



Queer Ethnic Studies Initiative

SF State's College of Ethnic Studies has been on the vanguard of Queer Ethnic Studies over the past 20 years. It has aggressively incorporated curricula in sexuality studies, implemented new courses such as "AIDS and People of Color" and "Latino Sexualities" and hired scholars working at the intersection of race, gender and sexuality. Today, one in four of our tenured/tenure-track faculty have expertise in queer studies, and a third of our graduate students pursuing one of our two M.A. degrees (Asian American Studies and Ethnic Studies) are engaged in thesis projects on queer and/or trans people of color.

The **Queer Ethnic Studies Initiative** is part of the College's strategic plan to mobilize faculty expertise, support graduate student scholarship and investigate the creation of a major on queers of color.

The College's faculty, students and alumni are recognized for their leadership in the LGBTQ community and for their contributions as Queer Ethnic Studies scholars. Among the notable faculty are Dean Kenneth Monteiro, who was a 2013 SF Pride Community Grand Marshal, Associate Dean Amy Sueyoshi, who is a 2017 SF Pride Community Grand Marshal, and Professor of American Indian Studies Andrew Jolivet, who is a finalist for the 2017 Lambda Literary Award in LGBTQ Studies for his book *Indian Blood: HIV and Colonial Trauma in San Francisco's Two-Spirit Community*.

College of Ethnic Studies LGBTQ Faculty and Researchers



Kenneth Monteiro, Ph.D., Stanford University

College of Ethnic Studies Dean Kenneth Monteiro is a cognitive psychologist with applied research and training expertise in mental health and education. His research interests include Same Gender Loving Men of Color and Queer Men of Color identity and health issues. Dr. Monteiro is a contributor to and editor of the book *Ethnicity and Psychology: African-, Asian-, Latino- and Native-American Psychologies*.



Amy Sueyoshi, Ph.D., University of California, Los Angeles

College of Ethnic Studies Associate Dean Amy Sueyoshi is a historian by training, specializing in sexuality, gender and race. She is the author of *Queer Compulsions: Race, Nation, and Sexuality in the Affairs of Yone Noguchi* and the forthcoming book, *Discriminating Sex: White Leisure and the Making of the American "Oriental"*, which will be published in March 2018. Dr. Sueyoshi is founding co-curator of the GLBT History Museum and serves on the Governing Board of the Committee on LGBT History.



Rabab Abdulhadi, Ph.D., Yale University

Associate Professor of Ethnic Studies and Race and Resistance Studies Rabab Abdulhadi is the Senior Scholar of the Arab and Muslim Ethnicities and Diasporas Studies Program. Her scholarship, pedagogy and public activism focuses on Palestine, Arab and Muslim communities and their diasporas, race and resistance studies, transnational feminisms, and gender and sexuality studies. She is co-editor of *Arab and Arab American Feminisms: Gender, Violence and Belonging*.



Tomas Almaguer, Ph.D., University of California, Berkeley

Tomas Almaguer is Professor of Ethnic Studies and Latina/o Studies and former Dean of the College of Ethnic Studies. His expertise includes Gay Latino identities and identity formation. Dr. Almaguer's publications include *Racial Fault Lines: The Historical Origins of White Supremacy in California* and the widely-reprinted *Chicano Men: A Cartography of Homosexual Identity and Behavior*. His recent articles include *The Material and Cultural Worlds of Latino Gay Men* and *Longing and Same-Sex Desire among Mexican Men*.



Joanne Barker, Ph.D., University of California, Santa Cruz

Associate Professor of American Indian Studies Joanne Barker has expertise in Native American Law and Politics, Women's and Gender Studies, and Cultural Studies. She's the author of *Native Acts: Law, Recognition, and Cultural Authenticity* and the editor of and contributor to the recently published *Critically Sovereign: Indigenous Gender, Sexuality, and Feminist Studies*.



Catriona Esquibel, Ph.D., University of California, Santa Cruz
Associate Professor of Ethnic Studies and Race and Resistance Studies Catriona Esquibel is a specialist in gender, Women of Color feminist theory, and Queer People of Color literature. Her book, *With Her Machete in Her Hand: Reading Chicana Lesbians*, maps out the field of queer Chicana writing and examines how Chicana lesbians are represented and constructed through “a community of writers.” She has recently published *Decolonize Your Diet: Plant-based Mexican-American Recipes for Health and Healing*.



Dawn-Elissa Fischer, Ph.D., University of Florida
Associate Professor of Africana Studies Dawn-Elissa Fischer is an international hip-hop scholar and a cultural and linguistic anthropologist studying music and culture. Her research examines Blackness, race, gender and language in Japanese hip-hop. Her hip-hop scholarship has been a lens for educational activism. Dr. Fischer is a recipient of the 2016 Nasir Jones Fellowship from the Hutchins Center at Harvard University.



Andrew Jolivet, Ph.D., University of California, Santa Cruz
Professor of American Indian Studies Andrew Jolivet has expertise in Mixed-Race Identity, Comparative Race Relations, American Indian Cultural Representation, Health Disparities and Sexuality, and Sociology and the Urban Indian Experience. His publications include *Research Justice: Methodologies for Social Change* and *Indian Blood: HIV and Colonial Trauma in San Francisco’s Two-Spirit Community*. He previously served as president of the GLBT Historical Society and Museum and of iPride for Multiracial Families and Youth.



Jonathan H.X. Lee, Ph.D., University of California, Santa Barbara
Associate Professor of Asian American Studies Jonathan H.X. Lee has expertise in Southeast Asian Philosophies and Religions. He has authored several encyclopedic entries on Asian and Asian American LGBT identities.



Belinda Reyes, Ph.D., University of California, Berkeley
Belinda Reyes is Associate Professor of Latina/o Studies and the Director of the César E. Chavez Institute. Her research focuses on the policy issues confronting the Latino and immigrant population in the United States. She has also been a visiting scholar at the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco. Dr. Reyes has collaborated on projects focusing on Queers of Color through the César E. Chavez Institute.



Anantha Sudhakar Ph.D., Rutgers University
Assistant Professor of Asian American Studies Anantha Sudhakar has expertise in South Asian American literature and culture, diaspora and transnationalism, social justice and arts activism, and gender studies and queer theory. Dr. Sudhakar is co-editor with Vanita Reddy of *Queer and Feminist Afro-Asian Formations*, a special issue of *The Scholar & Feminist Online*, which will be published in Fall 2017.

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