

Julio Adrián Cedillo

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EDUCATION

- 2026 **University of California, Berkeley**
B.A. in Sociology
Thesis: *Going Rogue: Latino Political Identities and Racial Boundaries in a Non-Partisan Military*
Advisor: Michael Rodríguez-Muñiz, Ph.D.
**Selected for the 2026 ASA Honors Program*
- 2023 **San Diego City College**
A.A.-T. in Sociology (High Honors)
A.A. in Chicana/o Studies (High Honors)
A.A. in Social & Behavioral Sciences (High Honors)

RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

Citizenship; Immigration; Latino Militarism; Military Sociology; Political Sociology; Race & Ethnicity; Du Boisian Sociology; Postcolonial Sociology; Power & the State; Surveillance; Disinformation & Extremism; Social Theory

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- University of California, Berkeley**, Berkeley Interdisciplinary Migration Initiative Mar 2026–Aug 2026
Undergraduate Research Analyst | Supervisor: Stephanie L. Canizales, Ph.D. Berkeley, CA
“Supporting Bay Area Immigrant Families through Community-Engaged Research and Practice”
- Conducted academic and policy research by locating, evaluating, and synthesizing scholarly literature, government documents, and federal policies on immigration; authored a policy brief examining military-based immigration protections and pathways to legal status.
 - Maintained BIMI’s public scholarship database and digital resource library while conducting targeted outreach through Candid.org to public interest legal groups and Bay Area nonprofits to expand access to research resources and strengthen community partnerships.
- University of California, Berkeley**, Department of Sociology Sep 2025–May 2026
Undergraduate Research Lead | Principal Investigator: Armando Lara-Millán, Ph.D. Berkeley, CA
“Ideas and The Return of the Real Economy”
- Built a comprehensive Excel database of investment firms and contrarian portfolio managers by sourcing data from niche financial forums and public disclosures; compiled company locations, contact information, and archived investor letters and quarterly reports in a structured, chronologically linked format.
 - Conducted qualitative analysis of investor communications to identify key macroeconomic themes (including inflation, energy prices, and liquidity cycles), highlighting high-relevance reports and supporting targeted outreach to selected managers.
- University of California, Berkeley**, Haas Scholars Program Jun 2025–May 2026
Undergraduate Research Fellow | Advisor: Michael Rodríguez-Muñiz, Ph.D. Berkeley, CA
“Going Rogue: Latino Political Identities and Racial Boundaries in a Non-Partisan Military”
- Conducting a study under the mentorship of Professor Michael Rodríguez-Muñiz on the political identity and preferences of Latino military service members in the United States.
 - Designed and led a qualitative, interview-based research project examining how military service shapes political attitudes among Latino soldiers; developed research protocols, recruited participants, and conducted in-person and virtual interviews.

University of California, Berkeley, Latinx Research Center
Research Assistant | Principal Investigator: Armando Lara-Millán, Ph.D.
 Sep 2024–Aug 2025
 Berkeley, CA

“The Firm That Predicted the Future and the Birth of a New Global Economy”

- Performed data cleaning in Stata, managed multiple datasets, averaged 5000 earnings calls from S&P 500 companies in the energy and materials sector, and ensured comprehensive coverage across fiscal years (2005-2024) to extract key insights.
- Developed and maintained a website using HTML and CSS, providing interviewees and researchers with clear information on project details and objectives.
 - <https://juliocedillo.github.io/neweconomy/>

University of California, Berkeley, Miller Scholars Program
Undergraduate Research Fellow | Mentor: Julio Salas, M.A.
 Aug 2023–Aug 2024
 Berkeley, CA

“The Weaponization of Latinidad: Exclusion from Latinx Student Associations and the Future of Panethnicity”

- Conducted in-depth interviews and qualitative coding of Latinx student organizations to analyze how different interpretations of Latinidad are utilized to both include and exclude members within campus communities.
- Examined the impact of Latinx student organizations' definitions of Latinidad on panethnic solidarity, identifying how racial, cultural, and national variations shape group dynamics and perceptions of belonging within the broader Latino community on campus.

San Diego Miramar College, Honors Program
Independent Researcher | Advisor: Laura Pecenco, Ph.D.
 Sep 2022–Dec 2022
 San Diego, CA

“Not So Sweet: Expanded Social Stress in New Diabetics”

- Conducted digital ethnographies of online diabetic support groups to explore how low-income individuals navigate resources and assimilate into a medical lifestyle.
- Analyzed the relationship between income and insulin usage through regression modeling ($r = -0.82$), revealing a significant inverse correlation between income and the number of insulin units prescribed, disadvantaging low-income diabetics with rising medication costs.
 - $[30.907203 - 0.00022383453(\text{Income}) = \text{Predicted Units Usage}]$

San Diego City College, Honors Program
Independent Researcher | Advisor: Sarah Pitcher, Ph.D.
 Sep 2022–Dec 2022
 San Diego, CA

“The Siren’s Song: Starbucks Partners Under Capitalism”

- Conducted qualitative interviews with Starbucks partners during a nationwide unionization movement to explore the intersection of technology, labor control, consumerism, and capitalism, utilizing Marxist theory, Arlie Hochschild’s emotional labor theory, and George Ritzer’s McDonaldization framework to analyze the effects of corporate practices on workers' experiences and motivations for unionization.
- Analyzed internal company documents and partner testimonies to investigate the impacts of corporate surveillance, customer expectations, and emotional labor, offering insights into the dehumanizing effects of automation and corporate control in the fast-food industry.

AWARDS AND HONORS

2026	American Sociological Association Honors Program
2024	Alpha Kappa Delta
2023	Dean’s List, San Diego City College
2023	High Honors, San Diego Community College District

2023	Transfer Semifinalist, Jack Kent Cooke Foundation
2023	Psi Beta
2022	Phi Theta Kappa

FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

2026-27	Institute for Recruitment of Teachers, Phillips Academy, Andover
2026	Center for Right-Wing Studies Undergraduate Mini-Grant, University of California, Berkeley
2025-26	Faculty Mentored Undergraduate Research Fellowship, University of California, Berkeley
2025-26	Haas Scholars Program, University of California, Berkeley
2024-25	Faculty Mentored Undergraduate Research Fellowship, University of California, Berkeley
2023-25	Miller Scholars Program, University of California, Berkeley
2023	Extended Opportunity Programs and Services Grant, San Diego City College

PUBLICATIONS

202X	Cedillo, Julio Adrián. 202X. "False Promises: Military Service, the Promise of Family Unity, and Immigrant Insecurity, 2002-2026." <i>BIMI Policy Brief Series</i> . Berkeley, CA: Berkeley Interdisciplinary Migration Initiative. [Under Review]
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CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2026	Cedillo, Julio Adrián. "Going Rogue: Latino Political Identities and Racial Boundaries in a Non-Partisan Military." The 121st Annual American Sociological Association, Honors Program Undergraduate Roundtable: Latine and Palestinian Narratives, New York, NY.
2026	Cedillo, Julio Adrián. "Going Rogue: The Military and the Rise of the Right Latino." The 97th Annual Pacific Sociological Association, Undergraduate Roundtable: Latinx Sociology II, Long Beach, CA.
2026	Lara-Millán, Armando, Julio Adrián Cedillo. "Ideas and The Return of the Real Economy." Latinx Research Center Faculty-Mentored Undergraduate Research Fellowship Colloquium, Berkeley, CA.
2026	Cedillo, Julio Adrián. "Going Rogue: The Military and the Rise of the Right Latino." The Haas Scholars Annual Undergraduate Research Conference, Berkeley, CA.
2025	Cedillo, Julio Adrián. "The Firm that Predicted the Future and the Birth of a New Global Economy." Latinx Research Center Faculty-Mentored Undergraduate Research Fellowship Colloquium, Berkeley, CA.
2024	Cedillo, Julio Adrián. "The Weaponization of Latinidad: Exclusion from Latinx Student Associations and the Future of Panethnicity." The Miller Scholars Annual Research Colloquium, Berkeley, CA.
2023	Cedillo, Julio Adrián. "Not So Sweet: Expanded Social Stress in New Diabetics." The San Diego City College Annual Student Project & Research Symposium, San Diego, CA.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- 2025-26 GOLD Fee Advisory Committee, Centers for Educational Equity & Excellence, University of California, Berkeley
- 2025 Latinx Thriving Initiative Advisory Committee, Division of Equity & Inclusion, University of California, Berkeley
- 2024-25 Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, Department of Sociology, University of California, Berkeley

MENTORING EXPERIENCE

- 2024 Miller Scholars Program, Peer Mentor, University of California, Berkeley
- Chloe Williams, Rhetoric
 - Serafin Andrade, Sociology
- 2024 Raíces Transfer Student Program, UC Application Mentor, University of California, Berkeley
- Michelle Romero, San Diego City College

RESEARCH SOFTWARE SKILLS

Microsoft Excel, MAXQDA, R (basic), Stata (basic)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- 2026— Veterans Studies Association
- 2024— Pacific Sociological Association
- 2023— American Sociological Association
- *First-Generation and Working-Class Sociologists Community*
 - *Political Sociology Section*
 - *International Migration Section*
 - *Latina/o Sociology Section*
 - *Theory Section*

LANGUAGES

English (Native proficiency)
Spanish-Mexican (Native proficiency)
Portuguese-Brazilian (A1)