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Curriculum Vitae
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Education

- 2015 Ph.D., Department of History, New York University
2003 Master of International Affairs, Columbia University
2002 B.A., Department of Political Science, Barnard College

Professional Appointments

- 2018– Assistant Professor, Sociology, Johns Hopkins University
2017–2018 WIGH Fellow, Weatherhead Research Cluster on Global Transformations,
Harvard University
2017–2018 Assistant Research Professor of Sociology, Johns Hopkins University
2015–2017 Assistant Professor of History and International Studies, Rowan University

Publications

Manuscript

Revolution in Development: Mexico and the Governance of the Global Economy (under contract, University of California Press).

Articles

- 2018 “A Mexican International Economic Order? Tracing the Hidden Roots of the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States,” *Humanity: An International Journal of Human Rights, Humanitarianism, and Development* (accepted November 2016).

Chapters

- Forthcoming, “‘Mexico Has the Theories’: Latin America and the Invention of Development in the 1930s,” in *The Development Century: A Global History*, Stephen Macekura and Erez Manela, eds. (New York: Cambridge).
- 2017 “Voice and Vote for the Weaker Nations: Mexico’s Bretton Woods,” in *Bretton Woods: Global Perspectives on the Conference and the Post-War World Order*, G. Scott-Smith and J. Simon Rofe, eds. (New York: Palgrave MacMillan).

Review Essays

Forthcoming, "Responding to a Revolution: The 'Mexican Question' in the United States," *A Companion to U.S. Foreign Policy, Colonial Era to the Present*, Chris Dietrich, ed. (Hoboken: Wiley-Blackwell).

2016 Review of Alan McPherson and Yannick Wehrli, *Beyond Geopolitics: New Histories of Latin America at the League of Nations* (Albuquerque: University of New Mexico Press, 2015), H-Diplo, May 2016. <https://www.h-net.org/reviews/showrev.php?id=45758>

Articles

Popular publications include opinion and analysis pieces in the *Washington Post*, *New York Times* "Room for Debate," *Al Jazeera*, *The Nation*, and *NACLA Report on the Americas*, among others.

Edited Volumes

2009 Co-editor, *Real World Latin America: A Contemporary Economics and Social Policy Reader* (Boston: Dollars & Sense).

2005 Co-editor, *The Development Imperative: Toward a People-Centered Approach* (New York: Social Science Research Council).

Fellowships and Awards

2017 Fellowship, Weatherhead Research Cluster on Global Transformations, Harvard University

2017 Mellon Fellowship in Comparative Revolutions, Brandeis University (*declined*)

2016 Rowan University Frances R. Lax Award for Faculty Development

2015 Lewis Hanke Postdoctoral Award, Conference on Latin American History (CLAH)

2014 American Council of Learned Societies (ACLS)/Mellon Foundation Dissertation Completion Fellowship

2014 NYU GSAS Mellon Foundation Dissertation Completion Fellowship (*declined*)

2013 The History Project, Harvard Center for History and Economics/Institute for New Economic Thinking Dissertation Research Grant

2013 NYU Department of History Dissertation Research Grant

2012 Social Science Research Council (SSRC) International Dissertation Research Fellowship

2012 NYU GSAS Pre-doctoral Research Grant

2012 Society of Historians of American Foreign Relations (SHAFR) Samuel Flagg Bemis Dissertation Research Grant

2011 Mellon Foundation Pre-Dissertation Research Grant

2010 Barnard College Alumnae Association Fellowship

2001 Harry S. Truman Scholarship

Invited Talks

- 2017 Yale University, Council of Iberian and Latin American Studies, “Revolution in Development: Mexico and the Governance of the Global Economy.”
- 2017 Temple University, Center for the Study of Force and Diplomacy: “Neoliberalism and the Narco-State: The Political Economy of U.S.-Mexican Relations Today.”
- 2017 Tamiment Library Cold War Seminar: “Not Just Rights, but Duties: Mexico and the New International Economic Order.”
- 2017 Johns Hopkins University, Department of Sociology: “Revolution in Development: Mexico and the Governance of the Global Economy.”
- 2017 The New School for Social Research, Janey Program in Latin American Studies: “Revolution in Development: Mexico and the Governance of the Global Economy.”
- 2015 University of California, Los Angeles, Center for Social Theory and Comparative History: “Mexico: Popular Resistance, the Narco-State, and the U.S.”
- 2014 Baruch College, Department of History: “‘A New Legal and Philosophic Conception of Credit’: The International Impact of Mexico’s Vision of Debt, Finance and Development in the 1930s.”

Select Conference Presentations

- 2018 The United States and Global Capitalism in the Twentieth Century Conference, Fordham University, New York, NY: “‘Give Them a Share’: The Latin American Origins of Development in the United States.”
- 2018 American Historical Association (AHA) Annual Meeting/Conference on Latin American History, Washington, DC: Roundtable Presentation: “Economic Sovereignty and the Decolonization Divide.”
- 2017 Harvard University, Weatherhead Initiative on Global History Seminar, “A Mexican New International Economic Order?”
- 2017 Global Histories of Capital: New Perspectives on the Global South Conference, New York University, New York, NY: “‘Taking Seriously the Needs and Wishes of the Debtor Countries’: Mexican Advocacy for International Development in the 1930s.”
- 2017 Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations (SHAFR), Annual Meeting, Arlington, VA: Roundtable presentation, “Economic Sovereignty, the Third World, and U.S. Foreign Relations.”
- 2017 American Historical Association (AHA) Annual Meeting/Conference on Latin American History, Denver, CO: “‘Taking Seriously the Needs and Wishes of the Debtor Countries’: Mexican Interwar Advocacy for International Development.”
- 2016 Histories of Capitalism 2.0, Cornell University History of Capitalism Initiative Conference, Ithaca, NY: “‘Mexico has the Theories’: Debt, Finance, and Development in the 1930s.”
- 2016 Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations (SHAFR) Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA: “A Mexican New International Economic Order?”

- 2016 Latin American Studies Association (LASA) Annual Meeting, New York, NY: “Mexico's Influence on New Deal Conceptions of Debt, Credit and Development.”
- 2016 Seminario Internacional: América Latina y el Internacionalismo Ginebrino de Entreguerras, Universidad Michoacana San Nicolas de Allende, Morelia, Mexico: “‘Voz y voto para los países débiles’: México en Bretton Woods.”
- 2015 Latin American Studies Association (LASA) Annual Meeting, San Juan, Puerto Rico: Roundtable: “Reevaluating Economic ‘Turning Points’ in 20th Century Latin America.”
- 2014 The UN and the Post-War Global Order: Bretton Woods in Perspective, Roosevelt Study Center Conference, Middelburg, Netherlands: “Mexico at Bretton Woods: Postwar Planning and the Influence of the United States’ Southern Neighbor.”
- 2014 Tepoztlán Institute for Transnational History of the Americas, Tepoztlán, Mexico: “Post-War Planning from the South: Mexico Comes to Bretton Woods.”
- 2014 Society of Historians of American Foreign Relations (SHAFR) Annual Meeting, Lexington, KY: “‘A New Legal and Philosophic Conception of Credit’: Economic Development from the Inter-American Bank to Bretton Woods.”
- 2014 American (Inter)Dependencies, New Perspectives on Capitalism and Empire, 1898-1959, Conference at New York University: “Debt, Trade and Reciprocity: Competing Visions for the Hemispheric Economy at the 1933 Montevideo Conference.”
- 2014 Works in Progress in Latin American Society and History (WiPLASH), New York: “‘A New Legal and Philosophic Conception of Credit’: Mexico, the Inter-American Bank, and the Origins of Multilateral Development.”
- 2014 American History Association (AHA) Annual Meeting/Conference on Latin American History, Washington, DC: “‘A New Legal and Philosophic Conception of Credit’: Mexico’s Vision of Debt, Finance and Development in the 1930s.”
- 2013 Society of Historians of American Foreign Relations (SHAFR) Annual Meeting, Arlington, VA: “Sovereignty, Property Rights, and (Inter)Nationalism: Mexico Crashes Versailles.”
- 2012 Latin American Studies Association (LASA) Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA: “Mexico comes to Bretton Woods: Multilateral Liberalism, Development, and Empire.”
- 2012 Society of Historians of American Foreign Relations (SHAFR) Annual Meeting, Hartford, CT: “Mexico comes to Bretton Woods: Multilateral Liberalism, Development, and Empire.”

Session Chair & Comment

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- 2018 American Historical Association (AHA) Annual Meeting, Washington, DC: Comment for panel “Spain, Latin America, and the Trans-Atlantic Cold War.”
- 2017 Tamiment Library Cold War Seminar: Comment on Eric Zolov, "Flirting with Neutralism: The Spirit of Bandung in Mexican National Politics, 1960-1961"
- 2017 American Historical Association (AHA) Annual Meeting/Conference on Latin American History, Denver, CO: Comment for the panel “Transnational Perspectives on the Making of 20th Century Latin American Nationalisms.”

- 2016 Society of Historians for American Foreign Relations (SHAFR) Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA: Chair and comment for panel “Economic History in Alliances and Empires.”

Events & Sessions Organized

- 2018 “Roundtable: Historical Perspectives on Sovereignty in the Americas,” Roundtable at the Panel at the American Historical Association (AHA) Annual Meeting/Conference on Latin American History, Washington, DC
- 2017 “Mexico on the World Economic Stage,” Panel at the American Historical Association (AHA) Annual Meeting/Conference on Latin American History, Denver, CO
- 2016 “A conversation with Noam Chomsky on the 30th Anniversary of the Managua Lectures,” Panel at the Latin American Studies Association (LASA) Annual Meeting, New York, NY
- 2015 “Roundtable: Reevaluating Economic ‘Turning Points’ in 20th Century Latin America,” Panel at the Latin American Studies Association (LASA) Annual Meeting, San Juan, PR
- 2014 American (Inter)Dependencies: New Perspectives on Capitalism and Empire, 1898-1959, Conference at New York University, funded by a grant from the Humanities Initiative, co-organized with Joshua Frens-String and Augustine Sedgewick
- 2014 “Post-Depression Histories of Social Welfare in the Americas,” Panel at the Conference on Latin American History, American History Association (AHA)/Conference on Latin American History Annual Meeting, Washington, DC
- 2013 “Reciprocal Impact: Inter-American Capitalisms and U.S. Empire in the 20th Century,” Panel at the Society of Historians of American Foreign Relations (SHAFR) Annual Meeting, Arlington, VA
- 2012 “Inter-American System to World System: Some Economic Aspects of New Deal Diplomacy Reconsidered,” Panel at Latin American Studies Association (LASA) Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, co-organized with Joshua Frens-String
- 2012 “The Mexican Revolution, the United States, and the World: South-North Political and Intellectual Transfers, 1925-1945,” Panel at the Society of Historians of American Foreign Relations (SHAFR) Annual Meeting, Hartford, CT

Teaching

Certificate in Teaching and Learning, Graduate School of Arts and Science, NYU

- 2017 Senior Seminars in History, International Studies
- 2016 Introduction to International Studies
- 2016 History of Modern Latin America
- 2015 World History Since 1500: Trade, Commodities, and the History of Global Capitalism
- 2015 History of Colonial Latin America
- 2013 Resistance, Rebellion, and Revolution in Latin America
- 2012 Teaching Assistant: Cultures and Contexts: Brazil
- 2012 Graduate Assistant: Presidential Scholars Sophomore Research Seminar in Buenos Aires

Departmental, University, and Professional Service

- 2016– Manuscript reviewer: *International Politics; Humanity: An International Journal of Human Rights, Humanitarianism, and Development*; Historical Materialism Series, Brill
- 2015– Budget & Undergraduate Paper Committees, Department of History, Rowan University
- 2015 Member, Advisory Board, International Studies Program, Rowan University
- 2015 Program Track Co-chair, Latin American Studies Association, Area Studies: Critical and Historical Analysis Track
- 2015– Host, New Books in History and Latin American Studies Podcasts, New Books Network
- 2009– Member, Editorial Board, *NACLA Report on the Americas*
- 2009 Member, Latin American Studies Association Media Awards Committee

Other Professional Experience & Affiliations

Executive Director, North American Congress on Latin America (NACLA)
June 2005–September 2009, New York, NY

Program Coordinator, Program in Applied Economics, Social Science Research Council
June 2004–June 2005, New York, NY

Member: Latin American Studies Association; American Historical Association; Conference on Latin American History; Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations

Foreign Languages

Spanish (fluent, reading, writing, speaking)

Portuguese (proficient reading, writing, speaking)