

## **MARIA ELENA P. RIVERA-BECKSTROM, Ph.D.**

### **EDUCATION:**

**New School for Social Research**, New York

MA in Sociology

Ph.D. in Sociology

**Miriam College** (formerly Maryknoll College), Quezon City, Philippines

Bachelor of Arts in Business Administration

### **PUBLICATIONS:**

Shapiro, Mary, Maria Elena Rivera-Beckstrom, Cynthia Ingols, Stacy Blake-Beard, Lan Gao and Elisa van Dam. 2022 May. "What's Power Got To Do With It? Seeking Gender-Equity in Organizations Through Male Ally Initiatives." *Advancing Women in Leadership* 41(1). Available at <https://awl-ojs-tamu.tdl.org/awl/index.php/awl/article/view/346>

Rivera-Beckstrom, Maria Elena Pablo. 2016. "Judicialization of Politics and Legal Culture: The Passage of the Philippine Parity Amendment of 1946." Available at SSRN: <https://ssrn.com/abstract=2863437>

Rivera-Beckstrom, Maria Elena Pablo. 2016. "Problematizing Sovereignty in the Philippine Constitution-making of 1934-35." *Juris Poiesis* 19 (19):76-96.

Rivera-Beckstrom, M.E.P. 2015. "The Colonial Condition and the Philippine Constitution making of 1934-35," Pp. 185-214 in *More American Than We Admit*, edited by J. Go. Manila: Vibal Foundation.

Alejo, M.; M.E.P Rivera and Noel Valencia. 1996. *[De]Scribing Elections: A Study of Elections in the Lifeworld of San Isidro*. Quezon City: Institute for Popular Democracy.

### **SUBMITTED BOOK MANUSCRIPT for REVIEW:**

Rivera-Beckstrom, Maria Elena P. *Constitution-making Without a Sovereign People: The 1935 Philippine Constitution Under the American Sovereignty and its Impact on Philippine Legal Culture*

### **WORK in PROGRESS:**

Rivera-Beckstrom, Maria Elena P. *Philippines v. China (2016): Colonial Legacies State Formation and Legal Culture in the Quest for Territorial Claims Legitimacy* (Provisional title)

### **OTHER PUBLICATIONS:**

Rivera-Beckstrom, Maria Elena P. and Elisa van Dam. 2022 February. *The Importance of Belonging in the Workplace: 2022 Leadership Development Survey on Belonging*. Available at <https://www.inclusiveleadership.com/research-insights/the-importance-of-belonging-in-the-workplace/>

Rivera-Beckstrom, Maria Elena P. and Elisa van Dam. 2021 July. *The Importance of Authenticity*. Simmons University Institute for Inclusive Leadership. Available at <https://www.inclusiveleadership.com/research-insights/the-importance-of-authenticity-in-the-workplace/>

Rivera-Beckstrom, Maria Elena P. 2021 June. *Listening in a Cross-Cultural Environment*. Simmons University Institute for Inclusive Leadership. Available at <https://www.inclusiveleadership.com/research-insights/listening-in-a-cross-cultural-environment/>

Simmons University Institute for Inclusive Leadership, *Five Influential Factors: Women's Pathway to Leadership Survey Report*, 2020 October. Available at <https://www.inclusiveleadership.com/research-insights/five-influential-factors-womens-pathways-to-leadership/>. (Lead analyst and co-author)

Blake-Beard, Stacy, Elisa van Dam, Maria Elena P. Rivera-Beckstrom, Lan Gao, Mary Shapiro, Regina O'Neill and Cynthia Ingols. 2019, January. "Women's Experiences with 'Male Allies'." *CGO Insights Briefing Note 45*.

### **TEACHING and PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:**

**Boston University Pardee School of Global Studies Center for the Study of Asia**, Boston MA

Assistant Director, November 2022 - present

**Interdisciplinary Studies Department, Salem State University**, Salem MA

Visiting Instructor, Spring 2018 - Fall 2022

- Courses taught: *Law in Movies*, *Introduction to Legal Studies* and *Introduction to Gender and Women's Studies*

**Marlboro Institute for Liberal Arts and Interdisciplinary Studies, Emerson College**, Boston MA

Affiliated Faculty, Spring 2022 - Fall 2022

- Courses taught: *Principles of Sociology* and *Gender in a Global Perspective*

**Simmons University**, Boston MA

Research Associate/Coordinator and Research Associate, Simmons University Institute for Inclusive Leadership/Center for Gender in Organizations (CGO), November 2017 - February 2022

**Engaged Citizenship Common Experience (ECCE), Office of Undergraduate Education, University of Illinois Springfield**, Springfield IL

Academic Program Coordinator, August 2014- February 2016

**Legal Studies Department, University of Illinois at Springfield**

Visiting Assistant Professor, 2012-2014

- Courses taught: *Law and Society*; *Law and Inequality*; *Poverty, Law and Justice*; *Comparative Law and Society*; *Public Advocacy* (Graduate Online Course); *Law and Politics* (Graduate Online Course); and *Research Methods*

**Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Bowdoin College**, ME

Visiting Assistant Professor, 2011-2012

- Courses Taught: *Sociology of Law*; *Politics, Power and Society*; and *Introduction to Sociology*

**Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Rutgers University Newark**, NJ

Part-time Lecturer, 2004-2010

- Taught various lower and upper level sociology courses including *Classical Sociological Theories*; *Contemporary Sociological Theories*; *Social Movements*; *Social Problems*; and *Social Change*

**Sociology Department and Graduate Faculty Admissions Office, New School for Social Research**, NY

Student Liaison, 2002-2005

- Provided program and university information, insights and advice to prospective graduate students, coordinated between Sociology Department and Graduate Admissions Office, and assisted in Admission Office open house events

### **Other Part-time Teaching Positions:**

- Department of Psychology and Human Development, Wheelock College, Boston, MA, Spring 2018
- Department of Sociology, Newbury College, Brookline, MA, Fall 2017
- Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Long Island University-Brooklyn, New York, 2005-2009
- Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Drew University, New Jersey, 2003

- Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Manhattan College, New York, 2001-2002

**Institute of Philippine Culture, Ateneo de Manila University, Philippines**

Assistant Policy Analyst, 1997-1998

**Institute for Popular Democracy, Quezon City, Philippines**

Research Associate, 1990-1997

**Office of the Peace Commissioner, Office of the Philippine President (Cory Aquino)**

Research Assistant/Secretary, 1988-1989

***AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS:***

Conference Travel Grant, University of Illinois Springfield, 2014

Visiting Scholar, Center for the Study of Law and Society, UC Berkeley, 2013-14 (offered)

Conference Travel Grant, New School for Social Research, 2009

Chiune Sugihara Dissertation Fellowship, New School for Social Research, 2008-2009

Conference Travel Grant, New School for Social Research, 2008

Bordin/Gillette Researcher Travel Fellowship, Bentley Historical Library, University of Michigan, 2007

Student Research Travel Fund, New School for Social Research, 2005

International Fellowship, American Association of University Women (wait-listed), 2002-2003

Residency Grant, Toyota Foundation, International House, 1999-2002

Tuition Scholarship, New School for Social Research, 1999-2003

Education Travel Grant, Ford Foundation, 1999

British Chevening Scholarship (finalist), 1998

***SELECT PRESENTATIONS:***

“Gender Violence in Comparative Perspectives,” Invited talk at Chang Jung Christian University, Tainan City, Taiwan, October 7, 2020

“Addressing Gender Inequity in Organizations,” Invited talk at the Chang Jung Christian University’s Sustainable Development Goal Lecture Series, Tainan City, Taiwan, September 29, 2020

“A Reinforcing Effect of Legal Culture: Rule of Law in the Philippines Under Rodrigo Duterte,” Association for Asian Studies 2020 Annual Conference, Boston MA, Forthcoming March 20, 2020

“Legal Culture and the Precarity of Rule of Law: The Philippines under Rodrigo Duterte and his War on Drugs,” Invited talk at New York University, New York City, March 16, 2017

“The State of Rule of Law in the Philippines under Rodrigo Duterte,” Invited talk at Yale University, New Haven, November 11, 2016

“Legal Culture, Contexts and Institutional Design: Towards the Politicization of the Philippine Judiciary,” Annual Meeting of the Law and Society Association, Seattle, WA, 2015

“Politicization of the Judiciary and Legal Culture: Responding to Power in the Philippine People Power 2” Annual Meeting of the Law and Society Association, Minneapolis, MN, 2014

“Judicialization of Politics and Legal Culture: The Philippine Supreme Court and the Passage of the Parity Amendment of 1946,” Annual Meeting of the Law and Society Association, Boston, Massachusetts, 2013

“Colonialism, Constitutionalism and Legal Culture: The Passage of the Philippine Parity Amendment,” International Conference on Law and Society, Honolulu, Hawaii, 2012

“Constitution-making Without a Sovereign People,” Association for Asian Studies, Toronto, 2012

“On Legality and Dictatorship: The Philippine Case,” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, 2009

“Truth and Freedom in a Controlled Public Sphere: The Philippine Case,” First Forum of the International Sociology Association, Barcelona, 2008

“The Philippines and the United States: Post-colonial Constitutional Politics,” Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Atlanta, 2008

***SELECT PROFESSIONAL and COMMUNITY SERVICE:***

Mentor, Boston University, College Access & Student Success, Current

Member, Simmons University’s Honors Program Steering Committee, 2018 – Spring 2020

Member, Simmons University’s Committee on Inclusive Excellence in Hiring, Engagement and Employee Experience, 2018 – Spring 2020

Member, Simmons University’s The Helix Project, 2018 – Spring 2020 (Participated in an affinity workgroup that designs and structures university initiatives and conversations on whiteness, race and racism)

Member, Simmons University’s Women’s Leadership Institute Task Force, November 2017-May 2018 (College-wide team that conceptualized an institute focused on women’s leadership)

Organizing Committee Member, Collaborative Research Network on Comparative Constitutional Law and Legal Culture, Law and Society Association, 2015-2017

Panel Organizer, “Postcolonial Constitutionalism and Politics in Asia,” Annual Meeting of the Association for Asian Studies, Atlanta, 2008