**Dr. Larisa Veloz** is the recipient of the 2017 Harold N. Glassman Distinguished Dissertation Award in the Humanities for her dissertation, “‘Even the Women Are Leaving,’ Gendered Migrations Between Mexico and the United States: Revolutionary Diasporas, Depression-Era Depatriations, and Wartime Bracero Controls, 1900-1950,” which she defended, with Distinction, in 2015. She was mentored by Professor John Tutino.

Drawing on oral historical investigation and sources from the national archives of the U.S. and Mexico, Jalisco state archives, and the Mexican National Institute of Migration, Dr. Veloz’ dissertation examines how Mexican families—and especially women—experienced migration and binational living during the years 1900-1950. Through careful archival work, she is able to trace the multiple border crossings of entire families throughout the first half of the twentieth century, and highlight its effects on families and female migrants, examining citizenship, exclusionary boarder policies, and the separations and reunifications of binational families. Her advisor, Dr. Tutino, states that by using a gendered and female-focused vision, her dissertation “recast our understanding of the first half-century of Mexican Migration to the U.S.”

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