This talk addresses the transnational experience of Central American women in the workforce. With migration and gender at the center of the conversation, the presentation explores the ways Central American women laborers are perceived at local and international spaces. The research for this presentation is inspired by Castillo's experience raised by four Guatemalan women and as a first-generation Guatemalan American from Los Angeles. As the first in her family to enter the university, her talk will discuss how she entered the field of research, how she conceptualizes herself in her work, and reflects on the experiences of the Central American diaspora in relation to the larger Latin American region.

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