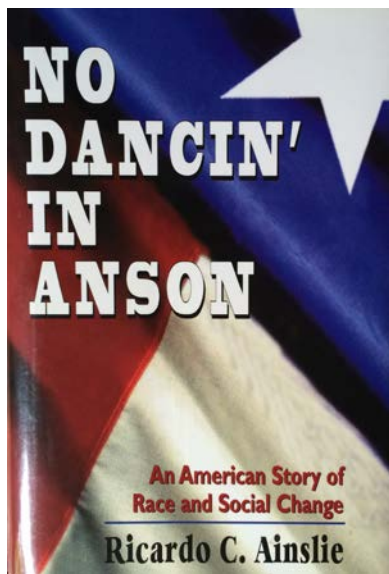


Immigration, Latino/a Psychology

Perhaps because I immigrated to the United States from Mexico to attend college when I was 17 years old, the topic of immigration has been an enduring interest over the last two decades. In my work I have explored the psychology of immigration, how immigration is affecting communities, and therapeutic implications for working with patients who are immigrants. This work also includes writings and presentations on Latino psychology.

Book: *No Dancin' In Anson: An American Story of Race and Social Change* (Jason Aronson, 1995).



Anson is a small community in West Texas that few outside of the region had heard of prior to 1987 when a controversy over a city ordinance banning dancing erupted onto the national stage. I spent two years travelling to Anson for what was my first psychoanalytic ethnography. The book helps us understand the underlying social currents that were at work in Anson in a post-Civil Rights era.

Documentary film: *Looking North: Mexican Images of Immigration* (2006, TRT: 30-minutes) In *Looking North I* explore the complex views of Mexicans who remain in Mexico regarding the phenomenon of immigration to the United States. I have used this film as a platform for presentations and discussions about immigration in a variety of settings.

Publications and Talks Related to Immigration and Latino/a Psychology

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Immigration/Latino/a Psychology Talks

"Latino Immigration, Hate Crimes and Other Anti-Latino Violence", Latinos and the Death Penalty, University of Texas Law School, April, 2015

"Hate Crimes, Scapegoating, and Latino Undocumented Communities", National Multicultural Conference and Summit, Atlanta, January 2015

"Culture, Psyche, and Working with Latinos", Capital Area Psychological Association. Austin, October 2014.

"Immigration and Mental Health", Texas Tribune Symposium on Mental Health, San Antonio, August 2013

"Language, Dislocation, and Mourning: Macro and Micro Aggressions in the Immigrant's Experience", Annual Meeting of The APA Division of Psychoanalysis, Santa Fe, April 2012

"Trends and Challenges on the US Border, Psychological Factors Influencing Immigration", LBJ School for Public Affairs, University of Texas, March 2011

"The Psychology of the Immigrant Experience", University of Texas Forum Lecture, January 2010

"Immigration, Psychoanalysis, and the Creation of the Other", Intersession course, San Francisco Psychoanalytic Institute, April 2008

"Social Class and Its Reproduction in the Immigrant's Construction of Self", Annual Meetings of The Division of Psychoanalysis, April, 2009

"Immigration and the Changing American Landscape: Regional Workshop", sponsored by YWCA, El Paso, Texas, January 2008

"Legitimizing Intolerance: Psychological and Political Perspectives on Migration and Racism", International Association of Relational Psychoanalysis, Athens, Greece, July 2007

"The Immigrant Experience: Lives Shaped by those Left Behind", YWCA Corpus Christi, May 2007

"Looking North: Mexican Images of Immigration and the Social Imaginary", Center for Mexican American Studies & Harry Ransom Center, University of Texas at Austin, December 2006

"Immigration and the Immigrant Experience", San Antonio, Texas, November, 2006

"Mexican Immigration to the US: Gender, Women and Independence?" Center for Mexican American Studies, Mexican Center, College of Liberal Arts, Panel member, University of Texas at Austin, September, 2006

"Immigrant Perspectives and Those they've Left Behind", Keynote speaker, workshop sponsored by the YWCA of Greater Austin, July 2006

"The Immigrant's Journey: Implications for School Social Work", Keynote speaker, Social Workers Making a Difference Conference, February, 2006

"Looking North: Mexican Images of Immigration", Linneae Terrarum, International Borders Conference, El Paso/Ciudad Juarez Mexico March, 2006

"Mexican Images of Immigration", American Psychological Association's Expert Conference on Immigration, February, 2006

"Documentary Analysis of Immigration, Crime, and Desegregation in the United States and Mexico", Center for Latino Policy Research, UC at Berkeley, October, 2005

"Mexico: Independence and the Future", Center for Mexican American Studies and
Institute of Latin American Studies, Austin, September, 2005

"Social Change, Assimilation, Issues of Identity", U.S. Latino & Latina WWII
Project/Summer Workshop, Austin, Texas (August 2002)