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***Now We Are Here: Family Migration, Children's Education,
and Dreams for a Better Life***

Tuesday, March 3, 2026 | 12:00PM - 1:30PM Pacific Time
Will be held in person (Reading Room, 3340 Moore Hall) and via Zoom

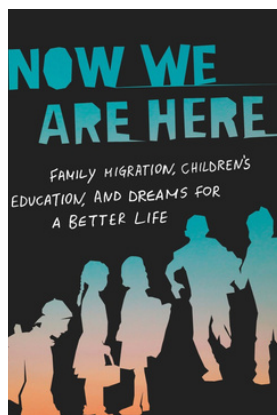


Gabrielle Oliveira

Gabrielle Oliveira is an anthropologist of education whose research examines immigration, mobility, and family life across borders, with a focus on children's education, gender, and transnationalism in the Americas. She is the author of *Motherhood Across Borders* (NYU Press), winner of the Erickson and Hornberger Book Award and the Council on Anthropology and Education's Book of the Year Award, and *Now We Are Here: Family Migration, Children's Education, and Dreams for a Better Life* (Stanford University Press). Oliveira's ethnographic work spans multiple countries and centers on immigrant children and families navigating educational systems, including dual language programs. A Radcliffe Fellow (2024–2025), she is currently working on a third book based on research with immigrant children in public schools in northern Brazil.



**Discussant: Marjorie Elaine (Professor, Graduate
School of Education and Information Studies,
UCLA)**



Each day, families around the world make the difficult decision to leave their homes in search of safety, stability, and opportunity. For many migrant families, this search centers on access to strong, caring, and equitable educational systems that enable children to flourish. *Now We Are Here* follows the lives of 16 migrant families from Brazil, El Salvador, Guatemala, and Honduras as they navigate the promises and challenges of the American education system. Drawing on immersive ethnographic research in homes and schools from 2018 to 2021, Gabrielle Oliveira offers an intimate portrait of these families' experiences. She weaves together stories of parental sacrifice, children's educational and migration journeys, and educators' responses to trauma—all shaped by the additional disruption of the COVID-19 pandemic.

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