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Biography

Dr. Ochoa is author and historian of Latin America. At Loyola Marymount University, she is a tenured Associate Professor of History and teaches courses on colonial and modern Latin American topics. Her research examines the intersections of identity (race, class, gender, and Indigeneity) with systems of power and the law in colonial and early national Mexico. She is co-editor of *Caciccas: The Female Indigenous Leaders of Spanish America, 1492-1825* (OU Press, 2021) and *City Indians in Spain's American Empire* (Sussex, 2012). She has published several book chapters on gender and the history of emotions and is currently completing an article, "Indigenous Women in Colonial Latin America," for *Oxford Bibliographies in Latin American Studies*. In addition, Dr. Ochoa is working on an oral history project, "The Inclusive History and Images Project," a university-wide collaborative effort seeking to recover the silenced histories of LMU's BIPOC communities. Dr. Ochoa also serves on the Board of Editors for *Ethnohistory* and the Advisory Board for the *Atlantic Crossings* series published by the University of Alabama Press. Dr. Ochoa is a first generation Mexican American, proud daughter of Mexican immigrants, and the first in her family to go to university.

Areas of Expertise

Colonial Latin American History, Women, Family, and the Law in Colonial Latin America, Race, racial mixture, racial classifications in colonial Latin America, Aztec Empire (aka Mexicas; aka Triple Alliance), Law and Legal Culture, Nahuas and Nahuatl, Indigenous Histories, History of Mexico (colonial and modern), Mexican Revolution of 1910, Cuban Revolution of 1959

Affiliations

Editorial Board, *Ethnohistory*, Advisory Board, *Atlantic Crossings Series*, University of Alabama Press, American Historical Association, American Society for Ethnohistory, Rocky Mountain Council on Latin American Studies, Grupo de Estudios Sobre la Mujer en España y las Américas (GEMELA)

Education

University of New Mexico

Ph.D. History

University of New Mexico

M.A. History; Minor in Political Science

Accomplishments

Best Collaborative Book Award

Winner: *Cacicas: The Indigenous Women Leaders of Spanish America, 1492-1825*. Grupo de Estudios Sobre la Mujer en España y las Américas, 2022.

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