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## **EDUCATION**

- 2009 Ph.D., Latin American History  
University of Chicago  
Dissertation Title: *Mexican Emigration During the Cristero War, 1926-1929*  
Advisors: Emilio Kourí, Dain Borges, and Mae Ngai (Columbia University)
- 2002 M.A., Latin American Studies  
New York University
- 2001 B.A., Sociology and Art, *summa cum laude*  
The Catholic University of America

## **ACADEMIC POSITIONS**

- 2017-present Associate Professor, History, The Catholic University of America
- 2011-2017 Assistant Professor, History, The Catholic University of America
- 2010-2011 Assistant Professor of Global Affairs, George Mason University
- Spring 2009 Visiting Instructor, Georgetown University

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Books**

- In prep. *The Revolution is Afraid: Mexico's Sinarquistas and their Fight for a Catholic Nation*, manuscript in progress
- 2016 *Local Church, Global Church: Catholic Activism in Latin America from Rerum Novarum to Vatican II*, co-edited with Stephen Andes, The Catholic University of America Press
- 2015 *Mexican Exodus: Emigrants, Exiles, and Refugees of the Cristero War*  
Oxford University Press (paperback edition released January 2019)
- Honorable Mention, the María Elena Martínez Prize in Mexican History, the Conference on Latin American History, 2016
  - Foik Award for Best Book on the Catholic Southwest from the Texas Catholic Historical Society, 2016

### Refereed Journal Articles

- 2022 ““The most dangerous fifth column in the Americas:" U.S. Journalists and Mexico's Unión Nacional Sinarquista,” *Religions* (special issue in progress; targeted for publication in late 2022)
- 2022 “Fascists, Nazis, or Something Else? Mexico's Union Nacional Sinarquista in the U.S. Media, 1937-1945” *The Americas*, 79:2, (April 2022), 229–261.
- 2020 “Creating Catholic Utopias: The Transnational Catholic Activism of Mexico’s Unión Nacional Sinarquista, MODERNISM: Rivista annuale di storia del riformismo religioso in età contemporanea. Fondazione Romolo Murri (Urbino) Anno VI (2020), revised and expanded version of *Catholic Southwest* article, 2018
- 2018 “Creating Catholic Utopias: Mexican Religious Activism and the Unión Nacional Sinarquista During the 1940s,” *Catholic Southwest* (December 2018)  
[*Best Feature Article (Third Place), Catholic Press Association of the United States and Canada; Patrick Foley Award for the best scholarly article in the 2018 issue of Catholic Southwest, Texas Catholic Historical Society*]
- 2017 “Knights and *Cabelleros*: Cross-border Catholic Activism During Mexico’s Cristero War,” *Mexican Studies/Estudios Mexicanos* 33:2 (July 2017), 245-271.
- 2017 "Making America 1920 Again? Nativism and US Immigration, Past and Present." *Journal on Migration and Human Security* 5:1 (March 2017), 217-35.
- 2013 “The Calles Government and Catholic Dissidents: Mexico’s Transnational Projects of Repression, 1926-1929,” *The Americas* 70:1 (July 2013), 63-91.
- 2012 “Cristero Diaspora: Mexican Emigrants, the U.S. Catholic Church, and Mexico’s Cristero War, 1926-1929,” *The Catholic Historical Review* 98:2 (April 2012), 271-300.  
[*winner, Peter Guilday Prize, the American Catholic Historical Association*]

### Book Chapters

- 2022 “Religion and Migration,” in *The Routledge History of Modern Latin American Migration*, Taylor and Francis, forthcoming Fall 2022.
- 2021 “A Century of Mercy: The Catholic Church and Immigration along the U.S.-Mexico Border,” in *Pope Francis and the Search for God in América: The Significance of His Early Visits to the Americas*, Maria Clara Bingemer and Peter J. Casarella (eds.), The Catholic University of America Press (2021).

- 2020 Translation of Adolfo Pérez Esquivel, “For The Disarmament of Injustice,” in *A World Free From Nuclear Weapons: The Vatican Conference on Disarmament*, Fr. Drew Christiansen, SJ and Carole Sargent (eds), Georgetown University Press.
- 2020 “La Guerra Cristera Mexicana, Migración y Rebeldes a lo Largo de la Frontera entre Estados Unidos y México,” *Histórias transnacionais: intelectuais, devoções e ordens católicas na América Latina durante o século XX*. Eds. Erika Helgen, Carlos André Silva de Moura, and Dirceu Salviano Marques Marroquim. Recife: Universidade de Pernambuco.
- 2020 “La experiencia del exilio en dos familias cristeras mexicanas,” in *Cruce de fronteras: Los católicos mexicanos y los católicos de Estados-Unidos*, forthcoming from UAM Azcapotzalco, el CEMCA and the University of Texas – Austin (2019).
- 2020 “Revolution and the Cristeros,” in Beezeley, William (ed.), *The Oxford Handbook of Mexican History* (New York: Oxford University Press), published online September 2020; forthcoming in print.
- 2016 “A “Sorrowful Caravan”? Rhetoric vs. Reality in Mexico’s Debate over Immigration, 1926-1929,” in *El ir y venir de los norteros. La historia de la migración mexicana a Estados Unidos (S.XIX-S.XXI)*, eds. Rafael Alarcón and Fernando Saúl Alanis (Mexico: El Colef, El Colmich y El Colsan), 2016.
- 2009 “Un obispo cristero en Estados Unidos: el exilio de José de Jesús Manríquez y Zárate, 1927-1932,” in Julia Preciado Zamora and Servando Ortoll, eds. *Los guachos y los mochos: once ensayos cristeros* (jitanjáfora Press, Morelia, 2009).

### Public Writing

- 2021 “Diversity and Division: ‘American Catholics,’” *Commonweal*, April 28.
- 2021 “The Situation at the U.S.-Mexico Border Can’t be ‘Solved’ Without Acknowledging its Origins,” *TIME.com*, March 31.
- 2021 “Sore Loser Politics: A Mexican Lesson About Trump,” with Carlos Bravo Regidor, *The Hill*, January 19.
- 2020 “Alumni Essay: Drawn to Direct Action, Father and Daughter Stand with Immigrants,” *CUAlumni Magazine*, Summer 2020.  
*[second-place prize in the Best Essay category, Catholic Media Association]*
- 2019 “Even as President Trump slams the door on refugees, there is reason for hope,” *The Washington Post*, September 29

- 2019 “My first, and very Catholic, act of civil disobedience,” *National Catholic Reporter*, August 15
- 2019 “The depressing futility of ICE workplace raids,” *The Hill*, July 9
- 2019 “What is an ‘Authentic’ Catholic Anyway? Narrowing the Universal Church,” *Commonweal*, February 22
- 2019 “A wall can’t stop America’s addiction to undocumented immigration,” *The Washington Post*, January 9
- 2018 “‘We Were Different’: Why Nativism Persists Among U.S. Catholics,” *Commonweal*, March 5
- 2018 Republicans want to use immigration policy to make America whiter. Here’s why they’ll fail,” *The Washington Post*, February 6
- 2017 Letter (invited response to Peter Hitchens’s article “In Praise of Borders”), *First Things*, December 2017
- 2017 “Mass deportation isn’t just inhumane. It’s ineffective.” *The Washington Post* (Made by History), July 18.
- 2017 “Mexican Migration History in the Era of Border Walls,” AHA Today, <http://blog.historians.org/2017/05/mexican-migration-history-era-border-walls/> May 15, 2017.
- 2017 “Catholic Solidarity With Immigrants: Will the Laity Support the Bishops?” *Commonweal*, Vol. 144, No. 5, (March 2017).
- 2015 “Smuggling for Christ the King,” *oupblog.com*, July 23, 2015.
- 2015 “How Mexican Immigration to the U.S. Has Evolved,” *TIME.com*, March 12, 2015.
- 2015 “From Azusa to Main Street” review of *Latino Pentecostals in America Faith and Politics in Action* by Gastón Espinosa, *Commonweal*, Vol. 142 No. 4 (Feb 20, 2015): 25-26.
- 2014 “A Brief Historical Survey of Catholic Advocacy for Latino Immigrants,” Common Good Forum, Website of Catholics in Alliance for the Common Good, [catholicsinalliance.org/immigrantadvocacy](http://catholicsinalliance.org/immigrantadvocacy), July 23, 2014.
- 2013 “The Church in Latin America: Can Francis Meet the Challenge?” *Commonweal*, Vol. 140, No. 7 (April 2013).

- 2012 “Bad History: No, Obama is not an Anti-Catholic Mexican Dictator,” commonweal.com, June 18, 2012.
- 2012 “A Transplanted Faith: Catholicism in Latin America,” *Commonweal*, Vol 139, No 22 (December 2012).
- 2009 “Under the Banner of Cristo Rey: Mexican Exiles in the U.S., 1926-1929,” Working Paper Series: Charles and Margaret Hall Cushwa Center for the Study of American Catholicism, ser. 41, no. 1, 2009.
- 2007 “Greek Mexico,” with Spiro G. Roiniotis, *The AHEPAN*, Vol. 80, No. 1 (Summer 2007).
- 2004 “Consolidating Democracy in Mexico, at Chicago”; “Wings of the Same Bird: Haiti and the Dominican Republic”; “Putting People Before Cars in Bogotá”; “Chiaramonte Presents Historical Analysis of Argentine Problem,” *Latin America/Chicago* (Bulletin of the Center for Latin American Studies), Vol. 24, No. 1 (Summer 2004).
- 2003 “Our Hidden History: Latinas in the U.S.,” *Latina Style Magazine*, Vol. 9, No. 5 (September/October 2003).
- 2002 “Cuban Conversations,” *ANAMESA Student Journal*, New York University, Fall 2002.

### **Book Reviews**

- 2022 Review of Goodman, Adam. *The Deportation Machine: America’s Long History of Expelling Immigrants*. Economic History Review (forthcoming).
- 2022 Review of Scheper-Hughes, Jennifer. *Church of the Dead: The Epidemic of 1576 and the Birth of Christianity in the Americas*. The Catholic Historical Review (forthcoming).
- 2022 Review of Gallagher, Charles. *Nazis of Copley Square: The Forgotten Story of the Christian Front*. The Catholic Historical Review (forthcoming).
- 2022 Review of Curley, Robert, *Citizens and Believers: Religion and Politics in Revolutionary Jalisco, 1900-1930*. *Historia Mexicana* 71 (4), 1868-1872.
- 2021 Review of Kanter, Deborah, *Chicago Católico: Making Chicago Parishes Mexican*, *Church History Review*, Church History 90 (1) 253-255.
- 2020 Review of Dodson, Julian F. *Fanáticos, Exiles, and Spies: Revolutionary Failures on the US–Mexico Border, 1923–1930* *Southwestern Historical Quarterly*, Volume 124, Number 1, July 2020, pp. 96-97.

- 2020 Review of S. Deborah Kant, *The INS on the Line: Making Immigration Law on the US-Mexico Border, 1917-1954*. *Journal of American Studies* 53 (2).
- 2020 Review of Miroslava Chávez-García, *Migrant Longing: Letter Writing across the US-Mexico Borderlands*. *The American Historical Review* 125 (1), 280-281.
- 2019 Review of Flores, John H., *The Mexican Revolution in Chicago: Immigration Politics from the Early Twentieth Century to the Cold War*. H-LatAm, H-Net Reviews. April, 2019
- 2018 Review of Eduardo Camacho Mercado, *Frente al Hambre y al Obús: Iglesia y Feligresía en Totatiche y el Cañón de Bolaños, 1876-1926* (Universidad de Guadalajara, 2014), *Historia Mexicana*, Volume LXVII, No. 4 (April-June 2018)
- 2018 Review of Frank Graziano, *Miraculous Images and Votive Offerings in Mexico* (Oxford University Press, 2016), *Bulletin of Latin American Research*, Vol. 37, No. 1 (January 2018), 118-120.
- 2017 Review of Fernando Saúl Alanis Enciso, *Voces de la repatriación: La sociedad Mexicana y la repatriación de mexicanos de Estados Unidos 1930-1933* (El Colegio de San Luis, 2015), *Hispanic American Historical Review*, REVIEW 97 (4), 748-750.
- 2017 Review of Marisol López-Menéndez, *Miguel Pro: Martyrdom, Politics, and Society in Twentieth-Century Mexico*, *Journal of Church and State* (published September 2017)
- 2016 Gave a televised book review of Gustavo Morello, "The Catholic Church and Argentina's Dirty War." for "Subject Matters," a program on Salt and Light TV in Toronto, August 29.
- 2016 Review of Anne M. Martínez, *Catholic Borderlands: Mapping Catholicism onto American Empire, 1905-1935* (University of Nebraska Press, 2014), *The Pacific Historical Review*, Volume 85, No. 1 (Spring 2016) 162-4.
- 2016 Review of Ben Fallaw, *Religion and State Formation in Postrevolutionary Mexico* (Duke University Press, 2014), in *Ethnohistory* (2016) 63(1): 199-200
- 2015 "The Catholic Church and Argentina's Dirty War: Victims, Perpetrators, or Witnesses?" (Review of Gustavo Morello's book, *Argentine Catholics and the Dirty War*), *Commonweal*, Vol. 142, No. 16, October 9, 2015.
- 2015 "Latino Pentecostals: The Power of the Spirit" (Review of Gastón Espinosa's book, *Latino Pentecostals in America: Faith and Politics in Action*), *Commonweal*, Vol. 142, No. 4, February 20, 2015.

2013 "Hidden in Plain Sight" (Review of Timothy Matovina's book, *Latino Catholicism: Transformation in America's Largest Church*), *Commonweal*, Vol. 140, No. 3, February 8, 2013.

### **Encyclopedia Articles**

2006 "Anna Maria Arias," in Vicki L. Ruiz and Virginia Sánchez Korrol, eds. *Latinas in the United States: An Historical Encyclopedia*. Bloomington: Indiana University Press, 2006.

### **AWARDS AND HONORS**

2021 Best Essay (second place), Catholic Media Association, for "Alumni Essay: Drawn to Direct Action, Father and Daughter Stand with Immigrants," *CUAlumni Magazine*, Summer 2020.

2020-21 Luce/ACLS Program in Religion, Journalism & International Affairs Fellowship

2019 Best Feature Article (Third Place), for "Creating Catholic Utopias: Transnational Catholic Activism and Mexico's Union Nacional Sinarquista," Catholic Press Association of the United States and Canada

2019 Best Cover, for *Catholic Southwest: Special Issue on the Cristero War*, co-awarded with Richard Fossey and Cindy Howell, Catholic Press Association of the United States and Canada

2019 Patrick Foley Award for the best scholarly article in the 2018 issue of *Catholic Southwest*, Texas Catholic Historical Society

2017 Foik Award for Best Book on the Catholic Southwest, Texas Catholic Historical Society

2016 Honorable Mention, María Elena Martínez Prize in Mexican History, Council on Latin American History

2015 Grant-in-aid, The Catholic University of America, for publication costs associated with *Local Church, Global Church*

2015 Kluge Fellowship, The John W. Kluge Center, The Library of Congress

2015 Grant-in-aid, The Catholic University of America, for publication costs associated with *Mexican Exodus*

2014 Grant-in-aid, The Catholic University of America, for research related to *Mexican Exodus*

- 2013 Grant of \$500 from The Robert Benson Meyer, Jr. Foundation to fund the conference “Catholic Activism in the Americas, 1891-1962: New Transnational and Comparative Perspectives”
- 2012 Grant of \$5,600 from The Kislak Family Foundation for the Early Americas Film and Lecture Series (prepared with Juanita Aristizabal and Jason Sharples)
- 2012 Peter Guilday Prize, the American Catholic Historical Association (awarded for the article “Cristero Diaspora: Mexican Immigrants, the U.S. Catholic Church, and Mexico’s Cristero War, 1926-1929”
- 2008-2009 Mellon Foundation/Social Sciences Dissertation-Year Fellowship  
University of Chicago
- 2007-2008 Mellon Fellowship in Latin American History  
University of Chicago
- 2007 Center for the Study of Race, Politics and Culture Prize Lectureship in Race and Ethnic Studies  
University of Chicago
- 2006-2007 Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Fellowship  
U.S. Department of Education
- 2006-2007 Fulbright, Garcia Robles Grant (*declined*)  
Institute of International Education
- 2006-2007 David L. Boren Graduate Fellowship (*declined*)  
National Security Education Program
- 2006 Center for the Study of Race, Politics and Culture Graduate Research Grant  
University of Chicago
- 2006 Dorothy Mohler Research Grant, American Catholic Research Center  
The Catholic University of America
- 2004-2006 Mellon Fellowship in Latin American History  
University of Chicago
- 2005 Center for Latin American Studies Summer Field Research Grant, 2005  
University of Chicago
- 2004 Tinker Field Research Grant, 2004  
University of Chicago
- 2004 Mellon Summer Research Grant in Latin American History, 2004

- University of Chicago
- 2004 Departmental Summer Research Grant, History Department, 2004 and 2005  
University of Chicago
- 2001-2002 Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies Departmental Fellowship  
New York University
- 2001 University Scholar  
The Catholic University of America
- 2001 Phi Beta Kappa

## **PRESENTATIONS**

### **Conferences Organized**

- 2019 Religion in Mexican Politics, Migration, and Mexican American Communities, 1920-2020 (Co-organized with John Tutino, Georgetown University, and Ben Fallaw, Colby College), Mexican Cultural Institute, November 22, 2019.
- 2015 “American Catholics and Immigration: Past and Present”  
Institute for Policy Research and Catholic Studies, The Catholic University of America, March 13. (Co-organized with CUA colleagues Timothy Meagher and Maria Mazzenga)
- 2013 “Catholic Activism in the Americas, 1891-1962: New Transnational and Comparative Perspectives,” The Catholic University of America, October 17-18.

### **Conference panel chair, discussant, commentator, or moderator**

- 2022 Chair and commentator for the panel, “Las Derechas: New Directions in the Study of Lay and Clerical Conservatism in Postrevolutionary Mexico” virtual meeting of the American Historical Association (Joint session with the Conference on Latin American History), February 25.
- 2021 Commentator for the panel, “Transnational Histories of Mexico's Religious Conflict,” Historians of Catholic Mexico (virtual event), November 30.
- 2021 Moderator for the panel, “Independence in U.S. and Mexican Historical Memory,” at the conference “Age of Revolutions: Rethinking Mexico’s Independence from a Hemispheric Perspective,” Mexican Cultural Institute of Washington, D.C., October 26.
- 2021 Commentator for the panel, “Catholics Respond to Crisis: Identities, Ideology, and Catholic “Intrapolitics,” Latin American Studies Association Annual Conference, May 28.

- 2021 Host and co-moderator, "Immigrant Family Separation: Past and Present," The Catholic University of America and Barry University, Virtual event, April 13.
- 2021 Commentator, "Transnational Histories of Mexican Catholic Activism in the Twentieth and Twenty-First Centuries," Rocky Mountain Council for Latin American Studies 68th Annual Conference, Virtual, March 19.
- 2021 Moderator, "Roots and Branches of Liberation Theology: New Research on Religion and Politics in Late 20th- Century Mexico," Virtual, CLAH/AHA, January 7.
- 2019 Discussant, "Urban Life in Global Times: Mexico and Mexicans in a Hemisphere of Change," The Mexican Cultural Institute, Washington, DC, May 13.
- 2018 Commentator, panel discussion of Karin Rosenblatt's *The Science and Politics of Race in Mexico and the United States*, The Mexican Cultural Institute, Washington, D.C., November 15.
- 2018 Commentator for the panel "Viva Cristo Rey! The Cristero War and Texas Catholicism," Texas State Historical Association Annual Meeting, March 9.
- 2018 Moderator, discussion of *The Mexican Heartland: How Communities Shaped Capitalism, a Nation, and World History, 1500-2000* a with John Tutino and Emilio Kourí, The Mexican Cultural Institute, Washington, D.C., February 28.
- 2018 Commentator for the panel "Religious Nationalism in Flux," the American Historical Association Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., January 6, 2018.
- 2017 Discussant, "Jenkins of Mexico" book talk with Andrew Paxman, The Americas Initiative, Georgetown University, November 14.
- 2016 Chair for the panel, "Contesting Transnational Migrant Mobilities: Resettling Deportees, Building Roads, and Constructing Race in Mexico," Latin American Studies Association Annual Meeting, May 28.
- 2015 Chair and commentator for the panel "The Southern Part of the Western Hemisphere," American Catholic Historical Association Annual Meeting, January 2.

#### **Conference Presentations; invited talks**

- 2022 "Mexican Exodus: Emigrants, Exiles, and Refugees of the Cristero War," virtual presentation given to Esposas de Cristo, Hijas de la Iglesia - Council of Major Superiors of Women Religious – CMSWR, June 15.

- 2022 “Betty Kirk: Periodista Antifascista en Mexico, 1936-1943,” virtual presentation, Red Iberoamericana de Historiadoras, May 27.
- 2022 “‘*You cannot tell where they have planted their spies...*’: The Unión Nacional Sinarquista in Anglophone Literature, 1935-1947,” virtual presentation at Seminario Historiadores de México Católico (HISTCATMEX), February 22.
- 2022 “Sinarquistas, Anti-Communism, and the Catholic Family in Mexico,” virtual presentation on the panel “Transnational Mexican Catholic Histories of the 20th Century,” American Historical Association Annual Conference, February 22.
- 2022 “Religion in Mexico: Past, Present, Future,” virtual presentation for the Foreign Service Institute, U.S. Department of State, February 1, April 12.
- 2022 “A Century of US Migration Policy: From Quotas to Border Crises,” Presentation for Campus Ministry Service and Justice Immersion Trip to Apopka, Florida, Catholic University (via Zoom), January 31.
- 2022 “How Migration Became Criminalized in the United States,” Presentation for Miles4Migrants employees (via Zoom), January 24.
- 2021 Featured guest, *4 From the South* podcast, December 16
- 2021 “¿Fascistas, nazis o algo más? La Unión Nacional Sinarquista de México en la prensa de Estados Unidos, 1937-1945,” Coloquio repensar el fascismo en México en el contexto americano y trasatlántico: difusión, espejismos, desarrollos autóctonos y procesos de fascistización, Secretaría de Cultura de México / INAH (virtual conference), September 27.  
([https://www.facebook.com/inah.estudioshistoricos/videos/290355825926597/?\\_\\_so\\_\\_=channel\\_tab&\\_\\_rv\\_\\_=related\\_videos](https://www.facebook.com/inah.estudioshistoricos/videos/290355825926597/?__so__=channel_tab&__rv__=related_videos))
- 2021 “Human Migration: Six Lessons from History,” presentation for National Migration Week, The Catholic University of America, September 21.
- 2021 “Life, Death, and Afterlife: Religion in Mexico,” virtual presentation for the Foreign Service Institute, U.S. Department of State, September 1.
- 2021 Presentation of the book *Cruce de fronteras: La influencia de los Estados Unidos de América Latina en los proyectos de nación católicos en México, siglo XX*, invited speaker, El Colegio de Jalisco, Mexico (virtual event), September 2.  
(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2KEdMg9NUDI>)
- 2021 “Agustín de Iturbide’s Legacy in Washington, D.C.” video presentation, Mexican Cultural Institute and The Catholic University of America, August 24.  
(<https://vimeo.com/591154403>)

- 2021 “*Las Abnegadas*; or The Vanishing of the Sinarquista Woman,” Latin American Studies Association Annual Conference, May 26 (virtual presentation).
- 2021 Life, Death, and Afterlife: Religion in Mexico,” virtual presentation for the Foreign Service Institute, U.S. Department of State, March 4.
- 2021 “Iturbide y las Tres Garantías: con la Dra. Julia G. Young y la Dra. Andrea Rodríguez Tapia,” Virtual presentation for the Mexican Cultural Institute and Embassy of Mexico, February 24  
([https://instituteofmexicodc.org/index.php/stec\\_event/charla-virtual-iturbide-las-tres-garantias/](https://instituteofmexicodc.org/index.php/stec_event/charla-virtual-iturbide-las-tres-garantias/)).
- 2020 “Race and Immigration Policy, 1880-1930,” Virtual presentation to Justice for Immigrants Webinar Series (USCCB), October 21
- 2020 “Columbus Day,” Virtual presentation to the Student Organization of Latinos (SOL), Catholic University, October 13.
- 2020 “The End of Asylum? Notes from the South Texas Family Residential Center,” presented via Zoom to Dr. Yves Solis’s graduate seminar, CIDE, Mexico City, March 12
- 2020 “From the Cristero Crisis to Sinarquista Diplomacy: The Evolving Relationship between Mexican Catholics and the NCWC, 1926-1945” (paper read in absentia), Texas State Historical Association Annual Conference, Austin, TX, February 28
- 2020 “The End of Asylum? Notes from the South Texas Family Residential Center, McLean Center for the Study of Culture and Values, The Catholic University of America, February 12.
- 2020 “Fascists, Nazis, or Something Else? International Media Coverage of Mexico's Union Nacional Sinarquista, 1937-50,” for the panel entitled “Forging a Catholic Nation amidst a Secular State: Catholic Mobilization and Contentious Politics in 20th-Century Mexico,” American Historical Association Annual Meeting, New York.
- 2019 “The Revolution is Afraid”: Cristeros and Sinarquistas in Mexico and the United States,” at the Mexican Cultural Institute’s conference, “Religion in Mexican Politics, Migration, and Mexican American Communities, 1920-2020,” November 22.
- 2019 panelist, Anti-Defamation League's "Never is Now" Annual Conference, on a panel entitled "A Nation of Immigrants: Immigration and Nativism in America's History, November 21.

- 2019 “Life, Death, and Afterlife: Religion in Mexico,” Western History Intensive Seminar, the Foreign Service Institute of the U.S. Department of State, Arlington, VA, March 1, October 31.
- 2019 "A Revolutionary History: Latin American Migrations to the U.S.," at the Institute for Humane Studies at George Mason University in Arlington, VA, October 2.
- 2019 Commentator, "It's Not Just About Migrants," Intercultural Dialogue, The Catholic University of America, October 1.
- 2019 Presenter, "A Celebration of Mexican Independence: Documents and Readings from Mexican History," The Catholic University of America, September 30.
- 2019 Panelist, "Yearning to Breathe Free: The Roots of Central American Migration," Arlington Public Library (Central Branch), September 19.
- 2019 “The Rise and Survival of Mexico’s Union Nacional Sinarquista,” presenter and organizer of the panel, "Violence, Dissidence and Resistance in Postrevolutionary Mexico," Latin American Studies Association Annual Conference, May 24.
- 2018 “The Border Crossed Us: Mexican Immigration Since 1848,” panelists for Immigration Debates: Past and Present, The Catholic University of America, December 5
- 2018 “Sinarquistas entre México y Estados Unidos” at the XV Reunión de Historiadores de México, Guadalajara, Mexico, October 18.
- 2017 Invited panelist, “Columbus 525: An Exploration of Christopher Columbus’s Impact on the Atlantic World,” The Embassy of Haiti, Washington, D.C., December 5
- 2017 Invited speaker, “The Catholic Church in Latin America,” Western Hemisphere Leadership Center for Mid-Level Officers, panel entitled “Religion in the Americas: Past, Present, and Future,” the Foreign Service Institute of the U.S. Department of State, Arlington, VA, March 23.
- 2017 Invited speaker, “Mexican Exodus: Emigrants, Exiles, and Refugees of the Cristero War,” The Washington History Center (co-sponsored by the National History Center and the Wilson Center’s History and Public Policy Program), March 13.
- 2017 Panelist, “Catholics and the Alt-Right,” co-hosted by the Institute for Policy Research & Catholic Studies at The Catholic University of America and *Millennial Journal*, February 23.

- 2017 “The Catholic Church in Mexico,” Western History Intensive Seminar, the Foreign Service Institute of the U.S. Department of State, Arlington, VA, March 1, August 29.
- 2016 “Creating Catholic Utopias: Mexican Religious Activism During the 1940s,” in the panel “Revolutions of the Saints: The Politics of Religion in Latin America's Long Cold War – I” Latin American Studies Association Annual Meeting, New York, May 27.
- 2015 Panelist, “Migration, Asylum and the Role of the State: Defining Boundaries, Redefining Borders,” The John W. Kluge Center, The Library of Congress, Washington, DC, November 12.
- 2015 “Catholic Nationalism in the Mexican Diaspora,” Cátedra Internacional Friedrich Katz, The University of Chicago, October 30.
- 2015 Invited speaker, “Mexican Exodus,” for the Kluge Center Panel at the National Book Festival, Washington, DC, September 5.
- 2015 “The Catholic Church in Mexico in the 20th Century,” Western History Intensive Seminar, the Foreign Service Institute of the U.S. Department of State, Arlington, VA, August 18.
- 2014 “Mexican Migration and the Legacy of the Cristero War,” Institute for Policy Research and Catholic Studies, The Catholic University of America, Washington, D.C., October 9.
- 2014 “Knights and Caballeros: Mexico’s Knights of Columbus on Both Sides of the Border, 1920-2010,” XIV Reunión Internacional de Historiadores de México, Chicago, IL, September 18-20.
- 2014 “Catolicismo mexicano y su impacto en Estados Unidos, enfoque regional/trasnacional,” Coloquio Internacional: Formación, desarrollo y conflictos de la Iglesia católica en las regiones de México, siglos XIX y XX, Pachuca, Hidalgo, Mexico, August 28.
- 2014 “Latino Migrations to the U.S., 1900-1965: The Catholic Bishops’ Response,” 2014 National Migration Conference, Washington, D.C., July 8.
- 2014 “The Catholic Church in Mexico in the 20th Century,” Western History Intensive Seminar, the Foreign Service Institute of the U.S. Department of State, Arlington, VA, July 1.
- 2014 “Exiled for Christ the King: Mexican Migrants, Transnational Religious Devotions, and the Cristero Uprisings of the 1920s and 1930s,” Mobility and

Exchange in Latin America: Past and Present, at Johns Hopkins University (Latin American Studies Program), April 11.

- 2013 “Mexican Catholicism from Colonial Times to the Present”  
Western History Intensive Seminar, the Foreign Service Institute of the U.S. Department of State, Arlington, VA, November 19.
- 2013 Keynote speaker, “Hotheaded Fanatics” and Incognito Nuns: The Role of Mexican Catholic Women in the U.S. During Mexico’s Cristero War, 1926-1929,” the Catholic Daughters of America Annual Lecture, February 24.
- 2013 “The Unión Nacionalista Mexicana and Mexican Catholic Nationalism in Diaspora, 1926-1935,” Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association, New Orleans, LA, January 4.
- 2011 “Revolutionary Nationalism in Mexico, 1850-1940” Invited panelist on a panel entitled “The Church and Revolutionary Politics,” *Catholic Diasporas: The Irish and Mexicans in America*, Cushwa Center for the Study of American Catholicism and the Keough-Naughton Institute for Irish Studies, University of Notre Dame, March 31-April 2
- 2012 “The Calles Government and the Cristero Diaspora: Mexico’s Intelligence Apparatus in the United States, 1926-1929,” Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association, Chicago, IL, January 5.
- 2010 “Cristero California: Religious Nationalism among Mexican Emigrants in Los Angeles and Southern California, 1926-1940,” XIII Reunión de Historiadores de México, Estados Unidos y Canadá, Queretaro, Mexico, October 29.
- 2009 “Under the Banner of Cristo Rey: Political Exiles in the U.S., 1926-1929,” The American Catholic Studies Seminar, The Cushwa Center for the Study of American Catholicism, Notre Dame University, February 20.
- 2008 “Mexican Emigrants, The Catholic Church, and the Cristero War, 1926-1929” Presenter and panel co-organizer of panel entitled “The Americas: Religion and Political Exchange, 1880-1980,” Annual Meeting of the American Historical Association, Washington, D.C., January 4.
- 2007 “A Troublesome Diaspora: Mexican Catholic Refugees and the U.S. Church During the Cristero War, 1926-1929,” Symposium on Religion and Political Exchange in the Americas, University of Chicago, November 8.
- 2007 “Midwest Mexicans and the Cristero War, 1926-1929,” Seminar in Borderlands and Latino Studies, The Newberry Library, Chicago, IL, October 27.

- 2007 “Monitoring ‘Our Catholic Enemies:’ The Mexican Government and the Cristero Diaspora, 1926-1929,” Latin American History Workshop, University of Chicago, September 27.
- 2007 “Monitoring the Cristero Diaspora: The Mexican Secret Service in the United States, 1926-1929,” Presenter and co-organizer of a panel entitled “Mexican Revolutions, Mexican Histories: Bridging Historiographies through Transnational Approaches,” LASA XXVII International Congress, Montreal, September 7.
- 2007 “Vigilando la diáspora cristera: el Servicio Confidencial Mexicano en Estados Unidos, 1926-1929,” Centro Universitario de Investigaciones Sociales, Universidad de Colima, Colima, Mexico, June 22; Centro Universitario de Ciencias Sociales y Humanidades, División de Estudios Históricos y Humanos, Universidad de Guadalajara, Guadalajara, Mexico, June 20. [Sponsored by the University of Guadalajara and the U.S. Consulate in Guadalajara.]
- 2006 “Un obispo cristero en Los Angeles: el exilio de de José de Jesús Manríquez y Zárate, 1927-1929,” Panelist at a conference entitled “A 80 años del levantamiento cristero”, Centro de Investigaciones Superiores en Antropología Social (CIESAS) Occidente, Guadalajara, November 24.
- 2006 “Mexican Emigration to the United States During the Cristero War, 1926-1929” XII Conference of Mexican, Canadian and U.S. Historians, Vancouver, October 5.
- 2006 “Mexican Emigration to the United States During the Cristero War, 1926-1929: José Gándara and José de Jesús Manríquez y Zárate,” Mellon Student Conference, Yale University, April 29.
- 2005 “Mexican Emigration to the United States During the Cristero War, 1926-1929,” Latin American History Workshop, University of Chicago, November 11.
- 2004 “A Sorrowful Caravan, A Nation Bleeding: Elite Perceptions of Mexican Emigration in the 1920s,” Latin American History Regional Workshop, Kellogg Center for Latin American History, Notre Dame University, May 12.
- 2002 “Immaterial Cargo: Nautical Prowess and Artistic Style in the Conquest of Mexico,” First Annual Student Symposium of the Department of Latin American Studies, New York University, April 5.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

### **At Catholic University:**

#### *Graduate seminars:*

Latinos and the U.S. Catholic Church (Spring 2018)

The Church in Latin America (Spring 2014)

Migration, Ethnicity & Diaspora (Spring 2012)

*Undergraduate courses:*

Italians in the Americas, 1840-present (Spring 2023)

Latin America and the Vatican, 1492-present (Spring 2023)

Modern Central America (Fall 2022)

Latin American Religions (Spring 2022)

Migrations in the Americas (Spring 2019)

Modern Cuba: From Colony to Cold War (Spring 2016, 2018, 2022)

Travel and Tourism in Latin America (Fall 2018, 2021)

Modern Mexico (Spring 2012; Fall 2014)

Global Migration to the Americas, 1492-present (Fall 2012, 2013, 2014, 2021)

Colonial Latin America (Fall 2012, 2014, 2015, 2018)

Modern Latin America (Spring 2013, 2017, 2019)

Junior Seminar, Topic: Revolutions in Mexico & Cuba (Spring 2013, 2014, 2016)

U.S. Interventions in Latin America (Spring 2017)

**At George Mason University:**

Introduction to Global Affairs (Spring 2010, Fall 2010, Spring 2011)

**At Georgetown University:**

20th-Century Mexico: Revolution, Reform, and Migration (Spring 2009)

**At the University of Chicago:**

Migrant Religions and Ethnicities in the Americas, 1870-1940 (Fall 2007)

U.S. Latinos: Origins and History (Teaching Assistant, Winter 2006)

Human Rights: Alien and Citizen (Teaching Assistant, Winter 2006)

Latin American Civilizations II & III (Teaching Assistant, Winter and Spring 2005)

**ADVISING**

2021-present Dissertation committee member, Andrew Burlingame (The Catholic University of America); dissertation in progress.

2020-2022 Dissertation committee member, Ricardo Álvarez-Pimentel (Yale University, "From Secret War to Cold War: Anti-Revolutionary Catholicism and the (Un)Makings of Counterrevolutionary Mexico, 1917-1949")

2016-2021 Dissertation committee member, Eben Christiansen Levey (University of Maryland-College Park, "From Liberation Theology to *teología india*: The Progressive Catholic Church in Southern Mexico, 1954-1994")

2015-2021 Dissertation director, Teresita Lozano (Colorado College-Boulder). (Dissertation title: "Songs for the Ghosts, Saints for the Undocumented: Musical Invocation of La Cristiada in United States-Mexico Immigrants' Experience.")

- 2015-2016 M.A. Thesis advisor, Br. Mariano Ruiz (Thesis title: “Ave Montezuma! Shaping the Post-Revolutionary Mexican Church”)
- 2013-2014 Dissertation chair, Fr. Javier Castro (Dissertation title: “Becoming a Patrician: Alejandro Galvis Galvis and the Liberal Party in Santander 1916-1931”), The Catholic University of America.
- 2012-2013 Dissertation reader, Fr. Paz Alexander Martínez (Dissertation title: Luis Chávez y González, Archbishop of San Salvador (1938-1977): The Changing Face of the Salvadoran Church”), The Catholic University of America

**ACADEMIC SERVICE  
to the Department of History**

- 2022 Essay judge, Phi Beta Kappa annual student conference
- 2020-2021 Colloquium Organizer, Department of History
- 2016-2019 Director of Undergraduate Studies, Department of History
- 2016-present Executive Committee Member, Department of History
- 2016-2017 Search Committee Member, position in Early American History, Department of History
- 2012-2013 Co-organizer and facilitator, Graduate Student Writing Workshop, Department of History
- 2012 Zeender Prize Committee, Department of History
- 2011-2013 Department meeting Secretary, Department of History

**to the University**

- 2022 Chair, ad hoc Academic Dishonesty Committee, School of Arts & Sciences (April)
- 2021-present Member, Academic Senate executive committee (Sept. 2021-present)
- 2021-present Academic Senator
- 2018-2019 University Research Day Committee (co-chair)
- 2016-2017 University Research Day Committee
- 2014-present Committee Member, Latin American Studies Program Steering Committee, The Catholic University of America

2013-2014 Chair, Latin American Studies Program Steering Committee, The Catholic University of America

2012-2014 Faculty co-organizer, Early Americas Film and Lecture Series, The Catholic University of America.

**to the Profession**

2022 screen credit for research contributed to the Henry Louis Gates show, Finding Your Roots (Season 8, Episode 5, "Mexican Roots" with Mario Lopez and Melissa Villaseñor).

2021 Manuscript Reviewer, The University of New Mexico Press (Title available upon request)

2018 Article Reviewer, *Western Historical Quarterly* (Title available upon request)

2018 Manuscript Reviewer, The University of Nebraska Press (Title available upon request)

2017 Article Reviewer, *Migration Studies* (Title available upon request)

2015 Manuscript Reviewer, The University of New Mexico Press (Title available upon request)

2014, 2013 Judge, National History Day

2015 Article Reviewer, Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Latin American History (Title and author information available upon request)

2014 Manuscript Reviewer, *The Catholic Historical Review* (Article: "Pius XI and Alvaro Obregon: Relations through the Apostolic Delegation in Mexico, 1921-1923")

2010 Associate Faculty Member, Center for Global Studies, George Mason University

2010 Faculty Participant, Working Group on Displaced Populations, George Mason University

2004-2006 Program Assistant, Mexican Studies Program, University of Chicago

**COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT**

2022 COVID Heroes Outstanding Individual Service Award, Arlington, VA

2021 Expert witness, asylum cases on Mexico

- 2021-present Community volunteer, Complete Vaccination Committee, Arlington, VA
- 2019-present Volunteer translator for asylum case documents, CARECEN, Respond Crisis Translation, and CAIR Coalition DC.
- 2018-2020 Outdoor Learning Project coordinator, Drew Model Elementary School, Arlington, VA
- 2020 Presentation on the history of Columbus Day to Parent Education Talks, Montessori Public School of Arlington, October 14
- 2019 Volunteer interpreter and legal advocate, South Texas Family Residential Center, Dilley, Texas, October 24-30
- 2012-present Adult ESL Conversation Volunteer Teacher, Arlington County Public Libraries, Arlington, VA
- 2002-3, 2008 Adult ESL Teacher, Language ETC, Washington, DC

#### **LANGUAGES**

Fluent in Spanish  
Reading knowledge of French  
Intermediate Modern Greek

#### **AFFILIATIONS**

American Historical Association  
Latin American Studies Association  
Conference on Latin American History  
The American Catholic Historical Association

#### **Advisory Boards**

Advisory Board member, "Developing a 21<sup>st</sup> Century Immigration Agenda," Center for Migration Studies, New York, Fall 2016

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