THE LIVES AND POLITICS OF LATINAS IN THE UNITED STATES:
A SELECTIVE BIBLIOGRAPHY

This bibliography lists books, chapters from books, articles, pamphlets, dissertations, and theses for the study of the lives and politics of Latinas in the U.S. -- Chicanas, Cubanas, Puertorriqueñas, and women from Central and South America. Only English-language materials published since 1970 have been included. As sources are very hard to come by (particularly for Cubanas, Puertorriqueñas, and women from Central and South America), politics has been interpreted in the broadest possible sense -- to include the politics of the domestic as well as the public sphere. Available sources on Latina women are often included even if not specifically on politics, and sources on politics are in some cases listed even if offering little specifically on women. This bibliography must be viewed, then, as just a beginning, hopefully an impetus to the further research that is needed on Latina politics in the U.S.

LATINAS: GENERAL WORKS


Twenty-six out of the 50 Latin American and Caribbean workers interviewed were women.


From a 1976 conference drawing Chicanas, Dominicanas, Cubanas, and Puertorriqueñas. Includes "The Lack of Political Involvement of Hispanic Women As It Relates to Their Educational Background and Occupational Opportunities" (Polly Baca Barragán); "Impediments to Hispanic Women Organizing" (Theresa Aragón Shepro).
Divisions between and commonalities of the Latina and Anglo feminist communities.


Includes writings by Chicanas, Puerto Rican women, and women from Brazil, Chile, and Cuba.


Includes announcement of the 1980 National Hispanic Feminist Conference and profiles of Hispanics active in politics and of the National Conference of Puerto Rican Women (NCOPRW).

"The Hispanic Woman in America" (thematic issue). La Luz 6, no.11 (November 1977).
Includes articles on Mexican-American women, Puerto Rican women, Hispanic women in general, along with several individual profiles.

Articles on women in politics, in the professions, as farmworkers, the sexual revolution, the women's movement, and relationships of Latino men and women.

Includes writings of Chicanas, Puerto Rican and Cuban women.

Includes chapters on Third World women, Chicanas, and Puerto Rican women.

Includes report on the Houston Women's Conference and an article on Hispanic women and social change.

Third Woman. v.1, no.1, Fall 1981-. Norma Alarcón, ed. Semiannual.
A forum for creative and critical work by and about Hispanic and Third World women.

CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICAN WOMEN IN THE UNITED STATES


On the new "underground railroad" -- the sanctuary movement. Not specifically on women.


"...to bridge the distance between women in exile and their sisters...."


**CHICANAS**


Women of the United Farm Workers' (UFW) Boycott.


Includes extended interviews with Jessie López de la Cruz, organizer for the United Farm Workers (UFW).


See especially: "Chicanas and Power"; "Feminism as We See It"; "Among the Feminists: Racist and Classist Issues."


See especially: "La Chicana Today: Posture and Accomplishments"; "¿Qué Sere?...Siendo Chicana? La Chicana and the Future."


Essays on women of the conquest, Chicana history, feminism, Anglo relations, socioeconomic conditions in the U.S.


This includes the text of Diosa y Hembra with an additional bibliography.


Interviews with 21 Hispanics cover "efforts to cope with discrimination" and "dedication to social change," among other topics.


"La Hispana" (thematic issue). Agenda (National Council of La Raza) 7, no.6 (November/December 1977).


Literature review includes machismo and women's roles. Personal histories of five Mexican-American women.


Based on a survey of the relationship of class and ideology.


See especially: "Symbolic Strategies for Change: A Discussion of the Chicana Women's Movement" (Terry Mason); "Feminism: The Chicana and the Anglo Versions; A Historical Analysis" (Martha Cotera).


See especially: "Chicana Feminism."


Includes: "Lives of Chicana Activists: The Chicano Student Movement (A Case Study)" (Patricia Hernández); "Toward a Democratic Women's Movement in the United States" (Roxanne Dunbar Ortiz); "Women at Farah: An Unfinished Story" (Laurie Coyle, et al.); "I'm Talking for Justice" (Maria Moreno).


Poetry, essays, short stories.


Politics of disability from the perspective of a Latina artist and single parent.


Includes: "The Role of the Chicana Within the Student Movement" (Sonia Lopez); "Chicana History: A Review of the Literature" (Judith Sweeney).


Screenplay of a film depicting a strike in the early 1950s (primarily by Mexican-American workers) against a New Mexico mine, and of the pivotal role played by women in the strike.

"Women of 'La Raza' Unite!" Ms. (December 1972): 128-129.


CUBANAS


Casal, a psychology professor at Rutgers, writes of her Afro-Chinese ancestry in Cuba, and of her search for her identity after leaving the mulatto culture of Cuba for the United States in the '60s.


The author finds that increased labor force participation among Cuban women immigrants has not significantly altered their traditional subordination to the needs of the family.


The author hypothesizes that opposition to change in sex roles following the Cuban Revolution was one factor motivating departure of male exiles.


Interview with a lesbian Cuban exile.


Based on interviews with lesbian Cuban exiles in the refugee center at Fort Indiantown Gap, Pennsylvania.

The author writes of her return to Cuba after 17 years with a group of 55 children of "exilados."

------------- "What's the ERA and Why Are They Saying These Terrible Things About It?" Nuestro 4, no.9 (December 1980): 18-19.


Study of how exile has affected the Cuban family and the Cuban woman's position within the family.


Based on an interview with two lesbian Cuban exiles in Seattle.

PUERTORRIQUEÑAS


Shows that labor market conditions -- rather than education and fertility -- are the most important factors in intercity variations in Puerto Rican women's labor force participation.


Personal histories of Puerto Rican young people, including five women.


Background reading; nothing specifically on Puerto Rican women. See also Puerto Rican Politics in New York City by James Jennings (University Press of America, 1977).


Looks at immigrant women living in the U.S. to see to what extent they have become politicized, and whether politicization has led to feminism.


Proceedings of the fourth annual meeting of the National Conference of Puerto Rican Women (NACOPRW). Selected speeches and statements about the situation of Puerto Rican women in the U.S.


About the famous Puerto Rican nationalist's refusal to compromise politically to obtain her freedom after 25 years in prison.


Journal account of an effort to establish a community of women of color on the land, by a Puerto Rican lesbian.

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"Womyn and Colour: A Puerto Rican Dyke Examines Her Roots." off our backs IX, no.6 (June 1979): 9, 11.


Includes: "Survival of Puerto Rican Women in New York Before World War II" (Virginia Sánchez Korrol); and "Work and Family: The Recent Struggle of Puerto Rican Females" (Rosemary Santana Cooney and Alice Colón).


Profile of a Puerto Rican woman living on welfare in NYC; originally appeared in the New Yorker.


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On the meeting of Haydée Torres, alleged member of the F.A.L.N., and Lolita Lebrón, Puerto Rican nationalist, at Torres' trial (following Lebrón's own release from prison).
STATISTICAL PORTRAITS, BIBLIOGRAPHIES, AND REVIEWS OF THE LITERATURE


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