

# Arlett Sophia Lomelí - Curriculum Vitae

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## Education

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- Ph.D. in Sociology** 2015  
Texas A & M University, College Station  
*Dissertation:* More than Bibi, Selena, Juan, and Vicente: Media's Racial Formation of Mexican Immigrants' Gender Identity  
*Committee:* Rogelio Saenz, Joseph Jewell (co-chairs), Holly Foster, Sarah Gatson, Antonio La Pastina  
*Comprehensive Exams:* Race, Criminology  
*Certificate:* Women's and Gender Studies Graduate Certificate 2011
- M.S. in Sociology** 2008  
University of Texas-Pan American, Edinburg
- B.A. in Sociology**, Minor in Communications (Advertising and Public Relations) 2003  
University of Texas-Pan American, Edinburg

## Research

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My current research encompasses border studies in the aspects of race, gender, criminology, immigration, and environmental sociology.

## Publications

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- Lomelí, Arlett. 2015. Mexican Americans. *The Wiley Blackwell Encyclopedia of Race, Ethnicity, and Nationalism* edited by John Stone. West Sussex, United Kingdom: John Wiley & Sons, Inc.  
DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1002/9781118663202.wberen658>
- Jan, Jie-Sheng, Ping-Yin Kuan, and Arlett Lomelí. 2016. "Social Context, Parental Exogamy and Hakka Language Retention in Taiwan." *Journal of Multilingual and Multicultural Development*.  
DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1080/01434632.2016.1142551>
- Ruiz, Bienvenido, Raymond Guerra, Arlett Lomelí, Rolando Longoria, and Billy Ulibarrí. 2017. "The Catholic Church and Mexican American Social Mobility in the Postwar Midwest: Evidence from Life and Family Histories." *Social Currents* 5(1):32-48. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1177/2329496517704870>
- Kyne, Dean, Arlett Sophia Lomelí, William Donner, and Erika Zuloaga. 2018. "Who Will Stay, Who Will Leave: Decision-Making of Residents Living in Potential Hurricane Impact Areas during a Hypothetical Hurricane Event in the Rio Grande Valley." *Journal of Homeland Security and Emergency Management*.  
DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1515/jhsem-2017-0010>

Ruiz, Bienvenido, Billy Ulibarrí, Arlett Lomelí, Raymond Guerra, and Rolando Longoria. 2018. "The Relative Influence of Legal Pressure on Outcomes in a Rehabilitation Aftercare Drug Court." *American Journal of Criminal Justice*.

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1007/s12103-018-9465-3>

Kyne, Dean, William Donner, and Arlett Sophia Lomelí. 2019. "Information Seeking and Evacuation Decision Making in Hypothetical Hurricane Events in the Rio Grande Valley, Texas." *International Journal of Emergency Management*. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1504/IJEM.2019.099206>

#### Research Report

Kyne, Dean, Arlett Lomelí, Katarzyna A. Sepielak, Owen Temby, and Dawid Wladyka. 2019. "Community Resiliency from Hurricane Disasters in the Bilingual and Bicultural Rio Grande Valley." *UTRGV Strategic Initiatives Symposium*. <https://www.utrgv.edu/strategic-plan/resources/17-18-awarded-proposals/community-resiliency/index.htm>

#### Under Review

Jan, Jie-Sheng and Arlett Lomelí. 2018. "Ethnic Context and Language Assimilation of Indigenous Peoples in Taiwan." Submitted June 2019 to *International Journal of Bilingual Education and Bilingualism*.

## Awards and Grants

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#### Awards:

Summer 2018 Faculty Learning Community (FLC) on Community Engaged Scholarship (\$500)

2018 UTRGV ADVANCE Summer Writing Retreat (\$1000)

#### Grants:

Grant Sponsoring Organization: UTRGV: The Office of the Provost and Executive Vice-President for Academic Affairs.  
Amount: \$12,180 on Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> 2017. Grant Team: Kyne, Dean, Arlett Lomelí, Dawid Wladyka, Katarzyna A. Sepielak, and Owen Temby

Grant Sponsoring Organization: Texas A & M University: Lechner Graduate Grant (2008)  
Amount: \$5,000.

## Selected Presentations

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#### **UTRGV Strategic Initiatives Symposium: *Presentation* (February 12, 2019)**

Kyne, Dean, Arlett Lomelí, Katarzyna A. Sepielak, Owen Temby, and Dawid Wladyka. "Community Resiliency from Hurricane Disasters in the Bilingual and Bicultural Rio Grande Valley."

#### **American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting: *Presentation* (November 15, 2018)**

Ruiz, Bienvenido, Billy Ulibarrí, Arlett Lomelí, Raymond Guerra, and Rolando Longoria. "The Relative Influence of Legal Pressure on Outcomes in a Rehabilitation Aftercare Drug Court."

#### **Sparkling Innovations in Online & Hybrid Learning UTRGV Conference: *Presentation* (March 2, 2018)**

"*Social Integration through Group Development.*"

**UTRGV Teaching Excellence Symposium: Poster Presentation (February 16, 2018)**

*“Creating Student Success through Universal Design for Learning”* with Hsuying Ward, Ian Werkheiser, Bradley Christoffersen, Ignacio Rodriguez, Rupesh Kariyat and Angela Chapman.

**National Association of African American Studies & Affiliates South Padre Island International Research Forum:**

*Presentation (2015) “More than Bibi, Selena, Juan, and Vicente: Media’s Racial Formation of Mexican Immigrants’ Gender Identity”*

## Teaching

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**Assistant Professor** (Fall 2019- present)

**Department of Sociology, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley**

Mexican American Experience (Online)

Environmental Sociology (Online)

Social Theory (Online)

**Assistant Professor** (Fall 2017- Summer 2019)

**Department of Sociology and Anthropology, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley**

Introduction to Sociology (Online & Traditional)

Race and Ethnic Relations (Online)

Criminology (Online)

Mexican American Experience (Online)

Environmental Sociology (Online)

**Lecturer I**

**Department of Sociology and Anthropology, University of Texas Rio Grande Valley**

Introduction to Sociology (Online)

Fall 2015 – Spring 2017

Race and Ethnic Relations (Online)

Fall 2015, Spring 2016, Fall 2016, Spring 2017

Criminology (Online)

Fall 2016, Summer I 2017

**Graduate Lecturer**

**Department of Sociology, Texas A & M University**

Introduction to Gender and Society

Spring 2013

Introduction to Sociology

Fall 2010, Spring 2011, Fall 2012

The Marriage Institution

Spring 2012

**Part-time Instructor**

**Department of Sociology and Anthropology, University of Texas-Pan American**

Sports and Society (Online)

Fall 2013

Principles of Sociology

Summer II 2009

Statistics

Summer I 2009

**Adjunct Instructor**

**Department of Criminal Justice and Social Sciences, South Texas College**

Introduction to Sociology

Summer I 2008, 2009, 2010, 2012, 2015

Summer II 2008

## Teaching Certificates

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**Certificate of Effective College Instruction** from *The Association of College and University Educators and the American Council on Education* (April 25, 2019)

**Quality Matters Certification in Independent Applying the QM Rubric (APPQMR)** from *UTRGV-COLTT* (2016)

## Graduate Students: Thesis Committee

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Thesis Committee Member for:

**Karen Rodriguez** (Completed: December 2018)

**Cecile Caddel** (Completed: May 2017)

## Service

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*Department:*

**Graduate Curriculum Committee Member** (August 26, 2019- Present)

**Sociology Outreach Committee Member** (March 1, 2018- Present)

**GE Core Assessment Committee Member** (September 2016- Present)

**Department Website and Yammer Committee Chair** (July 1, 2016- Present)

**One-Year Lecturer Hiring Committee Member** (May 29, 2019- July 25, 2019)

**Sociology Outreach Committee Chair** (September 27, 2018 – February 28, 2018)

**Part-Time Lecturer Hiring Committee Member** (July 13, 2017 – August 2017)

**One-Year Lecturer Hiring Committee Member** (June 2016- August 2017)

**Online Teaching Mentor** to Leticia Zavala (UTRGV 2016)

**Department Bachelor's and Master's Degree Brochures for both Programs** (UTRGV 2016)

**McAllen Public Library University Fair** (UTRGV 2016)

**New Course Development: New Sociology Research Methods Course using both, Edinburg and Brownsville Library Archives** with Rolando Longoria II (UTRGV 2015)

**Department Yammer Organizer/Administrator** (UTRGV 2015 -Present)

**Department Mini-hub in Brownsville**

Professors Ramon Guerra and Dawid Wladyka (UTRGV 2015 - 2016)

**Department Web Landing Page**

Professors Ramon Guerra, Margaret Graham, Stephen Merino, and Guy Duke (UTRGV 2015 - 2016)

**Sociology Program Web Page Committee** (UTRGV 2015 - 2016)

Professor Stephen Merino

**Brownsville ISD Dual Courses Initiative Sociology Lecturer**

Student Success: Kristin Croyle and Sylvia Leal (UTRGV Fall 2015 & Spring 2016)

### **University:**

- Guest Speaker for UTRGV P-16 Outreach Program** for their 2019 High School Leadership Conference (February 8, 2019)  
"Transitioning from High School to College"
- Guest Speaker for UTRGV COLTT** (May 2, 2018) "Module 6- Learning Activities"
- Guest Speaker for UTRGV Gear Up** (April 27, 2018) with Dr. Billy Ulibarri. "Sociology in Motion: Social Integration and Networking for Success."
- Table Representative for the Sociology Program and Disaster Studies Program during UTRGV NEXUS** (April 24 & 26, 2018).
- Guest Speaker for UTRGV General Faculty Development Session: Effective Summer Writing** (April 5, 2018) with Drs. Elizabeth Heise, Sue Ann Chew, and MaryAnn Escamilla.
- Guest Speaker for UTRGV CTE Session at both, Brownsville and Edinburg locations: Developing Collaborative Learning Activities** (April 3 & 4, 2018) with Drs. Joan Reed and Javier Cavazos.
- Guest Speaker for UTRGV 2018 Migrant Leadership Conference** (March 9, 2018). Provided two presentations of "Sociology is Life."
- Guest Speaker for General Faculty Development Session: Accessibility Learning Community Group** (February 15, 2018)
- Guest Speaker for UTRGV Library Head of Research and Instruction: Methods to the Madness: A Research Discussion Series** (October 12, 2017) **Presented** on my research: "More than Bibi, Selena, Juan, and Vicente: Media's Racial Formation of Mexican Immigrants' Gender Identity."
- Guest Speaker for UTRGV COLTT** (September 22, 2017) Presentation "Applying Sociology to Large Online Classes."

### **Professional:**

- Editorial Review Board Member for International Journal of Disaster Response and Emergency Management (IJDREM)**  
(September 1, 2017 – Present)

### **Community:**

- Sam Houston Elementary (McAllen, TX): Reviewer for Cougar Robotics Club Poster Presentation** (February 20, 2019)
- Sam Houston Elementary (McAllen, TX): Guest Speaker: "Sociology in Space: Social Integration and Mission Success"**  
(January 26, 2019)
- Sam Houston Elementary (McAllen, TX): Career Day Speaker** (December 7, 2018)
- The Young Center for Immigrant Children's Rights: Advocate Training** (September 2017)
- UTRGV Martin Luther King, Jr. Day: Site Leader and Volunteer for Cinderella Pet Rescue** (UTRGV 2016)

## **Prior Training**

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### **Doctoral Research Training: Texas A & M University**

- Workshop Scribe** for *Reconsidering Race: Cross-Disciplinary and Inter-Disciplinary Perspectives Workshop*  
Professors Kazuko Suzuki and Diego A. von Vacano (2013)
- Bilingual Interviewer** for *Research Assistance*  
Professors Nancy Plankey- Videla, Zulema Valdez, and Nadia Flores-Yeffal (2012)
- Translator** for *Texas AgriLife Extension Service* (2012)
- Focus Group Note Taker**  
Professor Jane Sell (2011)
- Resident Advisor** for *The Texas Governor's School* (2011)

*Prior Teaching Training:*

**Substitute Teacher** for *BETA Middle and High School* (Edinburg, TX: January to May 2007)

**Summer Program Coordinator and Art Instructor** for *Edinburg Parks and Recreation* (Edinburg, TX: 2000)

**Volunteer Teaching Assistant** for *BETA Middle and High School* (Edinburg, TX: 1997-1999)

## **Technical Expertise**

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Statistical Programs: SPSS, STATA

Qualitative Software Training: Atlas.ti (2018)

Language: Fluent in English and Spanish