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## **POSTDOCTORAL FELLOW POSITIONS**

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2024-Current    ACLS Leading Edge Fellowship, United Farm Workers Foundation (Research and Policy Analyst)  
2024-Current    Center for Presidential History Fellow, Southern Methodist University  
2023-Current    Adjunct Lecturer, San Diego State University-Imperial Valley Campus  
2023-2024       Clements Department of History Postdoctoral Fellow, Southern Methodist University  
2023              Summer Preservation Fellow, Latinos in Heritage Conservation

## **EDUCATION**

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**Ph.D. in History, Southern Methodist University, May 2023**

“An Undocumented Economy: Side Hustles, Gigs, Swap Meets, and Migration in the Imperial-Mexicali Valley, 1917-2000.”

**M.A. in History, Southern Methodist University, May 2018**

**B.A. in History San Diego State University-Imperial Valley, May 2015**

## **PUBLICATIONS**

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*Forging a Borderland Economy: Immigration, The Informal Economy, and Belonging in California's Imperial-Mexicali Valley, 1917-2000.* (Book manuscript in progress.)

“Social Justice, Educational Opportunity, and Oral History: Mexican American, ‘Chicano,’ and ‘Hispanic’ Agency at Southern Methodist University, 1969-1983.” (forthcoming October 2025 in *Southwestern Historical Quarterly*.)

“The Bracero Informal Economy in the Imperial-Mexicali Borderlands, 1954-1968,” (under review *California History*.)

## **INTERNAL AWARDS, GRANTS, AND HONORS**

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2024    Dedman College Interdisciplinary Institute Collaborative Research Grant, SMU (co-writer)  
2023    Undergraduate Research Program Grant, San Diego State University  
2022    Moody School Doctoral Completion Grant  
2022    Clements Center for Southwest Studies Travel Research Grant  
2020    SMU Maguire Center Public Service Fellowship

## **EXTERNAL AWARDS, GRANTS, AND HONORS**

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2024    American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS) Leading Edge Fellowship  
2023    J.P. Bryan Preservation Trust Grant, Texas Historical Foundation  
2022    Latinos in Heritage Conservation Travel Award, Congreso 2022 Conference  
2020    Oral History Association Travel Award  
2020    Southwest Oral History Association Travel Award

- 2019 Southern Foodways Alliance's Oral History Workshop Travel Award  
2018 Western History Association's, Graduate Student Workshop Travel Award

## **PUBLIC WRITING**

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(Contributing Writer) Latinos in Heritage Conservation, [\*Latinx Preservation Toolkit\*](#) (Bastrop: Latinos in Heritage Conservation, 2023).

Jonathan Angulo, "[A Historic Preservation Force to be Reckoned With: The Esperanza Peace and Justice Center, San Antonio's West Side, and the City's Long Latinx History](#)," in *Latinx Advocacy Preservation Toolkit* (Bastrop: Latinos in Heritage Conservation, 2023).

Jonathan Angulo, "[It Takes a Village to Preserve a Historic Building: The LULAC Council 60 Clubhouse and the Efforts to Rehabilitate a Latinx Site in Houston, Texas](#)," in *Latinx Advocacy Preservation Toolkit* (Bastrop: Latinos in Heritage Conservation, 2023).

"Memorializing Santos Rodriguez at SMU," *Voices of SMU Oral History Blog*, October 12, 2020.

"Joining the Voices of SMU Oral History Project," *Voices of SMU Oral History Blog*, June 19, 2020.

"Viva Kennedy, Lyndon B. Johnson, Barack Obama, and Bernie Sanders! A Brief History of Organizing and Mobilizing the Latina and Latino Vote," *The Digital History Present and Future of the Past*, April 30, 2020.

"Echoes of the Bracero Program During California's Primary Election Debate," *The Digital History Present and Future of the Past*, November 12, 2018.

"Women at Work in Agriculture: Discovering a New Field," *The Digital History Present and Future of the Past*, May 3, 2018.

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

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"Vice and Immigrant Smuggling Sectors in the California Borderlands: Mexican and Chinese Informal Economic Activity in the Imperial-Mexicali Valley, 1910-1930," Western History Association Conference, Kansas City, Missouri, October 24, 2024.

"Migration and the Gig Economy in the Imperial-Mexicali Valley California Borderlands, 1950-1980," Western History Association Conference, San Antonio, Texas, October 15, 2022 (Panel Organizer).

"The Nuestro Oak Cliff Exhibit: Making Latinx Memories Matter in Dallas, Texas," Southwest Oral History Association Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada, April 2, 2022.

"The Los Angeles Times and the Imperial-Mexicali Valley during the Early Twentieth Century," Western History Association Conference, Portland, Oregon, October 30, 2021.

"An Undocumented Economy: How Ethnic-Mexicans Used the Informal Economy During the Bracero Program, 1942-1964," Oral History Association Conference, Baltimore, Maryland (virtual), October 24, 2020.

“Latinas and Latinos at SMU: A History of Organizations Between 1970 and 2010,” Southwest Oral History Association Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada (virtual), September 13, 2020.

“Undocumented Work: How Transnational Mexicans Used the Informal Economy during the Bracero Program, 1942-1964,” Louisiana State University’s Graduate History Conference, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, March 6, 2020.

“Undocumented Work: How Transnational Mexicans Used the Informal Economy,” World History Association of Texas Conference, Austin, Texas, February 29, 2020.

## **SELECTED LECTURES, INVITED TALKS, AND PANEL DISCUSSIONS**

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“[The Las Palmas Swap Meet: Establishing an Open-Air Market on the Imperial-Mexicali Borderlands, 1969-1990](#),” Clements Center for Southwest Studies, Dallas, Texas, 11, September, 2024.

“Conducting Oral Histories with Zoom during the COVID Pandemic,” Trinity University Archives Oral History Webinar, San Antonio, Texas, 22, August, 2024.

“[Planner & Co-Facilitator](#),” Teacher Professional Development Workshop, Latinos in Heritage Conservation and the Dallas Mexican American Historical League, Dallas, Texas, 26, July, 2024,

“[Episode 195-Jonathan Angulo](#),” Que Pasa Calexico Podcast, Calexico, California, 17, March, 2024.

“The U.S.-Mexico Bilateral Relationship Today: Facts and Perspectives,” SMU Mission Foods Texas-Mexico Center and Williams P. Clements Department of History, Dallas, Texas, 20, February 2024.

“[Interviewing Nuestra Comunidad: Latinx Oral History Projects](#),” Latinos in Heritage Conservation’s Inaugural Membership Webinars, virtual, 4, December 2023.

“Oral History Basics,” Voices of SMU, kinkofa, and Remembering Black Dallas Summer Field School, Dallas, Texas, 11, June 2023.

“Oral History 101: How to Preserve Your Community’s History,” Dallas Mexican American Historical League and History Retold, Dallas, Texas, 18, February 2023.

“West Dallas, Anita Martinez, and Los Barrios Unidos Clinic,” SMU Simmons School of Education and Human Development’s Budd Center, Dallas, Texas, 26, October 2022.

“[Preserving Our Heritage: How to Document Your Family History](#),” Dallas Asian American Historical Society, Dallas, Texas (virtual), 25, April 2022.

“[The Chronicles of Dallas Barrios Podcast, Season 2, Episode 5, Migration Narratives Series, Jonathan Angulo](#),” Dallas Mexican American Historical League, Dallas, Texas (virtual), 11, December 2021.

“Voices of SMU: Lessons from Alumni,” Southern Methodist University’s Office of Social Change and Intercultural Engagement, Dallas, Texas, (virtual), 5, April 2021.

“Grabación de su Historia Oral Familiar: Un Taller Virtual Sobre Cómo Grabar la Historia Oral,” Dallas Mexican American Historical League, Dallas, Texas (virtual) 25, March 2021.

“Recording Your Family Oral History: A Workshop on How to Record Oral History,” Dallas Mexican American Historical League, Dallas, Texas (virtual) 11, March 2021.

## **ORAL HISTORY AND PUBLIC HISTORY EXPERIENCE**

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2024- Center for Presidential History Fellow, A Global Oral History of the U.S. President’s Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief ([PEPFAR](#))  
2021- Primary Investigator, [Imperial-Mexicali Valley Oral History Project](#)  
2022-2023 Postdoc, A Global Oral History of the U.S. President’s Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief ([PEPFAR](#))  
2022 Intern and Digital Producer, Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, “[Preserving Latina/o/x Heritage Sites](#)”  
2021 Archival Intern, SMU Archives  
2021 Curator, Nuestro Oak Cliff Latino Cultural Center  
2020-2021 Project Manager, SMU Class of Covid Oral History Project  
2020 University of Texas Austin Voces Oral History Summer Institute  
2019-2023 Project Manager, [Voices of SMU](#) Oral History Project  
2019 Southern Foodways Alliance’s Oral History Workshop  
2016 Transcriber, San Diego State University Jimmy Dorantes Oral History Border Project

## **OTHER RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

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2022 El Colegio de la Frontera Norte, “Sanctuary Cities as Emerging Borders: Transnational Dynamics and Lived Spaces of Undocumented Mexicans in the United States”  
*Conducted surveys with 70+ migrants at the Consulate of Mexico in Dallas to understand sanctuary city policies in Dallas and Fort Worth*

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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### **Instructor of Record:**

History 2311: Out of Many: U.S. History to 1877, Southern Methodist University, 2024 (In Person)  
Chicana and Chicano Studies 375, U.S./Mexico Border History, San Diego State University Imperial Valley Campus, 2025 (In Person)  
Chicana and Chicano History 350B, San Diego State University Imperial Valley Campus, 2024 (Sync)  
Chicana and Chicano History 350A, San Diego State University Imperial Valley Campus, 2023 (Sync)  
Chicana and Chicano History 350B, San Diego State University Imperial Valley Campus, 2023 (Sync)  
Mexican Americans, 1848-Present, Southern Methodist University, 2022 (In Person)  
United States-Mexico International Border, San Diego State University Imperial Valley Campus, 2021 (Sync)

### **Teaching Assistant:**

Texas History, Southern Methodist University, 2022  
Presidents at War, Southern Methodist University, 2018 and 2019

### **Tutor:**

SMU Athletics, Southern Methodist University, 2016-2018

## **PUBLIC SERVICE**

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Inaugural member of Somos SMU (Latinx & Hispanic Faculty and Staff Association), 2023-2024  
Maria Hinojosa Hispanic Heritage Luncheon Steering Committee, Fall 2023  
Latino Alumni of SMU, Executive Board Member, 2023-2024  
Latino Alumni of SMU, Giving Day Chair, 2022-2023  
Latino Alumni of SMU Board Member, August 2021-2024  
Dallas Mexican American Historical League, Treasurer & Executive Board Member, Dec 2022-Current  
Dallas Mexican American Historical League, Board Member, Dec 2020-Current