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Curriculum Vitae
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EDUCATION

DEGREES

Ph.D. Sociology & Sustainable Agriculture. 2014. Department of Sociology. Iowa State University. December.

Areas of Sociology: Food Systems, Agriculture, & the Environment.
Social Change & Development.

M.S. Sociology & Sustainable Agriculture. 2010. Department of Sociology. Iowa State University.

B.S. (*Licenciatura*) Social and Cultural Anthropology. 2006. Department of Anthropology. College of Humanities and Education, University of the Republic of Uruguay.

GRADUATE CERTIFICATES

Graduate Certificate of Social Justice in Higher Education. 2012. Department of Education, Leadership, and Policy Studies. Iowa State University.

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

August 2017- Present. Assistant Professor. Department of Sociology. Mississippi State University

2015-2017- Visiting Assistant Professor. Department of Sociology and Anthropology. Middlebury College

2014 (Fall)- Visiting Research Scholar. Department of Sociology and Anthropology. Middlebury College

PUBLICATIONS

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

Thompson, Diego and Angie Carter. “Intersections Between Rural Studies and Food Justice in the U.S.: Some Implications for Today and the Future.” *Food, Culture & Society*. <https://doi.org/10.1080/15528014.2022.2138319> (Forthcoming)

Thompson, Diego and Silvina Lopez Barrera. 2022. “Community Resilience, Governance, And [In]Justice in The Context of Informal Housing After an F3 Tornado.” *Local Development & Society*. <https://doi.org/10.1080/26883597.2022.2082881>

Thompson, Diego. 2022. “From Invisible to Structural Power to Address Immigrant Farmworkers’ Challenges Through New Assemblages in the U.S. Dairy Industry.” *Social Currents*. <https://doi.org/10.1177%2F23294965221105661>

Thompson, Diego. 2020. “Building and Transforming Collective Agency and Collective Identity to Address Latinx Farmworkers’ Needs and Challenges in Rural Vermont.” *Agriculture and Human Values* 38 (1): 129-143. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10460-020-10140-7>

Thompson, Diego, Kecia R. Johnson, Kenya Cistrunk, Ashley Vancil-Leap, Thomas Nyatta, Leslie Hossfeld, Gina Rico Méndez, and Claudette Jones. 2020. “Assemblage, Food Justice, and Intersectionality in Rural Mississippi: The Oktibbeha Food Policy Council.” *Sociological Spectrum* 40 (6): 381-399. <https://doi.org/10.1080/02732173.2020.1801541>

Thompson, Diego and Silvina Lopez Barrera. 2019. “Community Resilience and Collective Agency Under Significant Changes in the Natural and Built Environment: A Community Capitals Framework Approach.” *Local Environment* 24 (12): 1156-1177. DOI: 10.1080/13549839.2019.1683723

Thompson, Diego. 2019. “Community Identity, Governance, and Resilience under Agri-Environmental Shifts in Two Communities of Southwestern Uruguay.” *Community Development* 50 (5): 497-514. DOI: 10.1080/15575330.2019.1659383

Thompson, Diego and Silvina Lopez Barrera. 2019. “Building Collaborative Governance and Community Resilience under Socio-spatial Rural Disparities and Environmental Challenges.” *Community Development Practice* 23:8-16.

Leap, Braden and **Diego Thompson***. 2018. “Social Solidarity, Collective Identity, Resilient Communities: Two Case Studies from the Rural U.S. and Uruguay.” *Social Sciences* (7) 250: 1-19. DOI:10.3390/socsci7120250

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Thompson, Diego. 2016. “Community Adaptations to Environmental Challenges under Decentralized Governance in Southwestern Uruguay.” *Journal of Rural Studies* 43: 71-82.

Carter, Angela, Claudia Marcela Prado-Meza, Jessica Soulis, and **Diego Thompson***. 2014. "Students Creating Curriculum Change: Sustainable Agriculture and Social Justice." *Journal of Critical Thought and Praxis* 3 (5).

* The authors contributed equally to all stages of this article.

Thompson, Diego. 2013. "Governance under Sociopolitical Decentralization Efforts and Local Adaptive Actions to Disturbances and Increasing Environmental Risks among Rural Communities; Four Case Studies from Southwestern Uruguay." *Agrarian Frontiers: A Rural Studies Review* 1 (1): 55-74.

Flora, Jan L., Mary Emery, **Diego Thompson**, Claudia M. Prado-Meza, and Cornelia Flora. 2012. "New Immigrants in Local Food Systems: The Case of Central Iowa." *International Journal of the Sociology of Agriculture and Food* 19 (1): 119-134.

Thompson, Diego. 2011. "'Somos del Campo': Latino and Latina Gardeners and Farmers in Two Rural Communities of Iowa. A Community Capitals Framework Approach." *Journal of Agriculture, Food Systems, and Community Development* 1(3): 1-16.

Under Review

Thompson, Diego. "Conceptualizations of the Countryside/Urban Divide and Social Mobilization in Uruguay's Countryside."

Thompson, Diego. "'Keeping Things Under the Rug': Racial Dynamics in The Context of Large Immigration Raids in Rural Mississippi."

In Progress

Thompson, Diego and Silvina Lopez Barrera. "Housing and Socio-Spatial Dynamics in the Context of Immigration Raids in Central Mississippi."

Thompson, Diego. "Latinx Community Resilience and Racial Dynamics After Large Immigration Raids."

BOOKS

D'Ambrosi, Leticia, Victoria Lembo, Blass Amato, and **Diego Thompson**. 2010. *El Mundo Sumergido .Una Investigación Antropológica de la Pesquería del Mejillón en Piriápolis y Punta del Este*. Montevideo, Uruguay: Editorial Publicaciones de Facultad de Humanidades y Ciencias de la Educación, Universidad de la República. ISBN 978-9974-0-0623-2

BOOK CHAPTERS

Roblero López, Carlos S., María Guadalupe Ocampo Guzmán, Héctor B. Fletes Ocón, and **Diego Thompson**. 2022. "Territorio y Cambio Climático. Estrategias de Adaptación de los Pequeños Productores de Café en Siltepec, Chiapas." In *Teorías y Escalas Del Desarrollo Territorial: Un Acercamiento Desde la Heterogeneidad*. Pp. 194-221. Editors: María Guadalupe Ocampo Guzmán, Héctor B. Fletes Ocón, Emma Lorena

Sifuentes Ocegueda, and Emilio Silva Sandes. Universidad Católica de Uruguay. Universidad Autónoma de Chiapas. Universidad Autónoma de Nayarit. Ediciones Comunicación Científica. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.52501/cc.028> (Peer-Reviewed)

Thompson, Diego. 2020. "Using Community Capitals to Adapt to Environmental Challenges in Rural Uruguay." In *Community Capacity and Resilience in Latin America*. Pp. 110-128. Editors: Paul Lachapelle, Isabel Gutierrez-Montes, and Cornelia B. Flora. New York City, NY: Routledge, Taylor & Francis Group. (Peer-Reviewed)

Thompson, Diego. 2018. "Media, Decentralization, and Assemblage Responses to Water Quality Deterioration in Uruguay." In *Agri-environmental Governance as an Assemblage: Multiplicity, Power, and Transformation*. Pp. 145-160. Editors: Jérémie Forney, Hugh Campbell, and Chris Rosin. Oxford, U.K.: Routledge, Taylor & Francis Group. (Peer-Reviewed)

Thompson, Diego. 2018. "Centralismo en Percepción y Respuestas a Problemas Ambientales en Comunidades de Uruguay." In *Conflictos Ambientais e Urbanos. Pesquisas e Resistências no Brasil e Uruguai*. Pp. 468-510. Editors: Carlos Machado, Caio Floriano Dos Santos, and Sergio Botton Barcellos. Rio Grande, Brazil: Editora da Universidade Federal do Rio Grande-Brazil.
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Thompson, Diego. 2009. "Pescadores de Lagunas" (*Fishers of Lagoons*). In *Gastronomía de las Costas de Rocha*. Pp. 101-106. Edited by Juan A. Varese. Ediciones Cruz del Sur. Montevideo. Uruguay.

Thompson, Diego. 2007. "Una Mirada Antropológica a la Economía e Identidad de los Pescadores de la Barra de la Laguna de Rocha." In *Anuario de Antropología Social y Cultural del Uruguay*. Pp. 125-140. Montevideo, Uruguay: UNESCO. Editorial Nordan.

ARTICLES IN CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

Lopez Barrera, Silvina and **Diego Thompson.** 2022. "Housing Insecurity and Latinx Community Resilience in Small Towns in Mississippi." In *Resilient City: Physical, Social, and Economic Perspectives*. Pp. 523-530. Proceedings of the Architectural Research Centers Consortium (ARCC) and European Association for Architectural Education (EAAE) International Conference. ISBN 978-1-935129-31-8. (Peer-Reviewed)
http://www.arcc-arch.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/ARCC-EAAE-2022_Proceedings_Digital-Version-6.pdf

Lopez Barrera, Silvina and **Diego Thompson.** 2021. "Community Resilience and Self-Help Housing After a Natural Disaster: A Case Study from Southwestern Uruguay." In Proceedings of the International Conference of the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture and the 27th World Congress of the International Union of Architects. Pp.1736-1741. Volume 3. 18-22 July 2021. Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. (Peer-Reviewed)

<https://www.acsa-arch.org/proceedings/International%20Proceedings/ACSA.Intl.2021/ACSA.Intl.2021.309.pdf>

Lopez Barrera, Silvina and **Diego Thompson**. 2019. "The Right to The City in Informal Settlements: Two Case Studies of Post-Disaster Adaptation in Latin America." In Proceedings of the Architectural Research Centers Consortium (ARCC) International Conference in Toronto, Canada. May 29-June 1, 2019. *ARCC Conference Repository* 1(1): 190-200. (Peer-Reviewed)
<https://www.arcc-repository.org/index.php/repository/article/view/647>

Thompson, Diego and Silvina Lopez Barrera. 2018. "*Dolores* After the Tornado: Collective Mobilization, Governance, and Adaptations in Southwestern Uruguay." In Proceedings of the 2018 International Conference on Sustainable Development. Pp.1-12. Article #5. Session "Climate Change Adaptation in Coastal Towns and Small Cities." United Nations. Columbia University. New York, U.S.

Thompson, Diego. 2013. "The Influence of Community Governance on Local Adaptations to Natural and Anthropogenic Changes and Increasing Environmental Risks; Four Case Studies from Southwestern Uruguay." In Proceedings of the RC21 Sociology of Urban and Regional Development Annual Conference, International Sociological Association. Pp.1-21. Berlin, Germany.

Flora, Jan L., **Diego Thompson**, Saúl Abarca-Orozco, Hector Bombiella Medina, and Caroline Olivera. 2013. "Exploring the Meanings of Food and Agriculture for Latino Youth Through the Use of Photovoice in Three Iowa Cities." In Proceedings of the 2012 Annual Conference: "Change of Colors; Latinos in the Heartland." Pp. 69-74. University of Missouri. Columbia. Missouri. U.S.

Emery, Mary, **Diego Thompson**, Claudia M. Prado-Meza, Jan L. Flora, and Cornelia Flora. 2012. "Involving Immigrant Latino Farmers in Local Food Systems: A Community Capitals Approach." In Proceedings of the 2011 Annual Conference: "Change of Colors; Latinos in the Heartland." Pp. 40-46. University of Missouri. Columbia. Missouri. U.S.

Thompson, Diego. 2011. "Human, Social, and Cultural Capitals among Latino Gardeners in Denison and Marshalltown, Iowa." In Proceedings of the 2010 Annual Conference: "Change of Colors; Latinos in the Heartland." Pp. 50-53. University of Missouri. Columbia. Missouri. U.S.

BOOK REVIEWS

Thompson, Diego. 2019. *Transforming Psychological Worldviews to Confront Climate Change: A Clearer Vision, a Different Path*. By F. Stephan Mayer (2019). *Environmental History*. Oxford University Press on behalf of the American Society for Environmental History and the Forest History Society. DOI:10.1093/envhis/emz054

REPORTS AND EVALUATIONS

- D'Ambrosi, Leticia, Victoria Lembo, Blass Amato, and **Diego Thompson**. 2010. "Buzos-Mejilloneros de Piriápolis y Punta del Este." Evaluation. *Fondos Concursables 2007-2008*. Ministry of Education and Culture of Uruguay.
- Anderson, A., Nancy Grudens-Schuck, **Diego Thompson**, Claudia M. Prado-Meza, Mary Wiedenhoeft, and Betty Wells. 2009. "Evaluation and Final Report of RSAEA, Sustainable Agriculture Education Association, 3rd National Conference." Iowa State University.
- Emery, Mary, Jan Flora, **Diego Thompson**, and Claudia M. Prado-Meza. 2009. "Scaling up to Market: Building Capacity among Immigrant Community Gardeners-Denison & Marshalltown, Iowa." Evaluation and Final Report. NIFFI (The National Immigrant Farming Initiative) and Leopold Center for Sustainable Agriculture, Iowa State University.
- Thompson, Diego**. 2008. "Historias de Ayer y de Hoy; Comunidad de Pescadores Artesanales de la Laguna de Rocha." Evaluation. *Fondos Concursables 2006-2007*. Ministry of Education and Culture of Uruguay.
- Thompson, Diego**. 2007. *Historias de Ayer y de Hoy-Comunidad de Pescadores de la Laguna de Rocha (Stories of the Fishing Community in Laguna de Rocha)*. Book manuscript prepared for the "Fondos Concursables." Digitally distributed by the Ministry of Education and Culture of Uruguay. (Digital format available upon request)

AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS

AWARDS

- The Community Development Society's 2021 International Community Development Award*. 2021 Community Development Society Annual Conference. Virtual. July 12th-15th.
- The College of Arts & Sciences Outstanding Professor Award*. The College of Arts & Sciences Student Ambassadors. Mississippi State University. Fall 2020.
- Excellence in Community Engagement Awards 2019. Honorable Mention in the Category of Community-Engaged Research*. Mississippi State University. Project: "Oktibbeha Food Policy Council." Role: Project Coordinator. With Kecia Johnson, Kenya Cistrunk, Thomas Nyatta, Claudette Jones, and Ashley Vancil-Leap. (US\$ 700)
- International Food and Nutrition Conference (IFNC) Global Fellow*. 2011. Tuskegee University, Alabama.
- The Student Paper Award of the Society of Agriculture and Food Research Interest Group (SAFRIG)*. 2011. Rural Sociological Society Annual Conference, Boise, Idaho.

The Rural Sociological Society Diversity Award. 2011. Rural Sociological Society and Community Development Society Annual Conference, Boise, Idaho.

Department of Sociology Achievement Fund Scholarship. 2011. Iowa State University.

Freeman Memorial Award. 2011. Department of Sociology. Iowa State University.

Inducted into The Honor Society of Agriculture-Gamma Sigma Delta: "Membership in Recognition of High Scholarship, Outstanding Achievement or Service." 2011. Iowa State University.

Innovative Program Award of the Community Development Society (CDS). 2010. Project: "Creating Multicultural Food Systems with Immigrants in Iowa." With Jan Flora, Claudia M. Prado-Meza, and Hannah Lewis. Community Development Society Annual Conference. New Orleans. Louisiana. U.S.

Mención de Fondos Concursables. 2008. Project: "Entre Monte, Río y Ciudad; Pescadores y Montaraces de Mercedes." (*Between Forests, Rivers, and Cities: Fishers and Lumbermen of Mercedes*). Ministry of Education and Culture of Uruguay.

Mención de Fondos Concursables. 2008. Project: "Investigación Sociocultural de la Comunidad de Pescadores Artesanales de Piriápolis." (*A Sociocultural Investigation of the Fishing Community of Piriápolis*). With Leticia D'Ambrosi, Victoria Lembo, and Blass Amato. Ministry of Education and Culture of Uruguay.

SCHOLARSHIP IN THE MEDIA (SELECTED)

Research and teaching featured on the news (alumni section) of the Department of Sociology and Criminology at Iowa State University (December 2021). See: https://soc-cj.iastate.edu/2021/11/29/diego-thompson-followed-in-his-mentors-footsteps/?fbclid=IwAR1uC-R5HnyuphEbYW5FTA3rrQN1su8VIGI95wY_h7MWuv7fmja3wQ4_a7I

Research featured on the Mississippi State University (MSU) news (September 10th, 2021). See: <https://www.msstate.edu/newsroom/article/2021/09/msu-leads-new-17-million-research-project-help-disadvantaged-communities?fbclid=IwAR1KSkIzG5Q9OeZRV8RNxcbDphZGg7ZjKTM1iVsWIkP8GK332GIWjBkrFI>

Interviewed at the show "Engaged" of the Mississippi State University TV. September 18th 2020. See: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XF9jiGD-jj8&feature=youtu.be>
<https://www.engaged.msstate.edu/news>

Interviewed at Uruguay Public Radio (Radio Uruguay.1050 AM. Program: *Sobre Ciencia*). November 14th, 2018.

Interviewed at EFE International News Agency about Latino/a Gardeners and Farmers in Communities of the Midwest. Internationally published, in multiple webpages and newspapers, November 29th, 2010. See: <http://www.sandiegored.com/noticias/950/Campesinos-hispanos-aportan-capital-cultural-a-las-comunidades-que-los-reciben/>

GRANTS

FUNDED

2021. “Reducing the Vulnerability of Disadvantaged Communities to the Impacts of Cascading Hazards under a Changing Climate.” National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA). United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). PIs: Farshid Vahedifard, Amir Agha Kouchak, Alireza Ermagun, Ben A. Leshchinsky, and Roxane C. Silver. Senior Personnel: **Diego Thompson**, Tirtha Banerjee, Timothy D. Stark, and Katya Schloesser. Awarded \$1,700,000. Dates: 9/1/2021-8/31/2024.
- 2021-2022. “Sense of Place and Community Resilience under Contexts of Informal Housing and Climate Change in the Americas.” Global Development Seed Grant. Mississippi State University. PIs: Silvina Lopez Barrera and **Diego Thompson**. PI at University of Lima (Peru): Cristina Dreifuss Serrano. Awarded \$5,000. Dates: 1/1/2022-12/31/2022.
2020. “Reducing the Vulnerability of Disadvantaged Communities to the Impacts of Cascading Hazards under a Changing Climate.” National Science Foundation (NSF)-SCC-PG. PIs: Farshid Vahedifard, Amir Agha Kouchak, Alireza Ermagun, Ben A. Leshchinsky, Roxane C. Silver. Senior Personnel: **Diego Thompson**, Tirtha Banerjee, and Timothy D. Stark. Awarded \$118,724. Dates: 8/1/2020-8/31/2022.
2020. “Latinx Community Resilience After Large Immigration Raids in Rural Mississippi.” ORED/OIDI: Mississippi State University Research to Advance Inclusion, Diversity, Equity and Access. PIs: **Diego Thompson** and Silvina Lopez Barrera. Awarded \$14,948. Dates: 11/1/2020-4/30/2022.
2020. “Community Resilience Working Group.” Bagley College of Engineering. Mississippi State University. Chair: Alireza Ermagun. Vice Chair: Nazanin Morshedlou. Role: Working Group Member. Awarded \$ 2,500. Dates: 2020-2021.
2011. “Uruguayan Farmers’ Access to Information and Perception of Climate Change and Possible Adaptations in the Light of Agricultural Transformations.” Butler Travel Award for International Studies in Sustainable Agriculture. Henry A. Wallace Chair for Sustainable Agriculture. Iowa State University. Awarded \$2,000. Role: Principal Investigator.
2011. “Integrating Social Justice into the Graduate Program in Sustainable Agriculture (GPSA) Curriculum at Iowa State University.” PIs: Claudia M. Prado-Meza, Jessica Soulis, **Diego Thompson**, Angela Carter, and Amy Alesch. Diversity Grant Program of Iowa State University. Awarded \$5,000.
2011. “Involving New Immigrants and Minorities in Local Food Systems.” Funded by the Leopold Center for Sustainable Agriculture. PIs- Jan Flora & Cornelia Flora. Role: Research Assistant (Participation in the development of the proposal and the project). Awarded \$ 40,434.

2008. “Buzos- Mejilloneros de Piriápolis y Punta del Este.” (*Underwater World; Scuba Divers and Mussels in Piriápolis and Punta del Este*). PIs: Leticia D’Ambrosi, Victoria Lembo, **Diego Thompson**, and Blass Amato. *Fondos Concursables 2008* of the Ministry of Education and Culture of Uruguay. Awarded: Uruguayan Pesos \$ 90,000.
2007. “Historias de Ayer y de Hoy; Comunidad de Pescadores Artesanales de la Laguna de Rocha.” (*Stories of the Fishing Community in Laguna de Rocha*). *Fondos Concursables 2006-2007* of the Ministry of Education and Culture of Uruguay. Awarded: Uruguayan Pesos \$ 50,000. Role: Principal Investigator.

SUBMITTED- NOT FUNDED

2022. “Cultivating Community Through Farm to Scholl Relationships (Ccfsr) In Rural Mississippi.” National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA). Food and Agriculture Service Learning Program (FASLP). USDA. PI: Carley C. Morrison. Co-PIs: Kenya Y. Cistrunk, **Diego Thompson**, Kecia R. Johnson, and David May. Amount requested: \$ 224,677. Resubmission.
- 2021-2022. “Risk and Protective Factors in the Relationship between Immigration Enforcement Stress and Well-being of Latinx Children.” National Institutes of Health (NIH). PI: Mary Held. Co-PIs: Meghan Conley, Stephanie Bohon, Elizabeth Johnson, **Diego Thompson** (PI at MSU), and Nelson Atehortua. Consultants: Angela Roberston. Amount requested: \$421,640.
2021. “Cultivating Community Through Farm to Scholl Relationships (Ccfsr) In Rural Mississippi.” National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA). Food and Agriculture Service Learning Program (FASLP). USDA. PI: Carley C. Morrison. Co-PIs: Kenya Y. Cistrunk, **Diego Thompson**, Kecia R. Johnson, and David May. Amount requested: \$ 224,933.
2020. Pre-proposal: “Engineering Research Center for Resilient Environment, Living-community and Infrastructure using Engineered Fabrics (RELIEF).” National Science Foundation (NSF). Program: Engineering Research Centers Gen-4 ERC: Convergent Research and Innovation through Inclusive Partnerships and Workforce Development (NSF 20-553). Role: Senior Personnel.
2020. Pre-proposal: “Developing Mentor Farmers into Conservation Trainers for a More Environmentally and Socioeconomically Sustainable Mississippi Central Delta.” Sustainable Agriculture Research & Education (SARE). 2021 Southern SARE Professional Development Program. PI: Tsz Him Lo. Co-PIs: Drew Gholson, Beth Baker, Nicolas Quintana, Alex Deason, **Diego Thompson**, and Gerald Jones. Amount requested \$79,999.
2019. “Resilience of Evapotranspiration Cover Systems to Natural Hazards in Humid Climate under Changing Environmental Conditions.” Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)-EPA-G2019-STAR-E1. PIs: Timothy D. Stark & Farshid Vahedifard. Co-PIs: **Diego Thompson**, Derron LaBrake, and Andrew E. Mercer. Amount requested \$799,896.

2018. “Farmworker Housing’s Impact on Welfare” The Relevance of Hispanic Migrant Dairy Laborers in Vermont and Applications in Other Contexts.” Architectural Research Center Consortium. Co-PIs: **Diego Thompson** and Silvina Lopez Barrera. Amount requested \$4,998.
2018. “Fresh Food Market Assessment Linking African-American Unlimited Community Agricultural Cooperative to Low Income and Public Housing Residents to Provide Access to Locally Grown Fresh Food.” Farmers Market and Local Food Promotion Program. United States Department of Agriculture (USDA). Co-PIs: Leslie Hossfeld, **Diego Thompson**, and Claudette Jones. Amount requested \$99,518.
2018. “Fair Food, Housing Conditions, and Social Inclusion of Latino Farmworkers in Rural Communities in Vermont and Mississippi.” Latino Center for Leadership Development. Co-PIs: **Diego Thompson** and Silvina Lopez Barrera. Amount requested \$9,790.
2017. Preproposal “Trazabilidad Como Metodología Para Incrementar la Seguridad Alimentaria: la Creación de la Marca Colima es Confianza en los Agronegocios.” Submitted by the University of Colima (Mexico) to the Consejo Nacional de Ciencia y Tecnología (CONICET) of Mexico. 2017. PI: Francisco Javier Haro Navejas. Role: Research Scientist. Amount requested: \$4,000,000.00 Mexican Pesos (\$ 216,320.00 U.S. Dollars).
2017. “Oktibbeha County Community Foods Assessment.” U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). The Community Food Projects (CFP) Competitive Grants Program. (\$70,000). PI: Leslie Hossfeld. Role: Research Scientist.
2014. “Mobilization of Community Capitals for Climate Change Adaptation under the Emergency Housing Program ‘Plan Juntos’, Uruguay.” Lincoln Institute of Land Policy. Research on Land Policy and Urban Development in Latin America. Amount requested: \$28,700. Role: Principal Investigator.
2011. “Uruguayan Farmers’ Access to Information and Perception of Climate Change and Possible Adaptations in the Light of Agricultural Transformations.” National Science Foundation (NSF). Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grants: Science Technology and Society. PI: Cornelia Flora (major professor). Role: Co-Principal Investigator. Amount requested: \$15,000.
2011. “Involving New Immigrant and Minority Producers in Local Food Systems.” NCR-SARE- R&E Proposal 2011. PI: Jan Flora. Amount requested: \$193,717. Role: Research Assistant (Participation in Writing the Proposal).
2011. “Small and Disadvantaged Farmers’ Responses to Industrial Agriculture Growth and Climate Change in Two Regions of Uruguay: A Community Capitals Framework Approach.” Inter-American Foundation (IAF) Grassroots Development Fellowship Program. Amount requested: \$12,000. Role: Principal Investigator.
2009. “Analysis and improvement of Denison’s (Iowa) food systems.” Graduate Student Grant Program. NCR-SARE Proposal. Amount requested: \$9,856. Role: Principal Investigator.

2008. “Entre Monte, Río y Ciudad; Pescadores y Montaraces de Mercedes.” (*Between Forests, Rivers, and Cities: Fishers and Lumbermen of Mercedes*). *Fondos Concursables 2007-2008* of Ministry of Education and Culture of Uruguay. Amount requested: Uruguayan Pesos \$ 50,000. Role: Principal Investigator.
2008. “Investigación Sociocultural de la Comunidad de Pescadores Artesanales de Piriápolis.” (*A Sociocultural Investigation of the Fishing Community of Piriápolis*). PIs: Leticia D’Ambrosi, Victoria Lembo, **Diego Thompson**, and Blass Amato. *Fondos Concursables 2007-2008* of Ministry of Education and Culture of Uruguay. Amount requested: Uruguayan Pesos \$100,000.

INVITED TALKS & PRESENTATIONS

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External

2022. Invited speaker at course “The Paradox of Hunger-Rural Mississippi.” Professor Dr. Cory Henry. Harvard Graduate School of Design. Harvard University. September 8th. On-line.
2022. Invited speaker at student workshop “Arquitectura y Espacio Público en la Ciudad Popular.” With Silvina Lopez Barrera. Professors: Dr. Cristina Dreifuss and Christopher Schreier. Department of Architecture. University of Lima, Perú. June 15th.
2022. Presentation at webinar: “Place Attachment, Resilience and Climate Change in the Popular City.” Organized by the Department of Architecture of University of Lima (Perú) and the School of Architecture at Mississippi State University. May 24th.
2022. Invited speaker at Professional Development Panel: “Engaging with Research Participants in a Time of Crisis: How Can we be Thoughtful and Strategic?” Southern Region of the American Association of Agricultural Education Research Conference & the Southern Association of Agricultural Scientists (SAAS) Meeting. February 14th. New Orleans, LA.
2022. Invited speaker at course “Intersectional Approaches to Sustainability.” Paper: “Assemblage, Food Justice, and Intersectionality in Rural Mississippi: The Oktibbeha Food Policy Council.” With Kecia R. Johnson. February 23rd. Professor: Dr. Sonja Klinsky. School of Sustainability. Arizona State University. On-line.
2021. Invited plenary speaker at “Power: From People to Policy.” The Power of Food Forum: Cultivating Equitable Policy Through Collective Action. September 20th- 22nd. The Johns Hopkins Center for a Livable Future. Johns Hopkins University. September 21st. On-line.
2021. Invited panelist at the “Roundtable Discussion on Race and Ethnicity in Rural Sociology Research.” Rural Sociological Society Annual Conference. July 31st. On-line.

2021. Invited panelist at the Metropolitan YMCAs of Mississippi. Immigrants in Mississippi. "The Welcoming Week." September 16th. On-line.
2019. Invited speaker at workshop "Facilitating and Strengthening Collaborative Efforts to Improve Community-based Food Systems." October 26th. 2019 Louisiana Food Fellows. Central Louisiana Local Foods Initiative. Pineville, Louisiana.
2018. Invited speaker at the Professionalization Seminar for first year Sociology Ph.D. students. Professor Dr. Rebecca L. Schewe. November 5th. Syracuse University. On-line.
2018. Invited speaker. "Groups, Rural Communities, and Responses to Agri-environmental Changes in the U.S. and Uruguay." (*Colectivos, Comunidades Rurales, y Respuestas a Cambios Agropecuarios y Medioambientales en Estados Unidos y Uruguay*). Taller Interdisciplinario de Tópicos Regionales II y III de la Licenciatura en Gestión Ambiental. Professor Dr. Leticia D'Ambrosio. July 19th. Eastern Regional Center (CURE) in Maldonado. University of the Republic of Uruguay.
2018. Invited speaker. "Environmental Changes, Perceptions, and Adaptive Responses in Uruguayan Communities." (*Cambios Medioambientales, Percepciones, y Respuestas Adaptativas en Comunidades de Uruguay*). Professors-Organizers: Joaquín Marqués Ferres, Rossana Cantieri, and Ximena Lagos. July 4th. Eastern Regional Center (CURE) in Rocha. University of the Republic of Uruguay.
2012. Invited speaker. "Inclusion of New Immigrants in U.S. Communities." Graduate Course: "*Cultura, Negocios, y Economía en las Américas*". Professor: Dr. Claudia M. Prado-Meza. Departamento de Economía. Universidad de Colima, Colima, Mexico.
2012. Invited speaker. "Civic Agriculture and the Inclusion of New Immigrants." Course: "Food and Society." Professor: Dr. Michael Haedicke. Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa.
- 2010 and 2009. Invited speaker. Bilingual Course for Adults: "How to Start your own Diversified Farm." Iowa Valley Marshalltown Community College. Instructor (curriculum development and teaching). Funded by the Leopold Center for Sustainable Agriculture and Iowa State University. Supervisor: Dr. Jan Flora.
2008. Invited speaker. "Ethnicity and Identity: Fishers of Lagoons in Eastern Uruguay." Course: "General Ethnology." Professor: Dr. Sonia Romero, Department of Anthropology. University of the Republic of Uruguay.

Mississippi State University

2022. Invited speaker at the Professionalization Seminar of Sociology for Graduate Students. Professor Dr. Rachel Allison. September 23rd. Mississippi State University.
2022. Invited speaker at the Center for Community-Engaged Learning: Eat & Engage Luncheon. Topic: Food systems and food policy councils in Mississippi. March 4th 2022.

2022. Invited speaker at the ORED-Research Week. Research: "Latinx Community Resilience After Large Immigration Raids in Rural Mississippi." April 11th 2022. Mississippi State University.
2021. Invited reviewer for the 4th Year Architecture Design Studio. Project Title: "Immigrant Death Memorial." Student: Lilly Worbington. Professor: Alexis Gregory. School of Architecture. December 1st. Mississippi State University.
2021. Invited panelist: "Borders, Migrations, and Their Complex Realities." Panel Discussion. September 29th. Hostile Terrain 94 & Hispanic Heritage Month. Fowlkes Auditorium. Mississippi State University.
2021. Invited speaker. "Impacts and Responses to the 2019 Immigration Raids in Poultry Processing Plants in Rural Communities of Mississippi." Delta Scholars Program. Professors: Dr. Kecia Johnson and Dr. John Green. June 9th. Mississippi State University.
2020. Invited speaker. "Fieldwork During a Pandemic Workshop." With sociology graduate students. Department of Sociology. Mississippi State University. June 29th. Organizer: Dr. Margaret Hagerman.
2020. Invited speaker. "The Oktibbeha Food Policy Council under the Context of Poverty and Food Insecurity." SO 4990 "Gender, Food, and Culture." January 27th. Professor Dr. Ashley Vancil-Leap. Mississippi State University.
2019. Invited panelist. "Climate Crisis Cafe: Our Planet. Our Future." United Nations Association at Mississippi State University. October 16th. Mississippi State University.
2019. Invited speaker. "Housing Inequality in the Mississippi Delta." Delta Scholars Program. Professors: Kecia Johnson and John Green. July 9th. Mississippi State University.
2019. Invited speaker. "The Oktibbeha Food Policy Council under the Context of Poverty and Food Insecurity." SO 4990 "Gender, Food, and Culture." January 23rd. Professor Dr. Ashley Vancil-Leap. Mississippi State University.
2018. Invited panelist. Interdisciplinary Workshop Series. Sponsored by the Institute for the Humanities. Mississippi State University. Presenters: Dr. Robert Harland and Dr. Karen Williams. October 19th. Mississippi State University.
2018. Invited speaker at the Professionalization Seminar of Sociology for Graduate Students. Professor Dr. Robert Boyd. October 5th. Mississippi State University.
2018. Invited speaker. "Climate Change Perception, Vulnerability, Adaptations, and Governance in Communities of Southwestern Uruguay." Professor Dr. Davide Orsini. Honors College. History and Policy of Climate Change. March 22nd. Mississippi State University.

Iowa State University

2014. Invited speaker. "Community Resilience and Adaptation to Climate Change." Course: "Environmental Sociology." SOC 382. Instructor: Angela Carter. Iowa State University.
2012. Invited speaker. "Integrating Social Justice into Foundations of Sustainable Agriculture." Three Experimental Classes of the Graduate Course: "Foundations of Sustainable Agriculture." SUSAG 610. Professors: Dr. Betty Wells and Dr. Clark Wolf. Iowa State University.
2011. Invited speaker. "Integrating Social Justice into Foundations of Sustainable Agriculture." Three Experimental Classes of the Graduate Course: "Foundations of Sustainable Agriculture." SUSAG 610. Professors: Dr. Betty Wells and Dr. Clark Wolf. Iowa State University.
2011. Invited speaker. "Food for Thought." Graduate Course: English 557. Professor: Dr. Mary Swander. Iowa State University.
2011. Invited speaker. Bilingual Course for Latino Youth: "Photo-voice Summer Internship on Food and Agriculture", Des Moines, Council Bluffs, and Ottumwa (Iowa). Instructor (curriculum development and teaching). Project: "Inclusion of Immigrants and Minorities into Local Food Systems of Iowa." Supervisors: Dr. Jan Flora & Dr. Cornelia Flora. Department of Sociology. Iowa State University.
2010. Invited speaker. "Integrating Social Justice into Foundations of Sustainable Agriculture." Three Experimental Classes of the Graduate Course: "Foundations of Sustainable Agriculture." SUSAG 610. Professors: Dr. Betty Wells and Dr. Clark Wolf. Iowa State University.

PRESENTATION OF ARTICLES IN CONFERENCES & SEMINARS

2022. "Intersections Between Rural and Food Justice in the U.S.: Some Implications for Today and the Future." With Angela Carter. Rural Sociological Society Annual Conference. August 4th-7th. Westminster, Colorado.
2022. "Housing Insecurity and Latinx Community Resilience in Small Towns in Mississippi." With Silvina Lopez Barrera. ARCC-EAAE Architectural Research Centers Consortium International Conference. Florida International University. May 23rd, 2022. Virtual Presentation.
2022. "Latinx Immigrants and Racial Dynamics Under the Context of Large Immigration Raids in Rural Communities of Central Mississippi." Southern Sociological Society (SSS) Annual Conference. April 8th, 2022. Birmingham, AL.
2022. "Community Resilience Influenced by Race and Politics in the Context of Large Immigration Raids in Central Mississippi." Southern Rural Sociological Association (SRSA) Annual Meeting. February 13th, 2022. New Orleans, LA.

2021. "Community Resilience and Self-Help Housing After a Natural Disaster: A Case Study from Southwestern Uruguay." With Silvina Lopez Barrera. International Conference of the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture and the 27th World Congress of the International Union of Architects. July 18th-22nd. Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Virtual Presentation.
2021. "Latinx Community Resilience After Large Immigration Raids in Poultry Processing Plants in Rural Mississippi." Conference: "Just Food: *because it is never Just Food*." Organized by the Association for the Study of Food and Society (ASFS), the Agriculture, Food, & Human Values Society (AFHVS), the Canadian Association for Food Studies (CAFS), and the Society for Anthropology of Food and Nutrition (SAFN). June 9th- 15th. Virtual Presentation on June 14th.
2021. "Conceptualizations of the Countryside/Urban Divide and Social Mobilization in Uruguay's Countryside." Rural Sociological Society Annual Conference. June 3rd. Virtual Presentation.
2020. "Resistencia y Adaptaciones a Cambios Medioambientales Provocados por el Agro en el Uruguay Rural." Latin American Studies Association (LASA) Annual Conference. May 13th-16th 2020, Guadalajara, Mexico. Virtual Presentation.
2020. "Collective Agency and Decision-Making Processes in Post-Disaster Housing Recovery: A Case Study from Southwestern Uruguay." With Silvina Lopez Barrera. Environmental Design Research Association (EDRA) 51st Conference: "Socially Embedded Collaboration." April 4th-7th 2020. Arizona State University in Tempe, Arizona, U.S. Virtual Presentation.
2019. "Más que "Leche con Dignidad": Comida Justa, Movilización Colectiva, e Inclusión Social de Trabajadores Agrícolas Hispanos en los EE.UU" (*Beyond "Milk With Dignity": Food Justice, Collective Mobilization, and Social Inclusion of Hispanic Farmworkers in the U.S.*). Panel: "Dinámicas de Los Actores Sociales en La Configuración Territorial en Procesos de Desarrollo Rural." Latin American Sociological Association (ALAS) International Conference. December 1st-6th. National University of San Marcos, Lima, Peru.
2019. "Assembling Community Stakeholders to Facilitate Food Justice in Rural Mississippi: The Oktibbeha Food Policy Council." With Kecia R. Johnson, Kenya Cistrunk, Ashley Vancil-Leap, and Thomas Nyatta. October 25th. Interdisciplinary Forum of the Institute for the Humanities. Mississippi State University.
2019. "Resilience and Collective Mobilization in Two Communities of Uruguay: A Community Capitals Framework Approach." With Silvina Lopez Barrera. Rural Sociological Society Annual Conference. August 10th. Richmond, Virginia.
2019. "The Right to The City in Informal Settlements: Two Case Studies of Post-Disaster Adaptation in Latin America." With Silvina Lopez Barrera. Architectural Research Centers Consortium (ARCC) International Annual Conference. May 29th-June 1st. Ryerson University, Toronto, Canada. (Note: This article was accepted and published in the conference proceedings but not presented at the conference).

2019. "The Oktibbeha Food Policy Council: Assembling Community Stakeholders and Initiatives to Create Resilient and Inclusive Food Systems in Mississippi." With Kecia Johnson, Kenya Cistrunk, Leslie Hossfeld, and Gina Rico Mendez. Southern Sociological Society Annual Conference. April 11th. Atlanta, Georgia.
2019. "Exploring a Socio-Structural Approach to Examine Community Resilience: Two Case Studies from Rural Uruguay." With Silvina Lopez Barrera. Alabama-Mississippi Sociological Association. Annual Conference. February 22nd. Mississippi State University.
2018. "The Oktibbeha Food Policy Council: Assembling Community Stakeholders and Initiatives to Create Resilient and Inclusive Food Systems in Mississippi." With Leslie Hossfeld, Gina Rico Mendez, Kecia R. Johnson, and Kenya Cistrunk. Mid-South Sociological Association Annual Conference. October 24th-27. Birmingham, Alabama, U.S.
2018. "Food Justice, Collective Agency, and Inclusion of Hispanic Farmworkers in Rural Vermont." Mid-South Sociological Association Annual Conference. October 24th-27. Birmingham, Alabama, U.S.
2018. "*Dolores* After the Tornado: Collective Mobilization, Governance, and Adaptations in Southwestern Uruguay." With Silvina Lopez Barrera. International Conference on Sustainable Development. September 26th- 28th. Columbia University. New York, U.S.
2018. "'Milk with Dignity': Collective Agency and Social Inclusion of Immigrant Farmworkers in Rural Vermont." Rural Sociological Society Annual Conference. July 26th-29th. Portland, U.S.
2018. "Social Solidarity, Collective Identities, and Community Resilience: Two Case Studies from the Rural U.S. and Uruguay." With Braden Leap. Rural Sociological Society Annual Conference. July 26th-29th. Portland, U.S.
2018. "Social Inclusion of Immigrant Farmworkers in Rural Communities in the United States: A Multidisciplinary Perspective." Alabama-Mississippi Sociological Association. Annual Conference. February 22nd-23rd. Alabama State University, Montgomery, Alabama, U.S.
2016. "When do Environmental Problems Matter? The Role of Centralized Governance on Perceptions and Responses to Environmental Challenges in Rural Communities of Uruguay." XIV World Congress of Rural Sociology- IRSA. August 10th-14th. Ryerson University. Toronto, Canada.
2016. "The Influence of Centralized Stakeholders on Mapping Environmental Problems and Social Conflicts in Rural Communities of Uruguay." Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting. August 7th-10th. Toronto, Canada.
2016. "The Influence of Media on Community Perceptions and Responses to Water Quality Deterioration in Uruguay." Latin American Studies Association (LASA) Annual Conference. May 27th-30th. New York City, U.S.

2015. "The Influence of Cultural Capital on Social and Political Capitals and Community Responses to Environmental Stresses: Four Case Studies from Southwestern Uruguay." Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting. August 6th-9th. Madison, Wisconsin, U.S.
2015. "Cambios Medioambientales y Adaptación en Comunidades del Suroeste de Uruguay." (*Environmental Changes and Community Adaptive Responses in Southwestern Uruguay*). CURE's Faculty Seminar. July 14th. Rocha. University of the Republic of Uruguay.
2015. "Cambios Medioambientales y Respuestas Adaptativas en Cuatro Comunidades del Suroeste de Uruguay." (*Environmental Changes and Adaptive Responses in Four Communities of Southwestern Uruguay*). Seminar: 'La Cuestión Ambiental en Uruguay: Transformaciones, Adaptación y Conflictos Socio-ambientales Contemporáneos.' June 24th. University of the Republic of Uruguay.
2015. "Exploring Social Justice and Sustainable Agriculture: Experiences of Social Integration in Local and Regional Food Systems in the U.S." Howard E. Woodin Colloquium Series. March 3rd. Middlebury College, U.S.
2014. "Governance and its Role in Community Adaptations to Environmental Stresses under Decentralization Programs in Southwestern Uruguay." Community Development Society Annual Conference. July 22nd. Dubuque, Iowa, U.S.
2013. "Governance and its Role on Community Adaptations to Environmental Stresses under Decentralization Programs in Southwestern Uruguay." Latin American Urbanism Symposium. April 18th. Department of Architecture & Department of Anthropology. Iowa State University, U.S.
2013. "The Influence of Community Governance on Local Adaptations to Natural and Anthropogenic Changes and Increasing Environmental Risks; Four Case Studies from Southwestern Uruguay." RC21 Sociology of Urban and Regional Development, International Sociological Association. August 29th-31st. Berlin, Germany.
2013. "Community Governance and Local Adaptive Actions to Disturbances and Increasing Environmental Risks under Political Decentralization Efforts; Four Case Studies from Southwestern Uruguay." Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting. August 6th-9th. New York City, U.S.
2013. "The influence of Community Governance Structures and Processes on Local Adaptive Actions to Disturbances and Increasing Environmental Risks in Four Rural Communities in Southwestern Uruguay." Agriculture, Food, and Human Values Society Annual Meeting. June 19th-22nd. East Lansing, Michigan, U.S.
2013. "Latino Social Innovators and Economic Entrepreneurs in Four Rural Communities of Iowa: Comparisons using a Capitals Framework." With Jan L. Flora and Saúl Abarca Orozco. Change of Colors Annual Conference; Latinos in the Heartland; Migration and Shifting Landscapes. June 12th-14th. University of Missouri. St. Louis, U.S.

2013. "Students Creating Curriculum Change in Sustainable Agriculture and Social Justice." With Angie Carter, Claudia M. Prado-Meza, Jessica Soulis, Nicholas Leete, John Dean, and Victoria LeBeaux. Iowa State University 2013 Symposium on Sustainability – "Connecting Today's Bottom Line with a Sustainable Future: Our Growing Commitment." February 25th-26th. Ames, Iowa, U.S.
2013. "Latino Youth, Food and Agriculture in Iowa." With Jan L. Flora, Saúl Abarca-Orozco, Hector Bombiella Medina, and Caroline Olivera. Iowa State University 2013 Symposium on Sustainability – "Connecting Today's Bottom Line with a Sustainable Future: Our Growing Commitment." February 25th-26th. Ames, Iowa, U.S.
2012. "Common Means, Disparate Ends: Convergence and Divergence in the Heartland." With Cornelia B. Flora, Jan L. Flora, and Claudia M. Prado-Meza. XIII World Congress of Rural Sociology, International Rural Sociological Association. August 2nd. Lisbon, Portugal.
2012. "Resources and Barriers to Innovation among Latino Businesspersons in Rural Iowa: A Capitals Approach." With Jan L. Flora, Claudia M. Prado-Meza, Saúl Abarca-Orozco, and Cornelia B. Flora. Rural Sociological Society Annual Conference. July 26th-30th. Chicago, U.S.
2012. "Exploring the Meanings of Food and Agriculture for Latino Youth Through the Use of Photo-voice in Three Iowa Cities." With Jan L. Flora, Saúl Abarca-Orozco, Hector Bombiella Medina, and Caroline Olivera. Change of Colors Conference; Latinos in the Heartland; Migration and Shifting Landscapes. June 12th-15th. University of Missouri. Columbia, U.S.
2012. "Exploring how to Make the North Central Education/Extension and Research Activity (NCERA) Sustainable over Time." With Jan L. Flora and Saúl Abarca-Orozco. Change of Colors Conference; Latinos in the Heartland; Migration and Shifting Landscapes. June 12th-15th. University of Missouri. Columbia, U.S.
2012. "Latino Business Entrepreneurs and Social Innovators in Four Iowa Communities." With Jan L. Flora, Claudia M. Prado-Meza, and Cornelia B. Flora. "Latino Entrepreneurs in Iowa." April. Iowa State University Extension, U.S. See: <http://www.soc.iastate.edu/extension/diverse/latinoentrepreneurship/reports.html>
2012. "Entrepreneurial and Non-Entrepreneurial Latino Proprietors in Four Iowa Communities: How do they differ from one another?" With David Peters, Claudia M. Prado-Meza, Jan L. Flora, Saúl Abarca Orozco, and Cornelia B. Flora. USDA Webinar on Latino Entrepreneurs. April 2012.
2011. "Climate and Land Use Change: Exploring the Case of Uruguayan Farmers' Access to Information and Perception of Climate Change and Possible Adaptations in the Light of Agricultural Transformations." Sociology Research Seminars & Latino Research Seminars. November 11st. Department of Sociology, Iowa State University, U.S.
2011. "New Immigrants in Local Food Systems: Two Iowa Cases." International Food and Nutrition Conference (IFNC 2011). October 9th-11th. Tuskegee University, U.S.

2011. "Latino Social Innovators and Economic Entrepreneurs in Four Rural Iowa Communities." With Jan L. Flora and David Peters. Rural Sociological Society and Community Development Society Annual Meeting. July 28th-31st. Boise, Idaho, U.S.
2011. "Somos del Campo; Latino/a Gardeners and Farmers in two Rural Communities of Iowa. A Community Capitals Framework Approach." Rural Sociological Society and Community Development Society Annual Meeting. July 28th-31st. Boise, Idaho, U.S.
2011. "Closing Gaps: Integrating Social Justice within the Graduate Program in Sustainable Agriculture Curriculum at Iowa State University." With Angela Carter, Claudia M. Prado-Meza, and Jessica Soulis. Social Justice Iowa Area Meet-up. July 15th. University of Iowa, Iowa City, U.S.
2011. "Involving Immigrant Latino Farmers in Local Food Systems: A Community Capitals Framework Approach." With Jan L. Flora, Cornelia B. Flora, Mary Emery, and Claudia M. Prado Meza. Change of Colors Annual Conference; Latinos in the Heartland; Migration and Shifting Landscapes. June 8th-10th. University of Missouri, Kansas City, U.S.
2011. "Somos del Campo: Latino Gardeners and Farmers in Two Rural Communities of Iowa". National Urban Extension Conference. May 2nd-5th. Des Moines, Iowa, U.S.
2011. "Somos del Campo": Latino/a Gardeners and Farmers in Two Rural Communities of Iowa. A Community Capitals Framework Approach." Latino Research Seminars & Sociology Research Seminar Series. March 24th. Department of Sociology, Iowa State University, U.S.
2010. "Human, Cultural, and Social Capitals Among Latino/a Gardeners in Marshalltown and Denison, Iowa." With Jan Flora, Cornelia Flora, and Claudia M. Prado-Meza. Change of Colors Conference; Latinos in the Heartland; Migration and Shifting Landscapes. May 24th-26th. University of Missouri. Columbia, U.S.
2010. "Latino Business Entrepreneurs and Social Innovators in Four Iowa Communities." With Jan L. Flora, Cornelia Flora, and Claudia M. Prado-Meza. Change of Colors Conference; Latinos in the Heartland; Migration and Shifting Landscapes. May 24th-26th. University of Missouri. Columbia, U.S.
2010. "Somos del Campo": Latino/a Gardeners and Farmers in Two Rural Communities of Iowa. A Community Capitals Framework Approach." Sustainable Agriculture Colloquium. April 28th. Iowa State University, U.S.
2010. Book and Documentary: "Underwater World; Scuba Divers and Mussels in Punta del Este and Piriápolis." With Leticia D'Ambosio and Victoria Lembo. January 11th. Cultural Center of La Paloma, Rocha, Uruguay.
2009. "An Asset-based Perspective on Latino Entrepreneurs: Reflections from Iowa Communities." With Jan L. Flora, Cornelia Flora, and Claudia M. Prado-Meza. Latino/a Communities in the Midwest, Julian Samora Research Institute, 20th Anniversary. November 5th -7th. East Lansing, Michigan State University, U.S.

2009. Three Workshops: “Mapping Comida”, “How to Develop Diversified Local Food Systems”, and “Planning your Community’s Local Food System: The Experience of COMIDA–County of Marshall Investing in Diversified Agriculture.” With Claudia M. Prado-Meza. 13th Annual Conference Community Food Security Coalition, “From Commodity to the Community” Conference. October 10th -13th. Des Moines, Iowa, U.S.
2009. “Rural Latino Entrepreneurs: Social and Cultural Capitals.” With, Jan L. Flora and Cornelia Flora. Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting. July 30th-August 1st. Madison, Wisconsin, U.S.
2009. “Social Justice in Food Systems; COMIDA.” With Joseph Malual and Claudia M. Prado-Meza. Sustainable Agriculture Education Association (SAEA), 3rd National Conference, “Facilitating Sustainable Agriculture Education.” (Other Tasks: Facilitator of Workshops, Organizer, and Evaluator of the Conference). July 15th-16th. Iowa State University, U.S.
2009. “Growing our own Farmers: Expanding the Supply of Local Food.” With Jan L. Flora, Cornelia Flora, and Claudia M. Prado-Meza. Agriculture, Food, and Human Values Society (AFHVS) and the Association for the Study of Food and Society (ASFS) Conference. May 28th-31st. Penn State University, U.S.
2009. “Empowerment of Latino Immigrants through Farming: a Community Capitals Approach.” With Jan L. Flora and Claudia M. Prado-Meza. Change of Colors Conference; Latinos in the Heartland; Migration and Shifting Landscapes. May 18th-20th. University of Missouri, St. Louis, U.S.
2009. “COMIDA Project; How to involve new Immigrants into Local Food Systems.” With Joseph Malual and Claudia M. Predo-Meza. Annual Presentations of the Graduate Program of Sustainable Agriculture. April 23rd. Iowa State University, U.S.
2009. “Latino/as Participating in Community Gardens.” With Jan L. Flora and Claudia M. Prado-Meza. Annual Conference for Immigration and Human Rights in the U.S. Jewish Council on Urban Affairs. February 6th. Chicago, Illinois, U.S.
2008. “Historias de ayer y de hoy; Comunidad de Pescadores de la Laguna de Rocha.” (*Stories of the Fishing Community in Laguna de Rocha*). January 10th. Cultural Center of La Paloma. Rocha, Uruguay.
2007. “Situación Cultural de los Pescadores Artesanales de la Laguna de Rocha.” (*Cultural Situation of the Fishermen of Laguna de Rocha*). Conferencia Nacional de Ecoturismo y Áreas Protegidas. April, 5th. Trinidad, Flores, Uruguay.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

2021. Webinar: “Networks and Systems that Support Success for Educators, Students, and Researchers at Native American, Historically Black, and Hispanic-Serving Higher Education Institutions.” Nov 18th. Sponsored by the MSU Center for Regional Food Systems-Racial Equity in the Food System Workgroup.
2021. National Science Foundation. 2021 Smart & Connected Communities Principal Investigators’ Meeting. April 7th-April 9th. Participation in mini-workshops: “Research Advances” & “Transition to Practice.”
2020. Completion of the MSU Office of Research Compliance trainings:
- Financial Conflict of Interest.
 - Responsible Conduct of Research for PIs and Co-PIs, at the Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI Program).
2020. Completion of “Online Teaching 101: Best Practices in Online Instruction.” July 2020. The Center for Teaching and Learning. Mississippi State University.
2019. Webinar: “Measuring Racial Equity in the Food System Webinar: Established and Suggested Metrics.” July 16th. The Racial Equity in Food Systems Working Group. Center for Regional Food Systems. Michigan State University.
2019. Webinar: “Why Gender & Land Matter in Rural Ghana and the World: The Importance of Closing the Gender Gap in Agricultural Development.” May 2nd. Soybean Innovation Lab. Social Science Research Center. Mississippi State University.
2019. Webinar: “Land-grant Institutions and Food Systems: Acknowledging Historical Disparities and Exploring Present-day Equity Initiatives.” April 17th. The Racial Equity in Food Systems Working Group. Center for Regional Food Systems. Michigan State University.
2019. Workshop: “Advisory Boards: Who Needs Them and Why?” April 2nd. Office of Research and Economic Development. Mississippi State University.
2019. Workshop: “Find Your Fit: Navigating the New IRB Exemption Categories.” March 28th. Office of Research and Economic Development, Mississippi State University.
2018. Online Training Series: “Working with Virtual Teams.” May 4th, May 11th, May 18th. Organized by the Southern Rural Development Center at Mississippi State University and the Learning Community Group of SERA 47.
2018. Southeastern University Consortium on Hunger, Poverty, and Nutrition Symposium: “Leveraging Local Food Systems for Self Sufficiency.” March 28th. The Mill. Mississippi State University.
2016. Middlebury College 29th Annual Retreat on Writing and Teaching. August 23th-24th. Chittenden, Vermont, U.S.

2015. Middlebury College 28th Annual Retreat on Writing and Teaching. August 26th-27th. Chittenden, Vermont, U.S.
2015. Learning Institute “Science of Learning in Action.” Center for Teaching, Learning, and Research. May 27th-28th. Middlebury College, U.S.
2011. Food Systems Workshop for Global Fellows. International Food and Nutrition Conference (IFNC 2011). October 9th -11th. Tuskegee University, U.S.
- 2008/2009/2010/2011/2012/2013. Sociology Research Seminars. Iowa State University, U.S.
- 2008/2009/2010. Latino Research Seminars. Iowa State University, U.S.
2000. International Congress of Psychology Students. October. University of La Habana, Cuba.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

COURSES TAUGHT

Mississippi State University

2022. “Rural Sociology.” SO 3303. (Fall)
 “Introduction to Sociology.” SO 1003. Honors. (Fall)
 “Contemporary Social Problems.” SO 1103. (Spring)
 “Introduction to Sociology.” SO 1003. (Spring)
2021. “Rural Sociology.” SO 3303. (Fall)
 “Environment and Society.” SO/AN 4173/6173. (Fall)
 “Contemporary Social Problems.” SO 1103. On-line. (Spring)
 “Introduction to Sociology.” SO 1003. Honors. (Spring)
2020. “Rural Sociology.” SO 3303. (Fall)
 “Contemporary Social Problems.” SO 1103. On-line. (Fall)
 “Introduction to Sociology.” SO 1003. (Spring)
 “Sociology of Immigration.” SO8990. (Spring)
2019. “Introduction to Sociology.” SO 1003. Honors. (Fall)
 “Rural Sociology.” SO 3303. (Fall)
2018. “Introduction to Sociology.” SO 1003. (Fall)
 “Contemporary Social Problems.” SO 1103. (Fall)
 “Rural Sociology.” SO 4990. (Spring)
 “Introduction to Sociology.” SO 1003. (Spring)
2017. “Sociology of Food and Agricultural Systems.” SO 8990. (Fall)
 “Contemporary Social Problems.” SO 1103. (Fall)

Middlebury College

2017. "Environmental Sociology." SOAN 0209. (Spring)
2016. "Migration and Food Systems." SOAN 0237. (Fall)
"Sociology of Food and Agricultural Systems." SOAN 0236. (Spring)
"Global Environmental Activism." SOAN 1030. (Winter)
2015. "Sociology of Globalization." SOAN 0260. (Fall)
"Environmental Sociology." SOAN 0209. (Spring)

Iowa State University

2014. "Introduction to Spanish." SPAN 102. Sole Instructor. (Summer)
"Globalization and the Human Condition." ANTHRO 230. Lecturer and Grader. (Spring)
"Advanced Spanish." SPAN 202. Sole Instructor. (Spring)
2013. "Globalization and the Human Condition." ANTHRO 230. Sole Instructor. (Fall)
"Introduction to Sociology." SOC 134. Sole Instructor. (Summer)
"Introduction to Spanish." SPAN 101. Sole Instructor. (Summer)

STUDENT ADVISING

- 2021- Present. Faculty adviser of the Sociological Graduate Student Association (SGSA). Department of Sociology, Mississippi State University.
- 2022- Present. Student: Kelli Russell. Committee Member of Ph.D. Dissertation. Department of Sociology, Mississippi State University.
- 2022- Present. Student: Taylor Patterson. Committee Member of Master Thesis. Department of Geosciences, Mississippi State University.
- 2022- Present. Student: Gbenga Elufisan. Master Thesis Adviser. Department of Sociology, Mississippi State University.
- 2022- Student: Anne Elizabeth Harrington. Committee Member of Honors Thesis. Department of Sociology, Mississippi State University.
- 2020- Student: Ben Mackin. Committee Member of Honors Thesis. Social Science Research Center, Message Lab, Mississippi State University
- 2018- Present. Student: Lindsey Shaw. Committee Member of Master Thesis. Department of Sociology, Mississippi State University.
- 2019- 2020. Student: Carlos S. Roblero López. Co-director of Master Thesis in Local Development. Department of Social Sciences. Universidad Autónoma de Chiapas (University of Chiapas), Mexico.

2013- 2019. Student: Nathalie Goldberg. Master's thesis. Committee Co-Chair. Master in *Manejo Costero Integrado del Cono Sur*. University of the Republic of Uruguay.

INSTITUTIONAL & COMMUNITY SERVICE

MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY

College of Arts & Sciences

2018-2021. Member (elected) of the Courses and Curriculum Committee.

2017-2019. Member (coordinator until May 2019) of the Steering Committee of the Interdisciplinary Workshop Series. The Institute for the Humanities.

Department of Sociology

2022- Present. Assistant Professor Representative (elected) of the Department Advisory Council.

2022- Present. Member of the Graduate Admissions and Support.

2017- Present. Member of the Rural Sociology/Demography Preliminary Examination Committee.

2017- Present. Affiliated to the Mississippi Food Insecurity Project (MFIP).

2021- 2022. Member of the Exit Exam Committee.

2021- 2022. Member of the Graduate Policies and Curriculum.

2020- 2021. Member of the Loftin Support Committee.

2019- 2021. Member of the Graduate Admissions and Support Committee.

2018- 2020. Member of the Sociology Qualifying/Exit Exam Committee.

2017-2019. Member of the Sociology Undergraduate Curriculum and Policies Committee.

2017-2019. Member of the Globalization of the Curriculum Committee (Ad Hoc).

2017-2018. Teaching evaluator of graduate students.

MISSISSIPPI

2018- Present. Member of the Mississippi Food Policy Council.

2017- Present. Member of the Food Policy Council-Unlimited Community Agriculture Cooperative (UCAC).

2018- 2020. Coordinator of the Oktibbeha Food Policy Council.

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

2021-Present. Member of the Rural Sociological Society Diversity Committee.

2019-Present. Member of the Rural Sociological Society Publications Committee.

2019-Present. Member of the Racial Equity in Food Systems Working Group. Center for Regional Food Systems. Michigan State University.

2018-Present. Member of SERA47: Strengthening the Southern Region Extension and Research System to Support Local & Regional Foods Needs and Priorities. Multistate Research Coordinating Committee and Information Exchange Group.

Co-organizer of SARE-47 Webinar: "Operationalizing Equity Across Land Grants and their Partners Through Local Food Systems Panel Discussion." December 10th, 2020.

- 2022. Moderator of session “Cultivating and Reclaiming Black Spaces: Towards a Revisionist History of Hip Hop, Rural Sociology, and an African Past.” Rural Sociological Society Annual Conference. August 5th, 2022. Westminster, Colorado.
- 2022. Moderator of session “Engaging with Race and Resources in the Rural Context.” Southern Rural Sociological Association (SRSA) Annual Meeting. February 13th, 2022. New Orleans, Louisiana.
- 2021-Present. Review Editor of the journal *Frontiers in Sustainable Food Systems / Social Movements, Institutions and Governance*.
- 2018-2021. Member of the Committee on Sociological Practice of the Southern Sociological Society.
- 2018. Chaired session: “Food, Inequality, And Change: Stratification and Cultural Mobility.” Mid-South Sociological Association Annual Conference. October 24th 2018. Birmingham, Alabama, U.S.

MIDDLEBURY COLLEGE

- 2016. Moderator at the 4th Annual International and Interdisciplinary Conference: “Food Insecurity in a Globalized World: The Politics and Culture of Food Systems.”
- 2015- 2017. Affiliated with the Environmental Studies Program at Middlebury College.
- 2015-2016. Member (‘mentor’) of the New Faculty Mentoring Program 2015-2016.

VERMONT

- 2016-2017. Member of the Advisory Board of Migrant Justice.

IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

- 2013. Member of the Organizing Committee for the Sustainable Agriculture Colloquium.
- 2011-2013. Member of the Executive Board of North Central Education/Extension and Research Activity (NCERA 216).
- 2009-2013. Member of the Organizing Committee for Latino Research Seminars.
- 2011. Member of the Organizing Committee for Sociology Research Seminars.
- 2010. President of the Latin-American Students Association (LATAM).
- 2010. Senator of International Issues at the Sustainable Agriculture Student Association.
- 2010-2011. Vice-President of the Graduate Students of Sociology Association and Senator at the Graduate Student Body.
- 2010. Member of Latino Heritage Committee.
- 2009- 2011. Vice-President and Secretary of MATES: Argentineans, Uruguayans, and Chileans Association.

INTERNATIONAL

- 2021- Present. Collaboration with the College of Architecture and Engineer of the University of Lima, Perú.
- 2019-2021. Collaboration with the Department of Economics of the University of Colima, Mexico.
- 2019-2021. Collaboration with the Master Program in Local Development, University of Chiapas, Mexico.
- 2015- 2020. Collaboration with the *Observatório dos Conflitos do Extremo Sul do Brasil*, Universidade Federal do Rio Grande (FURC). Brazil.

2012- 2016. Affiliated Professor-Member of the Graduate College (*Miembro del Colegio de Posgrados*) of the Department of Agriculture. University of the Republic of Uruguay.

2006-2010. Member of the Social Anthropology Group (*Grupo de Antropología Social- Programa de Arqueología Sub-Acuática*). College of Humanities and Education. University of the Republic of Uruguay.

2005. Advisory for project: “Co-Management of Natural Resources in the National Protected Area *Laguna de Rocha*, Uruguay.” University of the Republic of Uruguay-Extension.

2005. Co-organizer of *XI Reunión de Antropología del MERCOSUR*: “Identity, Fragmentation and Diversity.” November 16th- 18th. University of the Republic of Uruguay.

PEER REVIEWS FOR ACADEMIC JOURNALS

Agriculture and Human Values: Three Manuscripts (2011-2022)

Anales de Arqueología y Etnología: One Manuscript (2022)

Community Development: Two Manuscripts (2020-2021)

Environment, Development, and Sustainability: One Manuscript (2019)

Environmental Policy and Governance: One Manuscript (2021)

GénEros: One Manuscript (2016)

Journal of Community Practice: One Manuscript (2020)

Journal of Contingencies and Crisis Management: One Manuscript (2021)

Journal of Geography & Natural Disasters: One Manuscript (2015)

Journal of Peacebuilding and Development: One Manuscript (2020)

Journal of Rural Studies: Two Manuscripts (2012-2021)

Landbauforschung: Journal of Sustainable and Organic Agricultural Systems: One Manuscript (2019)

Local Environment: The International Journal of Justice and Sustainability: Two Manuscripts (2013-2014)

Rural Sociology: Two Manuscripts (2016-2018/2019)

Social Sciences: Two Manuscripts (2019-2022)

Tekoporá. Revista Latinoamericana de Humanidades Ambientales y Estudios Territoriales: One Manuscript (2020)

Trama: Two Manuscripts (2015-2017)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Sociological Association (ASA)

Rural Sociological Society (RSS)

Southern Sociological Society (SSS)

Southern Rural Sociological Association (SRSA)

LANGUAGES

Spanish: Mother tongue.

English: Reading, speaking, and writing.

Portuguese: Reading and speaking.

French & Italian: Reading.

SOFTWARE SKILLS

SPSS/NVivo/MAXQDA/GIS/Microsoft Office/Excel