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EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley | Berkeley, California
Ph.D., Sociology, expected May 2019

Dissertation title (working): Invisible Illegality: The Double Bind of Being Undocumented and Asian
Committee members: Irene Bloemraad (chair), Cybelle Fox, Taeku Lee (Political Science)
Qualifying Exam subfields: immigration, family, sociological theory

Harvard University | Cambridge, Massachusetts
Ed.M., Graduate School of Education, June 2009

Duke University | Durham, North Carolina
B.A., International Comparative Studies, May 2006

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

(*under review*) Cho, Esther Yoona. "Engaging in Security Work: Selective Disclosure in Friendships of Korean and Mexican Undocumented Young Adults."

Cho, Esther Yoona. 2017. "[Revisiting Ethnic Niches: A Comparative Analysis of the Labor Market Experiences of Asian and Latino Undocumented Young Adults.](#)" *RSF: The Russell Sage Journal of the Social Sciences*. 3(4): 97-115.

Cho, Esther Yoona. 2017. "[A Double Bind: 'Model Minority' and 'Illegal Alien.'](#)" *Asian American Law Journal*. 24: 123-130.

Arum, Richard, Josipa Roksa, Karly Ford and **Esther Yoona Cho**. 2014. "Family, Civics, and Hope for the Future," in Arum, Richard, Josipa Roksa, *Aspiring Adults Adrift*. University of Chicago Press.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS & SPECIAL REPORTS

Cho, Esther Yoona. September 12, 2016. "[Not All Undocumented Immigrants are from South of the Border.](#)" *Room for Debate, New York Times*.

Arum, Richard, **Esther Cho**, Jeannie Kim & Josipa Roksa. 2012. *Documenting Uncertain Times: Post-graduate Transitions of the Academically Adrift Cohort*. New York: Social Science Research Council.

Cho, Esther Yoona. 2012. "Migrants, Language, and Education: An International Perspective." In della Chiesa, B., Scott, J., & Hinton, C. (eds). *Languages in a Global World: Learning for Better Cultural Understanding*. Paris: OECD.

Arum, Richard, Josipa Roksa & **Esther Cho**. 2011. *Improving Undergraduate Learning: Findings and Policy Recommendations from the SSRC-CLA Longitudinal Project*. New York: Social Science Research Council.

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Ford Foundation Dissertation Fellowship, Honorable Mention	2017-2018
Graduate Fellows Program, Institute for the Study of Societal Issues, UC Berkeley	2016-2018

Hellman Fellows Graduate Award, University of California, Berkeley	2015-present
Harvey Fellowship, Mustard Seed Foundation	2015-present
Lowenthal Chair's Normative Time Fellowship, University of California, Berkeley	2016-2017
Mentored Research Award, Graduate Division, University of California, Berkeley	2015-2016
Dissertation Proposal Development Fellowship, Social Science Research Council	2015
Ford Foundation Predoctoral Fellowship, Honorable Mention	2014
Conference Travel Award, Graduate Division, University of California, Berkeley	2013
Modern European Studies Fellowship, University of California, Berkeley	2012-2013

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

"Practicing Relational Security: Selective Disclosure in Friendships of Korean and Mexican Undocumented Young Adults." American Sociological Association (paper presentation). Montreal, Canada. August 2017.

"Relational Security: Selective Disclosure in Friendships of Korean and Mexican Undocumented Young Adults." Association of Asian American Studies (paper presentation). Portland, Oregon. April 2017.

"A Comparative Analysis of Asian and Latino Undocumented Young Adults." Asian American Law Journal Symposium (invited panelist). Berkeley, California. October 2016.

"Regulating Intimacy: How Illegality Shapes the Romantic Lives of Undocumented Young Adults." Eastern Sociological Society (paper presentation). New York, New York. February 2015.

"Revisiting Ethnic Niches: A comparative study of Asian and Latino undocumented young adults." American Sociological Association (paper presentation). San Francisco, California. August 2014.

"Revisiting Ethnic Niches: A comparative study of Asian and Latino undocumented young adults." Stanford-Berkeley Immigration Conference. Stanford University, Palo Alto, California. February 2014.

"Revisiting Ethnic Niches for the Immigrant Community: A comparative study of Asian and Latino undocumented young adults." Illegality, Youth, and Belonging Symposium. Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts. October 2013.

"Intentional and Unintentional Teachers: A comparative analysis of backgrounds and desired occupational characteristics" (with Jeannie Kim). American Sociological Association (roundtable). New York, New York. August 2013.

"Ethics and Language." International Summer School on Mind, Brain, and Ethics. Sicily, Italy. August 2009.

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

Panelist. "DACA: A Panel Presentation - Dreamers, Policy, and Passion." Organized by the American Association of University Women (AAUW). Berkeley, CA. April 2018.

Graduate Student Representative for UC Berkeley. University of California Graduate Advocacy Day. Sacramento, CA. April 2017.

Panelist. "Race and Privilege in the East Bay." Organized by First Presbyterian Church of Berkeley. Berkeley, CA. October 2016.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Graduate Student Researcher for Claude Fischer, University of California, Berkeley	2013-2015
Graduate Student Interviewer for <u>Immigrant-Native Relations in 21st Century America Project</u>	Summer 2014
Graduate Student Researcher for Cybelle Fox, University of California, Berkeley	2013-2014
Graduate Student Researcher for Irene Bloemraad, University of California, Berkeley	Summer 2013, Fall 2014

Research Assistant for Collegiate Learning Assessment project, Social Science Research Council 2012-2013

MENTORING EXPERIENCE

Student Mentoring and Apprentice Research Program (SMART), University of California, Berkeley Summer 2017

Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship Program (URAP), University of California, Berkeley 2016-2018

Graduate Student Mentor, Undergraduate Honors Mentoring Program, Department of Sociology, University of California, Berkeley
 Lourdes Camarena. "*Redefining Motherhood through Assisted Reproductive Technologies*" 2014-2015

 Janelly Martinez. "*First The Worse, Second The Best? Differences in Factors Contributing to Graduation Rates Among First Generation and Non-First Generation College Students.*" 2012-2013

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Guest lecture, Sociology 131AC: Race and Ethnic Relations in the U.S. June 2018
Graduate Student Instructor, Sociology 1: Introduction to Sociology Spring 2018
Guest lecture, Sociology 146AC: Contemporary Immigration in Global Perspective December 2014

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Graduate Student Fellow, Scholars Strategy Network 2015-2016
Student Representative, International Migration Section, American Sociological Association 2014-2015
Coordinator, Interdisciplinary Immigration Workshop, University of California, Berkeley 2013-2016
Member, Sociologists of Color and Allies, University of California, Berkeley 2013-present
Editor, Berkeley Journal of Sociology, University of California, Berkeley 2012-2013

Memberships:

 Eastern Sociological Society 2014-present
 American Sociological Association (Sections: International Migration, Latino Sociology, Asia and Asian America, Theory) 2012-present
 International Sociological Association (RC28) 2011-present