

# Tara Marie Gonsalves

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## EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, CA (2014-present)

- Ph.D. Candidate, Department of Sociology

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA (2011)

- MA, International Education Policy

Brown University, Providence, RI (2008)

- BA, Development Studies and Economics

## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- Gonsalves, T., (2020) “Transnational Circulation and Regionalized Resistance: Domestic LGBT Association Foundings, 1979-2009,” *Social Forces*, <https://doi.org/10.1093/sf/soaa068>
- Gonsalves, T., (2020) “Gender Identity, the Sexed Body, and the Medical Making of Transgender,” *forthcoming in Gender & Society* 36(4).
  - Leo Lowenthal Prize, UC Berkeley Department of Sociology

## PAPERS UNDER REVIEW

### *Under Review*

- Gonsalves, T. and Kris Velasco, “Seeking Friends in Troubled Times: The Structure and Dynamics of Transnational LGBT Networks: Evidence from in Europe”
  - Received ASA Global and Transnational Section Honorable Mention

### *Working Papers*

- Gonsalves, T., “Medically Necessary or Cosmetic? Insurance Companies and the Construction of (Trans)Gender”
- Gonsalves, T., “Institutionalization through Contestation: The Transnational Crystallization of “Transgender” among Activists, Funders, and Bureaucrats”
- Gonsalves, T. and Kris Velasco, “How Embeddedness in Conflicting Transnational Networks Shapes the Politics of LGBT Visibility”

## AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- Leo Lowenthal Prize for Graduate Student Paper (2020)
- Troy Duster Fellowship (2020-2021)
- Institute for International Studies, Simpson Fellowship (2019-2020)
- Philip Brett LGBT Fellowship (2019-2020)
- Berkeley Social Justice Fellowship (2019)
- UC Berkeley Graduate Division Summer Grant (2019)
- Department of Gender and Women Studies, Outstanding GSI Award (2018-2019)
- Leo Lowenthal Dissertation Fellowship (2018-2019)

- UC Berkeley, Graduate Division Summer Grant (2018)
- Graduate Student Paper Honorable Mention, ASA Global and Transnational Sociology (2017)
- United States Department of Education, Foreign Language and Area Studies Scholarship (2017-2018)
- Institute for International Studies, Pre-Dissertation Grant (2015)
- UC Berkeley Department of Sociology, Grant (2014-2015)
- United States Department of State, Fulbright Fellowship, Semarang, Indonesia (2008-2009)

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### *Graduate Student Instructor*

- Gender and Women's Studies 10, "Introduction to Gender and Women's Studies," UC Berkeley (taught by Leslie Salzinger)
  - Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award
- Sociology 135, "Sexual Cultures," UC Berkeley (taught by Jill Bakehorn)

### *Mentorship*

- Undergraduate Research Apprentice Program (URAP), UC Berkeley
  - Mentored 1-3 research assistants each semester, Fall 2015-present

## SELECTED PRESENTATIONS (\*denotes invited talk)

American Sociological Association, Regular Session on Sociology of the Body, August 2020

- "Medically Necessary or Cosmetic? Insurance Companies and the Construction of (Trans)Gender"

San Francisco State University, Department of Sociology, April 2020\*

- "Gender Identity, the Sexed Body, and the Medical Making of Transgender"

American Sociological Association, LGBT Studies Section, August 2019

- "Unmooring Gender: Changing Medical Conceptions of Gender"

St. Mary's College, Department of Justice, Community and Leadership, April 2019\*

- "Thinking Gender and Sexuality with Gayle Rubin"

University of Pittsburgh, TSMO Workshop, September 2018

- "How Embeddedness in Conflicting Transnational Networks Shapes LGBT Visibility"

Society for the Study of Social Problems, Globalization and Sexuality, August 2018

- "Regionalized Diffusion of Domestic LGBT Associations, 1969-2003"

American Sociological Association, Regular Session on Global and Transnational Sociology, Aug. 2018

- "Regionalized Diffusion of Domestic LGBT Associations, 1969-2003"

## OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Center for Work Life Policy, Columbia University, New York City (April 2012 – July 2014)

### *Senior Research Associate*

- Co-authored two papers: "The Diversity Pipeline" and "On-Ramps and Off-Ramps in India"
- Researched workplace discrimination against women, racial minorities, and LGBT people
- Analyzed survey data, conducted focus groups and interviews, wrote data assessments

Institute for Education and Social Policy, New York University, NYC (June 2011 – April 2012)

### *Research Associate*

- Researched the causal impact of social policies on education outcomes in NYC public schools
- Managed quantitative data analysis, researched and drafted literature reviews

Harvard University, Kennedy School of Government, Massachusetts (Oct 2010 – May 2011)

### *Research Assistant*

- Faculty Sponsor: Alex Keyssar; Research Field: United States Labor and Political History
- Reviewed academic journals and books using print and online resources

Akshara Foundation, Bangalore, India (Sep 2009 – August 2010)

### *Research Analyst*

- Researched and analyzed data on Akshara intervention programs in government schools
- Authored two papers: “Making Math Fun: A Remedial Mathematics Program in Government Schools” and “Bangalore Report Card: student learning outcomes 2008-2009”

United States Department of State, Semarang, Indonesia (Aug 2008 – May 2009)

### *Fulbright Fellow*

- Taught English to high school students in a vocational government school
- Researched colorism in high schools and developed a workshop colorism, “Cantik/Manis,” for 120 high school students and teachers

## **ADVOCACY AND SERVICE**

DesiQDiaspora, Steering Committee (January 2019 – present)

- Planning a conference for queer, trans, and gender-non-conforming South Asians living in the United States, location TBD (POSTPONED to 2022 due to Covid-19)

Berkeley Graduate Student Union, Head Steward (Oct 2015 – Sept 2017)

- Represented the interests of graduate students at UC Berkeley

SALGA NYC (South Asian LGBT org.), Political Co-Chair (Mar 2012 – July 2014)

- Facilitated workshops on voter suppression in Asian communities, drafted press releases, liaised with queer and trans activists across the United States, and fundraised.

Brown Undergraduate Council of Students, Executive Board (Sep 2006- May 2007)

- Maintained minutes at weekly General Body and Executive Board meetings
- Archived newspaper articles related to UCS, archived minutes

## **OTHER SKILLS**

Languages: Moderately conversational in Spanish, Beginner in Hindi and Bahasa Indonesian

Computer Skills: STATA, SAS, SPSS, R, Arc GIS, Microsoft Office