

# Lucinda Nevarez, MSW, PhD

## Curriculum Vitae

The University of Texas at San Antonio  
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### EDUCATION

Ph.D.	Graduate College of Social Work, University of Houston, Houston, TX	2010
M.S.W.	Graduate College of Social Work, University of Houston, Houston, TX	1999
B. A.	College of Liberal Arts, University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX	1997

### PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

2013 to Present	Assistant Professor, College of Public Policy, Department of Social Work, University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX
2012 to 2013	Visiting Research Professor, Graduate College of Social Work, University of Houston, Houston, TX
2010 to 2012	Kellogg Health Scholar Postdoctoral Fellow, Center for Health Equity and Evaluation Research, Department of Health Disparities, University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, Houston, TX
2008 to 2010	Graduate Research Assistant, Graduate College of Social Work, University of Houston, Houston, TX
2005	Graduate Research Assistant, Baylor College of Medicine/ Graduate College of Social Work, University of Houston, Houston, TX
2005 to 2007	Grant Writing Consultant, Community Health Development Incorporated/ Nuestro Centro de Salud, Uvalde, TX
2001 to 2002	Medical Social Worker, Christus Santa Rosa Hospital, San Antonio, TX
1999 to 2001	Medical Social Worker, Women and Infant's Transmission Study, Texas Children's Hospital, Houston, TX
1999	Program Case Manager, HIV/AIDS Services Program, Family Service Center, Houston, TX

### AWARDS AND HONORS

2015-2016	Professor of the Year, Department of Social Work, The University of Texas
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at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX

- 2015 Nominee Representing the College of Public Policy, 2016 President's Distinguished Achievement Award for Teaching Excellence in the Tenure-Track Category, University of Texas San Antonio, San Antonio, TX
- 2015 Nominee Representing the Department of Social Work, 2016 President's Distinguished Achievement Award for Teaching Excellence in the Tenure-Track Category, University of Texas San Antonio, San Antonio, TX
- October 2014 Profiled in Spotlight, KConnection, Kellogg Health Scholars Newsletter, Washington, DC
- Fall 2013 Profiled by the University of Texas at San Antonio student publication Sombrilla, The University of Texas San Antonio, San Antonio, TX

### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Health Disparities, Health, Health Equity, Racism, Discrimination, Race, Ethnicity, Culture, Social Determinants of Health, Health Services, Health Access, Health Utilization, Minority Health

### **Peer Reviewed Journal Articles**

- Zieghan, L., **Nevarez, L.**, Hurd, T., Evans, J., Joosten, Y., Dumbauld, J., & Eder, M. (2018). An exploratory study of Clinical and Translational Science Award community-engaged research training programs. *Journal of Clinical and Translational Science*, 2(2) 110-114.
- Enard, K., R., **Nevarez, L.**, & Ganelin, D. M. (2018). The association between perceived discrimination and emergency department use among safety-net patients in the Southwest. *Southern Medical Journal*, 111(1), 1-7.
- Teasley, M.L., **Nevarez, L.**, & Frost, C.J. (2017). Bringing attention to issues related to school social work practice with immigrant children and children of undocumented parents. [Editorial]. *Children & Schools*, 39(4), 195-198.
- Hoffman, S., Marsiglia, F., **Nevarez, L.**, & Porta, M. (2016). Health Literacy among youth in Guatemala City. *Social Work in Public Health*, Retrieved from <http://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/19371918.2016.1188741>.
- Teasley, M. L., & **Nevarez, L.** (2016). Awareness, prevention, and intervention for elementary school bullying: The need for social responsibility. [Editorial]. *Children & Schools*, 38(2), 67-69
- Enard, K., R., **Nevarez, L.**, Hernandez, M., Hovick, S., R., Moguel, M., R., ...Torres-Vigil (2015). Patient navigation to increase colorectal cancer screening among Latino Medicare enrollees: a randomized controlled trial. *Cancer Causes & Control*, 26(9), 1351-1359.
- Sunil, T., Hurd, T., Deem, C., **Nevarez, L.**, Guidry, J.,...Rios, R. (2014). Breast cancer knowledge, attitude and screening behaviors among Hispanics in South Texas *colonias*.

*Journal of Community Health*, 39(1), 60-71.

Natale-Pereira, A., Enard, K. R., **Nevarez, L.**, & Jones, L.A. (2011). The role of patient navigators in eliminating health disparities. *Cancer*, 117(15 supp.), 3543–3552.

**Nevarez, L.**, Weinman, M.L., Buzi, R.S., & Smith, P.B. (2009). Ethnic and marital differences in family structure, risk behaviors and service requests among young minority fathers. *Journal of Human Behavior in the Social Environment*, 19(7), 773-786.

Weinman, M. L., Buzi, R.S., Smith, P.B., & **Nevarez, L.** (2007). A comparison of three groups of young fathers and program outcomes: Those in school, drop-outs and high school graduates. *School Social Work Journal*, 32(1), 1-13. Lead Article.

### **Manuscripts Under Review**

**Nevarez, L.**, Hovick, S. R., Enard, K. R., Lloyd, S. M., & Kahlor, L. (revise & resubmit). Race/ethnic variations of health consciousness within the cancer prevention context. *American Journal of Health Promotion*.

Ziegahn L, Joosten Y, **Nevarez L.**, Hurd T, Evans J, Dumbauld J, Eder M. (revise & resubmit). Collaboration and context in the design of community engaged research training. *Health Promotion Practice*.

**Nevarez, L.** (under review). The well intentioned worker: Ethical challenges in working with a vulnerable population. *Reflections: Narratives of Professional Helping*.

Escobar, Y., & **Nevarez, L.** (under review). The lived experiences of Mexican American women with HIV. *Women & Health*.

### **Peer Reviewed Book Chapter**

**Nevarez, L.**, & Oliva, M. Latinas (2019) Finding voice and community in academe: Socialization, voice and mentoring across generations. In Patricia Perez (Eds.), *The Tenure-Track Process for Chicana and Latina Faculty: Experiences of Resisting and Persisting in the Academy*. (pp. 11 - 30). New York, NY: Routledge.

### **Technical Report**

**Nevarez, L.**, Miranda, P, James, E., & Jones, L. (2011). Final Report of the Texas Department Health and Human Services State Assessment 2011 Texas State Partnership to Reduce & Eliminate Health Disparities (TPAHD).

### **Manuscripts in Progress**

**Nevarez, L.**, Sunil, T., & Hurd, T., (in preparation). Fatalism and breast cancer screening among Hispanics residing in South Texas *colonias*.

**Nevarez, L.**, Sunil, T., & Hurd. (in preparation). Conceptualizations of *machismo* and missed opportunities of breast cancer screening support among Latinos in border *colonias*.

**Nevarez, L.** (in preparation). The relationship between discrimination and depression among

Mexican and Mexican American participants of the NESARC.

**Nevarez, L., & Teasley, M.** (in preparation). The social work role in addressing mental health challenges among children in mixed status immigrant families.

**Nevarez, L., & Lloyd, S. M.** (in preparation). Accessibility and availability of breast health services in Houston/Harris County: What is keeping African American and Hispanic women out?

Vera, A. J. \*, **Nevarez, L., & Cruz, I.** (in preparation). Association of control and power in well-being and health choices.

**Nevarez, L., Vera, A. J., Sunil, T., & Hurd.** (in preparation). Source of care among Latinx living in *colonias* along the Texas/Mexico border.

\*Denotes Student

## **SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS**

### **Refereed Conference Presentations**

**Nevarez, L., Hovick, S. R., Enard, K. R., Lloyd, S. M., & Kahlor, L.** (2019). "*Race/Ethnic Variations of Health Consciousness Within the Cancer Prevention Context*" Society for Social Work Research 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference: Ending Gender Based Violence and Community Violence, Society for Social Work Research, Washington, DC.

**Nevarez, L., Vera, A. J. \*, Sunil, T. S., & Hurd, T.** (2018). "*Exploring Conceptualizations of Fatalismo and Perspectives of Breast Cancer Screening Among Latinos in Rural South Texas Colonias*," 147<sup>th</sup> APHA Annual Meeting & Expo: Creating the Healthiest Nation: Health Equity Now, American Public Health Association, San Diego, CA.

**Nevarez, L., & Escobar, Y. A.** (2017). *Lived experiences of Mexican American women with a diagnosis of HIV.* 146<sup>th</sup> American Public Health Annual Meeting and Exposition: Climate Changes Health, Atlanta, GA.

**Nevarez, L., & Torres, L.** (2014). *The Relationship Between Discrimination and Depression: Among Mexican, Mexican American, and Chicano Respondents of the National Epidemiologic Survey On Alcohol and Related Conditions (NESARC).* Society for Social Work Research 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Society for Social Work Research: Research for Social Change: Addressing Local and Global Challenges, San Antonio, TX.

### **Invited Presentations**

**Nevarez, L., Saenz, R., Heckert, C., Knox, M., & Morales, M.C.,** (2019). *Cross Border Migration and Health,* Border Solutions Alliance's Southwest Binational Workshop, El Paso, TX.

**Nevarez, L.** (2017). Presented at *Language Access and Health Disparities,* International Translation Day at UTSA: Language Access and Health Disparities, Department of Modern Languages and Literatures, College of Liberal and Fine Arts, University of Texas San Antonio, San Antonio, TX.

**Nevarez, L., Sunil, T., & Hurd, T. (2015).** *Exploring Latino/a characterizations and their relationship to breast cancer screening.* Presented at the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Disparities in Health in America: Working Towards Social Justice Summer Workshop, Prairie View A&M University College of Nursing, Houston, TX.

**Nevarez, L., Sunil, T., & Hurd, T. (2015).** *Exploring Historical Conceptualizations of Latino/a Perspectives of Breast Cancer Screening Among Latinas' Residing in Rural South Texas Border Colonias,* Fall Disparities in Health in America: Working Toward Social Justice Course, Houston, TX.

**Nevarez, L., Sunil, T., & Hurd, T. (2013).** *El macho. Exploring male support of breast cancer screening among Latinas in rural south Texas colonias,* 11th Annual Disparities in Health in America: Working Towards Social Justice Summer Workshop, The Dorothy I Height Center for Health Equity and Evaluation Research, Houston, TX.

### **Non-Refereed Presentations**

**Nevarez, L., Vera, A. J. \*, Sunil, T. S., & Hurd, T. (2018).** "Exploring Conceptualizations of Fatalismo and Perspectives of Breast Cancer Screening Among Latinas in Rural South Texas Colonias," Department of Social Work Spring 2019 End of Semester Research Show Case, University of Texas, San Antonio, TX.

**Nevarez, L., Sunil, T., & Hurd, T. (2015).** *Exploring Historical Conceptualizations of Latino/a Perspectives of Breast Cancer Screening Among Latinas' Residing in Rural South Texas Border Colonias,* Kaiser Permanente Burch Minority Leadership Development Awards Program Meeting, Kaiser Permanente Center for Total Health, Washington, DC.

**Blount, C., A. \*, & Nevarez, L. (2014).** *Fatalism and religion among women in colonias of South Texas,* Department of Social Work Spring 2019 End of Semester Research Show Case, University of Texas, San Antonio, TX.

**Nevarez, L., (2012).** *The health influences of discrimination and its role in promoting/sustaining health inequalities,* Inaugural Social Work Research Conference: Connecting Students to Education and Social Work Research, Graduate College of Social Work, University of Houston, Houston, TX.

### **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

2010 to 2012 *Co-Lead Investigator.* AVON Foundation Safety Net Project/Houston Breast Cancer Taskforce, AVON Foundation (PI: Dr. Lovell Jones)

2011 to 2012 *Research Assistant.* Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas, CPRIT. Increasing Breast, Cervical, and Colorectal Cancer Screening and HPV Vaccination among Underserved Texans: A Collaboration with the United Way's 2-1-1 Program, MD Anderson Cancer Center (PI: Maria Fernandez)

2010 to 2011 *Lead Investigator.* Texas Partnership to Address and Eliminate Health Disparities (TPAHD). Texas Department of Health and Human Services (PI: Dr. Lovell Jones)

## **GRANTING ACTIVITIES**

**Nevarez, L.**, Kaiser Permanente Burch Minority Leadership Development Program, Kaiser Permanente and the Institute for Alternative Futures, Private, \$12,800.00. (October 7, 2013 - October 6, 2015).

**Nevarez, L.**, Interprofessional Education Course, University of Texas Health Science Center collaborative training grant Sponsored by Methodist Healthcare Ministries, Local, \$24,743.00. (January 2014 – November 2015).

**Nevarez, L.**, Awardee, National Institute of Health Travel Scholarship to attend National Institute of Minority Health, Health Disparities Workshop, Washington, DC, Federal, (December 16 – December 18 2008)

## **TEACHING INTERESTS**

Health Disparities, Cultural Competence, Generalist Social Work Practice, Health and social work, Medical Social Work, Field Education, Interprofessional Education, Specialized Social Work with Groups, Assessment, Social Work in Health,

## **TEACHING**

### **Faculty Teaching**

#### **University of Texas at San Antonio, Department of Social Work (all courses graduate-level)**

Spring 2014 to Present	SWK 5463: Specialized Social Work Methods with Groups
Fall 2018 to Present	SWK 5113: Generalist Social Work Practice
Spring 2016 to Present	SWK 5423: Field Practicum III & Integrative Seminar
Spring 2017	SWK 5513: Diversity: Culturally Competent Practice with Historically Underserved Populations
Fall 2013 to Fall 2017	SWK 5483: Multidimensional Assessment
Fall 205	SWK 69703 Interprofessional Education in Behavioral Health

#### **University of Houston, Graduate College of Social Work (all courses graduate level)**

Spring 2013	SOCW 7350 Overrepresentation of Minority Males in the Criminal Justice System
Spring 2013	SOCW 7325 Assessment in Social Work Practice
Fall 2012	SOCW 7333 Human Behavior and the Social Environment Module 2012

## **SERVICE ACTIVITIES**

### **Department Service**

2019 to Present	Member, Associate Faculty Search Committee, Department of Social Work, University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX
2019 to Present	Committee Member, Social Work Department Ad hoc Mentoring Policy Committee, University of Texas, San Antonio
2018 to Present	Chair, Specialized Curriculum Committee, Department of Social Work, University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX
2018 to Present	Presenter, Introduction to the Social Work Profession, Fall and Spring New Student Orientations (twice a year), Department of Social Work, University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX
2018 to Present	Course Reviewer, Generalist Social Work Practice, Generalist Curriculum Committee, Department of Social Work, University of Texas at San

Antonino, San Antonio, TX

Fall 2018 Chair, Title IV E Program Director Search Committee, Department of Social Work, University of Texas at San Antonio, TX

2017 to Present Course Reviewer, Multidimensional Assessment, Specialized Curriculum Committee, Department of Social Work, University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX

2017 to Present Course Reviewer, Social Work Specialized Field Practicum III and Integrative Seminar, Specialized Curriculum Committee, Department of Social Work, University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX

2017 to Present Course Reviewer, Specialized Social Work Methods with Groups, Specialized Curriculum Committee, Department of Social Work, University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX

2017 to 2018 Course Reviewer, Specialized Social Work Methods: Policy Practice and Advocacy, Specialized Curriculum Committee, Department of Social Work, University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX

2018 to Present Member, Field Committee, Department of Social Work, University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX

2018 to Present Member, Generalist Curriculum Committee, Department of Social Work, University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX

2017 to 2018 Member, Faculty Search Committee, Department of Social Work, University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX

2015 to Present Member, Strategic Plan Cultural Competence Sub-committee, Department of Social Work, University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX

2015 Member, Field Director Search Committee, Department of Social Work, University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX

2015 Member, Graduate Advisor of Record Search Committee, Department of Social Work, University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX

2014 to 2018 Presenter on Self Care, Fall and Spring New Student Orientations (twice a year), Department of Social Work, University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX

2014 to Present Field Liaison, Department of Social Work, University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX

2014 to Present Program Applicant Reviewer, Department of Social Work, University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX

2014 to 2017 Member, Student Affairs Committee, Department of Social Work, University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX

2014 to Present Chair, Bylaws Committee, Department of Social Work, University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX

2013 to Present Student Mentor, Department of Social Work, University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX

**College Service**

2018 to Present Member, Curriculum Review Committee, College of Public Policy University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX

2017 to 2019 Chair, Faculty Development and Research Committee, College Public Policy, University of Texas at San Antonio, TX

2016 to 2018 Member, College of Public Policy Student Scholarships and Awards Committee, University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX

2014 to 2016 Member, College of Public Policy Student Scholarships and Awards Committee, University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX

### **University Service**

2017 to Present Alternate, Faculty Graduate Council, University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX

2015 to 2017 Member, Faculty Graduate Council, University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX

2014 Faculty Representative, Voto Latino Summit, University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX

2013 to Present Commencement Attendee, University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX

### **Community Service**

2015 to 2017 Advisor, Lil' Runners Child Care Initiative, University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX

2015 Organizer, Program honoring Annual Cesar Chavez March for Justice, University of Texas San Antonio, San Antonio, TX

2014 to Present Faculty Representative, Annual César Chávez march for Justice, César E. Chávez Legacy & Educational Foundation, San Antonio, TX

### **Professional Service**

2018 to Present Committee Member, Committee on Racial and Ethnic Diversity, National Association of Social Workers (NASW)

2018 to Present Committee Member, Steering Committee, 4th Binational Mexico—United States Conference on Social Work and Migration Human Rights, Integrated Health, and Social Determinants: New Interdisciplinary Frontiers in Social Work Research and Intervention

2016 Abstract Reviewer, Mental Health Section, American Public Health Annual Meeting public health sections

2016 Abstract Reviewer, Public Health Section, American Public Health Annual Meeting

2016 Abstract Reviewer, Latino/a Section, Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) annual meeting.

2016 Abstract Reviewer, Cultural Competence Section, Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) annual meeting.

2016 Abstract Reviewer, Health Section, Council on Social Work Education (CSWE) annual meeting.

2014 to 2015 Member, Annual Program Meeting Planning Committee, Kaiser Permanente Burch Minority Leadership Program, Washington, D.C.

### **Invited Reviewer**

*Frontiers in Public Health*  
*American Journal of Public Health*  
*Sage Open Journal*  
*Journal of Primary Care and Community Health*  
*Women's Health Issues*



**Professional Development**

2019 Health Disparities Research Institute, National Institute of Minority Health and Health Disparities (NIMHD), Washington, D.C. (not accepted)

Summer 2017 Provost Academy for Teaching Excellence, University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX

Spring 2016 NVIVO Online Qualitative Software Training, QSR International, Burlington, MA

Summer 2014 Teaching an Online Course, University of Texas at San Antonio, San Antonio, TX

**Professional Memberships**

2016 to Present Women's Professional Advancement & Synergy Academy

2009 to Present Society for Social Work Research

2012 to Present American Public Health Association

2012 to Present National Association of Social Work

2013 to 2018 Council on Social Work Education

**Professional Licenses**

1999 to 2015 Licensed Master Social Worker,  
Texas State Board of Social Work Examiners