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**Education**

Ph.D. Harvard University, Sociology, expected 2021

Dissertation. Families in the Opioid Era: An Investigation of Parental Addiction and Kinship Care in Central Appalachia

A.M. Harvard University, Sociology, 2018

Qualifying Exams. Social Stratification, Social Organization, Race Ethnicity and Immigration, Political Sociology

Qualifying Paper. Where Everybody Know Everybody: The Morality of Addiction, Disability, and Economic Honesty in Central Appalachia

A.B. University of Chicago, Sociology (with Honors), 2014

A.B. University of Chicago, Economics, 2014

**Fellowships and Awards**

National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant, 2019

Eastern Sociological Society Rose Laub Coser Dissertation Proposal Award, 2019

Harvard College Distinction in Teaching Award, Fall 2016 & Spring 2017

Harvard University Center for American Political Studies Research Grant, 2016 & 2018

Harvard Kennedy School Inequality & Social Policy Doctoral Fellow, 2015-2020

Harvard Graduate School of Arts and Sciences Presidential Scholarship, 2014-2019

Phi Beta Kappa Beta of Illinois chapter, 2014

University of Chicago National Merit Scholarship, 2010-2014

**Peer-Reviewed Publications**

Gonzales, Roberto G., Ben Roth, and **Kristina Brant**. *The Increasing Significance of Place: Assessing the Diverging Trajectories of DACA-eligible Young Adults.* University of California Press. In preparation.

Gonzales, Roberto G., **Kristina Brant**, and Benjamin Roth. 2019. “DACAmented in the Age of Deportation: Navigating Spaces of Belonging and Vulnerability.” *Ethnic and Racial Studies.* Online first.

Gonzales, Roberto G., Basia Ellis, Sarah Rendon-Garcia, and **Kristina Brant**. 2018. (un)Authorized Transitions: Illegality, DACA, and the Life Course. *Research in Human Development* 15(3-4): 345-359.

\*\*Awarded 2019 Erin Phelps Award by the Society for the Study of Human Development

**Publications in Progress**

**Brant, Kristina**. “Fake Disabilities and Drug Money: Everyday Welfare Surveillance Amid the Opioid Crisis.” Submitted.

**Brant, Kristina**, Roberto Gonzales, Sayil Camacho, and Carlos Aguilar. “Dreams Achieved and Dreams Deferred: State Policies and the Educational Trajectories of Un(DACA)mented Youth.” Submitted.

Camacho, Sayil and **Kristina Brant** (equal authorship). “Quantitizing for Social Justice: Analyzing the Workplace Experiences of DACA Beneficiaries.” Submitted.

**Research Reports**

Gonzales, Roberto, Sayil Camacho, **Kristina Brant**, and Carlos Aguilar. 2019. “The Long-Term Impact of DACA: Forging Futures Despite DACA’s Uncertainty.” Harvard Immigration Project.

Gonzales, Roberto, Marco Murillo, Cristina Lacomba, **Kristina Brant**, Martha C. Franco, Jaein Lee, and Deepa Vasudevan. 2017. “Taking Giant Leaps Forward: Experiences of a Range of DACA Beneficiaries at the 5-Year Mark.” Center for American Progress.

Gonzales, Roberto, Ben Roth, **Kristina Brant**, Jaein Lee, and Carolina Valdivia. 2016.

“DACA at Year Three: Challenges and Opportunities in Accessing Higher Education and Employment.” American Immigration Council.

Gonzales, Roberto, Maria Luna-Duarte, Daysi Diaz-Strong, Ireri Rivas, and **Kristina**

**Brant**. 2016. “How Will I Pay for It? Undocumented Students and the Barriers to College Affordability.” Latino Policy Forum.

Jaein Lee, Carolina Valdivia, and **Kristina Brant**. 2015. “Who is Gaining the Most from

Obama’s Deferred Action Program for Young Adult Undocumented Immigrants?” Scholars Strategy Network.

**Other Publications**

Gonzales, Roberto G. and **Kristina Brant**. 2019. “800,000 US Dreamers Lives in Limbo Ahead of Supreme Court Hearing TUESDAY.” *The Guardian*.

Gonzales, Roberto G. and **Kristina Brant**. 2017. “DACA Boosts Young Immigrants’ Well-Being, Mental Health.” *NBCNews.com*.

**Invited Talks**

Gonzales, Roberto and **Kristina Brant.** 2019. “What’s Next for DACA? Report Launch and Panel Discussion on the Future of DACA.” Harvard Immigration Project.

**Brant, Kristina.** 2019. “From Local Voices to National Policy: Addressing the Opioid Epidemic in Appalachian Kentucky.” Arnow Conference for the Humanities, Somerset Community College.

Gonzales, Roberto, Ben Roth, and **Kristina Brant**. 2017. “The Increasing Significance of Place: Assessing the Diverging Trajectories of DACA-eligible Young Adults in the New South.” American Academy of Arts and Sciences.

Gonzales, Roberto and **Kristina Brant**. 2015. “From Undocumented to DACAmented:

Understanding Legal Status in a New Policy Context.” Culture and Institutions Colloquium, Harvard Graduate School of Education.

**Conference Presentations**

**Brant, Kristina.** 2019. “The Classed Consequences of Opioid Addiction in Rural Appalachia.” Society for the Study of Social Problems Annual Meeting.

**Brant, Kristina.** 2019. “Communities in Crisis: The Social Consequences of Opioid Addiction and Rising Disability.” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting.

**Brant, Kristina**. 2018. “The Morality of Addiction, Disability, and Economic Honesty in Post-Coal Central Appalachia.” Mini-Conference on Class and Culture, Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting.

**Brant, Kristina**. 2017. “The Moral Boundaries of Work and Welfare.” Politics and Social Change Workshop, Harvard Department of Sociology.

**Brant, Kristina**. 2016. “Beyond the Trust-Mistrust Dichotomy: Assessing Police

Perceptions of Undocumented Young Adults.” American Educational Research Association Annual Meeting.

**Research Experience**

Online Study of Discussion of Personal Matters (PI: Mario L. Small), 2018-present

Research Assistant, Harvard University

National UnDACAmented Research Project (PI: Roberto G. Gonzales), 2014-2019

Project Coordinator, Harvard Graduate School of Education

**Teaching Experience**

Department of Sociology, University of Tennessee-Knoxville

Lecturer, “Social Inequalities,” Fall 2018

Lecturer, “Criminology,” Fall 2018

Department of Sociology, Harvard University

Senior Thesis Advisor, 2018-2019

Teaching Fellow, “Education and Culture,” Spring 2017

Teaching Fellow, “American Society and Public Policy,” Fall 2016

**Service to the Field**

Board Member, Citizen Foster Care Review Board, State of Kentucky, 2019-present

Advocate, CASA of Southern Kentucky, 2019-present

**Service to the Discipline**

President, Department of Sociology Graduate Student Organization, Harvard University,

2016-2017

Co-Coordinator, Migration and Immigrant Incorporation Workshop, Harvard

University, 2015-2017

Staff Editor, Chicago Journal of Sociology, 2014-2015

**Professional Affiliations**

American Sociological Society

Eastern Sociological Society

Scholars Strategy Network

Society for the Study of Social Problems

**Skills**

Data Analysis: ArcGIS, Nvivo, Qualtrics, R, SPSS, Stata