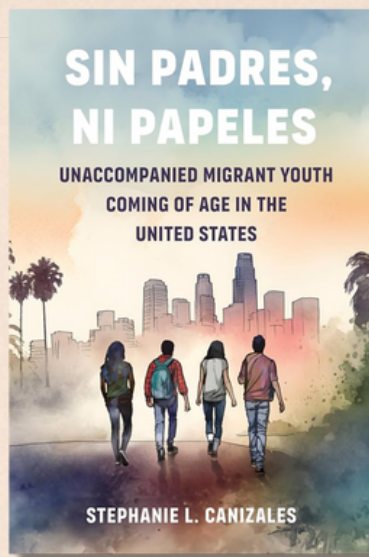




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Stephanie specializes in the study of international migration and immigrant integration, with particular interest in the experiences of Latin American migrants in the United States. Over the last decade, Stephanie has focused her work on the migration and coming-of-age of unaccompanied children from Central America and Mexico in Los Angeles, California. Throughout her research and writing, Stephanie explores the role of immigration policy in shaping the everyday lives of migrant children and their families, how immigrants and the communities they arrive to (re)make one another mutually, and the meanings immigrants make of success and wellbeing within an increasingly unequal US society. Stephanie's first book, *Sin Padres, Ni Papeles*, takes on many of these issues.

Born and raised in Los Angeles, California, Stephanie is the daughter of Salvadoran immigrants whose experiences growing up as unaccompanied youth in Los Angeles motivate her commitment to public scholarship. Stephanie's research has appeared in the New York Times, the Atlantic, and the Los Angeles Times, among other outlets. She also uses her expertise on these issues to inform policy through her work as a Resident Scholar with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and a Research Consultant at UNICEF.



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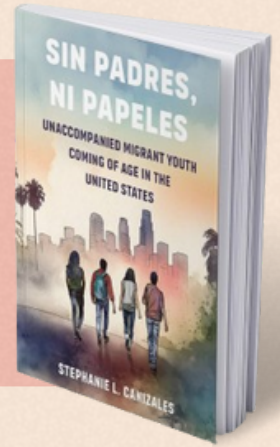
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"Sin Padres, Ni Papeles illuminates the challenges and adaptations these young people face, offering a compelling call to reexamine our policies and attitudes toward these most vulnerable members of our society. A must-read!" —**Carola Suárez-Orozco, Harvard Graduate School of Education**

"Canizales develops a deeply engaging portrait of her participants to provide a sobering account of the lives of unaccompanied Central American minors who are aging into adulthood without the support of parent-led households or K-12 schools." —**Laura E. Enriquez, author of *Of Love and Papers: How Immigration Policy Affects Romance and Family***

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"Written with passion and precision, this pathbreaking book is a must-read for students and scholars, as well as policymakers and legislators." —**Pierrette Hondagneu-Sotelo, coauthor of *South Central Dreams: Finding Home and Community in South L.A.***

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Each year, thousands of youth endure harrowing unaccompanied and undocumented migrations across Central America and Mexico to the United States in pursuit of a better future. Drawing on the firsthand narratives of migrant youth in Los Angeles, California, Stephanie L. Canizales shows that while a lucky few do find reprieve, many are met by resource-impooverished relatives who are unable to support them, exploitative jobs that are no match for the high cost of living, and individualistic social norms that render them independent and alone. *Sin Padres, Ni Papeles* illuminates how unaccompanied teens who grow up as undocumented low-wage workers navigate unthinkable material and emotional hardship, find the agency and hope that is required to survive, and discover what it means to be successful during the transition to adulthood in the United States.