

## ANA VILLARREAL

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### CURRENT POSITION

2016 Assistant Professor of Sociology, Boston University  
Core Faculty, Center for Latin American Studies, Pardee School of Global Studies

### EDUCATION

PhD Sociology, University of California, Berkeley, 2016  
MA Sociology, University of California, Berkeley, 2010  
MA Sociology, Université de Provence, France, 2006  
BA Social Sciences and Humanities, Universidad de Monterrey, Mexico, 2003

### RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Criminal Violence, Urban Inequality, Drugs, Social Theory, Ethnography, Mexico, Latin America

### PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

Villarreal, Ana. “Domesticating Danger: Coping Codes and Symbolic Security Amid Violent Organized Crime in Mexico.” *Sociological Theory*. October 2021. Doi: [10.1177/07352751211054121](https://doi.org/10.1177/07352751211054121)

Villarreal, Ana. 2021. “Reconceptualizing Urban Violence from the Global South.” *City & Community* 20(1): 48-58.

Villarreal, Ana. 2010. “The Bus Owner, The Bus Driver and His Lover: Gendered Class Struggle in The Service Work Triangle.” *Work and Occupations* 37(3): 272-294.

### BOOK CHAPTERS

Villarreal, Ana. 2017. “Violencia, contrabando y propuestas para la paz en el Noreste” in *Violencia y paz: diagnósticos y propuestas para México*, edited by Froylán Enciso. México: El Colegio de México, CNDH, Instituto Belisario Domínguez, Senado de la República.

Villarreal, Ana. 2016. “La transparencia de la víspera: participación social frente a la violencia en Monterrey” in *Seguridad Pública y los límites y alcances de la participación social en la Frontera Norte*, edited by Socorro Arzaluz and Arturo Zárate. México: Colegio de la Frontera Norte.

Villarreal, Ana. 2015. "Fear and Spectacular Drug Violence in Monterrey" in *Violence at the Urban Margins*, edited by Javier Auyero, Phillipe Bourgois, and Nancy Scheper-Hughes. Oxford University Press.

Villarreal, Ana and Delphine Mercier. 2010. "¿Hacia un sistema integrado de transporte urbano en el Área Metropolitana de Monterrey?" in *Cuando México Enfrenta la Globalización. Permanencias y cambios en el Área Metropolitana de Monterrey*, edited by Lilia Palacios et al. Monterrey: UANL, COLEF, ITESM, UDEM, CEMCA.

## BOOK REVIEWS

Villarreal, Ana. 2020. Invited review of Hugo Cerón-Anaya's *Privilege at Play: Class, Race, Gender and Golf in Mexico*. New York: Oxford University Press. *American Journal of Sociology* 126(3): 720-722.

Villarreal, Ana. 2018. Invited review of Eaton, Schurman & Chen (Eds.). *Informal Workers and Collective Action: A Global Perspective*. Ithaca: ILR Press, an imprint of Cornell University Press. *Work and Occupations* 45(3): 384-386.

Villarreal, Ana. 2013. Invited review of Nancy Plankey-Videla, *We Are in This Dance Together: Gender, Power and Globalization at a Mexican Garment Firm*. New Jersey: Rutgers University Press. *Work and Occupations* 40(1): 65-67.

## ESSAYS

Villarreal, Ana. 2016. "Hacerle frente a la violencia" in *La presencia de la ausencia: historias de personas desaparecidas y reflexiones en torno a la desaparición en México*, edited by Fuerzas Unidas por Nuestros Desaparecidos en Nuevo León. Monterrey: Cerro de la Silla Editores.

Villarreal, Ana. 2013. "Kidnappable: On the Normalization of Violence in Urban Mexico." *Global Dialogue* 3.3.

## RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS

2020 Boston University Center for the Humanities Junior Faculty Fellowship

2018 Boston University Pardee Center Research Faculty Fellowship

2014 Harry Frank Guggenheim Dissertation Fellowship

2014 UC San Diego Center for U.S.-Mexican Studies Pre-Doctoral Fellowship (declined)

2012 SSRC Drugs, Security and Democracy Fellowship

2011 AAUW International Fellowship

2011 UC Berkeley Dean's Normative Time Fellowship

2007 UC Berkeley Graduate Division Gateway Fellowship

2006 Mexican Council for Science and Technology/CONACYT Doctoral Fellowship

## **RESEARCH GRANTS**

- 2018 Boston University Sociology Department Aldon Morris Research Grant
- 2017 Boston University Initiative on Cities Early Stage Urban Research Award
- 2017 Boston University Sociology Department Aldon Morris Research Grant
- 2013 UC Berkeley Sociology Department Small Research Grant
- 2012 UC MEXUS Dissertation Research Grant
- 2011 UC Berkeley Sociology Department Small Research Grant
- 2010 UC MEXUS Small Research Grant
- 2008 ECOS NORD France-Mexico Summer Internship Grant
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## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

- Urban Inequality (graduate/undergraduate)
- Drugs in the Americas (undergraduate)
- Introduction to Sociological Theories (undergraduate)
- Social Problems and Social Change (undergraduate)

## **TEACHING AND MENTORING AWARDS**

- 2015 UC Berkeley Connect in Sociology Fellowship for Excellence in Mentoring
- 2014 UC Berkeley Herbert Blumer Fellowship for Excellence in Teaching
- 2010 Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor, Berkeley Sociology

## **THESES SUPERVISED – BOSTON UNIVERSITY**

- 2021 Selma Hedlund, PhD in Sociology (third reader, in progress)
- 2021 Gokhan Mulayim, PhD in Sociology (third reader, in progress)
- 2021 Ladin Bayurgil, PhD in Sociology (fourth reader)
- 2021 Sarika Ram, BA in Sociology (second reader)
- 2021 Erin Caltiere, BA in Sociology (second reader)
- 2017 Tyler Milks, BA in Sociology

## **THESES SUPERVISED – INVITED EXTERNAL MEMBER**

- 2021 León Staines, PhD in Urban Planning, University of Texas, Austin (in progress)
- 2021 Andrea Chacón, PhD in Social Sciences, Instituto Tecnológico y de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey (in progress)
- 2021 Leily Hassaine Bau, PhD in Geography, Aix-Marseille Université
- 2020 Fabiola de Lachica, PhD in Sociology, New School for Social Research
- 2014 Dairée Ramírez, BA in Sociology, Universidad de Monterrey
- 2013 Ileri Rodríguez, MA in Urban Affairs, Universidad Autónoma de Nuevo León

## **INVITED TALKS AND WORKSHOPS**

- 2019 “The Temperature of Violence,” Contemporary Latin American Anthropology Workshop, Harvard University, January 25.
- 2018 “Violence and Urban Inequality,” Workshop on Latin America and the Caribbean, University of Chicago, March 30.
- 2017 “The Armored City: Violence, Fear and Upper-Class Seclusion in the Mexican Metropolis,” Development and Governance Seminar, Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs, Brown University, November 1.
- 2017 “Violence and Urban Seclusion in Latin American Cities” in The Resurgence of the Latin American City, Initiative on Cities, Boston University, February 13.
- 2015 “The Logistics of Fear: Violence and the Reorganization of Everyday Life,” Sociology Department, Boston University, November 12.
- 2013 “From Fear to Trust: Violence and Citizenship in Monterrey, Nuevo Leon” in Seguridad pública y los límites y alcances de la participación social en la frontera norte, Colegio de la Frontera Norte, Monterrey, December.
- 2012 Drug Violence in Mexico. UC San Diego Trans-Border Institute and Harry Frank Guggenheim Foundation. San Diego, October.

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

- 2021 Discussant for “Fragmentos” by Alexandra Délano, Memory Studies Conference, New School for Social Research, April 22.
- 2021 Author Meets Critic Panelist for “Privilege at Play: Class, Race, Gender, and Golf in Mexico” by Hugo Cerón-Anaya, Eastern Sociological Society Meeting, February 21.

- 2020 “Violence and Collective Forms of Social Life.” American Sociological Association, virtual engagement.
- 2019 “Urban Insecurity.” Social Science History Association, Chicago, November.
- 2017 “Armored Cities: Violence and Urban Seclusion in Latin America.” New England Council of Latin American Studies, Durham, New Hampshire, November.
- 2016 “Violencia, contrabando y propuestas para la paz en el noreste.” Conferencia Mexicana sobre violencia y paz desde lo local, Colegio de México, Ciudad de México, June.
- 2015 “The Flight, The Armour, and The Bubble: Three Upper Class Responses to Gruesome Violence in Mexico.” Latin American Studies Association, San Juan, May.
- 2014 “Fear and Spectacular Drug Violence in Monterrey.” Latin American Studies Association, Chicago, May.
- 2013 “Kidnappable: Violence and Vulnerability in Mexico.” American Anthropological Association, Chicago, November.
- 2013 “The Logistics of Fear: Drug Violence and Everyday Life in Urban Mexico.” American Sociological Association, New York, August; Journées des Jeunes Américanistes, Guatemala City, July; Latin American Studies Association, Washington D.C., May.
- 2010 “The Bus Owner, The Bus Driver and His Lover: Gendered Class Struggle in the Service Work Triangle.” International Sociological Association, Gothenburg, July.
- 2008 “The Reformed Bus Driver: Work, Sacredness, and Sex.” International Association of French-Speaking Sociologists, Istanbul. July.
- 2007 “Tickets and Turnstiles: Control and Subversion in a Mexican Bus Line.” International Sociological Association, Barcelona; Latin American Association of Sociology of Work, Montevideo, April.
- 2006 “The Turnstile Affair: How a Public Agency Became the Focus of a Labor Process Struggle.” International Sociological Association, Durban. July.

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

Social Science History Association, Elected Member of Publications Committee (2020-2023)

American Sociological Association

Global and Transnational Sociology Section, Nominations Committee (2021-2022)

Emotions Section, Membership Committee (2020-2021)

Community and Urban Sociology Section, Jane Addams Award Committee (2019-2020)

International Sociological Association

Thematic Group 11 Violence and Society, Interim Executive Board Member and Communications Committee (2021-2022)

Editorial Committee - Revista Latinoamericana de Estudios Urbano Regionales

Reviewer: American Journal of Sociology; Canadian Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Studies; Contexts; Estudios Sociológicos; Ethnography; Journal of Latin American Studies; Latin American Research Review; Mobilization; Revista Latinoamericana de Estudios Urbano Regionales; Social Problems; Work & Occupations.

Latina Empowerment & Development (LEAD) Conference Speaker, Harvard University and Latinas Unidas. February 3, 2018 and February 22, 2020.

## **UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

BU Diversity and Inclusion Faculty Recruitment Committee (2018-present)

BU Initiative on Cities Faculty Board Advisor (2021-2023)

BU Pardee Center for the Study of the Longer-Range Future Affiliated Faculty (2018-2021)

## **DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE**

Faculty Mentor, BU Undergraduate Sociological Association (2017-present)

Member, Junior Faculty Hiring Committee (2020)

Member, Undergraduate Program Committee (2017-2018; 2018-2019; 2020-2021)

Member, Chair Selection Committee (2017-2018)

Member, Merit Review Committee (2017-2018; 2020-2021)

Organizer, First Undergraduate Sociology Research Symposium (2018)

## **MEDIA**

“Violence, Fear and Upper-Class Seclusion in Mexican Cities” podcast for the Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs, Brown University. Available at:  
<https://soundcloud.com/watsoninstitute/seclusion-in-mexican-cities>

“Challenges for a Global Sociology” video (with Annie Lin), *Contexts*. Available at:  
<http://contexts.org/challenges-for-a-global-sociology/>

## **LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY**

French - proficient (Diplôme Approfondi de Langue Française)

German - intermediate (Zertifikat Deutsch)

English - proficient

Spanish - mother tongue