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EMPLOYMENT

2017- Assistant Professor of Sociology, Sam Houston State University

EDUCATION

2017 Ph.D. Sociology, The University of Georgia
Committee: Patricia Richards (chair), Pablo Lapegna, and David Smilde
Dissertation: *Imagining Cross-Border Belonging: Maya-Mam Collective Identification across the Guatemala-Mexico Border*
Comprehensive Examination Area: Political Sociology

2012 M.A. Sociology, The University of Georgia

2008 B.A. Sociology, Brigham Young University-Idaho

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Racial and Ethnic Inequality, Indigenous Peoples, Border Studies, Social Movements, Political Sociology, Latin America, Culture

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Richards, Patricia and Jeffrey A. Gardner. 2022. "Indigenous Movements in Latin America." In *Encyclopedia of Social and Political Movements, Second Edition*. Edited by David Snow, Donatella della Porta, Bert Klandermans, and Doug McAdam. London: Wiley-Blackwell. <https://tinyurl.com/Social-Political-Movements>

Cabaniss, Emily and Jeffrey A. Gardner. 2021. "Signifying 'Americanness': Narrative Collective Identification Work in the Undocumented Youth Movement." *Humanity & Society* 45(1):99-124. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0160597620930149>

Bailey, Casandra♦, Amanda Venta, Jorge Varela, Temilola Salami, Chelsea Ratcliff, and Jeffrey Gardner. 2021. "Risk and Protective Markers for Well-Being in Latinx Immigrants in Removal Proceedings." *Law and Human Behavior* 45(3):179-196. <https://doi.org/10.1037/lhb0000447>

♦PhD student co-author

*American Psychological Association featured publication as a spotlight article: <https://www.apa.org/pubs/highlights/spotlight/issue-221>

- Gardner, Jeffrey A. and Ashleigh E. McKinzie. 2020a. "Embodying Inequality: Using Ethnographic Data to Teach Intersectionality." *Teaching Sociology* 43(3):184-200. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0092055X20922896>
- Gardner, Jeffrey A. and Ashleigh E. McKinzie. 2020b. "Embodying Inequality Activity: Teaching Intersectionality with Ethnographic Data." Pedagogical resource published in *TRAILS: Teaching Resources and Innovations Library for Sociology*. <<http://trails.asanet.org>> Washington DC: American Sociological Association (ASA). <https://tinyurl.com/ASA-TRAILS-Published-Resource>
*American Sociological Association features publication as a select pedagogical resource: <https://www.asanet.org/teaching-resources/>
- Gardner, Jeffrey A. and Patricia Richards. 2019. "Indigenous Rights and Neoliberalism in Latin America." Pp. 849-865 in *The Palgrave Handbook of Ethnicity*. Edited by Steve Ratuva. Palgrave Macmillan. https://doi.org/10.1007/978-981-13-0242-8_70-1
- Gardner, Jeffrey A. and Patricia Richards. 2017. "The Spatiality of Boundary Work: Political-Administrative Borders and Maya-Mam Collective Identification." *Social Problems* 64: 439-55. <https://doi.org/10.1093/socpro/spw047>
- Richards, Patricia and Jeffrey A. Gardner. 2013. "Still Seeking Recognition: Indigenous Demands, State Violence, and Discrimination in Democratic Chile." *Latin American and Caribbean Ethnic Studies* 8(3): 255-279. <https://doi.org/10.1080/17442222.2013.779063>

EDITORIAL ACTIVITY

- Gardner, Jeffrey A. and Sarah D. Warren, Eds. Forthcoming Special Issue: Indigenous Peoples and Borders. *Latin American and Caribbean Ethnic Studies*.

RESEARCH & SCHOLARSHIP UNDER REVIEW/IN-PROGRESS

- Gardner, Jeffrey A. Accepted. "Tx'otx' and la Defensa del Territorio: Articulating Mam Territory as an Indigenous Cross-Border Nation." *Latin American and Caribbean Ethnic Studies*.
- Gardner, Jeffrey A. and Sarah D. Warren. Accepted. "Indigenous Borders: Contesting the Nation-State, Belonging and Racialization." *Latin American and Caribbean Ethnic Studies*.
- Gardner, Jeffrey A., Pamela Neumann, and Saliha Garcia. "Border-Crossing Experiences and Emotional Management." Working paper on Latinx US-Mexico border-crossing experiences based on primary qualitative data collected in Laredo, TX.
- Gardner, Jeffrey A. and Victor Sales. "Repository of Socio-Political Communiqués of the Consejo Maya-Mam Saq Tx'otx'." Community-Engaged Scholarship project with Indigenous council in Huehuetenango, Guatemala.

*Project underway through the year-length Community Engaged Scholars program (accepted in 2023-24 cohort of four SHSU faculty).

Henderson, Craig, Jeffrey A. Gardner, and Susan Henderson. "Reactions and Resilience Toward Experiences of Racism." Analysis underway of primary qualitative data collected at SHSU.

Gardner, Jeffrey A. *Imagining Cross-Border Belonging: Indigenous Resistance across the Guatemala-Mexico Border*. Book proposal; manuscript chapters in development.

Indigenous Land Acknowledgement for Sam Houston State University. Community-Engaged project coordinated between SHSU faculty (Jeffrey A. Gardner, Amber Godwin, Joshua Haynes, and Aaron Hyams) and the Alabama-Coushatta Tribe of Texas. Submitted to SHSU.

BOOK REVIEW

Gardner, Jeffrey A. 2013. "Book Review: *One State, Many Nations: Indigenous Rights Struggles in Ecuador*, by Maximilian Viatori (2010)." *Bulletin of Latin American Research* 33(1): 108-110. <https://doi.org/10.1111/blar.12134>

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Sam Houston State University

Gardner, Jeffrey A. (PI), and Craig Henderson. 2021. "Reactions and Resilience Toward Experiences of Racism." Office of Research and Sponsored Programs (ORSP); funding adapted from a cancelled project, with permission from ORSP: \$2000.

Gardner, Jeffrey A. (PI), Emily Cabaniss, and Mary Scherer. 2020. "Linked Learning and Teaching Intersectionality." Engaging Classrooms QEP, Teaching Innovation Grant (TIG): \$7500.

Gardner, Jeffrey A. (PI). 2019. "Cross-Border Nationhood: Maya-Mam Collective Identification across the Guatemala-Mexico Border." Office of Research and Sponsored Programs (ORSP) Individual Scholarship Program: \$4200.

Gardner, Jeffrey A. (PI). 2018. "A Cross-Border Nation: Conflicting Interpretations of Borders and Mam Territory." Office of Research and Sponsored Programs (ORSP) Faculty Research Grant (FRG): \$5000.

US Department of Education

Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship, 2015

The University of Georgia

Summer Doctoral Research Fellowship, The Graduate School, 2014

Innovative and Interdisciplinary Research Grant, The Graduate School, 2013

Graduate Field Research Award, Latin American & Caribbean Studies Institute, 2011, 2013

AWARDS AND HONORS

Sam Houston State University

Community Engaged Scholars cohort, 2023-24

Sociology Research Stipend (dept. research awards), 2018 (\$4000), 2022 (\$3000), 2023 (\$3000)

ACUE Certificate in Effective College Instruction, 2020

The University of Georgia

Certificate of Excellence, Department of Sociology, 2016

Beck Graduate Student Teaching Award, Department of Sociology, 2016

Research Development Award, Latin American & Caribbean Studies Institute, 2015

Teaching Seminar Assistantship, Center for Teaching and Learning, 2015

Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award, Center for Teaching and Learning, 2014

B.O. Williams Award, Department of Sociology, 2013

Graduate Assistantship, Department of Sociology, 2010-2017

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Sam Houston State University

Graduate Seminar in Race & Ethnic Studies (online)

Racial and Ethnic Inequality (in-person & online)

Introduction to Ethnic Studies (in-person & online)

Writing in Sociology (in-person & online)

Honors Dialogues Seminar on Immigration (in-person)

The University of Georgia

Race and Ethnicity in America

Qualitative Methods of Social Research

Introduction to Sociology

Continuing Education Instructor

Sociology of the Culture Industry

Teaching Assistant

Seminar for Graduate Teaching Assistants in Sociology

Development of Sociological Theory

Citizenship and Social Movements in Latin America and the Caribbean

Introduction to Sociology

Brigham Young University-Idaho

Race and Ethnic Relations

Special Topics in Sociology: Sociology of Conscious Hip-Hop

PRESENTATIONS

- Gardner, Jeffrey A. 2023. "*Cargando el Peso* of Mam Socio-Political Frustrations." Paper presented at annual meeting of the Southeastern Council of Latin American Studies, March 22-26, Antigua, Guatemala.
- Gardner, Jeffrey A. 2020. "Denaturalizing State Borders through Cross-Border Experiences." Paper presented at annual meeting of the Southeastern Council of Latin American Studies, March 3-8, Austin, TX.
- Gardner, Jeffrey A. 2020. "Maya-Mam Territorial Visions that Denaturalize State Borders." Invited lecture presented to Department of Social Sciences at Texas A&M-International University, February 13, Laredo, TX.
- Gardner, Jeffrey A. 2019. "Bi-National Indigenous Communities in North America." Invited lecture of the Sigma Phi Chapter of the National History Honor's Society at Sam Houston State University, November 7, Huntsville, TX.
- Gardner, Jeffrey A. 2019. "Constructing Mam Socio-Political Ties through Cross-Border Experiences." Paper presented at annual meeting of the Society for the Study of Social Problems, August 7-9, New York City, NY.
- Gardner, Jeffrey A. 2019. "Counter-Mapping Territory across State Borders." Paper presented at the annual meeting of Southeastern Council of Latin American Studies, April 4-7, Oaxaca, Mexico.
- Gardner, Jeffrey A. 2018. "Counter-Mapping Indigenous Territory: How the Maya-Mam Contest State Representations of Space." Paper presented at annual meeting of the Southern Sociological Society, April 4-7, New Orleans, LA.
- Gardner, Jeffrey A. and Ashleigh McKinzie. 2018. "Embodying Ethnographic Data: An Interactive Approach for Teaching Intersectionality." Paper presented at annual meeting of the Pacific Sociological Association, March 28-31, Long Beach, CA.
- Gardner, Jeffrey A. 2016. "Maya-Mam Mobilization against Mining through the Context of Tx'otx'." Presentation for Latin American Sustainable Agriculture Film Series, February 19, Athens, GA.
- Gardner, Jeffrey A. and Patricia Richards. 2015. "The Spatiality of Boundary Work: Political-Administrative Borders and Maya-Mam Collective Identification." Paper presented at annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, August 22-25, Chicago, IL.
- Gardner, Jeffrey A. 2015. "Reconstituting a Cross-Border Nation: Maya-Mam Collective Identification and the Denaturalization of State Borders." Paper presented at annual congress of the Latin American Studies Association, May 27-30, San Juan, Puerto Rico.

- Gardner, Jeffrey A. 2014. "Hacia la Reconstitución de la Nación Mam." Meeting organized and presentation given between Mam leaders from the Consejo Mam Saq Tx'otx (Guatemala) and the Consejo Regional Indígena Maya-Mam del Soconusco (Mexico), November 10, Tuxtla Chico, Chiapas, Mexico.
- Gardner, Jeffrey A. and Patricia Richards. 2014. "Imagining Borders: Understanding Maya-Mam Collective Identification in Relational Contexts." Roundtable paper presented at annual meeting of the American Sociological Association, August 16-19, San Francisco, CA.
- Gardner, Jeffrey A. 2013. "Weaving Threads: How the Maya-Mam Imagine the Complex Fabric of Collective Identities." M.A. Thesis research presented at leadership meeting of AMMID (The Maya-Mam Association of Research and Development), June 3, Comitancillo, San Marcos, Guatemala.
- Gardner, Jeffrey A. 2013. "Borrowing Borders: How the Mam Identify Collectively in Relational Contexts." Paper presented at Georgia Workshop on Culture, Power, and History, February 15, Athens, GA.
- Gardner, Jeffrey A. 2012. UGA Graduate Student Association Interdisciplinary Conference, panel member, March 23, Athens, GA.
- Gardner, Jeffrey A. 2009. "Awareness of Educational Inequality: A Latino/a Perspective." Roundtable paper presented at annual meeting of the Pacific Sociological Association, April 8-11, San Diego, CA.
- Gardner, Jeffrey A. 2009. "Undergraduate Students Teaching Sociology." Roundtable presentation at annual meeting of the Pacific Sociological Association, April 8-11, San Diego, CA.

SERVICE TO ACADEMIA

Southeastern Council of Latin American Studies

- 2021-22 Article Prize Committee
 2020-21 Nominating Committee

Society for the Study of Social Problems

- 2019 Presider & Discussant: Collective Identities and Struggles

Latin American Studies Association

- 2015 Organizer & Presider: Collective Identification of Indigenous Cross-Border Nations

Qualitative Sociology

- 2012-13 Editorial Assistant

Manuscript Reviewer

Teaching Sociology; Journal of Men's Studies; Latin American & Caribbean Ethnic Studies

SERVICE TO UNIVERSITY & COLLEGE

Sam Houston State University

- 2023- First-Generation Students, mentor
2022, 2023 Diversity Leadership Conference, Indigenous land acknowledgment presenter

Sam Houston State University: College of Humanities & Social Sciences

- 2018- Sponsoring Promising Undergraduate Research (SPUR) Committee
2023 CHSS Diversity & Inclusion (DiveIn) Committee, co-chair
2021-23 CHSS Diversity & Inclusion (DiveIn) Committee;
Indigenous Peoples Subcommittee, chair

SERVICE TO DEPARTMENT

Sam Houston State University: Department of Sociology

- 2023- Sociology Undergraduate Committee
2022- Sociology Club, advisor
2020- Sociology Social Media
2020- Sociology Teaching Workshop, co-chair
2021-22 Sociology Scholarship Committee
2020-21 Sociology Hiring Committee
2019-21 Sociology Graduate Committee
2019 Sociology Textbook Committee
2018-19 Sociology Scholarship Committee
2018-19 Sociology Hiring Committee
2017-19 Sociology Club/AKD, co-advisor

The University of Georgia: Department of Sociology

- 2015-2016 Graduate mentor
2015-2016 Georgia Workshop on Culture, Power, and History, co-organizer
2015-2016 Sociology Colloquium Series
2015-2016 Department of Sociology/Latin American & Caribbean Studies Institute, faculty search graduate student representative
2015-2016 Latin American Sustainable Agriculture Film Series, co-organizer
2012-2013 Sociology Colloquium Series
2012-2013 Sociology Graduate Student Society, executive committee graduate representative
2011-2012 Graduate mentor

LANGUAGES

- English: first language
Spanish: fluent (speaking, writing, reading)
Mam: beginner (speaking, writing, reading)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Latin American Studies Association

Section: *Ethnicity, Race, and Indigenous Peoples*

Society for the Study of Social Problems

Southeastern Council of Latin American Studies

REFERENCES

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