

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Education

University of Colorado - Boulder

Ph.D. in Sociology. Area of Emphasis: Criminology and Race. Dissertation Title: *Fatalistic Social Control: The Reproduction of Oppression through the Medium of Gangs*. 2006. Committee: Patti Adler (Chair), Arturo Aldama, Joanne Belknap, Joan Moore, Michael Radelet.

Weber State University - Ogden, Utah

Bachelors of Arts in Sociology. Minors: Criminal Justice and Psychology. 2000.

Stevens Henegar College of Business - Ogden, Utah.

Associates Degree in Business Management. Minor: Accounting. 1996.

Current Position

Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice/Social Justice, New Mexico State University.
2006-present.

Research and Teaching Interests

Race, Crime, and Justice
Theory of Crime
Social Control
Gangs
Penology
Chicano Sociology
Urban Studies

Race and Ethnicity
Juvenile Delinquency
Deviance
Policing
Qualitative Methods
Critical Race Theory
Community Empowerment

Publications

2009 Durán, Robert J. (forthcoming). "Youth Violence." *Encyclopedia of Issues in U.S. Public Policy*, Edited by Mark Rushefsky. Cengage Learning.

2009 Durán, Robert J. (forthcoming). "Gangs." *Encyclopedia of Issues in U.S. Public Policy*, Edited by Mark Rushefsky. Cengage Learning.

2008 Durán, Robert J. (forthcoming). "Chicano Control: A History of Gangs in Denver, Colorado." *Enduring Legacies: Colorado Ethnic Cultures and Histories*, Edited by Arturo Aldama, Reiland Rabaka, Daryl Maeda, and Elisa Facio. University of Colorado Press.

- 2008 Durán, Robert J. "Over-Inclusive Gang Enforcement and Urban Resistance: A Comparison between Two Cities." *Social Justice: A Journal of Crime, Conflict and World Order*.
- 2008 Durán, Robert J. "Legitimated Oppression: Inner-city Mexican American Experiences with Police Gang Enforcement." *Journal of Contemporary Ethnography*.
- 2008 Durán, Robert J. "Gang Workers." *Encyclopedia on Gangs*, Edited by Louis Kontos and David Brotherton. Greenwood Press.
- 2004 Durán, Robert J. "Pinta Fearz: A Chicano Sociologist's Life on the Edge of the Law." *Bad Subjects: Political Education for Everyday Life* (University of California, Berkeley, 71, December).

Research Available by Internet

Durán, Robert J. research compiled for Technical Assistance and Resource Center. Team includes Bond-Maupin, Lisa; Dana Greene, Jim Maupin, and Carlos Posadas.

"Disproportionate Minority Contact in New Mexico: Relative Rate Index Charts and Summaries by County, Statewide, and Year." Data available at <http://dmctarc.nmsu.edu>

Durán, Robert J. (Editor). Southern New Mexico/Texas Gang Update. Vol 1, Issue 1. <http://web.nmsu.edu/~rjduran/>

Submitted Manuscripts

Durán, Robert J. "Barrio Containment: Slangin,' Gang Bangin,' and Dividing a Generation."

Durán, Robert J. "The Core Ideals of the Mexican American Gang: Living the Presentation of Defiance."

Durán, Robert J. Book Manuscript. "Fatalistic Social Control: The Reproduction of Oppression through the Medium of Gangs."

Manuscripts in progress

Durán, Robert J. "Designing Life Chances: The Chicano Barrios and White Suburbs."

Durán, Robert J. "Law Enforcement Shootings in Denver Colorado, 1980-2007."

Durán, Robert J. "It's Still the 'hood: Spatial Overview of Law Enforcement Shootings."

Conference Presentations

- 2008 Durán, Robert J. "*Law Enforcement Shootings in Denver Colorado, 1980-2007.*" Forthcoming paper will be presented at the annual meeting of the *American Society of Criminology*, St. Louis, MO.

- 2008 Durán, Robert J. “*Slangin’ to Acculturate: The Barrio Struggle and Individual Gangster Dreamz during the War on Drugs.*” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the *Society for the Study of Social Problems*, Boston, MA.
- 2007 Durán, Robert J. “*The Core Ideals of the Mexican American Gang: Living the Presentation of Defiance.*” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the *Racial Democracy, Crime and Justice Network*, Columbus, OH.
- 2007 Durán, Robert J. “*Gang Oppression and Chicano Resistance.*” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the *National Association for Chicana and Chicano Studies*, San Jose, CA.
- 2006 Durán, Robert J. “*Entering the Gang: The Influence from Barrios, Families, and Schools.*” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the *American Society of Criminology*, Los Angeles, CA.
- 2005 Durán, Robert J. “*Manufacturing Gang Fears: A Critique of the Police Suppression Industry.*” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the *Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences*, Chicago, IL.
- 2005 Durán, Robert J. “*Chicanos Structured by the Barrio and Whites Feeling Postmodern in the Suburbs.*” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the *Couch-Stone Symposium, Society for the Study of Symbolic Interaction*, Boulder, CO.
- 2004 Durán, Robert J. “*Legitimated Oppression: Inner-city Mexican American Experiences with Police Gang Enforcement.*” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the *American Society of Criminology*, Nashville, TN.

Courses Taught

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| Issues in Criminal Justice-Gangs | New Mexico State University |
| Nature of Crime (Theory) | New Mexico State University |
| Race, Crime, and Justice | New Mexico State University |
| Introduction to Criminal Justice | New Mexico State University |
| Introduction to Sociology | University of Colorado |
| Race and Ethnic Relations | University of Colorado |
| Social Conflict and Values | University of Colorado |
| Juvenile Delinquency | University of Colorado |
| Teaching Assistant for Sociology and Ethnic Studies, | University of Colorado |

Honors and Awards

2007-2008 New Mexico State Assistant Professor Years

- Team TARC (Technical Assistance and Resource Center). New Mexico State University. 2008-2013. \$100,000 yearly contract provided by Children, Youth and Families Department of the State of New Mexico to study Disproportionate Minority Contact. Team TARC includes Lisa Bond-Maupin, Robert Durán, Dana Greene, Jim Maupin, and Carlos Posadas.

- EuroGang Research Workshop IX. Director: Malcolm Klein. University of Southern California. May 18-21, 2008.
- New Mexico State University. The Arts and Sciences Research Affairs Committee Research Grant. "Police Shootings in Denver, Colorado." \$2,000
- The Ohio State University Criminal Justice Research Center. Crime and Justice Summer Institute: Broadening Perspectives & Participation. July 9-27. Paper "The Core Ideals of the Mexican American Gang: Living the Presentation of Defiance."

2000-2005 Graduate Academic Years

- University of Colorado-Graduate School's Need Based Financial Aid Program, August 2005, \$1,000
- *Society for the Study of Social Problems*-Racial/Ethnic Minority Graduate Scholarship-June 2005, \$12,000
- University of Colorado-Small Research Grant, May 2005, \$600
- University of Colorado-Becker Fellowship, November 2004, \$5,000
- University of Colorado-Sociology Department's *Graduate Part-Time Instructor of the Year*, September 2004, \$500
- University of Colorado-*Residence Life Teaching Award*, March 2004.
- Hispanic Scholarship Fund- United Postal Service, April 2004, \$2,500
- Hispanic Scholarship Fund- Peierls Foundation, April 2002, \$1,600
- University of Colorado-Dissertation Grant, March 2002, \$250
- University of Colorado-Beverly Sears Grant, February 2002, \$910
- Two University of Colorado Student Union (UCSU) Day Care Scholarships, September 2001, \$2,000

1996-1999 Undergraduate Academic Years

- Utah Coalition for the Advancement of Minorities in Higher Education (UCAMHE) Scholarship, April 1999, \$1,000
- Two Weber State Diversity Book Scholarships, October 1998, \$300
- Weber State University-Owens Scholarship, August 1998, \$500

Academic Department Positions

2007-2008 Department of Criminal Justice. Chair of Graduate Curriculum Committee.
 2006-2007 Department of Criminal Justice. Graduate Curriculum Committee
 2005-2006 Elected to University of Colorado Sociology Department's Diversity Committee
 2004-2005 Elected to University of Colorado Sociology Department's Diversity Committee.

Employment Experience

New Mexico State University

Las Cruces, New Mexico

August 2006- present

Assistant Professor- Mentor students toward successful completion of the most popular major on NMSU campus: criminal justice. Developed and designed a course on Race,

Crime, and Justice which includes both undergraduate and graduate students. Teach a variety of additional courses including Introduction to Criminal Justice, Nature of Crime, and Gangs. Increased the number of successful student completions of C J 101. Advise undergraduate and graduate students toward completing their college degrees. Contribute ideas to improve the department's Master's program. Working with Dean's office to develop and implement program assessment for the university.

***Latino/a Research and Policy Center at the University of Colorado at Denver
Denver, Colorado*** ***March 2006 – July 2006***

Research Assistant – Assisted in a research study that evaluated Latino and Anglo tobacco usage in the State of Colorado. Wrote a comprehensive annotated bibliography on Latinos and Tobacco and Promotoras. Evaluated State Tobacco Disparity plans and created a document on the importance of recognizing the distinct issues that face Latinos.

***University of Colorado at Boulder
Boulder, Colorado*** ***July 2003 – August 2005***

Graduate Part Time Instructor/Lecturer - Teach 10 to 70 student sociology classes. Lead lectures, discussion, group projects, and presentations. Plan class structure through syllabus, and develop exams and grading criteria. Develop student consciousness and lead them towards greater self and societal awareness.

August 2000 – May 2005

Sociology and Ethnic Studies Teaching Assistant – Teach four recitation classes which hold 20 to 25 undergraduate students. Grade exams, create tests, lead discussions, present material, and organize class period. Work with professor to maintain a high quality learning experience. Assisted in teaching the following classes: Introduction to Sociology, Deviance, Social Problems, and the Contemporary Black Protest Movement.

***State of Colorado, Division of Youth Corrections- Lookout Mountain
Golden, Colorado*** ***February 2005 – June 2005***

Youth Security Officer – Supervise and counsel Colorado's "most violent and dangerous youthful offenders." Control movement of youth in the unit; control behavior in individual or group settings; maintain constant visual observation, and record observations. Provide paraprofessional, certified, or professional counseling to group, family, or individual settings. Help develop perseverance and knowledge of empowerment skills to ensure successful community reintegration.

***Cornerstone, Farmington Bay Youth Facility
Farmington, Utah*** ***November 1999 – Aug 2000***

Youth Worker – Supervise six to 18 youth in daily activities. Activities include restitution, meals, chores, gym, visits, school, and specialty groups. I counsel youth daily regarding difficult decisions and life changes. Help guide the achievement of goals with assigned goal kids. Represent goal kids in court, stating Observation and Assessment recommendation, and behavior during stay.

State of Utah, Juvenile Court, Probation

Farmington, Utah

February 1999 – Dec 1999

Deputy Probation Officer - Communicate with juveniles regarding behavior, probation officers regarding caseload, and supervisors overall job situations. Assist probation officers in the tracking and monitoring of juveniles on probation. Conduct drug screenings, reports, and work projects. Problem solve potential crisis by using conflict resolution and quick thinking.

***Department of Child and Family Services,
Ogden, Utah.***

Sept. 1998 – October 1999

Youth Advocate Worker - Provide activities and solutions for at-risk youth. Write weekly logs on activities. Complete individual needs assessment form. Work with youth on violence/anger management, self-esteem/ self- awareness, decision making, substance abuse education, relationship building, communication skills, and self-sufficiency.

***Autoliv
Ogden, Utah***

May 1997 - December 1999

Material Handler- Duties include planning the running of programs, organizing and stocking production cells for ten to fifteen people. Communicating with team coordinator, supervisor, cell workers, shipping and receiving, machine personnel, and other work shifts for the continuous flow parts. Organize and calculate part per labor hours for the line board. During other shifts I would assemble airbag components.

***Iomega
Roy, Utah***

July 1995 – March 1997

Material handler - Duties include stocking, preparing, supervising company assembly lines. Building and performing final inspection of computer drives for 30+ people.

***McDonalds
Ogden, Utah***

Dec. 1992 – April 1994

Cook - Prepared and cooked food. Cleaned and closed the grill area for a minimum wage.

Accepted Lectures and Presentations

New Mexico State University. Professor Spencer Herrera. Lecture Topic: Consciousness and Determination. November 2007.

New Mexico State University. MEChA movie presentation and discussion. "Walkout." Co-faciliator with Dr. Dulcinea Lara. April 17, 2007.

Job Market 2006 Accepted Campus Visits. Lecture Topic: "Legitimated Oppression: Inner-city Mexican American Experiences with Police Gang Enforcement."

California State University-San Marcos. Department of Sociology. Professor Sharon Elise. January 26, 2006.

California State Polytechnic University-Pomona. Department of Sociology. Professor Gary Cretser. January 23, 2006.

University of Wisconsin-Parkside. Kenosha, WI. Department of Criminal Justice. Professor Susan Takata. January 11, 2006.

California State University-Bakersfield. Department of Criminal Justice.
Professor Robert Fong. January 9, 2006.

California State University-Fullerton. Department of Criminal Justice. Professor
Kevin Meehan. January 4, 2005.

Indiana University-South Bend. Department of Criminal Justice. Professor
Melchor DeGuzman. December 14, 2005.

Indiana University-Bloomington. Department of Criminal Justice. Professor
Marla Sandys. December 9, 2005.

University of California-Santa Barbara. Department of Sociology. Professor
Denise Segura. December 6, 2005.

Marquette University. Milwaukee, WI. Department of Social and Cultural
Sciences. Professor James Holstein. November 22, 2005.

University of Colorado. Boulder, CO. Professor Bob Regoli. Lecture Topic: "Gang
Dayz." April 12, 2005.

Youthbiz. Denver, CO. Director: Mr. Pate. "Dreams and Perseverance." January 26,
2005.

Scott Carpenter Middle School. Denver, CO. Teacher: Melissa Moreno. Lecture Topic:
"I Think I Can: Gangs, College, and Community Empowerment." December 10, 2004.

University of Colorado. Boulder, CO. Instructor: Jodi Morrow. Lecture Topic: "Race and
Law: Police Homicides in Denver." October 15, 2004.

University of Denver. Denver, CO. Understanding America/Yamagata Program.
Director: Taka Miraji. Lecture Topic: "American Minority and Society." September 29,
2004.

Metropolitan State College. Denver, CO. Panel Speaker: "African Americans and Latinos
Equal Gang Members to Denver Police." March, 2004.

University of Colorado. Boulder, CO. Counter Protest to Anti-Affirmative Action Bake
Sale. Panel Speaker: "Students of Color Greatly Underrepresented on CU's Campus."
February, 2004.

Brother Jeff's Cultural Café in Five Points Denver. Martin Luther King parade. Panel
Speaker: "Police Gang Unit Profiling in Denver." January 19, 2004

University of Colorado. Boulder, CO. Professor: Fred Pampel. Lecture Topic: "Gang
Dayz." October 24, 2003

University of Colorado. Boulder, CO. Instructor: Tony Cantrell. Lecture Topic: "Gang
Dayz." October 3, 2003

Grand Junction, CO. Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlan. Calpulli Montañas de Norte Regional Conference. Gang Rescue and Support Project. Director: Rudy Balles. Panel Speaker: "Leaving Gangs." September 2002.

Media Coverage

- Boulder Weekly-Colorado "Living Wage for Graduate Students: An open letter to university officials." Co-Signed Letter to editor 3/6/03
"The Right Stuff" by Jared J. Maher 2/19/04
- Daily Camera "Cops Seek Spanish Speakers" by Kate Larsen 2/12/06
- Channel 5 News **"Former Gang Member on His Way to Doctoral Degree."** KSL-TV Utah
7/9/04 by Kimberly Houk
<http://tv.ksl.com/index.php?nid=39&sid=105601>
"Group Plans to Monitor Police Stops." 7/9/04
- Channel 7 News-Colorado "Westminster Police Protest." 1/24/04
- Channel 31 News-Colorado "Westminster Police Protest." 1/24/04
- The Daily Herald-Utah "Group Plans to Monitor Police Stops in Ogden." 7/9/04
- Denver Weekly News "Police Brutality Concerns Addressed on MLK Holiday" by Muhammad, Kim. Vol 32 Number 47 January 29-February 5, 2004
- Multiversity: Project of the School of Journalism and Mass Communication, University of Colorado at Boulder 2005-2006. Episode 201. Race and Crime.
<http://sjmc.colorado.edu/multiversity/episode201.htm>
- The Metropolitan-Colorado "Activists attack gang database" by Tuyet Nguyen 3/11/04
http://www.mscd.edu/~themet/TheMetropolitan/archive/03_04/Vol26_issue29/n4.html
- National Geographic "Lockdown: Gangs vs. Family." Advisor for Kathryn Wallace. June 2007.
- Salt Lake Tribune-Utah "Copwatch group plans to monitor Ogden police stops." 7/12/04
- Standard Examiner-Utah "Gang Membership perception not correct." Letter to Editor 4/11/04
"Copwatch Cameras in Ogden." 7/10/04
"Gang Ordinance will increase harassment." Letter to Editor 7/26/07

“Spotlight on Gangs.” By Victoria Johnson 8/12/07
“**Suppression vs. prevention.**” By Victoria Johnson 8/13/07

<http://www.standard.net/live/news/111085/>

“**Too many parents in denial, police say.**” By Scott Schwebke 8/13/07

<http://www.standard.net/live/news/111086/>

Rocky Mountain News-CO “Westminster officer should be fired, jailed.” Letter to Editor 12/3/03

Westword-Colorado “**Street Wise.**” by Laura Bond 6/3/04

<http://www.westword.com/Issues/2004-06-03/news/feature.html>

“**The Gang’s all Here.**” 6/3/04

www.westword.com/Issues/2004-06-03/news/sidebar.html

Community Outreach

2008-present Advisor for Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlan (MEChA). New Mexico State University.
2005-2006 Internship Advisor. Department of Sociology (University of Colorado).
2003-2005 McNair Scholars Program. Graduate Student Mentor (University of Colorado)
2002-2006 Denver Copwatch (Police Accountability Denver, Colorado)
2004 Ogden Copwatch (founder Ogden, Utah)
2002-2004 Pioneer Charter Elementary (Denver, Colorado)
2004 Jovenes Unidos y Padres Unidos (Denver North High School Reform)
2003-2004 Community Oversight concerning Gang List (Denver, Colorado)
1996-2004 MEChA. Weber State University and University of Colorado
2000-2004 United Mexican American Students (UMAS, University of Colorado)
2001-2003 Gang Rescue and Support Project (GRASP, Denver, Colorado)
1999-2000 Alpha Kappa Delta Honor Society- Executive Committee (Weber State University)
1998-1999 Co-Chair MEChA (Weber State University)
1998-1999 Alpha Kappa Delta Honor Society-Officer (Weber State University)
1998 Lewis Elementary (Helping second graders read in Ogden, Utah)
1995-1998 As One Car Club (Salt Lake City and Ogden, Utah)

Professional Affiliations

American Sociological Association (ASA)

American Society of Criminology (ASC)

Society for the Study of Social Problems (SSSP)

2007-2008 Racial/Ethnic Minority Scholarship Committee.

Manuscript Reviewer

Crime and Delinquency

Criminal Justice Review

Journal of Drug Issues

The Southwest Journal of Criminal Justice