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EDUCATION/TRAINING

Universidad Autonoma Chapingo	BS	1982	Agriculture
University of Hawaii	MA	1996	Second Language Studies
University of New Mexico	MA	2005	Sociology
University of New Mexico	PhD Candidate, ABD		Sociology

Dissertation title: How Common Citizens Transform Politics: the Cases of Mexico and Bolivia

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

1982-1986	Analyst of agricultural projects for rural development, Department of Agriculture of Mexico State, Mexico
1990-1993	Instructor of English and Spanish as a Second Language, A to Z Language Academy, Nagano (Japan)
1995-1997	Graduate assistant and Instructor of English Writing in the Department English as Second Language (currently Department of Second Language Studies) at the University of Hawaii; Instructor of ESL in the New Intensive English Courses program at the University of Hawaii
1997-2001	Coordinator of Foreign Language Education, San Juan College, Farmington, New Mexico; administrative and teaching responsibilities
2002-2006	Research assistant to Dr. Howard Waitzkin, first in the School of Public Health and later at the Institute of Social Research, at the University of New Mexico
Fall 2008	Research assistant to Dr. Howard Waitzkin at the Institute of Social Research
2006 – Currently	Teaching assistant in the department of Sociology, responsible for teaching Soc 331 - Collective Behavior and Social Movements, and Soc 313 – Social Control

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- Summer 1996 Conducted research at a Waikiki hotel to investigate the language tasks and interactions of hotel housekeepers, for the purpose of language needs analysis for teaching English to speakers of other languages; this research involved participant observation and conducting interviews, and it was the bases for my MA thesis in Second Language Studies
- 2001-2006 Research assistant to Dr. Howard Waitzkin; my work involved library and internet research, development of databases, and conducting interviews; it also involved active participation in grant application, both research and writing; as Dr. Waitzkin's assistant I also participated as principal investigator and presenter of an invited paper at the United Nations Research Institute of Social Development (UNRISD) in March of 2002, and in March of 2003
- January 2004 Two weeks research in El Salvador regarding the 1999-2003 struggle against the privatization of health care: researching archival news and information, and conducting interviews
- August 2004 Five weeks research in La Paz and Cochabamba, Bolivia: researching archival news and information, and conducting interviews about the struggle against the privatization of water and of the oil industry; this research was the basis for my MA in Sociology
- August 2005 Three weeks research in Santa Cruz and Cochabamba, Bolivia: researching archival news and information, and conducting interviews regarding the process of privatization in Bolivia and the struggles against it; this research improved my understanding of privatization, neoliberalism and civil society participation in the region, and has been the basis for the development of my dissertation prospectus
- Summer 2007 Four-five weeks conducting research in Mexico City and Puebla, Mexico, Summer 2008 regarding civil society mobilization against the 2006 electoral fraud and for the defense of the oil industry; this research mostly involved participant observation at various events and networking with individuals and groups involved in the struggle; it also has been the basis for the development of my dissertation prospectus
- Fall 2008 Research assistant to Dr. Waitzkin; my work involved library research to develop a thematic outline for a book on empire, medicine, and capitalism; this thematic outline is a work in progress

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

- 2001-2003 Office of Graduate Studies 3 % Scholars Awards (UNM)
- 2002-2004 Office of Graduate Studies Fellowship (UNM)

Summer 2004 SRAC and RPT awards for summer research travel (UNM)

2005.2006 Regents Fellowship (UNM)

2006-current Office of Graduate Studies 3 % Scholars Awards (UNM)

2009 Three-year Mellon Fellowship for Doctoral Students in Social and Humanistic Studies

PUBLICATIONS

Jasso-Aguilar, R., Waitzkin, H. & A. Landwerh. (2004). Multinational Corporations and health care in the United States and Latin America: Strategies, actions, and effects. *Journal of Health and Social Behavior*, 45(supplement):136-157.

Jasso-Aguilar, R., Waitzkin, H. & A. Landwerh. (2005). Multinational Corporations and health care in the United States and Latin America. In M. Mackintosh & M. Koivusalo (eds.) Commercialization of Health Care: Global and Local Dynamics and Policy Responses. Hampshire: Palgrave Macmillan (Macmillan Publishers Limited).

Waitzkin, H., Jasso-Aguilar, R. & C. Mountain. (2005). Global trade, public health, and health services: Stakeholders' constructions of the key issues. *Social Science and Medicine*, 61(5):893-906.

Jasso-Aguilar, R. (2005). Sources, methods and triangulation in needs analysis: A critical perspective in a case study of Waikiki hotel maids. In Michael H. Long (ed.) Second Language Needs Analysis, Chapter 4, 127-169. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. (This is a longer and updated version of an article of the same title that first appeared in the *Journal of English for Specific Purposes* in 1996. Also, this version is about to be republished in a forthcoming edited volume by Guy Cook & Sarah North, Applied Linguistics in Action: A Reader, published by Routledge).

Jasso-Aguilar, R. (2008). Book review: Impasse in Bolivia, Neoliberal Resistance and Popular Resistance. Sociological Inquiry 78(1):145-148.

Jasso-Aguilar, R. & H. Waitzkin. (forthcoming). Multinational Corporations, the State, and Contemporary Medicine. Ethics, Capitalism, & Health.

PAPERS PRESENTED AT PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES

"Privatization in Latin America: Framing the Struggles," paper presented at the 2006 Southwest Council of Latin American Studies, March 2006, in Albuquerque, NM.

"Women's Participation in Cochabamba's Water Struggle: Theoretical Underpinnings of a New Kind of Resistance," paper presented at the 2006 Pacific Sociological Association, April 2006, in Los Angeles, CA.

“Multinational Corporations and health care in the United States and Latin America,” paper presented as work in progress at the workshop Commercialization of Health Care: Global and Local Dynamics, and Policy Responses, sponsored by the United Nations Research Institute of Social Development, March 2003, in Geneva, Switzerland.

“Multinational Corporations and health care in the United States and Latin America,” paper presented as final product at the workshop Commercialization of Health Care: Global and Local Dynamics, and Policy Responses, sponsored by the United Nations Research Institute of Social Development, March 2004, in Helsinki, Finland.

“Privatization in Bolivia: Struggle and Resistance,” paper presented at the 2007 American Sociological Association, August 2007, in New York City, NY.

VOLUNTARY WORK AND ACTIVISM

Summer 1998 Participation in a project to build schools for indigenous children in Summer 1999 Zapatista communities in Chiapas, Mexico; both summers I participated in the project for the community of Oventic

Fall 2006 Participation in support of the struggle against the electoral fraud in Mexico, and the teachers-APPO struggle in Oaxaca, Mexico; participated in talks at the LAII and some local media to increase awareness of and promote support for the struggles; meetings with Congressional delegation’s staffers to promote awareness and involvement among local politicians

Dec. 2006 Participation as a member of an Emergency Human Rights Delegation to Summer 2007 investigate human rights abuses and current situation of the struggle in Oaxaca, sponsored by the Oaxaca Solidarity Network and Rights

Action;

delegations in both cases lasted one week, and they involved visiting places and listening to testimonies from people affected by the repression, as well as meetings with government agencies that agreed to talk to our delegations from the government’s perspective; upon returning to Albuquerque I have participated in events to promote awareness about the struggle in Oaxaca, such as fund raising events and documentary screenings, sponsored by the Albuquerque Peace and Justice Center

I currently participate with Mexican people in a political forum dedicated to the promotion of issues of social justice and political awareness; our most recent project is the publication of an electronic journal/magazine

I also have participated several times as a guest in the Indymedia news show (Fridays, 7:00-8:00 PM, community channel), to talk about and promote awareness about the struggles in Mexico