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## **EDUCATION**

Ph.D. in Sociology, *in progress* (2020)

*University of California, Merced*

Dissertation: *Community Gardens, Structural Inequalities, & Health*

Chair: Dr. Zulema Valdez

M.A. in Sociology (2016)

*University of California, Merced*

Thesis: *Effects of Racial & Class Neighborhood Composition on Community Garden Outcomes*

Chair: Dr. Zulema Valdez

B.A. in Political Science (2011; Graduated with High Honors)

*University of California, Merced*

## **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Food Inequality; Quantitative Analysis; Health Disparities; Race, Class, and Gender; Rural Health; Wellness

## **RESEARCH SKILLS**

STATA, R, RStudio, SPSS, SAS, ArcGIS, ATLAS.ti, Qualtrics, linear and logistic regression, structural equation modeling, multilevel modeling, meta-analysis, item response theory, geographic information system, spatial regression, interviews, ethnography

## **PUBLICATIONS**

Butterfield, Katie L. 2020. "Neighborhood Composition and Community Garden Locations: The Effect of Ethnicity, Income, and Education". *Sociological Perspectives*.

([doi.org/10.1177/0731121420908902](https://doi.org/10.1177/0731121420908902))

Butterfield, Katie L., and A. Susana Ramírez. 2020. "Framing Food Access: Do Community Gardens Inadvertently Reproduce Inequality?" *Health Education & Behavior*.

([doi.org/10.1177/1090198120950617](https://doi.org/10.1177/1090198120950617))

## **PROJECTS**

Butterfield, Katie L. "Community Gardens, Structural Inequalities, and Health" (Dissertation Project; Chair: Dr. Zulema Valdez)

Butterfield, Katie L., Brittany Oaks, and Zulema Valdez "Community Gardening in the United States"

Ramírez, A. Susana, Katie L. Butterfield, and Zulema Valdez. "Perceptions of inequality, health, and attributions of responsibility for chronic disease: A mixed methods study of class, ethnicity, and neighborhood differences"

Butterfield, Katie L., Irene Beattie, and Wendy Puquirre. "Straddling Two Worlds: Does Visiting Home Help or Harm First Generation Students' College Engagement?"

## **FELLOWSHIPS**

Summer Sociology Graduate Student Support Award (2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019)

UC Merced Blum Center Seed Funding (2018)

Sociology Graduate Student Travel Award (2015, 2016, 2017)

UC Global Food Initiative Fellowship (2016)

John & Victoria Elia Fellowship (2015)

## **AWARDS AND CERTIFICATES**

UC Merced Graduate Division Winter Dissertation Writing Boot Camp (2016; 2020)

Sociology Graduate Student Service Award (2019)

Sociology Conference Paper Presentation Award (2019)

UC Merced Center for Research on Teaching Excellence Certificate in General Pedagogy:  
Mastering the Classroom with First Generation College Students (2015)

Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research Summer Program in Quantitative  
Methods of Social Research Workshop: Introduction to Spatial Regression Analysis  
(2015)

## **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

Staff Research Associate (Summer 2020)

*University of California, Merced*

Academic Supervisor: Dr. Whitney Pirtle

Staff Research Associate (Summer 2015; Summer 2019)

*University of California, Merced*

Academic Supervisor: Dr. Zulema Valdez

Graduate Student Researcher (Fall 2017)  
*University of California, Merced*  
Academic Supervisor: Dr. A Susana Ramirez

Staff Research Associate (Spring 2015)  
*University of California, Merced*  
Academic Supervisors: Dr. Nella Van Dyke & Dr. Kyle Dodson

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Teaching Fellow / Instructor of Record (2017-present)

*University of California, Merced*

Introduction to Sociology (Summer 2018; Summer 2019; Summer 2020)

Statistics for Sociology (Spring 2019; Spring 2020)

Advanced Race and Ethnicity (Fall 2018; Fall 2019)

Sociology of Race and Racism (Spring 2018)

Teaching Assistant (2014 – 2016)

*University of California, Merced*

Graduate Statistics I (Spring 2017)

Sociological Research Methods (Spring 2016)

Statistics for Sociology (Spring 2015, Fall 2016)

Advanced Race and Ethnicity (Fall 2015)

Introduction to Sociology (Fall 2014)

## **PRESENTATIONS**

2019 “Community Gardens, Investments, and Health Outcomes” 2019 American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Round Table 26. Places, Housing, and Health

2019 “Health Benefits of Urban Vs. Rural Community Gardens” 2019 Annual Meeting of the Rural Sociology Society

2019 “Community Gardens, Structural Inequalities, and Health: Urban Vs. Rural Community Gardens” Joint Annual Conference of the Association for the Study of Food & Society (ASFS) and the Agriculture, Food and Human Values Society (AFHVS)

2018 “Community Gardens, Inequality, and Health” UC Merced Blum Center Summer Institute

2017 “Race, Class, and Community Garden Locations” Lyceum Lunchtime Speaker Series, UC Merced Health Sciences Research Institute

- 2016 “The Effects of Racial and Class Neighborhood Composition on Community Garden Outcomes” Annual Meeting of the American Public Health Association, poster presentation
- 2015 “The Effects of Race and Class on Community Garden Locations.” Annual Meeting of the Pacific Sociological Association
- 2015 “Straddling Two Worlds: Does Visiting Home Help or Harm First Generation Students' College Engagement?,” with Irene Beattie and Wendy Puquirre. Annual Conference of the Sociology of Education Association

**SERVICE**

- 2019-present Organizer for UC Community Economies Network
- 2018-2019 UC Merced Sociology Graduate Student Committee Internal Graduate Student Representative
- 2017-2019 UC Merced Healthy Campus Network Committee
- 2017-2018 UC Merced Sociology Graduate Student Committee President
- Fall 2016 UC Merced Committee on Academic Planning and Resource Allocation
- Fall 2016 UC Merced Graduate Student Association Academic Affairs Officer
- 2015-2016 UC Merced Graduate Student Association Sociology Delegate

**MEMBERSHIPS**

- Agriculture, Food, and Human Values Society (2017, 2019, 2020)
- Caucus of Women in Statistics (2017, 2018, 2019, 2020)
- Rural Sociological Association (2016, 2017, 2019)
- American Sociological Association (2014, 2015, 2019)
- American Public Health Association (2016)
- Pacific Sociological Association (2015, 2016)