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EMPLOYMENT

- Professor of Gender and Women's Studies, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ
(June 2014-present)
- Acting Head/Director, Department of Gender and Women's Studies, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ
(AY 25-26, AY 24-25, AY 22-23, August and September 2020)
- Faculty in the Graduate Interdisciplinary Minor in Social, Cultural, and Critical Theory, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ
(Fall 2016-present)
- Affiliate Faculty, Global Studies (Fall 2023-present)
- Affiliate Faculty, Institute for LGBT Studies, Tucson, AZ (2007-present)
- Associate Professor of Gender and Women's Studies, University of Arizona, Tucson
(August 2005-May 2014)
- Founding Director, The Institute for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Studies, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ
(August 2007-June 2011)
- Director, The Committee for LGBT Studies, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ
(August 2005-Sept. 2007)
- Associate Professor, Department of Ethnic Studies and Program in American Culture Studies, Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, OH
(September 2004-May 2005)
- Assistant Professor, Department of Ethnic Studies and Program in American Culture Studies, Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, OH
(January 1999-May 2004)
- Postdoctoral Fellow, Residential Research Group on the Futures of Queer Studies, Humanities Research Institute, University of Irvine, CA
(Fall 1998)

EDUCATION

- Ph.D. Ethnic Studies with Emphasis in Women, Gender, and Sexuality
University of California at Berkeley, Berkeley, CA (May 1998)
- M.A. English as a Second Language Studies, University of Massachusetts
Boston, MA (1992)

B.A. Liberal Arts, Hampshire College, Amherst, MA (1986)

PUBLICATIONS

Books

- *Abolitionist Intimacies: Queer and Trans Migrants Against the Deportation State*. Duke University Press, 2025.
- *Pregnant on Arrival: Making the 'Illegal' Immigrant*. Minneapolis, University of Minnesota Press, 2013.
Nominated for the John Hope Franklin Prize
- *Entry Denied: Controlling Sexuality at the Border*. Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press, 2002.

Edited Collections and Special Issues

- *Lives that Resist Telling: Migrant and Refugee Lesbians* (New York: Routledge, 2021)
- *Queer and Trans Migrations: Dynamics of Illegalization, Detention, Deportation*. Co-edited with Karma R. Chávez. Champaign: University of Illinois Press, October 2020.

Featured in *Ms. Magazine* in October 2020 as a “Reads for The Rest of Us”

https://msmagazine.com/2020/10/05/october-2020-reads-for-the-rest-of-us/?utm_source=twitter&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=SocialWarfare

- “Lives that Resist Telling: Migrant and Refugee Lesbians,” an edited special issue of the *Journal of Lesbian Studies*, 24 no. 2 (2020).
- *A Global History of Sexuality*. Co-edited with Robert Buffington and Donna Guy. Malden, MA: Wiley-Blackwell Publishing, 2014.
- “Queer/Migration,” a special double issue of *GLQ*, Vol. 14, Nos. 2-3 (April 2008).

Nominated for a Committee of Editors of Learned Journals Award 2008

- *Queer Migrations: Sexuality, U.S. Citizenship, and Border Crossings*. Co-edited with Lionel Cantú. Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press, 2005.

Included on New York University’s Sanctuary Syllabus (2017):

<https://www.publicbooks.org/sanctuary-syllabus/>

Nominated for the Ruth Benedict Prize of the American Anthropological Association 2006

- “Representing Migrant Women in Ireland and the E.U.,” a special issue of *Women’s Studies International Forum*. Co-edited with Ronit Lentin. Vol. 27, No. 4 (October-November 2004).

Sole Authored Monographs in Progress

- *Automating Inequality at the Border*

Published Refereed Articles, Essays, and Chapters

- “Sexual Citizenship, Pride Parades, and Queer Migrant Im/Mobilities,” *Ethnic and Racial Studies* (special issue on “Queer Liberalisms and Marginal Mobilities” edited by Mengia Tschalaer and Fadi Saleh). Invited. 46 no.9 (2023), pp.1877-1897.
- “National Citizenship, Migrant Deportation, and the Gender/Sexual Logics of Home,” *Citizenship Studies* 26 nos.4-5, 25th Anniversary Issue (2022), pp.556-564. Invited.
- “Same-Sex Marriage Against the Deportation State,” in Anne-Marie D’Auost, ed., *Transnational Marriage and Partner Migration: Constellations of Security, Citizenship and Rights*. New Brunswick, NJ: Rutgers University Press, 2022, pp.240-258.
- Karma Chávez and Eithne Luibhéid, “Introduction,” in Eithne Luibhéid and Karma Chávez, eds., *Queer and Trans Migrations: Processes of Illegalization, Detention, Deportation*. University of Illinois Press, 2020, pp.1-15.
- “Treated Neither with Respect nor with Dignity”: Contextualizing Queer and Trans Migrant ‘Illegalization,’ Detention and Deportation,” in Eithne Luibhéid and Karma Chávez, eds., *Queer and Trans Migrations: Processes of Illegalization, Detention, Deportation*. University of Illinois Press, 2020, pp.19-40.
- “Migrant and Refugee Lesbians: Lives that Resist the Telling,” introduction to an edited special issue of *Journal of Lesbian Studies* 24 no. 2 (2020), pp. 57-76.
- “Heteronormativity: A Bridge Between Queer Migration and Critical Trafficking Studies,” *Women’s Studies in Communication* 41 no.4 (2018), pp.305-309.
- “Same-Sex Marriage and the Pinkwashing of State Migration Controls,” in *International Feminist Journal of Politics* Volume 20 No. 3 (2018), pp.405-424.
- “Intimate Attachments and Migrant Deportability: Lessons from Undocumented Mothers Seeking Benefits for Citizen Children” (with Rosi Andrade and Sally Stevens), *Ethnic*

and Racial Studies (special issue on “Migrant Mothers’ Creative Interventions into Racialized Citizenship,” edited by Umut Erel and Tracey Reynolds). Invited. Volume 41 No.1 (2018), pp.17-35.

Republished as Umut Erel and Tracey Reynolds, eds. *Migrant Mothers’ Creative Interventions into Racialized Citizenship* (New York: Routledge, 2019), pp.17-35

- “Afterward: Troubling Identities and Identifications,” in *Sexualities* (special issue on “Queer Migration, Asylum and Displacement”), Vol. 17 No.8 (December 2014), pp.1035-1040. Invited.
- “Sexualities and Migration,” in Robert Buffington, Eithne Luibhéid and Donna J. Guy, eds., *A Global History of Sexuality*. Malden, MA: Wiley-Blackwell Publishing, 2014, pp.119-150.
- “Immigration,” in Bruce Burgett and Glenn Hendler, eds. *Keywords for American Cultural Studies*, 2nd ed., New York: New York University Press, 2014, pp.125-129. Revised version of my entry that was published in the book’s first edition in 2007.
- “Irish Migration and Irish Sexuality Scholarship: Queering the Connections,” in Noreen Giffney and Margrit Shildrick, eds., *Theory on the Edge: Irish Studies and the Politics of Sexual Difference*. Palgrave Macmillan, 2013, pp.61-71.
- Eithne Luibheid and Robert Buffington, “Gender, Sexuality and Mexican Migration,” in Mark Overmyer-Valesquez, ed., *Beyond La Frontera: The History of Mexican-U.S. Migration*. New York: Oxford University Press, 2011, pp.204-226.

A Spanish language edition of the volume was published as *Construyendo el Gran México: La Emigración a Estado Unidos*. Mexico City: Editorial Fondo de Cultura Económica & Colegio de la Frontera Norte.

- “Nationalist Heterosexuality, Migrant (Il)legality and Irish Citizenship Law: Queering the Connections,” *South Atlantic Quarterly* (special issue on “Theory Now”) Vol. 110, No.1 (Winter 2011), pp.179-204. Invited.
- “Queer/Migration: An Unruly Body of Scholarship,” *GLQ* (special issue on “Queer/Migration”) Vol. 14, Nos. 2-3 (April 2008), pp.169-190.
- “Sexuality, Migration, and the Shifting Line Between Legal and Illegal Status,” *GLQ* special issue on “Queer/Migration,” Vol. 14, Nos. 2-3 (April 2008), 289-316.
- “Sexual Regimes and Migration Controls: Reproducing the Irish Nation-State in Transnational Contexts,” *Feminist Review* (special issue on “Sexual Moralities”) No. 83 (Summer 2006), pp.60-78.

- “Introduction,” in Luibheid and Cantú, Jr., eds., *Queer Migrations: Sexuality, U.S. Citizenship, and Border Crossings*. Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press, 2005, pp.ix-xvi.
- Lionel Cantú, Jr. with Eithne Luibhéid and Alexandra Minna Stern, “Well-Founded Fear: Political Asylum and the Boundaries of Sexual Identity in the U.S./ Mexican Borderlands,” in Luibheid and Cantú, Jr., eds., *Queer Migrations: Sexuality, U.S. Citizenship, and Border Crossings*. Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press, 2005, pp.61-74.
- “Heteronormativity, Neo-liberal Governance and U.S. Immigration Control,” in Bradley Epps, Keja Valens, and Bill Johnson Gonzalez, eds., *Passing Lines: Immigration and Sexuality*. Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Press, 2005, pp.69-101. Invited.
- “Childbearing against the State? Asylum Seeker Women in the Irish Republic,” *Women’s Studies International Forum* (special issue on “Representing Migrant Women in Ireland and the E.U.”) Vol. 27, No. 4 (October-November 2004), pp.335-350.
- Eithne Luibheid and Sasha Khokha, “Linking the Struggles of Queer and Immigrants’ Rights Movements,” in Jill Bystydzienski and Steve Schacht, eds., *Forging Radical Alliances Across Difference: Coalition Politics for the New Millennium*. Rowman and Littlefield, 2001, pp.77-90.
- “The Pink Tide: Narrating Ireland’s Lesbian and Gay Migrations.” *Journal of Commonwealth and Postcolonial Studies* (special issue on “Ireland as Postcolonial”) Vol. 7, No. 1 (Spring 2000), pp.149-168.
- “Looking Like a Lesbian: The Organization of Sexual Monitoring at the U.S.-Mexico Border,” *Journal of the History of Sexuality* Vol. 8, No. 3 (Spring 1998), pp.477-506.
- “The 1965 Immigration and Nationality Act: An End to Exclusion?” *positions: east asia cultures critique* Vol. 5, No. 2 (Fall 1997), pp.501-522.
- “Irish Immigrants in the United States Racial System,” in Jim MacLaughlin, ed., *Location and Dislocation in Irish Society: Multidisciplinary Essays on Emigration and Irish Identities*. Cork, Ireland: University College Cork Press, 1997, pp.253-273.
- “The Nod and The Wink: White Solidarity Within Irish Immigrants in the USA,” in Ethel Crowley and Jim MacLaughlin, eds., *Under The Belly of The Tiger: Class, Race, Identity and Culture in Global Ireland*. Dublin, Ireland: Irish Reporter Publications, 1997, pp.79-88.

Published Non-Refereed Articles, Essays and Chapters

- “Sexualities and Migration,” in Steven Gold and Stephanie Nawyn, eds., *The Routledge International Handbook of Migration Studies*. New York: Routledge, 2019, pp.235-245. Invited. An earlier version was published in the first edition (2013), pp.215-224. Invited.
- Adela Licona and Eithne Luibhéid, “The Regime of Destruction: Separating Families and Caging Children,” *Feminist Formations* 33 no.3 (2018), pp.45-62.
- “Queer and Nation,” in Don Romesburg, ed. *The Routledge History of Queer America*. New York: Routledge, 2018, pp.187-199. Invited.
- “Sexualities, Intimacies, and the Citizen/Migrant Distinction,” in Bridget Anderson and Vanessa Hughes, eds., *Citizenship and Its Others*. London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2015, pp.126-144. Invited.
- “Sexuality and Migration,” in Bridget Anderson and Michael Keith, eds., *Migration: A COMPAS Anthology*. Oxford: COMPASS, 2014, pp.138-140. Invited.
- "On Borders and Biopolitics: An Interview with Eithne Luibhéid," *disClosure: A Journal of Social Theory* No. 20 (2011), pp.151-159. Invited.
- Eithne Luibheid and Ronit Lentin, “Introduction,” *Women’s Studies International Forum* (special issue on “Representing Migrant Women in Ireland and the E.U.”) Vol. 27, No. 4 (October-November 2004), pp.293-300.
- “Heteronormativity in Immigration Scholarship: A Call for Change,” *GLQ* Vol. 10, No. 2 (March 2004), pp.227-235. Invited.
- “‘Obvious Homosexuals and Homosexuals Who Cover Up’: The Organization of Lesbian and Gay Exclusion in U.S. Immigration.” *Radical America* Vol. 26, No. 2 (October 1996), pp.33-40. Invited.

Forthcoming Entries

- “Queer and Trans Migrations” (with Elif Sari), in ed. The Critical Refugee Studies Collective, *The Sage Encyclopedia of Refugee Studies*. The entry is completed and the volume is in production. Invited.

Reprinted Articles and Book Chapters

- “Looking Like a Lesbian: The Organization of Sexual Monitoring at the United States-Mexico Border,” from *Entry Denied*

Reprinted in Gilberto Rosas and Mireya Loza, eds., *The Border Reader*. Durham: Duke University Press, 2023, pp.372-401.

Reprinted in Paul Spickard, ed., *Race and Immigration in the United States. New Histories*. New York: Routledge, 2012, pp.230-257.

Reprinted in Denise Segura and Patricia Zavella, eds., *Women in the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands*. Durham: Duke University Press, 2007, pp.106-133.

- “Sexuality, Migration, and the Shifting Line Between Legal and Illegal Status,” *GLQ* 14 nos. 2-3 (April 2008), 289-316

Reprinted in Stephanie Narrow, Kim Cary Warren, and Judy Tzu-Chun Wu with Vicki L. Ruiz, eds., *Unequal Sisters: A Revolutionary Reader in U.S. Women's History*, 5th edition. New York: Taylor and Francis, 2023.

- “A Blueprint for Exclusion: The Page Law, Prostitution, and Discrimination Against Chinese Women,” from *Entry Denied*

Reprinted in Abby L. Ferber, Kimberly Holcomb and Tre Wentling, eds., *Sex, Gender and Sexuality: The New Basics*, 2nd edition. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2012, pp.276-291.

- Lionel Cantú with Eithne Luibheid and Alexandra Minna Stern, “Well Founded Fear: Political Asylum and the Boundaries of Sexual Identity in the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands,” from *Queer Migrations*

Reprinted in Carole McCann and Seung-Kyung Kim, eds., *Feminist Theory Reader: Local and Global Perspectives*, 2nd edition. New York: Routledge, 2009, pp.281-289.

- “Rape, Asylum and the US Border Patrol,” from *Entry Denied*

Included on the publicly available Rape Culture Syllabus <http://www.publicbooks.org/rape-culture-syllabus/> by Laura Ciolkowski, October 15, 2016.

Publications in Conference Proceedings

- “Queer Circuits: The Construction of Lesbian and Gay Identities Through Emigration.” In Ronit Lentin, ed., *Emerging Irish Identities*. Dublin: Trinity College, 1999, pp.54-65.

Online Publications

- “Eithne Luibheid and Bridget Anderson: Gendering Borders--An Exchange” in a special 2008 issue of *Re-public* (a bilingual Greek journal) on gendering border crossing, at www.republic.gr/en/?p=471

- “Globalization and Sexuality: Redrawing racial and national boundaries through discourses of childbearing,” online at <http://www2.tcd.ie/Sociology/mphil/mphil.htm> (click on Women’s Movement: Migrant Women Transforming Ireland)

Published Book Reviews

- *Immigrant Women in the U.S. Workforce*, George Vernez, reviewed for *International Migration Review* Vol. 35, No. 3 (Fall 2001), pp.938-939
- *Irish Women and Irish Migration*, ed. Patrick O’Sullivan, reviewed for *International Migration Review* Vol. 31, No. 4 (Winter 1997), pp.1138-1139
- *The Irish Diaspora* by Donald Akenson, reviewed for *Eire-Ireland* Vol. 29, No. 3 (Fall 1994), pp.173-175.

Dictionary Entries

- “Sexuality and Migration.” 2,000 word entry in Akira Iriye and Pierre-Yves Saunier, eds., *The Palgrave Dictionary of Transnational History*. Hampshire: Macmillan Publishers Limited, 2009, pp.942-6.