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Curriculum Vitae—Fall 2024

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EDUCATION

- 2012 University of Texas at Austin. Ph.D. in Social/Cultural Anthropology
Graduate portfolio in Native American and Indigenous Studies.
- 2004 University of Texas at Austin. Master of Arts in Social/Cultural
Anthropology.
- 1999 University of California at Davis. Bachelor of Arts in International
Relations.

ACADMIC EMPLOYMENT

- 2024 Interim Chair, Department of Ethnic Studies, California State University
at San Bernardino.
- 2022-present Professor, Department of Anthropology, California State University at San
Bernardino.
- 2018-2022 Associate Professor, Department of Anthropology, California State
University at San Bernardino.
- 2012-2018 Assistant Professor, Department of Anthropology, California State
University at San Bernardino.
- 2010-2011 Instructor, Department of Anthropology, University of California at Davis.
Summer Session.

PUBLICATIONS

Single Authored Monograph

- 2022 *Pachamama Politics: Campesino Water Defenders and the Anti-Mining
Movement in Andean Ecuador* University of Arizona Press.

Refereed Articles

- 2023 “Refusing extraction: Unearthing the messiness of activist research” in *The Ethnographic Case* (2nd ed), edited by Emily Yates-Doerr and Christine Labuski, 233-244. London: Mattering Press.
- 2022 “Producing Ethical Water: Anti-mining activism and water conflicts over municipal water provisioning” *Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology* Vol. 27(4): 501- 629.
- 2019 “From Canadian Dragons to Pristine Páramos: Visual Strategies in the Campaign to Defend Ecuadorian Páramos from Gold Extraction” *Latin American and Latinx Visual Culture* Vol. 1 (4): 98-104.
- 2017 “Enacting Refusals: Mestiza Campesina Women’s Anti-Mining Activism in Andean Ecuador,” *Latin American and Caribbean Ethnic Studies* 12(3): 250-272.
- 2016 “Extractivism, Refusals, and the Mining of Failure.” *Somatosphere: Science, Medicine, and Anthropology*. Contribution to “The Ethnographic Case” series, edited by Emily Yates-Doerr and Christine Labuski.
- 2012 “The Science of Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR): Contamination and Conflict in Mining Project in the Southern Ecuadorian Highlands.” *Resources Policy* Vol. 37 (2): 233-240.

Book Chapters

- Forthcoming with Kirsten Francescone “Seeds in the hands of the people: Women’s agroecology schools and non-violent resistance to mining in Ecuador” in *The End of Extraction as We Know It? Learning from Extractive Resistance for Sustainable Futures*, edited by Chelsea Fairbank and Amy Janzwood.
- 2022 with Fabiana Li. “Water and conflict” in *Anthropology of Extraction* edited by Lorenzo D’Angelo and Robert Pijpers, 203-220. London: Routledge Press.
- 2021 “Tracing the political life of Kimsacocha: Conflicts over water and mining in Ecuador’s Southern Andes” in *Latin American Extractivism: Dependency, Resource Nationalism and Resistance in Broad Perspective*, edited by Steve

Ellner, 167-187. Rowman and Littlefield, Lanham, MD. (2018 publication with new research and writing)

- 2018 “Tracing the political life of Kimsacocha: Conflicts over water and mining in Ecuador’s Southern Andes.” *Latin American Perspectives*, Special Issue “Open Veins Reconsidered: Mapping the Social, Economic and Political Contours of Neo-Extractivism in Latin America,” edited by Nicole Fabricant. 45(5), 154-169.
- 2013 with Jennifer Moore. “Water for Gold: Confronting State and Corporate Mining Discourses in Azuay, Ecuador,” in *Subterranean Struggles: New Dynamics of Mining, Oil, and Gas in Latin America*, edited by Anthony Bebbington and Jeffrey Bury, 119-148. Austin: University of Texas Press.
- 2012 with Jennifer Moore. “La soberanía negociada: los movimientos anti-mineros, el estado y las empresas mineras multinacionales bajo el ‘Socialismo del Siglo XXI’ de Correa,” in *Industrias Extractivas: Conflicto Social y Dinámicas Institucionales en la Región Andina*, edited by Anthony Bebbington. Lima, Peru: IEP Instituto de Estudios Peruanos Press (Spanish reprint of 2011 publication)
- 2011 with Jennifer Moore. “Sovereignty Negotiated: Anti-mining movements, the State, and Multinational Mining Companies under Correa’s 21st Century Socialism,” in *Social Conflict, Economic Development and Extractive Industries: Evidence from South America*, edited by Anthony Bebbington, 112-133. London: Routledge.

Book Reviews

2016. Review of Myriam Jimeno, “Juan Gregorio Palechor: The Story of My Life,” Durham, Duke University Press. *American Anthropologist* Vol. 118 (4): 913-914.
2016. Review of Fabiana Li, “Unearthing Conflict: Corporate Mining, Activism, and Expertise in Peru,” Durham: Duke University Press. *Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute* Vol. 22(4): 1017-1018.

Public Writing

- 2023 “Water Defenders in Ecuador win Key Anti-Mining Victory” *NACLA: Report on the Americas* September 27, 2023 (Spanish translation published October 10, 2023)

2015 “Defending Life in the Ecuadorian Resource Politics.” *NACLA: Report on the Americas*
May 2, 2015.

2014 “Pachamama: Gender, mining politics, and spiritual protest in Andean Ecuador”
Column in *Anthropology News Online*, Section of the Association for Latino and Latina
Anthropologists, June 2014.

2009 with Daniel Denvir and Jennifer Moore.

“In Ecuador, Mass Mobilizations against Mining Confront President,” Nov. 19, Upside
Down World, online publication. <http://upsidedownworld.org/main/ecuador-archives-49/1588-in-ecuador-mass-mobilizations-against-mining-confront-president-correa>

2008 “Protestors Target Canada’s IAMGOLD in Ecuador,” April 8, Upside Down World,
online publication. <http://upsidedownworld.org/main/ecuador-archives-49/1210-protesters-target-iamgold>

Works in progress

In preparation “Settler Extractivism: Disputing Indigeneity and Territorial Dispossession in
an Ecuador gold mine project”

In preparation “Movimientos que fluyen: Etnografía, Agua y el conflicto minero en Azuay,
Ecuador.” (Movements that flow: Ethnography, water, and the mining conflict in
Azuay, Ecuador).

FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS, AND AWARDS

2024-2025 Academic Affairs Research Assigned Time Award, Office of the Provost and Vice-
Provost (CSUSB)

2023-2024 Academic Affairs Research Assigned Time Award, Office of the Provost and Vice-
Provost (CSUSB)

2022-2023 Community-Based Participatory Research Mini-Grant Award, Office of Community
Engagement (CSUSB)

2022-2023 Professor’s Across Borders Travel Grant, (CSUSB)
Office of Community Engagement (CSUSB)

2021-2022 Faculty Professional Development Award, College of Social & Behavioral Sciences
(CSUSB).

2019 Affordable Learning Solutions Award (CSUSB)

2017 Kellogg Institute for International Studies, Finalist.

2016 Outstanding Junior Faculty in the College of Social and Behavioral Science, Nomination.

2014 Faculty Professional Development Mini-Grant, Office of Academic Research, CSUSB.
2014 Innovative Course Development Grant Award, Teaching Resource Center, CSUSB.
2014 Service Learning Grant, Office of Community Engagement, CSUSB
2011 Professional Development Award, University of Texas at Austin.
2011 University Continuing Fellowship for Dissertation Write-Up, University of Texas, Austin.
2010 Professional Development Award, University of Texas, Austin.
2010 McIlhany Endowed Presidential Fellowship, University of Texas, Austin.
2008 Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant, National Science Foundation.
2007 Grassroots Development Dissertation Fellowship, Inter-American Foundation.
2007 Bruton Fellowship, University of Texas at Austin.
2005 Tinker Foundation Field Research Grant, Institute of Latin American Studies, University of Texas, Austin.
2002 Field Research Award, College of Liberal Arts/Institute of Latin American Studies, University of Texas, Austin.
2001 University Preemptive Fellowship Award, University of Texas, Austin.

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY/PARTICIPATION

Conferences, Panels and Workshops Organized

2024, Conference Organizer, “Study of the Americas” CSUSB, San Bernardino, April 25-26.

2023 Panel Chair, “Fluid Sovereignty: Indigenous defence and sustenance of water” Native American and Indigenous Studies Association Conference, Tkaronto (Toronto), Canada. May 11-13.

2022 Panel Organizer (with Nicholas Copeland) and Panel Chair, “La política de agua y el extractivismo en el capitaloceno latinoamericano” Latin American Studies Association Congress, Virtual, May 2-5.

2022 Conference Organizer (with Bibiana Díaz) “Study of the Americas” CSUSB, San Bernardino, April 21.

2019 Conference Organizer, “Study of the Americas” CSUSB, San Bernardino, April 25-26.

2016 Panel Chair, “Water and Land: The Politics of Emergent Ecological Imaginaries.” 115th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association. Nov 16-20.

2016 Panel Chair, Session Chair, Latin American Studies Conference, CSUSB. April 28-29.

2015 Panel Organizer (with Emily Billo), “Politics of Knowledge Production in Resource Conflicts” Latin American Studies Association Congress, San Juan, Puerto Rico, May 27-30.

2015 Session Chair, Latin American Studies Conference, CSUSB. April 30.

2014 Panel Chair, “*Devoluciones*: Presenting Findings to Research Participants in Indigenous Latin America,” Native American and Indigenous Studies Association, 6th Annual Meeting. Austin, Texas, May 29-31.

2012 Panel Organizer (with Paul Liffman). “Refiguring Borders: Knowledge, Nature, and the Production of Commodities,” American Anthropological Association, 111th Annual Meeting. November 14-18. San Francisco, CA.

2011 Panel Co-Organizer (with Nicholas Copeland). “Violence, populism, and (post) neoliberal democracy in Latin America,” American Anthropological Association, 110th Annual Meeting, Montreal, QC Canada. November 16-20.

2009 Panel Organizer (with Ximena Warnaaers). “Foro sobre conflictos mineros en el país,” Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales (FLACSO), Quito, May 27.

2009 Workshop Organizer (with Ximena Warnaaers). “Metodología y investigación en áreas de conflicto social,” Workshop for Master of Art (MA) students at the Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales (FLACSO), Quito, May 28.

Papers Presented

2024 “Cultivating Resistance: Agroecology and Women’s Territorial Defense in the Ecuadorian Andes, Latin American Studies Association Congress, Bogota, Colombia. June 12-15

2023 “Settler Extractivism: Disputing Indigeneity and temporality in an Ecuador gold mine project” American Anthropological Association/Canadian Anthropology Society Annual Meeting, Toronto, Canada, Nov. 15-19.

2023 “‘Indigenous Individuals not Communities’: Extractive Ethnocide through Anthropological Knowledge in an Ecuadorian Court Case.” Native American and Indigenous Studies Association, Tkaronto (Toronto), Canada, May 11-13.

2022 “Pachamama Política: Campesinos Defensores del Agua y el Movimiento Antiminero en Ecuador” Universidad Estatal de Cuenca, Book talk. Cuenca, Ecuador, September 22.

2022 “A Loded Question: Framing water defense in a referendum against mineral extraction” presented at the Latin American Studies Association Congress, Virtual. May 5-8.

- 2019 “Pristine páramos: Visual Strategies in the campaign against gold extraction in highland Ecuador,” presented at the 118th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Vancouver Canada, November 20-24.
- 2017 “Public Women: Gender and the Criminalization of Environmental Defenders in Ecuador,” presented at the 116th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Washington DC, November 29-December 3.
- 2017 “Materializando al Estado: posiciones contrapuestas acerca del agua en los Andes del sur del Ecuador,” presented at the XVI Congreso de Antropología en Colombia and the V Congreso Asociación Latinoamericana de Antropología, Bogota, Colombia, June 6-9.
- 2016 “Materializing the State: Contentious Claims to Water in the Southern Ecuadorian Highlands,” presented at the 115th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Minneapolis, Minnesota, November 16-20.
- 2015 “Unearthing Agrarian Dreams: Anti-Mining Activism and the Promise of Development in Andean Ecuador.” 114th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association, Denver, Colorado, November 18-22.
- 2015 “Sovereign Subjects: Ethnographic Refusal and the Politics of Returning Research to Antimining Activists.” XXXIII International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association. San Juan, Puerto Rico, May 27-30.
- 2014 “Sovereign Subjects: Ethnographic Refusal and the Politics of Returning Research.” 6th Annual Meeting of the Native American and Indigenous Studies Association. Austin, Texas, May 28-31.
- 2013 “Tracing the Political Life of the Pachamama.” 112th Meeting of the American Anthropological Association. Chicago, Illinois. November 20-24.
- 2013 “The Political Life of Kimsacocha,” XXXI International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association, Washington DC. May 30-June.
- 2013 Roundtable Participant. “Conversations on Activist Scholarship Beyond UT,” at the 10th Annual Abriendo Brecha Activist Scholarship Conference. University of Texas at Austin. February 14-16.
- 2012 “Generative properties: Water, Law and the Defense of Life.” 111th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association. San Francisco, CA. November 14-16.

- 2012 “Campesina women at the intersection of rights and resources,” XXX International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association. San Francisco, CA. May 23-26.
- 2011 “Sitting on a sack of gold: Connecting and constituting the state in post-neoliberal Ecuador.” 110th Annual Meeting of American Anthropological Association. Montreal, QC Canada. November 16-20.
- 2010 “From allies to enemies: Correa’s green mining reforms and its implication for a local water-rights movement,” XXIX International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association. Toronto, ON Canada. October 6-9.
- 2009 “Retorno del estado: construyendo una minería sustentable y sus implicaciones para campesinos de La Victoria del Portete y Tarqui,” Foro sobre conflictos mineros en el país. Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales (FLACSO), Quito. May 27.
- 2008 “Green gold: Conflicts over sustainable mining in Azuay, Ecuador,” Inter-American Foundation Fellowship Conference. Cartagena, Colombia. February 6-8.
- 2006 “Democracy and development: Indigenous rights, the World Bank, and the reconfiguration of indigenous organizations in the Ecuadorian Amazon,” Abriendo Brecha Conference on Activist Scholarship. University of Texas at Austin, Feb. 16-18.
- 2006 “From indigenous activist to *técnico*: The World Bank and the *consulta previa* in the Ecuadorian Amazon,” The Anthropology of Global Productions Graduate Student Conference. Stanford University. April 7-8.

Invited talks

- 2023 “Activist Research Methods” ANTH 3920 Ethnographic Research Methods, Department of Anthropology, University of Manitoba, October 18.
- 2023 “Pachamama Politics: Campesino Water Defenders and the Anti-Mining Movement in Andean Ecuador” Book Talk. Institute for Humanities, University of Manitoba, October 17.
- 2021 “Investigaciones etnográficas del agua y la minería” Invited research presentation for the Universidad del Azuay, Anthropology Program, Cuenca, Ecuador. Available at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ux6_XR1fiwY
- 2018 “Ethnographic and Activist Research in Ecuador,” University of California, Riverside,

Ethnic Studies 303, June 7th.

2017 “Water is Life: The Politics of the Pachamama” University of California, San Diego,
Indigenous Resource Governance Faculty Group, November 21st.

CSUSB Presentations

2021 “CSUSB’s first interdisciplinary course on the study of Latin America” California State
University, San Bernardino, ITS Tech Talk. April 7.

2019 “Defendiendo la Pachamama: mujeres campesinas en contra de la minería a gran escala en
el Ecuador,” California State University, San Bernardino, Department of World
Languages and Literatures, May 21, 2019

2018 “Mining and its Infrastructure” California State University, San Bernardino,
Department of History, November 29th, 2018.

2013 “Water and the Defense of Life in Highland Ecuador,” Study of the Americas Conference,
California State University at San Bernardino. Thursday April 18.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Pedagogy Training, CSUSB.

Faculty Center for Excellence Certificate in High Impact Learning Practices, Spring 2021
Quality in Learning and Teaching Course, “How to Teach Online Using QLT,” Summer 2020
College of Social and Behavioral Science, “Online Teaching” March 2020
Q2S (Quarter to Semester) Enhanced Pedagogy Program, “Introduction to Latin American
Studies,” 2019-2020.

University Courses Taught (all undergraduate level except where noted)

Community-Engaged Research Methods
Decolonizing Anthropology
Social Movements
Indigenous Politics
Sex/Gender in a Cross-Cultural Perspective
Gendered Worlds: Gender, Difference and In/equality
Nature/Culture/Power
Globalization and Culture (undergraduate and graduate level).
Cultural Politics of South America
Environmental Anthropology

Colonial and Postcolonial Anthropology
Race, Class, and Gender

UNIVERSITY, PROFESSIONAL, AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Service to CSUSB, University

Program Coordinator	Minor in Latin American Studies (2018-2022, 2023-2024)
Advisory Board Chair	Minor in Latin American Studies (2018-present)
Diversity Advocate	Library Recruitment Committee, Pfau Library (2022-2023)
Department Representative	California Faculty Association (2016-2022)
College Alternate	Human Subjects Institutional Review Board (2016-2021)
Faculty Originator/Facilitator	General Education Pathways Institute World Cultures and Diversity Track (2017-2020)
Committee Member	Latin American Studies Quarter to Semester Transformation Team (2018-2019)
Advisory Board Member	Minor in Latin American Studies (2013-2018)

Service to CSUSB, College of Social and Behavioral Science

Committee Member	Department of Ethnic Studies Performance Review and Periodic Evaluation Committee (2023-2024)
Classroom Visitation	Various departments (2013-2023)
Committee Member	Sabbatical Advisory Committee (2021)
Faculty Representative	Recruitment Committee for CSBS Associate Dean (2021)
Faculty Affiliate/Advisor	Master's in Social Science Program (2012-2020)
Committee Member	Quarter to Semester Transformation Team MA in Social Science (2015-2018)
Faculty Advising SOAR	CSUSB (2018)
Faculty Representative	Curriculum Committee, College of Social and Behavioral Science (2015-2016)
Faculty Representative	Dean Recruitment Committee, College of Social and Behavioral Science, (2014-2015)
Faculty Representative	Advisory Board for the B.A. in Social Science (2012-15).
Faculty Representative	Outstanding Undergraduate and Graduate Students Committee, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences (2014)
Committee Chair	Outstanding Undergraduate and Graduate Students

Committee, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences
(2013)

Service to CSUSB, Department of Anthropology

Committee Chair	Performance Review and Periodic Evaluation Committee (2023-2024).
Committee Member	Performance Review and Periodic Evaluation Committee (2018-2022)
Committee Chair	Faculty Recruitment Committee for Assistant or Associate Professor of Archaeology (Spring 2020)
Committee Chair	Faculty Recruitment Committee for Assistant Professor of Archaeology (2019-2020)
Scholarship Committee Member	Yolanda T. Moses and Dora J. Prieto (2014-present)
Committee Member	MA in Applied Archaeology Graduate Application Review Committee (2019-2022).
Department Leader	Quarter to Semester Transformation Team (2016-2018)
Committee Member	Anthropology Chairperson Recruitment Committee (2017)
Committee Member	Faculty Recruitment Committee for Assistant Professor (2015-2016)
Faculty Advisor ALPACA	Anthropology Student Club (2013-2016).
Faculty Representative	Committee to Revise Anthropology Major (2012-14).

ACADEMIC ADVISING

MA in Social Science and Globalization (CSUSB), Thesis Advisor & Thesis Reader

Benjamin Schultz, Spring 2020 (Reader)
Iriana Balbian, Spring 2019 (Advisor)
Megan Medeiros, Spring 2017 (Reader)
Arah Parker, Spring 2015 (Advisor)
David Perez, Spring 2015 (Advisor)

MA in Social Science and Globalization (CSUSB), Committee Chairperson for Comprehensive Exit Exams

Jennifer Laviguer 2018
Mario Moreno. Fall 2015
Fanny Perez. Spring 2015.
Sara Gabbert. Fall 2014.
Sophia Stephens. Fall 2014.
Denisse Perez. Spring 2014.

BA in Anthropology, Senior Honors Thesis Advisor

Daniel Zepeda, Spring 2020

Mathew Lowry, Spring 2020

Katherine O'Neil, Spring 2019

Miguel Garcia. Spring 2013

Academic Advising at other universities

Nataly Torres, MA in Rural Territory Development. FLACSO, Ecuador (Fall 2014)

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

Ad-hoc Reviewer for Journals

American Anthropologist

American Ethnologist

Anthropological Quarterly

Economic Anthropology

Canadian Journal of Development Studies

Canadian Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Studies

Colombia Internacional

Human Geography

ÍCONOS (FLACSO-Ecuador)

Journal of Development Studies

Journal of Latin American Cultural Anthropology

Latin American Research Review

Latin American and Caribbean Ethnic Studies

Perfiles Latinoamericanos (FLACSO-Mexico)

Perspectives on Politics

Political Geography

Resource Policy Journal

Revista Ciencia Política de la Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile

The Extractive Industries and Societies Journal

Grant Proposal Reviewer

National Science Foundation, Cultural Anthropology Program.

SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY

2022 Amicus Curiae, Ecuadorian Constitutional Court case 01371-2022-00067

2022 Book presentation/research return to water defenders. Girón, Ecuador.

2020 Member, San Bernardino Airport Communities Coalition

2019 Amicus Curiae, Ecuadorian Constitutional Court case 0009-19-CP

2016 Research return to community water defenders. Victoria del Portete, Ecuador.
2014 Expert Witness, *Pro-bono*, Political Asylum Case.
2013 Expert Witness, *Pro-bono*, Political Asylum Case.
2013 Research return to community water defenders. Victoria del Portete, Ecuador.
2009-2023 Quizha-Quizha Anti-Mining Collective

MEDIA INTERVIEWS

2022 The Real News Network/NACLA, “The ongoing colonial violence of resource extraction in Latin America,” The Marc Steiner Show with Patricia Gualinga and Pablo Poveda.
2022 Radio Noticias Cuenca, Ecuador (Interview)
2008 Radio Fasayñan, Sigsig, Ecuador (Interview)

LANGUAGES

Spanish near fluent speaking, reading, and writing

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

American Anthropological Association (AAA)
Native American and Indigenous Studies-Abya-Yala Working Group (NAISA)
Latin American Studies Association (LASA)
Southern California Association for Latin American Studies (SCALAS)
National Center for Faculty Development and Diversity (2017-2019)