

# Robert F. Baez

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## EDUCATION

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**UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA**, Gainesville, FL

Doctor of Philosophy in *Sociology*, 2020 (expected)

*Dissertation*: “The Politics of Pride: 50 Years After Stonewall”

*Committee*: Kendal Broad (chair), Rebecca Hanson, Tanya Saunders, Constance Shehan

Master of Arts in *Women’s Studies*, 2016

*Thesis*: “Living Unapologetically”: LGBTQ+ Youth Navigating Rural Communities”

*Committee*: Anita Anantharam (chair), Colin R. Johnson, Ben Wise

**FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY**, Boca Raton, FL

Bachelor of Arts in *Public Communication*, 2014

Minor in *Spanish*

Certificate in *Peace Studies*

## AREAS OF RESEARCH INTEREST

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Sexualities, Intersectionalities, Social Movements, Qualitative Methodologies

## PUBLICATIONS

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### *Online Publications*

- 2017 “Florida Queer History: Queer in the Capital, Zine”, *George A. Smathers Libraries, University of Florida*. October 15. Available at: <http://ufdc.ufl.edu/AA00061162/00001>
- 2017 “Oral history and the importance of sharing at Pride in Washington D.C.”, *Oxford University Press Blog*. July 21. Available at: <https://blog.oup.com/2017/07/pride-washington-dc-oral-history/>
- 2017 “Robert Baez: Equality still a work in progress.”, *The Gainesville Sun*. June 23. Available at: <http://www.gainesville.com/opinion/20170623/robert-baez-equality-still-work-in-progress>

## GRANTS/HONORS/AWARDS

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- 2016 Online Education Excellence Award, University of Florida
- 2015-16 Vada Yeomans Fellowship, Center for Gender, Sexualities, and Women’s Studies Research, University of Florida
- 2015-16 UF Graduate Grant, University of Florida
- 2014 Lambda Pi Eta Honor Society, National Communication Association, Florida Atlantic University
- August 2018

2011 National Residence Hall Honorary, National Association of College and University Residence Halls, Florida Atlantic University

## **PRESENTATIONS**

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### *Invited*

#### **“Rural Queer Voice in Research and the Academy.”**

2018 Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting Mini-Conference: “Rural Queer Voice in Science and Practice,” Portland, OR, July 28.

#### **“Queer in the Capital: DC Pride 2017 Fieldwork Trip Roundtable.”**

2017 Center for Gender, Sexualities, and Women’s Studies Research, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL, Oct 25.

#### **“Women’s March On Washington: Fieldwork Trip Roundtable.”**

2017 Center for Gender, Sexualities, and Women’s Studies Research, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL, Feb 22.

### *Conference*

#### **“From theory to praxis: Oral history, social movements, and documenting direct action.”**

2018 Oral History Association, Montréal, QC, Oct 11.

#### **“The Politics of (Rural) Pride: (Re)Imagining Space and Place.”**

2018 Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Portland, OR, July 28.

#### **“Queer in the Capital: Allyship within the LGBTQ+ Community.”**

2018 Social Justice Summit, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL, Jan 27.

#### **“Issues of Intersectionality at the Women’s March on Washington.”**

2017 National Women’s Studies Association Annual Meeting, Baltimore, MD, Nov 19.

#### **“Living Unapologetically”: LGBTQ+ Youth Navigating Rural Communities.”**

2017 Rural Sociological Society Annual Meeting, Columbus, OH, July 30.

## **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

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2017-18 Project Coordinator, Samuel Proctor Oral History Program, University of Florida  
Project: [Florida Queer History](#)

2018 Research Coordinator, Samuel Proctor Oral History Program, University of Florida  
Project: March for Our Lives (Orlando, FL)

2017 Research Coordinator, Samuel Proctor Oral History Program & Center for Gender, Sexualities, and Women’s Studies Research, University of Florida  
Project: Equality March for Unity and Pride (Washington, DC)

2017 Research Correspondent, Samuel Proctor Oral History Program & Center for Gender, Sexualities, and Women's Studies Research, University of Florida  
Project: Women's March on Washington (Washington, DC)

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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2016-20 Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Sociology and Criminology & Law, University of Florida

*Instructor*

Sociology of Human Sexuality (Spring 2018, Fall 2018)  
Principles of Sociology (Spring 2017, Fall 2017)

*Teaching Assistant* (Prof. Bill Marsiglio)

Principles of Sociology (Fall 2016, Summer 2017, Summer 2018)

2017-18 Content Tutor, University Athletic Association, University of Florida  
Sociology (Spring 2017, Fall 2017, Summer 2018)

2015-16 Teaching Assistant (Prof. Anita Anantharam), Center for Gender, Sexualities, and Women's Studies Research, University of Florida  
Transnational Feminism (Fall 2015)  
Women, Leadership & Diversity in the Global Environment (Spring 2016, Summer 2016)

## **SERVICE TO PROFESSION**

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2017-18 Elected Graduate Student Representative, Gender & Sexualities Research Interest Group, Rural Sociological Society  
*Organized mini-conference: Rural Queer Voice in Science and Practice*

## **SERVICE TO UNIVERSITY**

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2018-19 Committee member, LGBTQ+ Advisory Committee, A Presidential Committee

2018-19 Elected Vice President of the Aggregate, Department of Sociology & Criminology and Law

2015-16 Intern, LGBTQ Affairs, Multicultural & Diversity Affairs

## **SERVICE TO COMMUNITY**

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2015-18 Advisory Board Member, Gainesville Equality Youth, Pride Community Center of North Central Florida

## **MEDIA COVERAGE**

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2018 "History and the people who make it: David Thurston." [\*The Gainesville Iguana\*](#). May 15.

- 2017 “First Magnitude hosts fundraiser for queer history project.” [\*The Independent Florida Alligator\*](#). October 16.
- 2017 “Florida Queer History Project presents A Pride Extravaganza.” [\*WCJB ABC20\*](#). October 15.
- 2017 Conger, Claudia. “Living History.” [\*The Fine Print\*](#). October 12.
- 2017 “UF students cover Pride Weekend in Washington, DC.” [\*The Gainesville Sun\*](#), June 12.
- 2017 Scottie, Andrew. “UF group again documents nation’s protests in capital.” [\*The Gainesville Sun\*](#). June 11.

### **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

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Oral History Association, 2018-present  
Rural Sociological Society, 2016-present  
RSS Gender & Sexualities RIG, 2016-present  
National Women’s Studies Association, 2016-2017

### **LANGUAGES**

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English  
Spanish