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## **EDUCATION**

Duke University, *Durham, NC*

*Expected 2025*      Ph.D. in Sociology, Concentrations: Sociology of Race, Organizational Sociology  
Caribbean and Latin American Studies Certificate  
Certificate in College Teaching  
Advisor: Dr. Eduardo Bonilla-Silva

Bowdoin College, *Brunswick, ME*

2017      B.A. in Sociology (*Cum Laude*), Minor in Africana Studies

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### Peer Reviewed (Articles)

- 2021      Zabala Ortiz, Pamela. 2021. "Connectivity, contestation, and cultural production: an analysis of Dominican online identity formation." *Identities: Global Studies in Culture and Power*. (Forthcoming)
- 2017      Zabala, Pamela. "Hypercultural White Spaces: Students Resisting Inclusivity Efforts on College Campuses." *Mellon Mays Undergraduate Journal*. Harvard University Press. Pp 143-147  
[https://uraf.harvard.edu/files/uraf/files/pdf\\_of\\_mmuf\\_journal\\_2017.pdf](https://uraf.harvard.edu/files/uraf/files/pdf_of_mmuf_journal_2017.pdf)

### Non-Peer Reviewed (Reports, Public Writing, etc.)

- 2021      Zabala, Pamela. "Sitting down with STARS: Lessons on Work, School and Figuring it all Out." *Opportunity@Work*.  
<https://blog.opportunityatwork.org/sitting-down-with-stars-lessons-on-work-school-and-figuring-it-all-out-9b9fe943e5f1>
- 2021      Denny, Elaine; Dow, David; Ordoñez, Jose; Pitts, Wayne; Romero, Diego; Tellez, Juan; Villamizar Chapparo, Mateo; **Zabala, Pamela**. "4 things the Biden administration should pay attention to with the border crisis."  
<https://www.brookings.edu/blog/future-development/2021/04/02/4-things-the-biden-administration-should-pay-attention-to-with-the-border-crisis/>
- 2020      Chapman, Joyce; Daly, Emily; Forte, Anastasia; King, Ira; Yang, Brenda W.; & **Zabala, Pamela** (2020). *Understanding the experiences and needs of Black students at Duke*. Retrieved from <https://hdl.handle.net/10161/20753>.

### Under Review

- “Racial Drift: The Social Aftershocks of a Migration Crisis.” *Under Review*.
- “The Human Impact of Deportation.” *Under Review*.

### In Progress

- “Stop, Drop, Re-Enroll: Education Pathways and the Evolution of Occupational Expectations for Nontraditional College Students”

### **CURRENT RESEARCH**

- Internal migration of Dominicans in the U.S. and how they understand U.S. racial structures.
- Race and community building practices within Latinx student groups on College Campuses.
- American religious congregations as sanctuary spaces for undocumented migrants.
- How individuals without 4-year degrees navigate employment and promotions, and disparate hiring practices in the U.S.

### **FUNDING AND AWARDS**

2021	Ford Foundation Pre-Doctoral Fellowship, Honorable Mention
2020	Dean’s Graduate Fellowship, Duke University
2020	Departmental Research Award, Sanctuary Congregations Project
2020	SSRC-MMUF Graduate Studies Enhancement Grant
2020	Latinx Graduate Student of the Year Award, Duke University
2020	Charles Carroll Everett Graduate Scholarship, Bowdoin College
2020	International Dissertation Research Grant, The Graduate School, Duke University
2019	Dean’s Graduate Fellowship, Duke University
2019	Departmental Research Award, Latinx College Students Project
2019	SSRC-MMUF Graduate Studies Enhancement Grant
2019	Charles Carroll Everett Graduate Scholarship, Bowdoin College
2018	Dean’s Graduate Fellowship, Duke University
2018	Charles Carroll Everett Graduate Scholarship, Bowdoin College
2017	Craig A. McEwen Student Research Fellowship in the Social Sciences, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Bowdoin College
2017	Institute for the Recruitment of Teachers Fellowship, Phillips Andover Academy

- 2017 Matilda White Riley Prize in Sociology and Anthropology, Bowdoin College
- 2017 Bob and Jeannette Cross Leadership Award, Bowdoin College
- 2017 DeAlva Stanwood Alexander Prize, Bowdoin College
- 2016 Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship
- 2015 Forest Foundation Fellowship

**CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS**

Conferences

- 2020 Holleman, Anna and Pamela Zabala. 2020. “I was a Stranger and You Welcomed Me’: The Sanctuary Movement and Political Mobilization on the Religious Left.” Annual Meeting of the Association for the Sociology of Religion. *Accepted for presentation, cancelled due to COVID-19.*
- 2019 “The Digital Diaspora: Race and Colonialism in Dominican Identity Formation,” Association of Black Sociologists Annual Meeting, New York City.
- 2019 “The Digital Diaspora: Race and Colonialism in Dominican Identity Formation,” Global Inequalities Research Initiative Annual Conference: Race in Europe, Samuel DuBois Cook Center for Social Equity, Durham, NC
- 2017 “Anti-Haitianismo at Work: Anthropological and Genetic Implications of Racial Policy in the Dominican Republic,” Sociology and Anthropology Student Research Seminar, Bowdoin College, Brunswick, ME
- 2017 “Reproducing White Spaces through Racial Diversity Discourse on College Campuses, A Case Study of Bowdoin College,” President’s Summer Research Symposium, Bowdoin College: Brunswick, ME
- 2016 “Reproducing White Spaces through Racial Diversity Discourse on College Campuses, A Case Study of Bowdoin College,” Mellon Mays Summer Colloquium, Bowdoin College, Brunswick, ME

Invited Talks

- 2020 “Learning from the Past?: An Archival Exploration of Bowdoin’s Racial History.” Beyond the Reading Room: Archives in the World with sociologist Pamela Zabala '17. Bowdoin Special Collections and Archives.
- 2018 “Cooperate with Others for Common Ends?: Students as Gatekeepers of Culture and Tradition on College Campuses,” Presented and led a workshop on racial bias incidents at PWIs.

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE AND SERVICE**

2020-21 Graduate Policy Committee Representative, Duke Sociology Graduate Student Forum

2020 Research Assistant, Dr. Sara Greene and Dr. Barbara Kiviat, Duke Law School

2019 Research Assistant, Duke University Libraries

2017 Teaching Assistant, Dr. Brian Purnell, Department of Africana Studies, Bowdoin College

### **PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS**

- American Sociological Association
  - Sections: Racial and Ethnic Minorities; Latino/a Sociology; Sociology of Law; Organizations and Work
- Association of Black Sociologists
- Association for the Sociology of Religion
- Latin American Studies Association
  - Section: Haiti/Dominican Republic