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EDUCATION

New York University

Ph.D., History, 2014

New School University

M.A., International Affairs, 2004

University of Buenos Aires, Argentina

B.A., Sociology, 1991

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT

University of Richmond, Assistant Professor of Leadership Studies, 2014-

AWARDS AND HONORS

- Summer Research Fellowship, Jepson School of Leadership Studies, 2017
- GSAS-Mellon Dissertation Fellowship, New York University, 2012-2013
- Summer Pre-Doctoral Research Grant, New York University, 2009
- Henry M. MacCracken Fellowship, New York University, 2007-2012
- PROFOR Grant, Fulbright Commission/ Ministry of Education of Argentina, 2002

PUBLICATIONS

Academic writing:

Books, chapters, articles

Ambassadors of the Working Class: Argentina's International Labor Activists and Cold War Democracy in the Americas. Duke University Press. Forthcoming: August 2017

“Populismo y Propiedad Privada: El Genoma de la Guerra Fría en América Latina”. in Martín Plot (ed.), *Destino Sudamericano. Ideas e Imágenes Políticas del Segundo Siglo Argentino y Americano*. Buenos Aires: Editorial Universidad de Belgrano, 2010, pp. 153-176

“Neither/Nor. Mapping Latin American's Response to Neoliberalism and Neoconservatism” (with Martín Plot.) *Constellations*, 14, no. 3 (2007): 86-111

"Political Dimensions of the Crisis" in Michael Cohen and Margarita Gutman (eds.), *Argentina in Collapse. The Americas Debate*. New York: The New School, 2002

Reviews

Review: Paula Canelo. *La política secreta de la última dictadura argentina (1976-1983)*. Buenos Aires: Edhasa, 2016. In *Journal of Latin American Studies*, forthcoming, (2017)

Review: Loris Zanatta, *La internacional justicialista: Auge y ocaso de los sueños imperiales de Perón*. Translated by Carlos Catroppi. Buenos Aires: Sudamericana, 2013. In *Hispanic American Historical Review*, vol. 95, no. 4 (November 2015)

Review: Patrick J. Iber, "'Who Will Impose Democracy?': Sacha Volman and the Contradictions of CIA Support for the Anticommunist Left in Latin America." *Diplomatic History* 37:5 (November 2013): 995-1028. DOI: 10.1093/dh/dht041. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1093/dh/dht041>. In *H-Diplo*, No 472, Published on 16 July 2014. URL: <http://h-diplo.org/reviews/PDF/AR472.pdf>

Review: Oscar Chamosa, *The Argentine Folklore Movement: Sugar Elites, Criollo Workers, and the Politics of Cultural Nationalism, 1900–1955*. In *Labour/Le Travail* 69 (Spring 2012)

Review: Mario Rapoport and Claudio Spiguel, *Relaciones Tumultuosas. Estados Unidos y el Primer Peronismo*. In *Revista Contemporánea* (Uruguay), 1, no 1 (2010): 209-211

Selected Writing:

Non Fiction:

Books, chapters, articles

"Los Juguetes no son tuyos," in *El Pasado Inasequible. Desaparecidos, hijos y combatientes en el arte y la literatura del nuevo milenio*, edited by Jordana Blejmar, Silvana Mandolessi and Mariana Eva Perez. Buenos Aires: EUDEBA, forthcoming September 2017.

"Democracy in the Americas, the Revolutionary Way," *North American Congress on Latin America (NACLA)*, February 8, 2017.

<http://nacla.org/news/2017/02/09/democracy-americas-revolutionary-way>

Hecho Burgués, País Maldito, Aurelia Rivera: Buenos Aires, December 2016

"La Startup Americana," *Anfibia*, Buenos Aires, September 25, 2016.

<http://www.revistaanfibia.com/ensayo/la-startup-americana/>

"What Obama Should Know About Macri's Argentina," (with Gastón Chillier), *The New York Times*, March 23, 2016 <https://nyti.ms/2l4CpRc>

"The Taming of the Argentine Right," *North American Congress on Latin America (NACLA)*, December 2, 2015. <http://nacla.org/news/2015/12/02/taming-argentine-right>

Introductions to "Destruction of the City of San Juan Provokes Unanimous Dismay," *La Prensa*, Argentina, 1944, and "The Confession," *Página/12*. Argentina, 1995. In Anya Schiffrin (ed and comp), *Global Muckraking: 100 years of investigative journalism from around the world*. (New Press, New York, 2014)

"The Torture Consensus in U.S. Democracy," *North American Congress on Latin America (NACLA)*, December 19, 2014. <https://nacla.org/news/2014/12/19/torture-consensus-us-democracy>

"(Des) Hacer Buenos Aires" (with Mark Healey) *Le Monde Diplomatique* (Argentina edition), February 2013

"Relaciones Peligrosas. Cultura y Populismo" *Le Monde Diplomatique* (Argentina edition), May 2011

"Argentina's Migration Solution" (with Gastón Chillier) *Americas Quarterly*, Spring 2011

"Down, Argentine Way" (with Mark Healey) *American Prospect* 13, no. 2 (Jan 2002)

"The Cost of Orthodoxy" (with Mark Healey) *American Prospect* 13, supplement (Feb 2002)

Educando a Fernando. Cómo se Construyó De la Rúa Presidente [Educating Fernando. How De la Rúa Became President], Editorial Planeta, Buenos Aires, 1999

Fiction:

"Antebrazo," in Victoria Torres and Miguel Dalmaroni, *Golpes. Relatos y Memorias de la Dictadura*. Buenos Aires, Planeta, 2016

"Mao," in *Me lo llevaré a la sepultura* (comp.), Museo de Arte Latinoamericano de Buenos Aires (Malba), Buenos Aires, 2016

Soy Un Bravo Piloto de la Nueva China [A Courageous Pilot of the New China] (novel) Random House-Mondadori, Buenos Aires, 2011

Todo lo Sólido [Everything Solid] (novel) Aurelia Rivera, Buenos Aires, 2007

La Última Cena de José Stalin [The Last Supper of Joseph Stalin] (novel) Aurelia Rivera, Buenos Aires, 2006

INVITED TALKS AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

"Populist Agitprop: Peronist activism abroad, the demise of populist projects and the origins of political violence in Latin America," paper presented in the conference "Del internacionalismo al latinoamericanismo: La izquierda en la segunda mitad del siglo XX." Latin American Studies Association (ASA), New York, May 29, 2016.

"Against the Populist Tide. U.S. responses to Argentine Peronism and its labor diplomacy in the Americas." Foreign Policy Seminar, University of Connecticut, April 15, 2016.

"Nostalgias de un lugar que no conocemos en un tiempo que no vivimos" In "Jugend in der Diktatur - aktuelle erzählerische Annäherungen" (Juventud bajo la dictadura -aproximaciones narrativas actuales). Internationaler Workshop der Universität zu Köln, 19-20 October 2015.

"It's property, Perón. Argentine labor activism and the question of property rights in Latin America," paper presented in the conference "The State and Civil Society in Twentieth-Century Argentina." Latin American Studies Association (LASA), Puerto Rico, May 29, 2015.

"Los Juguetes No Son Tuyo. Los Juguetes Son." Juegos y Tragedia en la Literatura Política. Lecture at Department of Spanish and Portuguese, The University of Texas at Austin, February 4, 2015.

"Abundance Won't Return This Year: Argentine and Bolivian Workers, Nationalist Revolution and Perón's Ambitions of Regional Leadership." In "Local Struggles, Transnational Alliances: Labor Movements and International Alliances in Latin America," panel at the 129th Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association (AHA). New York, January 4, 2015.

"New Poetics of Disappearance. Narrative, Violence and Memory." Institute of Modern Languages Research, Center for the Study of Cultural Memory (University of London), ERC-Narratives of Terror and Disappearance (Universität Konstanz.) Senate House, London, 16 and 17 June, 2014.

"Ni Yanquis Ni Marxistas, Peronistas." In "Workers, Labor, and Transnational Politics in Latin America," panel at the 128th Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association (AHA). Washington, DC, January 4, 2014.

"Argentine Modern History: The Democratic Transition." The Albert Gallatin Scholars Program on The Past and Future of Movements," NYU Gallatin School, November 5, 2013.

"Writing, Memory and History: The Case of Argentina." Seminar on Transitional Justice in Latin American Literature and Film, CUNY Graduate Center, October 28, 2013.

"Transitional Justice in Argentine Fiction: Thoughts on Soy un Bravo Piloto de la Nueva China" Seminar on Transitional Justice, CUNY John Jay College of Criminal Justice, October 21, 2013.

"History, Power and Fiction. Memory and The Narrative of Love." Conference: Narrativas de lo Real. Historias y Memorias, Argentine National Library, Buenos Aires, Argentina, October 16-17, 2013.

"Construir La(s) Memoria(s)" [The Construction of Memories]. Seminar Lectura Mundi, University of San Martín, Buenos Aires, Argentina, October 15, 2013.

"Apostles of the Social Revolution, Pioneers of Junior Imperialism. Perón's Worker Attachés and the Conquest of the American Working Class." Latin American History Graduate Retreat Program. Columbia University, May 11, 2012.

"Ambassadors of The Working Class: Peronist Workers Attachés and Cold War Liberalism (1945-1959). Latin American History Graduate Student Retreat. Yale University. April 29, 2011.

"Report on Citizen Security and Human Rights." Presentation on behalf of CELS of the report elaborated by the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights (IACHR). Inter-American Dialogue, Washington, DC, October 19, 2010.

"Argentina, Prosecution of Human Rights Violations and Democratic Transition." Regional Research Seminar, Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, New York University, October 11, 2010.

"Or Perón: Totalitarianism, Populism and the Latin American Threat at the Onset of the Cold War" WIPLASH (Works In Progress in Latin American Society and History), New York University, November 6, 2009.

"What We Talk About When We Talk About Populism," NYU Outreach Series, Pan American International High School, Queens, Spring 2009.

"Argentine Modern History." Seminar on Political Systems in Latin America, CUNY Hostos Community College, November 2008.

"Argentina from Dictatorship to Democracy." Seminar on Political Systems in Latin America, CUNY Hostos Community College, October 2007.

"Argentina, Brazil and Chile in the 21st Century" Institute for Latin American Studies (ILAS), Columbia University, April 17th, 2006.

"Learning Democracy: Argentina" International Conference on Transitions to Democracy. Bennington College. October 9-11, 2005.

"Reimagining Globalization in Argentina" Croft Institute for International Studies at the University of Mississippi, November 18, 2003.

“Political Dimensions of the Economic Crisis” Conference: Estrategias de Desarrollo para Salir de la Crisis, School of Architecture of the University of Buenos Aires, August 7, 2003.

“Reimagining Globalization in Argentina” Croft Institute for International Studies at the University of Mississippi, November 18, 2003.

“Political Dimensions of the Economic Crisis” Conference: Estrategias de Desarrollo para Salir de la Crisis, School of Architecture of the University of Buenos Aires, August 7, 2003.

“Three Keys to Understand the Political Crisis” Conference: Argentina in Collapse? The Americas Debate, The New School University, New York, April 8-9, 2002.

“Political Alliances, Allegiances and Loyalties in Present Day Argentina” Latin American Research Centre, University of Calgary, Canada. February 11, 2002.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor, Jepson School of Leadership Studies, University of Richmond. 2014-

- Leadership and the Humanities 101.
- The Business of Ruling. Strongmen, Caudillos and Democracy in the Americas. 390

Teaching Assistant, Department of History, New York University

Led discussion sections, prepared course readings and visual aid materials, graded papers and exams.

- New York City Social History, Professor Daniel Walkowitz, Spring 2011.
- US Social Movements and the New Left, Professor Linda Gordon, Spring 2009.
- Europe in the 1960s and 1970s, Professor Molly Nolan, Fall 2008.

Instructor, Graduate Program in International Affairs, The New School University, Spring 2003

- Advanced Topics in International Affairs: Seminar on Cities and Ex-Cities

Instructor, Instituto del Servicio Exterior de la Nación [National Foreign Service Institute]

Buenos Aires, Argentina, Fall 2003.

- Intensive one-week course: U.S-Latin American Relations in the Twentieth Century.

Coordinator, Buenos Aires Summer Program, Graduate Program in International Affairs, The New School, Summer 2003.

- Led an eight-week program in Buenos Aires for 14 students. Taught a weekly class, prepared course materials and grade final reports, organized ten conferences with political leaders, scholars, writers and social activists and coordinated all logistics of the internship.

Teaching Assistant, Graduate Program in International Affairs, The New School University.

- Global Images of Metropolitan Futures, Professor Margarita Gutman, Fall 2002.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Advisor

Mission of Argentina to the United Nations
2013-2014

Head of New York Office

Centro de Estudios Legales y Sociales [Center for Legal and Social Studies]
2009-2011

Chief Editor

RD, International Affairs Journal
Instituto del Servicio Exterior de la Nación, Argentine Ministry of Foreign Affairs
2006-2008

Political Attaché

Consulate General of Argentina, New York
2003-2007

Investigative reporter, political writer, columnis, and editor

Clarín newspaper (paper with the largest circulation in the Spanish speaking world), Argentina
1998-2001

Writer, columnist

Trespuntos weekly magazine, Argentina
1997-1998

Political writer, investigative reporter and columnist

Página/12 newspaper, Argentina
1993-1997

LANGUAGES

English (speak, read, write)

Italian (read)

Portuguese (read)

Spanish (native)