

Curriculum Vitae

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Education:

- 1999-2005 University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (May 2005).
Dissertation: "*Attitudes Towards Immigration in Southern European Regions: Heterogeneity and Contextuality using Hierarchical Linear Models.*" Committee: James R. Kluegel (Chair), Gillian Stevens, C. Gray Swicegood, and Ruth V. Aguilera.
- 2003-04 University of California, San Diego. Pre-doctoral Fellow at the Center for Comparative Immigration Studies. Project: "General Public Attitudes towards Immigration: Regional Differences in Southern Europe".
- 1992-1999 University of Barcelona, B.A (October 1996). M.A in Sociology (May 1999). Department of Sociology and Organizational Analysis. Barcelona, Spain.

Professional Positions:

- 2005-present Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, Anthropology and Criminology, University of Northern Iowa.

Academic Interests:

International migration and transnationalism, race/ethnic inequality, social psychology, social demography, labor markets, research methods, European Union.

Other Studies:

- 2003 Visiting researcher, European University Institute, Florence, Italy.

- 2002 University of Essex. Course on Hierarchical Linear Models. Funded by the European Union Center at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
- 2001 Visiting researcher, Juan March Institute, Center for Advanced Study in the Social Sciences. Madrid, Spain.
- 2001 Luxembourg Income Studies (LIS). Workshop on Data management at CEPS, Luxemburg (summer program). Funded by the European Union Center at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
- 1997 University of Michigan. ICPSR Inter-Consortium for Political and Social Research. Courses on multivariate regression, log linear models logit, and probit. Funded by University of Barcelona (summer program).
- 1997 University of Michigan. Institute for Social Research (ISR), Ann Arbor 50th Annual Summer. Courses in survey research methods. Funded by University of Barcelona (summer program).
- 1996 Harvard University. Department of Sociology. Course in Sociology of gender and culture (summer program).
- 1993 University of California, Berkeley. Department of Sociology. Course in Sociology of culture (summer program).

Publications:

- 1999 Xavier Escandell and Jesús M. de Miguel. “Organización de la Protección Social en España: Problemas y Políticas”. *Gestión y Análisis de Políticas Públicas*, 13-14: 12-21. Coauthor with Jesús M de Miguel. (Title translation: Organization of the Social Protection System in Spain: Problems and Policies).
- 1999 Xavier Escandell. “Cuántas Más Necesidades Menos Recursos: Desigualdades Sociales y Desequilibrios Regionales en la Descentralización de Servicios Sociales”. *Gestión y Análisis de Políticas Públicas*, 13-14: 73-93. (Title translation: “The More Needs, The Less Resources: Social Inequality and Regional Disequilibria in the Decentralization of Social Services”).
- 1999 Xavier Escandell et. al. “El Centenario de El Suicidio de Émile Durkheim (1897-1997)”. *Papers, Revista de Sociologia*, 57: 39-72.

Other Publications (book reviews):

- 1999 Xavier Escandell. Critical review of Paul Pierson "Reagan and Thatcher and the Politics of Retrenchment". *Gestión y Análisis de Políticas Públicas*, 13-14:103-110.
- 1998 Xavier Escandell. "Análisis en la Toma de Decisiones en Servicios Sociales". "Analysis of the Decision Making Process in Social Services". Proceedings from IV Basque Sociology Congress (February 1998), Spain.
- 1997 Xavier Escandell. "Deporte y Ocio en el Proceso de Civilización". *Revista Española de Investigaciones Sociológicas*, 79: 358-370.

Papers Under Review:

- 2005 Stevens, Gillian; Hiromi Ishizawa, and Xavier Escandell, "Marrying into the American Population: Pathways into Cross-Nativity Marriages". *Social Forces*, Revised and Resubmit
- 2005 Aguilera , Ruth V.; John Dencker and Xavier Escandell, "Left at the Altar? A Relational View of Merger and Acquisition Announcements in the 1990s" . University of Illinois Working Paper No. 05-108. *Administrative Science Quarterly*. <http://ssrn.com/abstract=743886>

Papers in Progress:

"The Impact of Political Engagement on Social and Political Tolerance Towards Immigrants in Southern Europe". Center for Comparative Immigration Studies, San Diego. Working Paper No. 96.

"Regional Identification and Economic Competition: Predicting Anti-Immigrant Sentiment and Orientation Towards Immigration Policy in Spain".

Fellowships and Awards:

- 2005 First Summer Seminar on Sociological and Political Research. Real Colegio Complutense. Harvard University.
- 2003-04 University of California San Diego. Pre-doctoral Fellow at the Center for Comparative Immigration Studies.

- 2003 Graduate College dissertation grant for the research project: “Contextual Dynamics in Attitudes Towards Immigration”. University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.
- 2003 Tinker Field Research Grant. Research grant for the project: “Contextual Dynamics in Attitudes Towards Immigration”. University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.
- 2002 Research Grant from the European Union Center at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
- 2000 Research Grant from the European Union Center at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Project: “Reforming Social Protection Systems in Europe”.
- 1998 Award for the project Evaluation of social services policies in the Balearic Islands. This award was given by the Bank Sa Nostra, La Caixa de Balears. Spain.
- 1996-99 Scholarship for Researcher Training. The University of Barcelona. Spain.
- 1996-97 Research scholarship from the University of Barcelona for the project "Social Change in Spain: Comparative Sociological Analysis, 1959-1995".

Research and Teaching Experience:

- 2004-05 Visiting Lecturer. Cornell College. Department of Sociology. Courses: “Introduction to Sociology”, “Research Design and Data Analysis”, and “Immigration and the Formation of Global Communities”.
www.cornellcollege.edu/socanthro/faculty.shtml
- 2004(Fall) Visiting Lecturer. Grinnell College. Department of Sociology. Course: “Immigration and Transnational Processes”.
- 2001-03 Statistical Consultant at ATLAS, Applied Technologies for Learning in the Arts and Sciences, University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign.
- 2001 Research Assistant for Professor Gillian Stevens “Nativity, national origins, and patterns of intermarriage”.
- 2001 Research Assistant for Professor Rose Luo Xiaowei, “Contingent pay, and executive compensation”.
- 2000 Teaching Assistant for “Population Issues”. Department of Sociology. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

- 2000 Research Assistant at the Business School and Institute of Labor and Industrial Relations, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.
- 1999-00 Teaching Assistant for “Introduction to Social Statistics”. Department of Sociology, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
- 1996-97 Social change in Spain: Comparative sociological analysis 1959-1995 (1996-1997). Research Assistant for professor Jesus M. de Miguel, University of Barcelona, Spain.

Papers Presented at Professional Meetings and Conferences:

- 2005 “Dynamics of Context on Attitudes towards Immigration: Regional Differences in Southern European Countries”. Presented at the annual conference of the American Sociological Association.
- 2005 “Marrying into the American Population: Cross-Nativity Marriages in the United States” with Gillian Stevens and Hiromi Ishizawa. Presented at the annual conference of the Population of American Association.
- 2004 “Identity Politics and Spaces of Non-Existence”. Presented at Grinnell College. Sponsored by SOL (Students Organization Of Latinos/as).
- 2004 “Regional Identification and Economic Competition: Predicting Anti-Immigrant Sentiment and Orientation Towards Immigration Policy in Spain”. Presented at the annual conference of the American Sociological Association, San Francisco, California.
- 2004 “The Role of Civic Institutions in Explaining Anti-Immigrant Sentiment in Southern Europe”. Presented at the Conference *Europe and the United States in the Long Run*. Institute for International, Comparative, and Area Studies at University of California, San Diego.
- 2004 “Regional Differences in Public Attitudes toward Immigration in Southern Europe”. Presented at the research seminar at the Center for Comparative Immigration Studies. University of California, San Diego.
- 2002 “Attitudes towards Immigration in Southern European Countries: Heterogeneity and Contextuality using Hierarchical Linear Models”. Presented at the European Union Center, Research Brown Bag Series, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.
- 2001 “Social Market Effects on Economic Outcomes: A Study of the Largest Mergers and Acquisitions in the 1990s”, Presented at the annual Conference of the American Sociological Association, Anaheim, California.

- 2002 “Social and Market Effects on Economic Outcomes: A Study of the Largest Mergers and Acquisitions in the 1990s”. Presented at Conference on *European M&As, Corporate Restructuring and Consolidation Issues*. IESE, Business School, University of Navarra. Barcelona, Spain.
- 1998 “Análisis sobre la Calidad de la Enseñanza Superior en España”. Presented at the Congreso de Estudiantes de Sociología. IV Basque Sociology Congress (February 1998), Spain.

Computer and Statistical Skills:

SAS Programming I and II: Manipulating Data with Data Step. Computing Resources for Educational in the Social Sciences (CRESS), University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Statistical Courses: 386 Social Statistics II, 387 Social Statistics III, 482 Statistical Comparison, Hierarchical Linear Modelling (HLM).

Experience using large data sets: Census data, Luxemburg Income Studies (LIS) data, Mergers and Acquisitions data set SDC Platinum and Eurobarometer.

Statistical programs: SPSS (batch and windows mode), STATA, EQS (Structural Equation Modelling), HLM (Hierarchical Linear Modelling), and SAS.

Professional Membership:

American Sociological Association (ASA):
International Migration Section
Economic Sociology
Population Association of America

Languages:

Bilingual in Spanish and Catalan
English

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