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DEGREES

Ph.D., Latin American and Caribbean History, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1997

M.A., Latin American and Caribbean History, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1992

B.A., Latin American Studies, Vassar College, Special and General Honors, Phi Beta Kappa,
1988

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

History Department, Binghamton University, State University of New York

Professor, 2016-present

Associate Professor, 2005-2016

Department Chair, 2010-2013

Director of Graduate Studies and Vice-Chair, 2007

Director of Undergraduate Studies, 2001-2003

Assistant Professor, 1998-2004

Latin American and Caribbean Area Studies (LACAS) Program, Binghamton University

Director, 2014-2016, 2018-2021

Courtesy Title / Faculty Affiliate, 1998-Present

Center for Latin American Studies, University of California, Berkeley

Visiting Assistant Professor, spring 2003

History Department, Grinnell College

Visiting Assistant Professor, 1997-1998

History Department, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Lecturer, Fall 1996

Research and Teaching Assistant, 1991-1993, 1995-1997

BOOKS

Mapping the Country of Regions: The Chorographic Commission of Nineteenth-Century Colombia. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2016. 320 pp.
Winner, Ibero-American Prize; Honorable Mention, Marysa Navarro Best Book Prize (see Prizes below).

Spanish Language Edition: *Dibujar la nación: La Comisión Corográfica en la Colombia del siglo XIX.* Translated by Juan Manuel Pombo. Bogotá, Colombia: Ediciones Uniandes and Fondo de Cultura Económico, 2017. Named one of [“Ten Best Academic Books of 2017”](#) by Colombian newspaper *El Espectador*.

Muddied Waters: Race, Region, and Local History in Colombia, 1846-1948. Durham, N.C.: Duke University Press, 2003. 314 pp.
Winner, Berkshire and NECLAS prizes (see Prizes below).

Spanish language edition: *Dos plazas y una nación: Raza y colonización en Riosucio, Caldas, 1846-1948.* Translated by María del Carmen Londoño. Bogotá, Colombia: Instituto Colombiano de Antropología e Historia, Universidad de los Andes, and Universidad del Rosario, 2007.

Race and Nation in Modern Latin America, co-edited with Anne S. Macpherson and Karin Alejandra Rosemblatt. Foreword by Thomas C. Holt. Afterword by Peter Wade. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina Press, 2003. Second offset printing, 2005. 345 pp.

REFEREED ARTICLES AND CHAPTERS

“Imaginar un territorio y una raza nacional.” In *De república a nación, 1954-1905*, volume 2 of *Historias de lo político: 200 años de Colombia*. Edited by Margarita Garrido, Franz Hensel, Andrés Jiménez Angel, and Francisco Ortega. Bogotá: Universidad Nacional de Colombia, 2025, 489-516.

“Becoming the 'Country of Regions': Race and Region in Nineteenth-Century Colombia.” In *Histories of Solitude: Colombia, 1820s-1970s*. Edited by Lina Britto and A. Ricardo López-Pedrerros. Routledge: 2024, 46-70.

“From Caste to Race: Re-imagining Diversity in Republican Spanish America.” In *Re-imagining Democracy in Latin America and the Caribbean, 1770-1870*. Edited by Eduardo Posada-Carbó, Joanna Innes, and Mark Philp. New York: Oxford University Press, 2023.

“Aquella inmensidad de tierra: El Mapa corográfico de la provincia de Casanare, 1856,” translated by Sebastián Díaz. In *Entre líneas: una historia de Colombia en mapas*, edited by Sebastián Díaz, Lucía Duque, Santiago Muñoz, and Anthony Picón. Bogotá: Universidad de los Andes, 2023.

“Seeing Solitary Deserts Full of People: The Chorographic Commission in Colombia’s Eastern Plains, 1856.” In *Nineteenth-Century Cartographic Expeditions and Visual Culture in the Americas*. Edited by Ernesto Capello and Julia B. Rosenbaum. Routledge, 2021, 76-99.

- “Envisioning the Nation: The Mid-Nineteenth-Century Colombian Chorographic Commission.” In *State and Nation Making in Latin America and Spain: Republics of the Possible*, edited by Miguel A. Centeno and Agustín E. Ferraro. University of Cambridge Press, 2013, 375-395.
- “Racial Nations” (with Anne S. Macpherson and Karin Alejandra Rosemblatt). Introduction to *Race and Nation in Modern Latin America*, edited by Nancy P. Appelbaum, Anne S. Macpherson, and Karin Alejandra Rosemblatt. University of North Carolina Press, 2003, 1-32.
- “Reading the Past on the Mountainsides of Colombia: Mid-Nineteenth-Century Patriotic Geology, Archaeology, and Historiography.” *Hispanic American Historical Review*, 93:3 (August 2013): 347-376. Received Honorable Mention for the James Alexander Robertson and Joseph T. Criscenti prizes (see Prizes below).
- “Historias rivales: narrativas locales de raza, lugar y nación en Riosucio.” Translated by Rocio Mahecha. *Revista Fronteras de la Historia* (Colombia) 8 (2003): 115-134.
- “Las parcialidades indígenas de Riosucio y Quinchía frente a la ley 89 de 1890 (1890-1920).” Translated by María Monterroso. *Impronta* (Colombia) 1 (November 2003): 7-30.
- “Whitening the Region: Caucaño Mediation and ‘Antioqueño Colonization’ in Nineteenth-Century Colombia.” *Hispanic American Historical Review* 79:4 (November 1999): 631-668.

NON-REFEERED ESSAYS

- “Blood, Nation, Science, and Language: Essentializing Race from the Sixteenth Century to the Present.” *Latin American Research Review* 55:2 (2020): 352-359.
- “Race and Ethnicity in Latin America.” In the *Encyclopedia of Latin American History and Culture*, 2nd ed. Edited by Jay Kinsbruner and Erick D. Langer. Charles Scribner’s Sons, 2008, 5:462-476.
- “Post-Revisionist Scholarship on Race.” *Latin American Research Review* 40:3 (October 2005): 206-217.

BOOK REVIEWS

- When Forests Run Amok: War and Its Afterlives in Indigenous and Afro-Colombian Territories*, by Daniel Ruiz-Serna. *Ethnic and Racial Studies* 48:3 (November 2023).
- Crafting a Republic for the World: Scientific, Geographic, and Historiographic Inventions of Colombia*, by Lina del Castillo. *Hispanic American Historical Review* 99:4 (November 2019): 741-743.
- Becoming Black Political Subjects: Movements and Ethno-racial Rights in Colombia and Brazil*, by Tianna S. Paschel, *Ethnic and Racial Studies* 41:8 (June 2018): 1482-1484.
- The Color of Modernity: São Paulo and the Making of Race and Nation in Brazil*, by Barbara Weinstein. *Ethnohistory* 64:2 (April 2017): 327-328.
- Brazil through French Eyes: A Nineteenth-Century Artist in the Tropics*, by Ana Lucia Araujo. *American Historical Review* 121:5 (December 2016): 1720-1721.
- Military Struggle and Identity Formation in Latin America: Race, Nation, and Community During the Liberal Period*, edited by Nicola Foote and René D. Harder Horst. *Hispanic*

- American Historical Review* 92:2 (May 2012) 351-353.
- Contentious Republicans: Popular Politics, Race, and Class in Nineteenth-Century Colombia* by James E. Sanders. *Journal of Latin American Studies* 38 (2006): 206-208.
- Afro-Latin America, 1800-2000* by George Reid Andrews. *American Historical Review* 110:4 (October 2005): 1221.
- Los pueblos allende el río Cauca: La formación del Suroeste y la cohesión del espacio en Antioquia, 1830-1877* by Juan Carlos Vélez Rendón. *Hispanic American Historical Review* 84: 3 (August 2004): 552-553.
- Spain and the Independence of Colombia, 1810-1825* by Rebecca Earle. *Bulletin of Latin American Research*, 20:1 (January 2001): 127-128.
- Los colombianistas*, edited by Victoria Peralta and Michael LaRosa. *Hispanic American Historical Review* 79:3 (August 1999): 570-571.

TRANSLATION

- Shining and Other Paths: War and Society in Peru, 1980-1995*, edited by Steve J. Stern, eleven original chapters in Spanish by different authors co-translated with Steve J. Stern. Durham, N.C.: Duke University Press, 1998. One translated chapter was republished as Carlos Iván Degregori, "Harvesting Storms: Peasant Rondas and the Defeat of Shining Path in Ayacucho." Chapter in *How Difficult it is to be God: Shining Path's Politics of War in Peru, 1980-1999* by Carlos Iván Degregori, edited by Steve J. Stern. Madison: University of Wisconsin Press, 2012.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

- A Brief History of Race in Latin America*. Book under contract with Routledge.
- "Imaginar un territorio y una raza nacional." In *De república a nación, 1954-1905*, volume 2 of *Historias de lo político: 200 años de Colombia*, edited by Margarita Garrido, Franz Hensel, Andrés Jiménez Angel, and Francisco Ortega. Under revision.
- "Género, afecto y territorio en la Comisión Corográfica." Article draft in progress.

PRIZES

- Ibero-American Prize for an Academic Book on the Nineteenth Century/Premio Iberoamericano de libro académico del siglo XIX, Nineteenth-Century Section of the Latin American Studies Association, 2017, for *Mapping the Country of Regions: The Chorographic Commission of Nineteenth-Century Colombia*.
- Honorable Mention, Marysa Navarro Best Book Prize, New England Council of Latin American Studies, 2017, for *Mapping the Country of Regions: The Chorographic Commission of Nineteenth-Century Colombia*.
- Honorable Mention, James Alexander Robertson Memorial Prize, for the best article in the *Hispanic American Historical Review*, Conference on Latin American History, 2015, for

“Reading the Past on the Mountainsides of Colombia: Mid-Nineteenth- Century Patriotic Geology, Archaeology, and Historiography.”

Honorable Mention, Joseph T. Criscenti Best Article Prize, New England Council of Latin American Studies, 2014, for “Reading the Past on the Mountainsides of Colombia: Mid-Nineteenth-Century Patriotic Geology, Archaeology, and Historiography.”

Chancellor’s Award, Excellence in Teaching, State University of New York, 2005.

Book Prize, Berkshire Conference of Women Historians, for the best first book by a woman historian, 2004 for *Muddied Waters: Race, Region, and Local History in Colombia, 1846-1948*.

Book Prize, New England Council of Latin American Studies, 2004, for *Muddied Waters: Race, Region, and Local History in Colombia, 1846-1948*.

FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

Institute of Advanced Studies, University College of London, Senior Research Fellow, non-stipendiary (unfunded), January-May 2024

Harpur College Research Grant, Binghamton University, 2009-2010, 2016-2017

National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowship, 2009-2010

Institute for Historical Studies Fellowship, University of Texas at Austin, spring 2009

Individual Development Awards, Binghamton University/United University Professions, 1999-2000, 2002-2003, 2004-2005, 2006-2007, 2008-2009, 2013-2014

National Endowment for the Humanities Summer Stipend, 2002

Dean’s Research Semester, Harpur College of Arts and Sciences, Binghamton University, spring 2001

Social Science Research Council and American Council of Learned Societies, Joint Committee on Latin America and the Caribbean, International Doctoral Research Fellowship, 1993-1995

Vilas Travel Grant, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1993

History Department Fellowship, University of Wisconsin-Madison, spring 1993

Pre-Dissertation Field Research Grant, Latin American and Iberian Studies Program, University of Wisconsin-Madison, summer 1992

Foreign Language and Area Studies Scholarship, University of Wisconsin-Madison, 1990-1991

Fulbright/ICE-TEX Scholarship, Universidad de los Andes, Bogotá, Colombia, 1988-1989

INVITED LECTURES

Keynotes

“Una aproximación a la Comisión Corográfica desde la perspectiva de género,” opening keynote, Simposio Internacional Colombia, siglo XIX: viajes, intercambios y otras formas de circulación, Universidad de los Andes, Bogotá, Colombia, 3 April 2019

“Entre lo local y la nacional: escribiendo la historia de la región en Colombia,” Simposio colombiano de historia regional y local, Universidad Industrial de Santander, Bucaramanga, Colombia, 19 October 2018

“Construir la nación andina decimonónica negando el trópico: Perspectivas de la Comisión Corográfica sobre las tierras altas y el Pacífico” and “Aquella inmensidad de tierra. Los llanos orientales vistos por la Comisión Corográfica,” Encuentro de estudiantes y egresados de la maestría en historia de la Universidad del Valle y de la maestría en estudios sociales y políticos de la Universidad Icesi,” Universidad del Valle and Universidad Icesi, Cali, Colombia, 9-10 June 2017

Inaugural Lecture, History M.A. Program, Universidad de los Andes, Bogotá, Colombia, 14 February 2006

Other Lectures and Public Conversations

“Masculinidad, amistad y naturaleza en la Comisión Corográfica de la Nueva Granada,” in seminar “Un geógrafo para dos naciones: Agustín Codazzi, las Comisiones Corográficas y la historia de las geografías de Colombia y Venezuela,” virtual, 19 September 2025.

Book Presentation and Discussion, “Entre Lineas: una historia de Colombia en mapas,” roundtable sponsored by the Biblioteca Nacional de Colombia, Tiempo de Mapas series, virtual, 14 September 2023.

“La historia de la región desde abajo y desde arriba. El uso de fuentes locales y nacionales,” virtual, Universidad de Caldas, Manizales, 17 March 2023

“Mapas, expediciones y cultura visual,” Club de lectura “Pensar desde las Plantas,” virtual, 17 November 2021

“Dos plazas, una nación y múltiples territorialidades: desafíos para la construcción de paz territorial en el Occidente de Caldas.” Public conversation on local history with historian Luis Fernando González and the audience, moderated by Gloria Patricia Lopera Mesa, Teatro Cuesta, Riosucio, Caldas, Colombia, 14 December 2019

“Género, afecto y territorio en la Comisión Corográfica.” Universidad de Caldas, Manizales, Colombia, 13 December 2019

“Envisioning a Post-Emancipation Racial Landscape: The Chorographic Commission in Mid-Nineteenth-Century Colombia,” Dartmouth University, 14 September 2017

Book Launch for *Dibujar la nación: La Comisión Corográfica en la Colombia del Siglo XIX*, with Marixa Lasso and Shawn Van Ausdal, Centro Cultural Gabriel García Marquéz, Bogotá, Colombia, 14 June 2017

Book Launch for *Mapping the Country of Regions: The Chorographic Commission of Nineteenth-Century Colombia*, Latin American Studies Association Annual Meeting,

New York City, May 29, 2016

- “Mapping the Country of Regions: How the Nineteenth-Century Chorographic Commission of Colombia Envisioned the Nation,” VizCult, The Harpur College Dean’s Speaker Series in Visual Culture, Binghamton University, 1 October 2014
- “Hacia un país de regiones: heterogeneidad y homogeneidad en las representaciones de la Comisión Corográfica,” Universidad del Rosario, Bogotá, Colombia, 2 June 2010
- “¿Una población homogénea? La Comisión Corográfica del Siglo XIX en Colombia y los ‘tipos neogranadinos,’” Universidad de San Andrés, Buenos Aires, Argentina, 22 April 2009
- “A Solitary Desert? The Chorographic Commission’s Representation of Colombia’s Eastern Plains in the 1850s,” Institute for Historical Studies, University of Texas, Austin, 9 March 2009
- “Competing Histories: Local Narratives of Race and Place in Colombia,” Maxwell School, Syracuse University, 24 March 2004
- “Competing Histories: Local Narratives of Race and Place in Colombia,” Center for Latin American Studies, University of California, Berkeley, 19 March 2003
- “‘Flesh of their flesh and blood of their blood:’ Race and Regionalism in Turn-of-the-Century Colombia,” Geography Department, University of California, Berkeley, 29 January 2003.
- “Mapping Mestizaje: Race, Space, and Local History in Colombia,” symposium on “Mapping Mestizaje,” University of Florida, Gainesville, 23 February 2001
- “Colombia: Beyond the Drug War,” Maxwell School, Syracuse University, 14 November 2000.
- “The Colombian Crisis in Historical Perspective,” State University of New York at Cortland, 28 April 2000
- “Raza, género y región,” Universidad de Caldas, Manizales, Colombia, 4 August 1999.
- “La historia oficial y los resguardos indígenas de Riosucio,” Universidad de Caldas, Manizales, Colombia, 6 February 1995
- “Apuntes sobre fuentes para el estudio histórico y social de la familia en Riosucio y el Occidente de Caldas, Universidad de Caldas, Facultad de Desarrollo Familiar, Extension Course, Riosucio, Colombia, 13 December 1994
- “Etnia e identidad regional en el occidente de Caldas,” Universidad Nacional, Medellín, Colombia, 24 November 1994
- “Riosucio, Caldas: Etnia, género e identidad regional,” Universidad del Cauca, Colombia, September 1994

CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP PARTICIPATION

Research Presentations

- “Reflections on the Relationship between Race and Democracy,” Latin American Studies Association Annual Meeting, 24 May 2025, virtual
- “From Colonies to Republics: Caste and Race in Mainland Spanish America, c. 1500-1825.” Institute for Advanced Studies Residential Seminar, University College of London, 28 February 2024
- “Becoming the ‘Country of Regions,’: Race and Region in Nineteenth-Century Colombian Geography,” workshop for the “Histories of Colombia” Project, virtual, May 2, 2022
- “Imaginar un territorio y una raza nacional,” Seminario internacional de república a nación, virtual, 13 November 2020

- “Race, Diversity, and Democracy in Latin America, 1810-1870,” Latin American Studies Association Annual Meeting, virtual, 14 May 2020
- “Race and Diversity,” seminar on “Re-Imagining Democracy in Latin America and the Caribbean, 1770-1870,” Brasenose College, Oxford, U.K., 25 January 2020
- “The Colombian Chorographic Commission as a Gendered Enterprise, 1850-1859,” Southern Historical Association/Latin American and Caribbean Section Annual Meeting, Birmingham, 10 November 2018
- “Visualizing Black *granadinos* in the 1850s: The Chorographic Commission of Colombia,” Conference on “Visualizing Blackness in Latin America and the Caribbean, 16th-19th Centuries,” Institute of Latin American Studies, School of Advanced Study, London, 29 May 2018
- “Seeing the National Territory through the Eyes of Others: The Colombian Chorographic Commission in Casanare,” symposium on “Pictures from an Expedition: Aesthetics of Cartographic Exploration in the Americas,” Newberry Library, Chicago, 20 June 2013.
- “Toward a Country of Regions: The Mid-Nineteenth-Century Colombian Chorographic Commission,” Paper Leviathans project, Universidad de Salamanca, Spain, 11 September 2010. An earlier draft was presented to the same group at Princeton University, 18 September 2009
- “Seeing the Nation’s Past on the Mountainsides of New Granada: The Chorographic Commission’s Invocation of History, Prehistory, and Geology,” symposium on “Seeing the Nation: Cartography and Politics in Spanish America,” Universidad de los Andes, Bogotá, 26 August 2010
- “Republican Ethnography: The Chorographic Commission of New Granada in the 1850s,” Meeting of the Latin American Studies Association, Rio de Janeiro, 12 June 2009
- “Ethnographic and Geographic Imaginings of the Nation in Images of the Colombian Chorographic Commission, 1850–59,” Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association and the Conference on Latin American History, Washington, DC, 6 January 2008
- “Codazzi in Casanare: The Production and Representation of Geographic and Ethnographic Knowledge about Colombia’s Eastern Plains in the 1850s,” New York State Latin American History Workshop, Ithaca College, 14 October 2007
- “Codazzi in Casanare: The Cartographic Representation of Geographic and Ethnographic Knowledge about the Eastern Plains of Colombia in the 1850s,” Meeting of the Latin American Studies Association, Montreal, 7 September 2007
- “Blancos, indios o mestizos? Historias sobre el pasado y la identidad (Siglos XIX y XX),” Congreso Colombiano de Historia, Popayán, Colombia, 7 August 2003
- “Creating the ‘Country of Regions’: Mid-Nineteenth-Century Theories about Race, Territorial Integration, and Democracy in Colombia,” Meeting of the Latin American Studies Association, Dallas, 27 March 2003
- “Dreaming of the Nation in a Colombian Town,” American Historical Association and Conference on Latin American History Annual Meeting, Boston, 6 January 2001
- “‘The Image of the Republic’: Identity and History in Colombia,” Meeting of the Latin American Studies Association, Miami, 17 March 2000

- “‘Flesh of their Flesh and Blood of their Blood:’ Creating a Regional *Raza* in Caldas, Colombia,” American Historical Association and Conference on Latin American History Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, 10 January 1999
- “‘The Image of the Republic:’ Remembering the Community and Imagining the Nation in Riosucio, Colombia,” Annual Meeting of the American Society for Ethnohistory, Minneapolis, 14 November 1998
- “Remembering Riosucio: Race and Region in Old Caldas,” Gran-Colombian Studies Committee, Conference on Latin American History, Seattle, 9 January 1998
- “Guamal: Historia, identidad y comunidad,” XII Encuentro de la Palabra, Riosucio, Colombia, 13 August 1994

Roundtables

- “Histories of Colombia: A Book Presentation in English,” Annual Meeting of the Conference on Latin American History, Bogotá, Colombia, 12 June 2024
- “Second Book Writers Workshop.” Southern Historical Association/Latin American and Caribbean Section Annual Meeting, Birmingham, 9 November 2018
- “Postcolonial Shadings: A Roundtable Discussion of Barbara Weinstein’s *The Color of Modernity: Making Race and Nation in Modern Brazil*,” Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association and the Conference on Latin American History, Atlanta, 9 January 2016
- “Andean Studies Committee: The Expanded Andes.” Annual Meeting of the Conference on Latin American History, Atlanta, 8 January 2016
- “Pedagogy and New Categories: Teaching Colombia in a Global and Transnational World,” Meeting of the Latin American Studies Association, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 15 March 2006
- Symposium for the Tenth Anniversary of the Undergraduate History Major, Universidad de los Andes, Bogotá, Colombia, 23 February 2006
- “Race and Nation in the Modern Americas,” Meeting of the Latin American Studies Association, Dallas, 28 March 2003
- “Rethinking the States of Latin American, Latino, and Caribbean Studies In New York State,” State University of New York at Stony Brook, 18 October 2002
- “New Approaches to the Study of Social Conflict in Colombia,” University of Wisconsin, Madison, 23 March 2001

Comments

- “Gran Colombia Studies Session: Microhistories of Gran Colombia,” virtual, Annual Meeting of the Conference on Latin American History, January 7, 2022
- “Orlando Fals Borda—Participatory Action Research” online webinar series, 30 April 2021
- “Celebrating the Nation at the Turn of the 20th Century: Local Centennial Celebrations in Mexico, Colombia, and Bolivia,” panel, Annual Meeting of the Conference on Latin American History, New York, NY, 3 January 2020
- “Neighborhoods in the *ambiente*, 1920-1950,” paper by Ryan Jones, New York State Latin American History Workshop, University at Albany, 2 November 2019
- “Gran Colombia Studies Committee Meeting: New Directions on Politics and Society in Pre- and Post-Gran Colombia: From the Public Sphere to Caribbean Tourism,” Annual Meeting of the Conference on Latin American History, Washington, D.C., 5 January 2018
- “Thinking with Regions in Latin America and the Caribbean,” panel, Annual Meeting of the Conference on Latin American History and the American Historical Association, Denver, 6 January 2017
- “Memories of Democracy in Nineteenth- and Twentieth-Century Spanish America,” panel, Meeting of the Latin American Studies Association, Chicago, 23 May 2014
- “The Construction of Indian Identity in Modern Mexico and Peru,” panel, Meeting of the Latin American Studies Association, Toronto, 8 October 2010
- “God, Country, Science: Moral and Technical Education among Colombia’s Coffee Growers, 1930-1960,” paper by Rebecca Talley, New York State Latin American History Workshop, Cornell University, 15 October 2006
- “Ethnicity, States, and Nations in the Long Nineteenth Century,” panel, Meeting of the Latin American Studies Association, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 18 March 2006
- “Latina and Latin American Feminism,” panel, Berkshire Conference on the History of Women, Claremont, California, 3 June 2005
- “Intersections of Identity: Race, Class, Locality, and Nation in Venezuela, Ecuador, and Colombia, 1830s-1940s,” panel, Annual Meeting of the Conference on Latin American History, Boston, 4 January 2001
- “Race and Politics in Colombia and Cuba, 1849-1936,” panel, Annual Meeting of the Conference on Latin American History, Chicago, 8 January 2000

Conferences, Workshops, and Sessions Organized

- Fifth Biennial Undergraduate LACAS Research Conference, Binghamton University, 28 March 2020 (cancelled due to Covid-19 Pandemic)
- Fourth Biennial Undergraduate LACAS Research Conference, co-organized with Gladys Jiménez-Muñoz and Odilka Santiago, Binghamton University, 14 April 2018
- "Researching, Reading, and Writing Power: Theory and Method in Latin American History, A Conference in Honor of Florencia Mallon and Steve Stern," co-organized with Karin Roseblatt, College Park, Maryland and Washington, DC, 3-4 January 2018
- Third Biennial Undergraduate LACAS Research Conference, co-organized with María Chaves, Binghamton University, 12 March 2016

- New York State Latin American History Workshop, co-hosted with Bradley Skopyk, Binghamton University, 18 October 2015
- New York State Latin American History Workshop, Binghamton University, 9 April 2011.
- “Making Colombian and Venezuelan Territories through Maps,” panel co-organized with Lina del Castillo, Meeting of the Latin American Studies Association, Montreal, 7 September 2007
- New York State Latin American History Workshop, inaugural meeting co-organized with Karin Roseblatt and Raymond Craib, Binghamton University, 16 October 2005.
- “New Perspectives on Partisan Political Discourse in Colombia and Ecuador,” panel, Gran Colombia Committee, Annual Meeting of the Conference on Latin American History, Seattle, 8 January 2005
- “Race and Citizenship in Independence-Era Gran Colombia,” panel, Gran Colombia Committee, Annual Meeting of the Conference on Latin American History, Chicago, 3 January 2003.
- “El papel del intelectual y la vida pública en Colombia,” panel co-organized with Francisco Ortega, Meeting of the Latin American Studies Association, Washington, DC, 6 September 2001

MEDIA INTERVIEWS AND FEATURES

- Sebastián Martínez Botero and Alonso Molina Corrales, “Conversación con la Dra. Nancy Appelbaum.” *Anales y memorias de del Centro Occidente-Colombiano* 4:2 (January 2021): 209-216
- Lisette Varón Carvajal, [interview](#), New Books Network, March 13, 2020
- [“En exclusiva con Nancy Appelbaum.”](#) Interviewed by Gloria Patricia Lopera Mesa, Lomapieta Radio, Resguardo Indígena de Cañamomo Lomapieta, Riosucio, Caldas, Colombia 14 December 2019
- “Los 10 mejores libros académicos de 2017.” *El Espectador*, December 19, 2017
- Steven Navarrete Cardona. “En busca de los orígenes de la identidad nacional,” *El Espectador*, *Elespectador.com*, June 9, 2017
- WBNG Binghamton, “Local Professor Weighs in on Presidential Visit to Cuba,” 22 March, 2016
- Lorena Campuzano Duque and Miguel Darío Cuadros Sánchez, “Entrevista a Nancy Appelbaum,” *Historia* 2.0, 8 (2014), 139-143
- Camila de Gamboa, “Entrevista: Nancy Appelbaum,” *Boletín Justicial Transcional* of the Facultad de Jurisprudencia. Universidad del Rosario (Bogotá), no. 3 (May 2006). Republished in *Albicentenario* (Riosucio, Colombia) as [“La historia de Riosucio vista por la historiadora estadounidense Nancy Appelbaum”](#)
- Stephanie Ballenger, “Politics, Race, and Historical Memory in Colombia’s Coffee Region,” *CLAS Newsletter*, Center for Latin American Studies, University of California at Berkeley, Spring 2003

COURSES TAUGHT

Undergraduate, Binghamton University, 1998-Present

Introduction to Latin American and Caribbean Studies

History: Methods and Practices

Latin American Migration
Cold War Latin America
Latin America and the United States
Race in Latin America
Introduction to Latin American Studies
Gender in Latin American History
Modern Latin America
Insurgent Cuba, 1868-Present
Nationalism and Race in Latin America
Political Violence in Latin America

Undergraduate, University of California, Berkeley, 2003

Political Violence in Latin America

Undergraduate, Grinnell College, 1997-1998

Breakfast in the Americas: The Social and Cultural History of Sugar, Coffee, and Bananas
Imperialism in the Caribbean: 1898 in Historical Perspective
Modern Latin America
Colonial Latin America
Gender and Sexuality in Latin American History

Undergraduate, University of Wisconsin, 1996

Colonial Latin America

Graduate, Binghamton University, 1998-Present

América/Americas
Race, Place, and Nation in Latin America
Gender in Latin American History
History Research Seminar
Race, Region, and Nation: Colombia in Comparative Latin American Context
Modern Latin America in the World
Women's and Labor Movements in Latin America
Political Violence in Latin America

Graduate, University of California, Berkeley, 2003

Race, Region, and Nation: Modern Colombia in Comparative Latin American Context

STUDENTS SUPERVISED

Completed Dissertations, History Department, Binghamton University

Lorena Campuzano Duque, Ph.D., 2021, "The People's Gold: Race and Vernacular Mining in the 'Ailing' Landscapes of Antioquia, Colombia, 1540-1958." Postdoctoral Researcher, Universidad Pontificia Católica, Santiago, Chile

- Natalia Triana Angel, Ph.D., 2020, "Sounds of War: Salsa, City and the Cali Festival, 1957-1990." M.A., 2015. Gender Specialist and Researcher, International Center for Tropical Agriculture, Palmira, Colombia
- Sandra Beatriz Sánchez López, Ph.D., 2014, "Practicing Journalism, Contesting Marginalization: Gender, Class, and the Women's Press in Mid-Twentieth-Century Colombia." Associate Professor and Previous Director, Journalism Studies Center (Centro de Estudios de Periodismo, CEPER), University of the Andes, Bogotá, Colombia
- Luis M. Sierra, Ph.D. 2013, "Indigenous Neighborhood Residents in the Urbanization of La Paz, Bolivia, 1910-1950." M.A., 2007. Associate Professor and Chair, Department of History and Legal Studies, Thomas More University
- Melissa Madera, Ph.D., 2011, "Zones of Scandal: Gender, Public Health and Social Hygiene in the Dominican Republic, 1916-1961." M.A. 2005. Director of Research and Partnerships at Choix; Reproductive rights activist; Founder and Director of *The Abortion Diary* podcast

Dissertation Jointly Supervised, History Department, Binghamton University

- Nilay Ozok-Gundogan, Ph.D. 2011, "The Making of the Modern Ottoman State in the Kurdish Periphery: The Politics of Land and Taxation, 1840-1870." (Primarily supervised by Donald Quataert). Associate Professor, Florida State University

Ongoing Dissertations, History Department, Binghamton University

- Carla Juanita Rodríguez Congote, passed Comprehensive Exam in May 2018, A.B.D., ongoing
- Francisca Leiva Infante, passed Comprehensive Exam in August 2022, A.B.D. (Fulbright), ongoing

Terminal Masters

- Miguel Darío Cuadros Sánchez, M.A. 2015 (Fulbright)
- Meredith Schnider, M.A. 2011
- Kenneth Moss, M.A. 2009
- Pedro Chávez, M.A. 2004
- Patrick Clarke, M.A. 2002

Senior Honors Theses

- Nathan Sommer, History, Honors, 2025
- Sara Hobler, History, High Honors, 2018
- Allison Jaekel, History, Honors, 2012
- Elissa Denniston, History, Honors, 2008
- Stephanie Skiba Fitzpatrick, History, High Honors, 2007
- Megan McKinney, History, High Honors, 2001
- Patrick Clarke, Latin American and Caribbean Area Studies, Highest Honors, 1999

STUDENT COMMITTEE MEMBER / EXAMINER

Dissertation Committee Member, History Department, Binghamton University

Victor Cruz, A.B.D., ongoing
Amanda Ortíz Molina, A.B.D., ongoing
Michael Cangemi, Ph.D., 2017
Marion Horan, Ph.D. 2006
Ivette Rivera-Giusti, Ph.D. 2003

Dissertation External Examiner, Binghamton University

Michael L. Stephens, Sociology, Ph.D. 2023
Roberto Ortíz, Sociology, Ph.D., 2019
Carlos E. Moreno León, Political Science, Ph.D. 2016
Josh T. Franco, Art History, Ph.D., 2016
Marina Weinberg, Anthropology, Ph.D. 2013
Paola Fajardo, Political Science, Ph.D. 2010
Franklin Rodríguez, Comparative Literature, Ph.D. 2007
Irene Fenoglio, Comparative Literature, Ph.D. 2004
Clara Olmedo, Sociology, Ph.D. 2003
Emily Stovel, Anthropology, Ph.D. 2002

Dissertation External Examiner or Committee Member, Other Universities

Oscar Aponte, History, Graduate Center, City University of New York, PhD 2025
David Barrios Giraldo, History, University of Calgary, Ph.D. 2021
Gloria Lopera Mesa, History, Florida International University, Ph.D. 2021
María José Afanador, History, University of Texas at Austin, Ph.D., 2016
David Corcoran, History, University of New Mexico, Ph.D. 2011

Master's Thesis External Committee Member

Laura Gaviria Vargas, Center for Advanced Studies in Social Anthropology (Centro de Estudios Superiores en Antropología Social, CIESAS), Monterrey, Mexico, MA, 2025

Graduate Examination Committee Member, History Department, Binghamton University

Victor Cruz, Ph.D. Comprehensive Exam, 2024
Amanda Ortíz Molina, M.A., 2020; Comprehensive Exam, 2021
James Lavelle, Ph.D. Comprehensive Exam, 2021
Yong Hyeon Kim, Ph.D. Comprehensive Exam, 2020
Joshua Kluever, Ph.D. Comprehensive Exam, 2020
David Michalek, M.A., 2020
Dustin Durovick, M.A., 2020
Michael Cangemi, Ph.D. M.A., 2012; Comprehensive Exam, 2014
Kevin Murphy, Ph.D. Comprehensive Exam, 2012
John Riley, Ph.D., Comprehensive Exam, 2012
Kelly Marino, Ph.D., Comprehensive Exam, 2012
Giuseppina Russo, Ph.D. Comprehensive Exam, 2011
Jessica Frazier, Ph.D. Comprehensive Exam, 2011
Jennifer Tomás, Ph.D. Comprehensive Exam, 2008
Daniel Johnson, Ph.D. Comprehensive Exam, 2008

Annette Varcoe, Ph.D Comprehensive Exam, 2007
Megan Engle, Ph.D. Comprehensive Exam, 2006
Feigue Cieplinski, Ph.D. Comprehensive Exam, 2003
Jeffrey McFadden, Ph.D. Comprehensive Exam, 2002
Kara Ritzheimer, Ph.D. Comprehensive Exam, 2001
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Jeffrey Pickron, Ph.D. Comprehensive Exam, 2001
Sarah Boyle, Ph.D. Comprehensive Exam, 2000
Alicia Dixon, M.A., 2000
Andrea Keily, M.A., 2000
Rafael Landrón, M.A., 2000
Ivette Rivera-Giusti, Ph.D. Comprehensive Exam, 1999
Laura Murphy, Ph.D. Comprehensive Exam, 1999
Lee Hansen, Ph.D. Comprehensive Exam, 1999

Senior Honors Theses Second Reader, Binghamton University

Caitlin Mastroe, History, Honors, 2012
Juan Emilio Ane, Latin American and Caribbean Area Studies, High Honors, 1999

UNIVERSITY SERVICE: BINGHAMTON UNIVERSITY

History Department

- Alumni and Outreach Committee, 2025-2026
- Professionalization Committee, 2024-2025
- Self-Study, Section on Service and Outreach, 2024
- Initiating Personnel Committee for numerous personnel cases, 2005-2023
- Numerous Faculty Search Committees, 1998-2023
- Social Media Administrator, 2012-2023
- Chair, Affirmative Action / DEI Committee, History Department, 2022-2023
- Affirmative Action / DEI Committee, 2021-2022, fall 2023
- Graduate Committee, 2003-2005; 2018-2020
- Chair's Advisory Committee (elected), 2003-2004, 2006-2007, 2014-2015, 2018-2019, 2019-2020, 2021-2022, 2022-2023
- Director of Affirmative Action, 2004-2005; 2017-2018
- Invited faculty panelist, roundtable, Teaching College History graduate seminar, 7 November 2017
- Undergraduate Committee, 2006-2007, fall 2016
- Chair, Colonial Latin American History faculty search committee, 2012-2014
- Chair, History Department, 2010-2013
- Director of Graduate Studies, Vice Chair of Department, and Chair of Graduate Committee, calendar year 2007
- Co-Chair, African American/African Diaspora History Faculty Recruitment Committee, 2005
- Director of Undergraduate Studies and Chair of the Undergraduate Committee, 2001-

2003

- Freedeman Memorial Lecture Committee, History Department, 1999-2000

Latin American and Caribbean Area Studies (LACAS) Program

- Steering Committee (a new committee as of 2025), 2025-present
- Program Committee, 1998-Present
- By-laws Ad Hoc Committee, 2023-2025
- Faculty Panelist, LACAS Open House, October 19, 2022
- Director, 2014-2016; 2018-2021
- Coordinator, Dean's Speaker Series on Migration and Conflict Across the Americas, fall 2016
- Co-organizer biennial undergraduate conferences, 2016, 2018 (and 2020, cancelled)
- Co-presenter (with Bradley Skopyk) to Harpur College Advocacy Council on "'Growing Latin American History and Studies at BU,'" September 24, 2016
- Tinker/LACAS Pre-Dissertation Field Grants Selection Committee, 2005, 2007
- Co-author (with Carmen Ferradás, P.I.), successful Tinker Grant proposal, Fall 2003
- Chair, Program Committee, 2001-2003
- Chair, Latin America Subcommittee, 1998-2003
- Co-coordinator (with Luiza Moreira), Dean's Workshop on "Redefining Latin American Studies," 2001-2002

Other College and University Service

- University Personnel Committee, 2017-2019, 2025-2026
- Fulbright Committee, review and mentorship for Fulbright applicants to Colombia, 2019-2025; standing member 2004-2008
- Initiating Personnel Committees for tenure and promotion to associate and promotion to full, departments of Romance Languages, Film, Comparative Literature, Libraries, and Sociology 2016-2025
- Commencement: Faculty participant annually (except during leaves) since 1998 (Faculty Marshal, 2002, 2015)
- Co-organizer with Melissa Zinkin, "A Celebration of the Life and Work of Benita Roth," 2023
- Harpur College Personnel Advisory Committee, 2021-2023
- Harpur College Dean Search Committee, 2021
- Internal reader, book manuscript workshop for assistant professor in sociology, 2021
- Internal Awards Committee, Harpur College, 2019-2020
- Faculty mentor, Institute for Advanced Studies in the Humanities (IASH) undergraduate research seminar students, 2018-2020
- Invited speaker, "Crafting your Career," Writing Life Workgroup: Supporting Women Faculty Scholarship through Mentoring, 15 February 2019
- Ancillary Reviewer, Human Subjects Protocols, Institutional Review Board, 2016, 2019
- Invited speaker, "Dreamers and DACA Explained," Emerging Leaders Program, 2017
- Task Force on Transdisciplinary and Interdisciplinary Work, 2017-2018

- Advisory Committee of the Institute for Advanced Studies in the Humanities, 2015-2017
- Panelist, Best Practices from Experienced and Successful Chairs, Chairs and Directors Workshop, 2016
- Steering Committee of the Transdisciplinary Area of Excellence on Material and Visual Worlds, 2013-2015
- Harpur College Dean's Steering Committee, 2012-2013
- Presentation on tenure process, Junior Faculty Luncheon, 2012
- Harpur Dean's Faculty Development Committee, fall 2008
- Nominator and Local Host, Honorable Degree recipient, the humorist David Sedaris, Fall Commencement, 2008
- Elected Member, Faculty Senate, 2004-2005, 2006-2007
- Committee on Committees, Faculty Senate, fall 2006
- Harpur College Curriculum Committee, 2003-2005
- Harpur College Council, 2001-2002
- Interim Member, University Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, fall 2000

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

External Evaluator for Faculty Personnel Cases

Case Western Reserve University; Claremont McKenna College; Indiana University; Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, New Brunswick; University of California, Santa Barbara; University of Colorado; Universidad de los Andes (Bogotá, Colombia); University of Massachusetts; University of Michigan; University of Pittsburgh; University of Texas; University of Toronto; University of Virginia; University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee; Yale University

Article Manuscript Reviewer

American Historical Review, Ethnic and Racial Studies, Ethnohistory, Hispanic American Historical Review, Historia Crítica, Historia 396, Journal of Iberian and Latin American Studies, Journal of Latin American Anthropology, Journal of Latin American Studies, Latin American Research Review, Revista de Estudios Sociales, Revista de la Universidad del Rosario, Science in Context

Book Manuscript Reviewer

Cornell University Press, Duke University Press, Longman Publishers, Oxford University Press, Universidad Nacional de Colombia--Medellín, University of California Press, University of Nebraska Press, University of New Mexico Press, University of North Carolina Press, University of Pittsburgh Press, University of Texas Press, University of Wisconsin Press

Additional Professional Service

- Track co-chair, History and Archeology, for the Program Committee for LASA2026, the annual meeting of the Latin American and Caribbean Area Studies Association
- Comité Científico Proyecto Comisión Corográfica Digital (Academic Advisory Committee of the Chorographic Commission Digital Project), 2024-present

- Comité de Acompañamiento de seguimiento a la Sentencia T-530/16 (solidarity committee in support of a legal process involving the boundaries of the Colombian indigenous community of Cañamomo Lomaprieta), 2017-2024
- Listserv Coordinator and Co-founder, New York State Latin American History Workshop, 2011-present
- National Screening Committee, Fulbright, for English Language Teaching Assistants, 2022
- Prize Committee for the Michael Jimenez Prize for the Best Book on Colombian History, 2022
- Reviewer, National Endowment for the Humanities Fellowships, 2019, and Summer Stipends, 2003, 2006
- Prize Committee for the Ibero-American Prize for an Academic Book on the Nineteenth Century, Latin American Studies Association, 2018
- Distinguished Service Award Committee, Conference on Latin American History, 2016
- Elected Member, General Committee (governing board), Conference on Latin American History 2013-2015
- Chair, Program Committee, Conference on Latin American History, 2010-2011
- Program Committee, Conference on Latin American History, 2009-2010
- External Reviewer, Faculty Senate Grant for Research and Scholarship, West Virginia University, 2008
- Proposal Assessor, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, 2008
- External Reader, manuscript workshop, History Department, University of Michigan, May 2007
- Chair, James Alexander Robertson Prize Committee, Conference on Latin American History, 2005-2006
- Presentation on academic personnel procedures in the United States, Comité Asesor Docente, Universidad del Rosario, Bogotá, Colombia, 7 February 2006
- Chair, Gran Colombian Committee, Conference on Latin American History, 2004-2006
- H-Latam Advisory Board, 2004-2006
- Consultant, Proposal for History Degree Program, Universidad del Rosario, Bogotá, Colombia, June 2005
- Judge, Student Writing Awards Competition, SUNY College at Brockport, April 2005
- Secretary, Gran Colombian Committee, Conference on Latin American History, 2002-2004
- Advisory Council, Colombia Section, Latin American Studies Association, 2000-2004

LANGUAGES

- Native English
- Fluent Spanish
- Reading knowledge of Portuguese
- Rudimentary French

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- American Historical Association
- Conference on Latin American History
- Latin American Studies Association
- New England Council on Latin American Studies
- New York State Latin American History Workshop