

# Sylvia Zamora

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## Biography

Professor Sylvia Zamora received her Ph.D. in Sociology from UCLA and a B.A. in Sociology and Latin American Studies from Smith College. She comes to LMU from the University of Chicago, where she was a Provost's Postdoctoral Scholar in the Department of Sociology. Her research and teaching are guided by questions concerning Latino immigration and how it is changing social, political and racial dynamics in American society; she is also exploring the ongoing manifestations of African American and Latino relations in the context of major demographic shifts. Her work has been recognized with awards from the American Sociological Association Sections on International Migration, Racial and Ethnic Minorities, and Latino/a Sociology and appears in *Sociology of Race and Ethnicity*, *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*, *Latino Studies* and the edited volume, *Just Neighbors?: Research on African American and Latino Relations in the United States.* Her recently published book, *Racial Baggage: Mexican Immigrants and Race Across the Border* (Stanford University Press, July 2022), is a multi-site project in México and the U.S. that examines how racial ideologies "travel" with migrants across borders, illustrating how racialization is a transnational process that not only changes immigrants themselves, but also everyday understandings of race and racism in home and host countries.

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## Areas of Expertise

Immigration, Comparative Race and Ethnicity, Latin America, U.S. Latinos

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## Affiliations

American Sociological Association, Latino Studies Association

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## Event Appearances

### Faculty Panelist

Where To Start on the Border? Perspectives on U.S. Immigration

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## Education

University of California, Los Angeles

Ph.D. Sociology

University of California, Los Angeles

M.A. Sociology

**Smith College**  
BA Sociology and Latin American Studies

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## **Accomplishments**

**Woodrow Wilson National Career Enhancement Fellow**  
2020-2021

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