetings*, Chicago, IL, 2002.

“Ethnic Classification in Eastern Europe” with Patricia Ahmed and Rebecca Jean Emigh, Presented at the *American Sociological Association Annual Meetings*, Anaheim, CA, 2001.

“Assimilation or Enduring Racial Boundaries? Generational Differences in Intermarriage among Contemporary U.S. Immigrant Groups.” Presented at the *American Sociological Association Annual Meetings*, Washington D.C., 2000.

TEACHING

- Race and Ethnicity (graduate), Winter 2009
- Chicano/Latino Studies Research and Writing Seminar (undergraduate), Winter 2007, Winter 2009
- Race and Education (graduate), Fall 2006
- Ethnic and Immigrant Americans (undergraduate), Fall 2006, Spring 2005, Spring 2006
- Immigration and the New Second Generation (graduate), Spring 2006, Winter 2007
- Racial and Ethnic Relations in the United States (undergrad), Spring 2005, Winter 2006

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- Program Committee, Pacific Sociological Association Annual Meeting, 2009.
- Editorial Board, *Sociology of Education* 2006-2008
- Editor, *World on the Move*, Newsletter of the International Migration Section of the ASA, 2004-2006
- Grant Proposal reviewer: National Science Foundation, Israel Science Foundation
- Manuscript reviewer:

American Educational Research Journal
American Journal of Sociology
American Sociological Review
British Journal of Sociology
Canadian Journal of Sociology
Demography
Ethnic and Racial Studies
International Migration Review
Law and Society Review

Sociology of Education
Social Forces
Sociological Inquiry
Social Science Quarterly
Social Problems
Social Science Research
Sociological Quarterly
Teachers College Record
UCLA Civil Rights Project

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- Member, American Sociological Association.
 - Sociology of Education section
 - Latino/a Sociology section
 - International Migration section
 - Racial and Ethnic Minorities section
- Member, American Educational Research Association.
- Member, Population Association of America

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Board Member and volunteer, *EdBoost*, a nonprofit organization devoted to reducing educational inequality by providing high-quality educational services to all students and families.