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Curriculum Vitae—Fall 2020

Associate Professor of Anthropology
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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. Degree track: Economic Development in Latin America.

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS/EMPLOYMENT

- 2018-present 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 sessions.

PUBLICATIONS

- 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).
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.
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, “In search of Sumak Kawsay: Andean mining politics during and after the Correa regime” in *Latin American Extractivism: Dependency, Resource Nationalism and Resistance in Broad Perspective*. Steve Ellner editor, Rowman and Littlefield, Lanham, MD.

Forthcoming, with Fabiana Li, “Resource Conflicts” in *Anthropology of Extraction* edited volume by Lorenzo D’Angelo and Robert Pijpers. Routledge Press.

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*, A. Bebbington and J. Bury. 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*. Ed. Anthony Bebbington. Lima, Peru: IEP Institutos 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*. A. Bebbington (ed). 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 and Other Writing

Forthcoming, “Embodied Positionality” Department of Anthropology Newsletter.

- 2020 with Bibiana Diaz, Esteban Cordoba de la Barrera, Michal Kohout and José Muñoz, “LAS 2000: Introduction to Latin American Studies,” CSUSB ScholarWorks.
- 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>.

Manuscripts in Preparation

Book manuscript: *Pachamama Politics: Defending Water as Life in the Southern Ecuadorian Andes*

Article manuscript: “Materializing the State: Water reform and the struggle for local governance in the Southern Andes.”

FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS, AND AWARDS

- 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 at Austin.
- 2010 Professional Development Award, University of Texas at Austin.
- 2010 McIlhany Endowed Presidential Fellowship, University of Texas at 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 at Austin.

- 2002 Honorable Mention, Graduate Research Fellowship, National Science Foundation.
- 2002 Field Research Award, College of Liberal Arts/Institute of Latin American Studies, University of Texas at Austin.
- 2001 University Preemptive Fellowship Award, University of Texas at Austin.

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY/PARTICIPATION

Panels and Workshops Organized

- 2019 Conference Organizer, “Study of the Americas” CSUSB, April 25-26, 2019
- 2016 Panel Chair, “Water and Land: The Politics of Emergent Ecological Imaginaries.” 115th Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association. Nov 16th-20th.
- 2016 Panel Chair, Session Chair, Latin American Studies Conference, CSUSB. April 28-29.
- 2015 Panel Co-Organizer with Emily Billo (Goucher College), “Politics of Knowledge Production in Resource Conflicts into the Track.” Latin American Studies Association Spring 2015 Meeting.
- 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 29th-31st.
- 2013 Workshop Organizer, “*Devolución de Tesis*” (Dissertation Research Presentation). Victoria del Portete, Ecuador. July 19.
- 2012 Panel Co-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 Co-organizer (with Ximena Warnars). “Foro sobre conflictos mineros en el país,” Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales (FLACSO), Quito, May 27.
- 2009 Workshop Co-organizer with Ximena Warnars. “Metodología y investigación en areas de conflicto social,” Workshop for Master’s students at the Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales (FLACSO), Quito, May 28.

Papers Presented

- 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, 2019
- 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 Anti-mining 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 “Water and the Defense of Life in Highland Ecuador,” Studies of the Americas Symposium, sponsored by Latin American Studies, California State University at San Bernardino. Thursday April 18.
- 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

- 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 Literature, May 21, 2019
- 2019 “Ethnographic Panel” California State University, San Bernardino, Department of Anthropology, March 2019, and annually since 2013.
- 2018 “Mining and its Infrastructure” California State University, San Bernardino, Department of History, November 29th, 2018.
- 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.

FIELD RESEARCH

2019 Field Research, Cuenca, Ecuador. September
2018 Field Research, Cuenca, Victoria del Portete, and Tarqui Ecuador. Aug-Sept.
2016 Field Research, Cuenca and Victoria del Portete, July.
2015 Field Research, Cuenca and Victoria del Portete, July.
2013 Cuenca and Victoria del Portete, Ecuador. July.
2008-2010 Dissertation Fieldwork, Cuenca and Victoria del Portete, Ecuador.
2008-2009 Research Associate, Program on Territory, Conflicts and Development in the Andes, University of Manchester. Tenguel and Victoria del Portete, Ecuador. November-April.
2003 Master’s Report research, Quito and Puyo, Ecuador, January-May.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Curriculum Development

Quality in Learning and Teaching Course, “How to Teach Online Using QLT,” Summer 2020
College of Social and Behavioral Science, “Online Teaching” workshops, March 2020
Q2S Enhanced Pedagogy Program, Latin American Studies 2000, 2019-2020.

University Courses Taught (all undergraduate level except where noted)

Community-Engaged Research Methods
Social Movements
Indigenous Rights in Latin America
Sex/Gender in a Cross-Cultural Perspective
Nature/Culture/Power
Globalization and Culture (undergraduate and graduate level).
Cultural Politics of South America
Environmental Anthropology
Colonial and Postcolonial Anthropology
Decolonizing Anthropology (undergraduate and graduate students)
Race, Class, and Gender (UC Davis Summer 2010, 2011)

Popular Education Experience

2009 Popular Education Teacher, short course, Introduction to Climate Change, Coordinator of the Indigenous Organizations for the Amazon Basin (COICA).
2005 Popular Education Teacher, short-course, International Financial Institutions and Globalization, Amazon School for Human Rights and the Environment. Centro de Derechos Económicos y Sociales, Ecuador, June-August.
2000 Popular Education Teacher, short-course, International Financial Institutions and Globalization, Centro de Derechos Económicos y Sociales, Ecuador.

UNIVERSITY, PROFESSIONAL, AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Service to CSUSB, University

Program Coordinator	Minor in Latin American Studies (2018-present)
Advisory Board Chair	Minor in Latin American Studies (2018-present)
Department Representative	California Faculty Association, CSUSB (present)
College Alternate	Human Subjects Institutional Review Board (2016-present)
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

Faculty Affiliate/Advisor	Master's in Social Science Program (2012-2020)
Committee Member	MA in Social Sciences, Quarter to Semester Transformation Team.
Faculty Advising	SOAR, CSUSB (2018)
Faculty Representative	Curriculum Committee, College of Social and Behavioral Science (2015-2016)
Faculty Representative	Dean's Search 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 Member	Performance Review and Periodic Evaluation Committee, 2018-present
Committee Chair	Faculty Recruitment Committee (2019-2020)
Committee Member	Scholarship Committee (2014-2020)
Committee Member	MA in Applied Archaeology Graduate Application Review Committee (2019).
Department Leader	Quarter to Semester Transformation Team (2016-2018)
Committee Member	Anthropology Chairperson Recruitment Committee (2017)
Committee Member	Faculty Recruitment Committee (2015-2016)
Faculty Advisor	ALPACA Anthropology Student Club (2013-2016).
Faculty Representative	Committee to Revise Anthropology Major (2012-14).

Academic Advising at CSUSB

Master in Social Science, Thesis Advisor:

Iriana Balbian, Spring 2019

Arah Parker, Spring 2015

David Perez, Spring 2015

Master in Social Science, 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.

Master in Social Science, Thesis Reader

Benjamin Schultz, Spring 2020

Megan Medeiros, Spring 2017

Undergraduate 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

Manuscript Review for Journals:

American Ethnologist

Anthropological Quarterly

Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology

Perspectives on Politics

Canadian Journal of Development 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

Political Geography

Perfiles Latinoamericanos (FLACSO-Mexico)

Resource Policy Journal

The Extractive Industries and Societies Journal

Grant Proposal Reviewer: National Science Foundation, Cultural Anthropology Program (2017).

Chapter Manuscript Reviewer : “Governing Extraction” edited by Siba Grovogui and Lori Leonard (2016).

Service to the Community

2020 Member, San Bernardino Airport Communities Coalition
2020 Member, Latin American Studies in Southern California (LAS in SCAL)
2019 Amicus Curiae, Ecuadorian Constitutional Court case 0009-19-CP
2014 Expert Witness, *Pro-bono*, Political Asylum Case.
2013 Expert Witness, *Pro-bono*, Political Asylum Case.

LANGUAGES

English and Spanish: fluent speaking, reading, and writing.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

American Anthropological Association (AAA)
Latin American Studies Association (LASA)
National Center for Faculty Development and Diversity (2017-2019)