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## EDUCATION

Stanford University  
PhD in History, June 2019

California State University, Fresno (CSUF)  
MA in History, August 2011

Santa Clara University (SCU)  
BA in History, June 2002

## BOOK PROJECT

### **Mexico's Other Revolution: Rural Technology, Environmental Change, and Transnational Migration**

My first book project explores how changes to the built and natural environments transformed rural mobility, space, and society in Mexico. I examine how the growth of rural industrialization/infrastructure and imaginaries of modernity intensified Mexican migrancy while altering landscapes, communities, and belonging. These processes informed racialized, gendered discourses that criminalized and restricted Mexican and Latino/a mobility in the US, ultimately denying both groups substantive citizenship rights while entrenching a culture of migration in Mexico.

## PUBLICATIONS

"The Communal Roots of Mexico's Maquila Industry: Urbanization, Land, and Inequality in Ciudad Juárez, 1960-2000." *Latin American Research Review*. [<https://doi.org/10.1017/lar.2024.35>]

"Migrant Flows: Hydraulic Infrastructure, Agricultural Industrialization, and Environmental Change in Western Mexico, 1940-64." *Environmental History* 26, no. 2 (April 2021): 231-254.

"Ejidos, Urbanization, and the Production of Inequality in Formerly Agricultural Lands, Guadalajara, Mexico, 1975-2020." *Land* 9, no. 12 (December 2020): 526. [co-author]

"The Bracero Program, 1942-1964: The Demise of the Mexican Revolution and Birth of the U.S. Immigration Crisis." Thesis. CSUF Division of Graduate Studies, 2011.

"The Geography of Extremism: The Role of Physical Place in the Ideologies of US Hate Groups, Separatist and Survivalist Communities, and Paramilitary Movements." *Historical Perspectives* [SCU] 7, no. 2 (Feb. 2002).

## GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS

Dean's Office Grant, College of Arts and Sciences, SCU	<b>AY 2023 – 2024</b>
Postdoctoral Dean's Fellow, School of Humanities and Sciences, Stanford	<b>AY 2020 – 2021</b>
Non-Senate Faculty Professional Development Grant, UC Santa Barbara	<b>AY 2019 – 2020</b>
Weter Dissertation Fellowship, Department of History, Stanford	<b>AY 2018 – 2019</b>
Fulbright U.S. Student Researcher Grant, Mexico (García Robles)	<b>AY 2017 – 2018</b>
Doctoral Program Fellowship, Department of History, Stanford	<b>AY 2013 – 2017</b>
Center for Latin American Studies Working Group Grant, Stanford	<b>AY 2014 – 2015</b>

## SELECT ACHIEVEMENTS

Best Graduate Essay, Canadian Association for Latin American and Caribbean Studies	<b>May 2017</b>
Centennial Teaching Assistant Award, School of Humanities and Sciences, Stanford	<b>June 2016</b>
University Qualifying Exam—Passed with Distinction, Department of History, Stanford	<b>May 2016</b>
Ernesto Galarza Prize for Excellence in Graduate Student Research, CCSRE, Stanford	<b>May 2015</b>
Outstanding Master's Thesis Award, College of Social Sciences, CSUF	<b>May 2012</b>
Phi Beta Kappa member, Pi Chapter of California, SCU	<b>June 2002</b>
Redwood Prize for Best Undergraduate Essay, History Department, SCU	<b>May 2001</b>

## CONFERENCE PAPERS

"Transportation Technologies, Denationalizing Discourses: Roads, Media and Citizenship in Western Mexico"  
Southeastern Council of Latin American Studies (SECOLAS) 2025 Meeting

**Mexico City**

**April 2025**

"Revolutionizing Rural Mobility: Technology, Engineers, and Modernity in Mexico, 1925-40"

American Historical Association (AHA) 2024 Meeting

**San Francisco, CA**

**January 2024**

"Revolutionizing Mobility: Rural Infrastructure and the Mexican State, 1925-1940,"

SECOLAS 2023 Meeting

**Antigua, Guatemala**

**March 2023**

"Ejidos, Sprawl, and the Production of Urban Inequality in Formerly Agricultural Lands"

Latin American Studies Association (LASA) 2021 Congress

**Virtual [pandemic]**

**May 2021**

"Constructing Technologies and Imaginaries of Mass Migration: The Case of Western Mexico"

History of Science Society 2018 Meeting

**Seattle, WA**

**November 2018**

"Constructing Technologies of Mass Migration: Lessons from Postwar Mexico"

Fulbright U.S. Student Regional Enhancement Seminar

**Ottawa, ON, Canada**

**March 2018**

"Migrant Flows: Irrigation and Transformation in Western Mexico, 1946-1964"

Canadian Association for Latin American and Caribbean Studies 2017 Congress

**Guelph, ON, Canada**

**June 2017**

"Migrant Flows: Irrigation and Transformation in Western Mexico, 1946-1964"

Rocky Mountain Conference for Latin American Studies 2017 Congress

**Salt Lake City, UT**

**April 2017**

"Paving the Way to an Emigrant Republic: Roads, Agriculture and Nation Building in Mexico, 1940-1964"

LASA 2016 Congress

**New York, NY**

**May 2016**

"Paving the Way to an Emigrant Republic: Roads, Agriculture and Nation Building in Mexico, 1940-1964"

University of California, Berkeley Latin American History Working Group

**Berkeley, CA**

**February 2016**

"Paving the Way to an Emigrant Republic: Roads, Agriculture and Nation Building in Mexico, 1940-1964"

*Intersections of Development in Latin America: Infrastructure & Building the Modern State* Symposium

**Stanford, CA**

**May 2015**

"The Bracero Program, 1942-1964: The Demise of the Mexican Revolution and Birth of the U.S.

Immigration Crisis," CSUF 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Graduate Student History Symposium

**Fresno, CA**

**May 2012**

"The Origin of the Mexican Revolution's Demise: World War II, the Bracero Program, and the Ávila Camacho Presidency," CSUF 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Graduate Student History Symposium  
**Fresno, CA** **May 2011**

"The Geography of Extremism: The Role of Physical Place in the Ideologies of U.S. Hate Groups, Separatist and Survivalist Communities, and Paramilitary Movements"  
 Northern CA Regional Phi Alpha Theta Conference at Pacific Union College  
**Angwin, CA** **May 2002**

"The Political, Social, and Religious Evolution of Indian Nationalism to 1920"  
 Lambda Upsilon Chapter's Phi Alpha Theta Conference, SCU  
**Santa Clara, CA** **April 2002**

## CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

"Marketing and Capitalism in Latin America and Its Impact in Rural and Urban Spaces,"  
 SECOLAS 2025 Meeting, Mexico City  
**Panel Chair** **2025**

"Reimagining Rural Landscapes, Building Modern(ist) States: Experts, Nature, and Nation in Twentieth-Century Latin America," AHA 2024 Meeting, San Francisco, CA  
**Panel Organizer** **2024**

LASA/Africa 2023: The first LASA Continental Congress in Africa  
 "África y América Latina: Diálogos y Conexiones," Accra, Ghana  
**Congress Attendee (in-person)** **2023**

"Incorporating Latin America and the Caribbean into the Teaching of Environmental History,"  
 Red de Estudios de Ciencias y Saberes en Latinoamérica y el Caribe, Portland, OR  
**Workshop Participant** **2023**

"A Genealogy of Afro-Asian Intimacy: From the Antebellum Era to the Present Day," Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, Genders and Sexualities, 2023: Celebrating the 50th Anniversary of the Big Berks! Santa Clara, CA  
**Panel Moderator** **2023**

"Transforming the Land, Building the State," SECOLAS 2023 Meeting, Antigua, Guatemala  
**Panel Organizer** **2023**

"Contesting Transnational Migrant Mobilities: Resettling Deportees, Building Roads, and Constructing Race in Mexico," LASA 2016 Congress, New York City  
**Panel Organizer** **2016**

"Intersections of Development in Latin America: Infrastructure and Building the Modern State,"  
 Stanford University Center for Latin American Studies, Stanford, CA  
**Symposium Coordinator** **2015**

"San José Youth Empowerment Seminar," Public Allies Silicon Valley, San José, CA  
**Seminar Co-organizer** **2003**

Northern California Regional Phi Alpha Theta Undergraduate History Conference,  
Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, CA

**Conference Coordinator**

**2001**

## TALKS & EXHIBITS

- Organizer, *U.S. Policy Towards Socialist Cuba*, talk by alternative journalists, SCU **November 2024**
- Curator, *Harvesting Mobility*, bracero history photo exhibit, SCU Library **March - May 2024**
- Organizer, Talk by Mark Arax (journalist & author of California history), SCU **February 2024**
- Invited Lecture, Center for Latin American Studies Lecture Series, Stanford **January 2023**
- Moderator, Dolores Huerta (UFW co-founder) talk, Stanford Speakers Bureau **November 2021**
- Class Lecture, Human Society & Environmental Change (HIST 103D), Stanford **October 2020**
- Invited Lecture, El Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas, Mexico City **April 2018**

## COURSES TAUGHT

### **Assistant Professor**

**2022 – Present**

Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, CA

- The Caribbean Since 1492 (HIST 163)
- Environmental Histories of Latin America (HIST 78)
- Latin American Mobilities: Colonial (HIST 11A)
- Latin American Mobilities: Modern (HIST 12A)
- Mexican Migration to the United States (HIST 63)
- Mexico Since 1876 (HIST 61/161)
- Latin America Since 1810 (HIST 95)

### **Lecturer**

**2012 – 2021**

Stanford University, Stanford, CA

- Caudillos & Dictators from Bolívar to Bolsonaro (HIST 273D)
- Mexico Since 1876 (HIST 74/174)
- Mexican Migration to the United States (HIST 73/173)

UC Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara, CA

- Twentieth-Century Latin America (HIST 151C)
- Historical Investigations: Methods and Skills (HIST 9)
- Undergraduate Research Seminar in Mexican History (HIST 156R)
- History of Mexico: Pre-Hispanic and Colonial Periods (HIST 156A)
- Introduction to Mexican History (HIST 56)

Fresno Pacific University, Fresno, CA

- Medieval & Early Modern Civilization (HIST 130)
- History of Mexico (HIST 412)

## ACADEMIC SERVICE

**Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society, Pi Chapter Committee Member**

**2024 – Present**

SCU College of Arts and Sciences

**Fulbright Campus Committee Internal Reviewer**

**2023 – Present**

SCU Office of Student Fellowships

**Fulbright Grant Evaluator**

Fulbright-García Robles (Mexico), History &amp; Social Sciences Panels

**2018 – Present****Ignatian Faculty Forum**

SCU faculty-led, university-wide leadership program

**AY 2024-2025****Insight Grant Evaluator**

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada

**January 2021****Advisory Committee Member, Chicano Studies Institute**

University of California, Santa Barbara

**AY 2019-2020****Social Sciences Representative, School of Humanities and Sciences**

Graduate Student Council, Associated Students of Stanford University

**AY 2018-2019****President**

Lambda Upsilon Chapter of Phi Alpha Theta History Honors Society, SCU

**AY 2001-2002****Mission Santa Clara Historical Tours**

Volunteer Public Tour Guide, SCU

**AYs 2000-2002****Committee Member**

History Club Executive Committee, SCU

**AYs 2000-2002****Vice-President**

Lambda Upsilon Chapter of Phi Alpha Theta, SCU

**AY 2000-2001****PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS (CURRENT & PAST)**

American Historical Association

Canadian Association for Latin American and Caribbean Studies

Conference on Latin American History

History of Science Society

Latin American Studies Association

Southeastern Council of Latin American Studies

**OTHER EXPERIENCE****Senior Promotions/Creative Services Producer**

KSEE NBC Television Inc., Fresno, CA

**October 2003 – January 2013**