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Education

Ph.D., Sociology and Demography, University of Texas at Austin, 1988
M.A., Sociology and Demography, University of Texas at Austin, 1985
B.A., Sociology, University of Akron, 1982
L.P.N., Akron School of Practical Nursing, 1979

Fields of Specialization

Migration and health
Health disparities
Latino sociology and demography
Social epidemiology
Family and household social demography

Academic Appointments

Associate Professor of Sociology, University of Florida, 1996 to present
Assistant Professor of Sociology, University of Florida, 1990-1996
Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Michigan, 1990
National Institute on Aging Postdoctoral fellow in the Demography of Aging Program,
Population Studies Center, University of Michigan, 1988-1990

Administrative Appointments

Chair, Department of Sociology and Criminology & Law, May 2015-present
Interim Chair, Department of Sociology and Criminology & Law, August 2014-May 2015
Graduate Coordinator of Sociology, May 2010-2015
Graduate Coordinator of Criminology, May 2010-2015
Associate Chair, October 2012-August 2013, 2001-2005, 1996-2000
Coordinator, Social Science Methodology Graduate Certificate Program, 2003-2006
Provost Administrative Fellow, University of Florida, Fall 2000

Publications (* denotes graduate student, ** denotes undergraduate student)

Tianhan Gui* and Barbara Zsembik. (2014). Delayed Childbearing in The Encyclopedia of Family Studies, SAGE: Thousand Oaks CA.

Melanie Sberna Hinojosa*, Barbara A. Zsembik, and Maude Rittman. 2009. Patterns of Informal Care among Puerto Rican, African American, and White Stroke Survivors. *Ethnicity & Health* 14 (6): 591-606.

Barbara A. Zsembik. 2009. Migration and Health in the U.S.-Latin Caribbean Transnational Communities. In J.Y. Reede & G. Barclay's (Eds.), *Global Transdisciplinary Research Collaboration on the Health of the Caribbean Diaspora* Final Report : Harvard Medical School, National Cancer Institute and the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO).

William L. Jeffries IV*, Barbara A. Zsembik, Chuck W. Peek & Constance R. Uphold. 2009. A Longitudinal Analysis of Sociodemographic and Health Correlates of Sexual Health Among HIV-Infected Men in the USA. *Sexual Health* 6: 285-292.

Dana Fennell*, Ana S. Liberato* and Barbara A. Zsembik. 2008. Definitions and Patterns of CAM Use Among the Lay Public. *Complementary Therapies in Medicine* 17 (2): 71-77.

Joseph L. Riley, Erica Gibson, Barbara A. Zsembik, R. Paul Duncan, Gregg H. Gilbert, and Marc W. Heft. 2008. Acculturation and Orofacial Pain Among Hispanic Adults. *The Journal of Pain* 9 (8): 750-758.

Barbara A. Zsembik and Dana Fennell*. 2005. Ethnic Variation in Health and the Determinants of Health among Latinos. *Social Science & Medicine* 61 (1): 53-63.

Barbara A. Zsembik 2005. Latinos, Families and Health. Pp. 40-61 in Handbook of Families and Health: Interdisciplinary Perspectives by D.R. Crane and E.S. Marshall (Eds.). Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications.

Peek, Chuck W., Tanya Koropecjy-Cox, Barbara A. Zsembik, and Raymond T. Coward. 2004. Race Comparisons of the Household Dynamics of Older Adults. *Research on Aging* 26: 179-201.

Chuck W. Peek and Barbara A. Zsembik. 2004. Health Disparities Among Rural African Americans. Pp. in N. Glasgow, L. Morton, and N. Johnson (Eds.) *Critical Issues in Rural Health*. Ames, IA: Iowa State Press.

Barbara A. Zsembik and M. Kristen Peek. 2001. Race Differences in Cognitive Functioning Among Older Adults. *Journals of Gerontology: Social Sciences* 56B: s266-274.

- Barbara A. Zsembik, M. Kristen Peek, and Chuck W. Peek. 2000. Race and Ethnic Variation in the Disablement Process. *Journal of Aging and Health* 12:229-249.
- Barbara A. Zsembik and Zobeida Bonilla*. 2000. Eldercare and the Changing Family in Puerto Rico. *Journal of Family Issues*, 21:652-674.
- Barbara A. Zsembik. 2000. The Cuban Ethnic Economy and Labor Market Outcomes of Latinos in Metropolitan Florida. *Hispanic Journal of Behavioral Sciences*, 22:223-236.
- Chuck W. Peek, Barbara A. Zsembik, and Raymond T. Coward. 1997. The Changing Caregiving Networks of Older Adults. *Research on Aging* 19:333-361.
- Chuck W. Peek, Raymond T. Coward, Gary R. Lee, and Barbara A. Zsembik. 1997. The Influence of Community Context on the Preferences of Older Adults for Entering a Nursing Home. *The Gerontologist* 17: 533-542.
- Barbara A. Zsembik, Greg Drevenstedt**, and C. Preston McLane**. 1997. Economic Well-being among Older Latinos. *International Journal of Sociology and Social Policy* 17:34-56.
- Barbara A. Zsembik. 1997. Gendered Spaces in Ethnopolitical Life among Chicanos. In C.R.Ronai, B.A.Zsembik, and J.R. Feagin, (eds.), *Everyday Sexism in the Third Millennium*. Routledge.
- Carol Rambo Ronai, Joe R. Feagin, and Barbara A. Zsembik. 1997. Living with Everyday Sexism in the Third Millennium. In C.R.Ronai, B.A.Zsembik, and J.R. Feagin, (eds.), *Everyday Sexism in the Third Millennium*. Routledge.
- Barbara A. Zsembik and Daniel Llanes**. 1996. Generational Differences in Educational Achievement among Mexican Americans. *Social Science Quarterly* 77:363-75.
- Barbara A. Zsembik and Leonard Beeghley. 1996. Determinants of Ethnic Group Solidarity among Mexican Americans: A Research Note. *Hispanic Journal of Behavioral Sciences* 18:51-62.
- Barbara A. Zsembik. 1996. The Preference for Coresidence among Older Latinos. *Journal of Aging Studies* 10:69-81.
- Barbara A. Zsembik. 1995. Racial and Ethnic Conflict: Perspectives from Women. In J.B. Gittler (ed.) *Annual Review of Conflict Knowledge and Conflict Resolution* Vol. 4. New York: JAI: 259-273.

Joe Feagin, Hernan Vera and Barbara A. Zsembik. 1995. Multiculturalism: The Democratic Basis of American Society. *Primis* New York: McGraw-Hill.

Reprinted in *Perspectives on Sociology*. 1995. New York: McGraw-Hill.

Barbara A. Zsembik and Chuck W. Peek. 1994. The Effect of Economic Restructuring on Puerto Rican Women's Labor Force Participation in the Formal Sector. *Gender & Society* 8:525-540.

Reprinted in M. Baca Zinn, E. N. Chow, and D. Wilkinson (eds.), *Common Bonds, Different Voices: Race, Class, and Gender*. 1996. Beverley Hills, CA: Sage.

Barbara A. Zsembik. 1994. Ethnic and Sociodemographic Correlates of the Use of Proxy Respondents: The National Survey of Hispanic Elderly People, 1988. *Research on Aging* 19:401-14.

Barbara A. Zsembik. 1993. Determinants of Living Alone Among Older Hispanics. *Research on Aging* 15:449-464.

Michael L. Radelet and Barbara A. Zsembik. 1993. Executive Clemency in Post-Furman Capital Cases. *University of Richmond Law Review* 27:289-314.

Barbara A. Zsembik and Audrey Singer. 1990. The Problem of Defining Retirement among Minority Populations: The Mexican Americans. *The Gerontologist* 30 (6):749-757.

Reprinted in *Worlds of Differences: Inequality and the Aging Experience (Second Edition)*, edited by Eleanor Palo Stoller and Rose Campbell Gibson, 1997, Thousand Oaks, CA: Pine Forge Press.

Barbara A. Zsembik. 1990. Labor Market Structure and Fertility Differences Among Puerto Rican Women: The Effects of Economic and Social Policies on Opportunity Costs. *Population Research and Policy Review* 9:133-149.

Work in Progress

Barbara Zsembik and Cristina Ramos Solis*. Health Selectivity in Colombian International Migration. (Under review).

Barbara Zsembik, Heather Covington*, Julia Arroyo* and Chuck W. Peek. Gender Differences in Knowledge of Tuberculosis in the Bateyes of the Dominican Republic. (Under review).

Barbara Zsembik, Julia Arroyo*, Heather Covington* and Chuck W. Peek. Migration and Child Immunization in the Dominican Republic. Manuscript drafted and analyses

from 2007 survey are completed; currently conducting file management and statistical analyses for 2013 survey.

Barbara Zsembik, Chuck W. Peek, Heather Covington*, and Julia Arroyo*. The Role of Migration in Violence Against Women in the Dominican Republic. Manuscript outlined and preliminary analyses completed.

Barbara Zsembik, Heather Covington*, Julia Arroyo* and Chuck W. Peek. Perceptions of Tuberculosis Stigma among Dominicans and Haitians. Conceptualized; files ready for analysis

Barbara Zsembik, Chuck W. Peek, Julia Arroyo* and Heather Covington*. Tuberculosis Knowledge, Attitudes and Beliefs among Haitians and Dominicans at Risk of Contracting HIV. Conceptualized; files ready for analysis.

Julia Arroyo* and Barbara Zsembik. Living with “No Parents Present”: Cohort, Gender, and (Coming of) Age. Completing final statistical analyses and manuscript revisions.

Julia Arroyo* and Barbara Zsembik Traveling Downhill, and Fast? Unstable Foster Care Trajectories and the Transition to Adulthood. File management stage.

Micah Johnson*, Barbara Zsembik and Chuck W. Peek. Black Dads Matter! Analyzing Ambition, Parent Education, and High Math Achievement. Manuscript fully drafted and in preparation for submission for review.

Books

Carol Rambo Ronai, Barbara A. Zsembik, and Joe R. Feagin (eds.). 1997. *Everyday Sexism in the Third Millennium*. Routledge.

Grants and Proposals:

Completed External

Consultant, “Program for Immigration, Religion and Social Change.” Funded by Ford Foundation to P. Williams and M. Vasquez (Principal Investigators), the Latin American Studies Center, University of Florida. Health intervention program (Stacciarini, JM, Lewy, R., Ricardo, F., & Zsembik, B. “Promotoras: Health Promotion Through Popular Education for Underserved Communities of Latinos.” A community-based participatory research project in Ocala FL and Slocomb AL. Funded 5/1/2012 – 4/30/2014.

Co-Investigator: *Oral Health Disparities: Actions Taken About Pain*, NIH/NIDCR, 2/1/2003-12/1/2007, \$225,000, PI = Joseph L. Riley III

Principal Investigator: *Latino Immigrants and the Earnings of U.S. Workers in Florida*. Department of Labor, \$10,000, August 15, 1995 - March 31, 1996.

Completed Internal

Principal Investigator: *Family Transfers Among Mexican Americans*. Division of Sponsored Research, University of Florida, \$13, 678.00, 5/1/1992 – 4/30/1993.

Principal Investigator: *Living Arrangements of the Hispanic Elderly*. Division of Sponsored Research, University of Florida, \$7,600.00, 5/1/1991-4/30/1992.

Recent Presentations

Barbara Zsembik and Cristina Ramos Solis*. Health Selectivity in Colombian International Migration. Presented at the annual meeting of the Population Association of American, March 2016: Washington DC.

Barbara Zsembik, Heather Covington*, Julia Arroyo* and Chuck W. Peek. Gender Differences in Knowledge of Tuberculosis in the Bateyes of the Dominican Republic. Presented at the annual meeting of the Population Association of American, March 2016: Washington DC.

Cristina Ramos* and Barbara Zsembik. New emigration from Spain: The onward migration of immigrants as a result of the 2008 economic crisis. Presented at the Conference of Europeanists, Paris France: July 2015.

Barbara Zsembik and Cristina Ramos.* Health Selectivity of Migrants from and Returning to Ecuador. Presented at the 5th Conference on Immigration to the US South, October 23-25, 2014: Gainesville FL.

Honors and Awards

Undergraduate Teaching

Faculty Honoree, Anderson/CLAS Scholars, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, University of Florida, 2008

Nominee, Alumni Association of Distinguished Alumni Professor Award, University of Florida, 2007

Faculty Teaching Award, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, University of Florida, 2006

Nominee, Academy of Distinguished Teaching Scholars, University of Florida, 2004

Mentor, McNair Scholar, Meta Honorat, (with L. Beeghley), 2003-2004
Nominee, Faculty Teaching Award, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, University of Florida, 2003
Mentor, University Scholars Program, Candace Webb, 2002-2003 (co-chair, Chuck W. Peek)
Nominee, Alumni Association of Distinguished Alumni Professor Award, University of Florida, 2002
Nominee, Faculty Teaching Award, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, University of Florida, 2000
T. Lynn Smith Teacher-Scholar Term Professor, College of Liberal Arts and Science, University of Florida, 1999-2000
Award for Continuing Meritorious Contributions to Undergraduate Research, Eighth Annual Undergraduate Research Symposium, University of Florida, 1999
Nominee, Faculty Teaching Award, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, University of Florida, 1999
State of Florida TIP Teaching Award, 1999
Faculty Honoree, Anderson/CLAS Scholars, University of Florida, 1998
Mentor, University Scholars Program, Rose Zayco, 1998-1999
Mentor, McNair Scholar, Rose Zayco, 1997-1998
Mentor, McNair Scholar, Rogelio Flores, 1996-1997
Mentor, University Scholars Program, Thom Thompson, 1996-1997
Mentor, University Scholars Program, Alexandra Sanin, 1995-1996
Mentor, University Scholars Program, Alicia Ellis, 1994-1995
University Teacher of the Year, University of Florida, 1995
Faculty Teaching Award, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, University of Florida, 1995
Mentor, University Scholars Program, Daniel Llanes, 1993-1994; won a top award
Mentor, University Scholars Program, Janis Weber, 1993-1994
State of Florida TIP Teaching Award, 1994
Faculty Teaching Award, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, University of Florida, 1993
Mentor, University Scholars Program, Mary Jewel White, 1992-1993; won a top award
Mentor, University Scholars Program, Nancy Giovanetti, 1992-1993

Graduate Teaching

William R. Jones Outstanding Mentor Award, McKnight Doctoral Fellows, State of Florida, 2014

William R. Jones Outstanding Mentor Award, McKnight Doctoral Fellows, State of Florida, 2008

Nominee, Doctoral Dissertation Advisor/Mentoring Award, University of Florida, 2003

Research

Invited Panelist, Global Transdisciplinary Research Collaboration on the Health of the Caribbean Diaspora, National Institutes of Health, Pan American Health Organization-World Health Organization, Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA 2008

Invited Panelist, Conference of Latin American Demography, University of Texas at Austin, 2007

Invited Panelist, Conference on the Demography of Aging Along the United States-Mexico Border, National Institute on Aging, University of Texas at Austin, 1995

Invited Conference Participant, Bridges to Excellence: Building and Sustaining Multidisciplinary Collaboratives for Children. Levin College of Law, Center on Children and Families, 2006.

Hewlett Foundation Fellow, Population Institute for Research & Training, Indiana University, Bloomington IN, 1988

Graduate Students Completing Degrees (Supervisory Chair)

Ph.D.

Julia Arroyo (in progress)
Kara Fransisco (in progress)
Micah Johnson (in progress)
Min Li (in progress)
Cristina Ramos Solis (in progress)

Lauren Rose Gilbert, 2015
Kevin Jenkins, 2015
Kelly Dever, 2010
Jeanne Holcomb, 2010
William L. Jeffries IV, 2009
Melissa Mauldin, 2006
Carla Denise Armbrister Edwards, 2001
Dorothy McCawley, 2000
Zobeida Bonilla, 1998 (Co-chair Alan Burns)

M.A.

Kara Fransisco, 2015
Julia Arroyo, 2014
Micah Johnson, 2014
Kelly Dever, 2006
William L. Jeffries IV, 2006
Namita Manohar, 2005
Shari Youngblood, 2004 (Co-chair Tanya Koropecyj-Cox)
Kuniko Chijiwa, 2003
Melissa Mauldin, 2002
Helena Alden, 2001
Carmen Schmitt, 2001
Maria Xinidis, 2001
Toni McWhorter, 2000
Liza Aranda, 1997
Belkis Suarez, 1997 (Co-chair Gerald Murray)
Sarit Amir, 1996
Richard Rodriguez, 1993
Hilary Suratt, 1993

Undergraduate Honor's Theses (Supervisory Chair)

Cody Jarrett, 2011
Robyn Ziperstein, 2010
Ana Palavicinni, 2009
Catharine Meyer, 2009
Priscilla Moreno, 2009
Julia Higgins, 2008
Melissa Olin 2006
Eric DeVeaux, 2005
Meta Honorat, 2004 (Co-Chair Leonard Beeghley)
Candace Webb, 2003 (Co-Chair Chuck W. Peek)
Carmen Schmitt, 2000
Rose Zayco, 1998
Rogelio Flores, 1997
Preston McLane, 1996
Greg Drevenstedt, 1995
Alicia Ellis, 1995
Janis Weber, 1994
Daniel Llanes, 1994
Mary Jewel White, 1993

Selected Department, College and University Service (2000-present)

University

Member, Selection Committee, Graduate School Dissertation Awards, 2012-present
Invited Panelist, Office of Graduate Minority Programs, How to succeed in graduate school, August 2012
Workshop Participant, Interdisciplinary Working Group on Migration Studies, Center for Latin Americans Studies, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL: 2/28-3/1/2011.
McKnight Doctoral Fellow Sponsor, 2013-2018, 2004-2009
Member, Health Disparities Interest Group, 2008-present
Member, Innovative Models of Care, Work Group to Implement GatorCare, a self-insurance proposal by the University of Florida, 2011-2012
University Senate, 2006-2009, 1997-1999
Minority Mentor, 2008-2009
Commencement Marshal, Summer 2007, Fall 2008, Fall 2003
Faculty Discussion Leader, Orientation for New Faculty, Fall 2007
Faculty Discussion Leader, Orientation for New Faculty, Spring, 2008
Judge, Women's Leadership Council, University of Florida Woman of the Year Panel, 2007
Discussion Facilitator, The Askew Institute, September 2006: Recent Policy Changes in Medicaid and SCHIP Coverage for Children.
Member, Provost Search Committee 2004-2005
Member, Search Committee, Economics of Education position, 2004-2005
Member, Summer Research Evaluation Committee, Latin American Studies Center, 2003
Chair, Constitution Committee, 1999-2001
Member, Faculty Senate Committee on Committees, 2000-2001
Member, CLAS Dean Search Committee, 2000-2001
McNair Minority Sponsor, 1998, 2004
Invited Participant, Tomorrow's Prestigious Scholars Workshop, Honors Program, 2000

College

Speaker, CLAS Convocation, August 2011.
Member, CLAS Associate Deans' Search Committee, 2009
Member, College Faculty Council, 2007-2009
Member, Mentor Committee to Professor Natalie Ebner, Department of Psychology, 2011-present
Member, College Faculty Travel Committee, 2006-2008
Member, College Teaching and Advising Awards Committee, 2006-2007
Member, Task Force on Shared Governance, CLAS 2006-2007
Coordinator, Social Sciences Methodology Certificate Program, 2003-2006
Member, Task Force on Proposal of New Program, Institute for Social Research, 2004-2005

Member, Dean Fact Finding Committees (2), Fall 2004

Department

Invited Speaker, Alpha Kappa Delta (AKD), Sociology, February 2013

Member, Tenure and Promotion Fact-finding Committee, Lora Levett, Fall 2012

Invited Speak, Flagler College, Preparing for Graduate School, June 2012

Member, Mentor Committee to Professor Alin Ceobanu, 2005-2012

Invited Speaker, Alpha Kappa Delta (AKD), Sociology, October 2008

Member, Committee on Graduate Recruitment, Admission and Retention, 2004-2006

Chair, Graduate Awards Committee, 2005-2006

Member, LAS-Social Sciences Search Committee, 2005-2006

Member, Mentor Committee to Professor Tanya Koropecj-Cox, 2000-2006

Program Development and Coordinator, Professional M.A. Program in Social Research
and Analysis, 2003-2005

Chair, Search Committee for Demography of Aging position, 2003-2004

Member, Mentor Committee to Professor Jodi Lane, 1997-2004

Member, Mentor Committee to Professor Kendal Broad, 1996-2004

Chair, Tenure and Promotion Committee for Stephen Perz, 2004

Member, Ad Hoc Committee for Staff Merit Pay, 2004

Member, Undergraduate Program Review Committee, 2003

Chair, Tenure and Promotion Committee, Professor Karen Parker, 2001-2002

Member, Department of Sociology, Committee on Higher Degrees, 1995-2000