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AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Criminal Violence	Social Movements
Political Violence	Ethnicity and Indigenous Politics
Transitional Justice	Latin America and Mexico
Human Rights	Mixed Methods

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**University of Notre Dame**

Professor, Department of Political Science, 2021 –
Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, 2012– 2021
Director, Notre Dame Violence and Transitional Justice Lab (V-TJ Lab), 2019 –
Fellow, Kellogg Institute for International Studies, 2012 –
Fellow, Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, 2015 –
Faculty Affiliate, Klau Center for Civil and Human Rights, 2019 –

Duke University

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, 2005–2012
Faculty Affiliate, Duke Human Rights Center, 2009–2012

Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas, A.C. (CIDE), Mexico City

Research Professor of Political Science, Division of Political Studies, 1997–2005
Founder and Director of *Diploma on Modern Political Analysis*, 1999–2000; 2003–2004

Centro de Investigación para el Desarrollo A.C. (CIDAC), Mexico City

Research Associate, 1991–1992

EDUCATION

Ph.D.	University of Chicago, Chicago, IL	2004
M.A.	Columbia University, New York, NY	1994
Licenciatura	Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM), Political Science, Honors	1992
Licenciatura	Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM), Economics, <i>Pasante</i>	1992

AWARDS AND HONORS

2020. Honorable Mention, **Best Article Award**, Democracy and Autocracy Section, American Political Science Association (APSA)

2019. **Comparative Political Studies Editorial Board Best Paper Award** for article published in in the previous year

2015. Honorable Mention, **Best Article Award**, Collective Behavior and Social Movements Section, American Sociological Association (ASA)

2013. Honorable Mention, **Charles Tilly Award for Best Book**, Collective Behavior and Social Movements Section, American Sociological Association (ASA)

2011. **Jack Walker Outstanding Article Award**, Political Organizations and Parties Section, American Political Science Association (APSA)

2006. **Mancur Olson Award** for Best Doctoral Dissertation in the Field of Political Economy, Political Economy Section, American Political Science Association (APSA)

2005. Honorable Mention, **Gabriel Almond Award** for Best Doctoral Dissertation in Comparative Politics, American Political Science Association (APSA)

PUBLICATIONS (peer reviewed)

Books

G. Trejo and S. Ley. 2020. *Votes, Drugs, and Violence: The Political Logic of Criminal Wars in Mexico*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press (Studies in Comparative Politics Series). [Hardcover, paperback and electronic versions released in September 2020] [Press ranking # 1]

- Reviewed in *Journal of Peace Research*, *Latin American Research Review*, *Letras Libres* and *Small Wars Journal*.
- Featured in *El Financiero* (Mexican daily), *Milenio* (Mexican daily), *Reforma* (Mexican daily), *Atando Cabos* (Mexican radio program, Radio Formula) and Milenio-TV.
- Spanish translation forthcoming, as G. Trejo and S. Ley. *Votos, drogas y violencia: La lógica política de las guerras criminales en México*, Penguin Random House, DEBATE Series.

G. Trejo. 2012. *Popular Movements in Autocracies: Religion, Repression, and Indigenous Collective Action in Mexico*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press (Studies in Comparative Politics Series). [Paperback edition released in July 2014] [Press ranking # 1]

- Honorable Mention, Charles Tilly Award for Best Book Published on Collective Behavior and Social Movements, ASA
- Reviewed in *Perspectives on Politics*; *Comparative Politics* (review essay); *Critical Mass*; *Handbook of Latin American Studies*; *Journal of Latin American Studies*; *Latin American Politics and Society* (review essay); *Latin American Research Review* (review essay); *Bulletin of Latin American Studies*.

Guest Editor of Special Journal Issues

G. Trejo (ed.). 2019. Societal Responses to Criminal Governance in Latin America, *Latin American Research Review* 54(1) [SSCI IF 0.676]

- Special dossier consisting of four major articles written by leading scholars of crime in sociology and political science, covering Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Jamaica, El Salvador and Mexico. In preparation for submission for peer review, papers were first presented at the Annual Meeting of the Latin American Studies Association (LASA) and subsequently at an authors' seminar at the Kellogg Institute.

Articles and Chapters

G. Trejo and S. Ley. 2021. "High-Profile Criminal Violence: Why Drug Cartels Murder Government Officials and Party Candidates in Mexico," *British Journal of Political Science*. 51(1).

DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0007123418000637> [SSCI IF 4.292]

- Honorable Mention, Best Article Award, Democracy and Autocracy Section, American Political Science Association (APSA)
- Downloaded over 800 times within the first three months of publication; listed as one of 10 most accessed articles in *British Journal of Political Science* every month from September 2019 until February 2020; 98th percentile of most shared articles published by Sage Publishing.

S. Ley, S. Mattiace and G. Trejo. 2019. "Indigenous Resistance to Criminal Governance in Mexico: Why Regional Ethnic Autonomy Institutions Protect Communities from Narco Rule," *Latin American Research Review* 54(1) [SSCI IF 0.676]

- The articles' main findings served as input for an Amicus Curiae brief presented to the Mexican Supreme Court, in support of an appeal presented by the National Human Rights Commission and local indigenous authorities and human rights organizations from the Eastern Highlands of the Mexican state of Guerrero.

G. Trejo and S. Ley. 2019. "Multi-Level Partisan Conflict and Drug Violence in Mexico: When Do Criminal Organizations Attack Subnational Elected Officials?" In A. Giraudy, E. Moncada and R. Snyder (eds.), *Inside Countries: Subnational Research in Comparative Politics*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press [Press ranking # 1].

- Reviewed in *Perspectives on Politics*.

G. Trejo and S. Ley. 2018. "Why Did Drug Cartels Go to War in Mexico? Subnational Party Alternation, the Breakdown of Criminal Protection, and the Onset of Large-Scale Violence," *Comparative Political Studies* 51(7) [SSCI IF 3.190]

- Editorial Board Best Paper Award for article published in 2018 (selected by CPS editorial board out of 52 articles)
- Downloaded over 4,500 times 2.5 years after online publication; 98th percentile of most shared articles published by Sage Publishing; according to CPs, one of the journal's five most cited articles since 2018.
- Featured in Washington Post (The Monkey Cage); Insight Crime; Marginal Revolution Blog; *El Financiero* (Mexican daily). Reviewed in *Handbook of Latin American Studies* (Library of Congress)

- G. Trejo, J. Albarracín and L. Tiscornia. 2018. “Breaking State Impunity in Post-authoritarian Regimes: Why Transitional Justice Mechanisms Deter Criminal Violence in New Democracies,” *Journal of Peace Research* 55(6) [SSCI IF 2.518]
- Downloaded over 2,750 times 1.5 years after publication; 98th percentile of most shared articles published by Sage Publishing.
 - It served as the basis for a proposal to create a truth commission for Mexico – *Romper el Silencio: Hacia un Proceso de Verdad y Memoria en México* [Breaking the Silence: Toward a Truth and Memory Process in Mexico].
- G. Trejo and S. Ley. 2016. “Federalism, Drugs, and Violence: Why Intergovernmental Partisan Conflict Stimulated Inter-cartel Violence in Mexico,” *Política y Gobierno* 23(1) [Lead article] [SSCI IF 0.92]
- Published as part of a special bilingual issue on Conflict, Violence and Democracy in Latin America.
 - In Spanish: “Federalismo, drogas y violencia: Por qué el conflicto partidista intergubernamental estimuló la violencia del narcotráfico en México”
 - The Spanish version was downloaded 1,700 times within the first three months of publication.
 - Featured in Mexican mass media, including *Milenio* (3 articles), *Reforma*, *El Financiero* and *Expansión*; authors’ interview on Milenio-TV (two-part interview aired on two consecutive days).
- G. Trejo and M. Altamirano. 2016. “The Mexican Color Hierarchy. How Race and Skin Tone Still Define Life Chances 200 Years After Independence,” in Juliet Hooker and Alvin Tillery (eds.) *Racial and Class Inequalities in the Americas*, Washington, D.C.: American Political Science Association. [Lead article]
- G. Trejo. 2016. “Why and When Do Peasants Rebel? Origins and Consequences of Rural Collective Action” in D. Brady and L. Burton, *Oxford Handbook of the Social Science of Poverty*, Oxford: Oxford University Press. [Press ranking # 3]
- G. Trejo. 2014. “The Ballot and the Street: An Electoral Theory of Social Protest in Autocracies,” *Perspectives on Politics* 12(2) [Lead article] [SSCI IF 3.035]
- Honorable Mention. Best Article Award, Collective Behavior and Social Movements Section, ASA
- G. Trejo. 2009. “Religious Competition and Ethnic Mobilization in Latin America: Why the Catholic Church Promotes Indigenous Movements in Mexico,” *American Political Science Review* 103(3) [Lead article] [SSCI IF 3.844]
- Jack Walker Outstanding Article Award, APSA
 - Article reviewed in *The Wilson Quarterly*, vol. 34, no. 1, 2010
- G. Trejo. 2004. “The Political Foundations of Ethnic Mobilization and Territorial Conflict in Mexico, 1975-2000,” in *Federalism and Territorial Cleavages*, edited by U. Amoretti and N. Bermeo, Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press. [Press ranking # 12]
- G. Trejo. 2002. “Redefining the Territorial Bases of Power: Peasants, Indians and Guerrilla Warfare in Chiapas, Mexico,” *International Journal on Multicultural Studies*, UNESCO 4(1)

G. Trejo. 2000. “Etnicidad y Movilización Social: Una Revisión Teórica con Aplicaciones a la Cuarta Ola de Movilizaciones Indígenas en América Latina,” [Ethnicity and social mobilization. A theoretical review with applications to the ‘fourth wave’ of indigenous mobilization in Latin America] *Política y Gobierno* 7(1) [SSCI IF 0.158]

- Article translated to Portuguese in a special collection on contemporary social theory in Latin America published in Brazil

R. Kaufman and G. Trejo. 1997. “Regionalism, Regime Transformation and Pronasol: The Politics of the National Solidarity Programme in Four Mexican States,” *Journal of Latin American Studies* 29(3) [SSCI IF 0.410]

- A slightly different version of this article was published in Spanish by *Política y Gobierno*

Books in Progress

G. Trejo, L. Tiscornia and J. Albarracín, *Breaking State Impunity: Why Transitional Justice Prevents Criminal Wars in New Democracies*

Articles in Progress

G. Trejo, N. Skigin, and K. Burgos-Morón, “Silencing the Press in Criminal Wars: Why Subnational Government Officials and Drug Cartels Murder Local Journalists in Mexico”

G. Trejo and Camilo Nieto-Matiz, “Containing Large-Scale Criminal Violence through Internationalized Prosecution: How the CICIG Contributed to the Reduction of Guatemala’s Murder Rate”

G. Trejo and F. Bizzarro Neto, “Religious Competition and the Rise of Leftist Parties: Why the Catholic Church Provided the Mass Base for the Workers’ Party in Brazil”

PUBLICATIONS (by invitation)

Book Chapters / Essays

G. Trejo. 2021. “Mexico’s Illiberal Democratic Trap” in *Divisive Politics and Democratic Dangers in Latin America*, edited by Thomas Carothers and Andreas Feldmann, New York: Carnegie Endowment for Democratic Peace.

G. Trejo. 2018. “¿Tendrá fin el ciclo infernal de violencia criminal en México?” [Is there an end to Mexico’s infernal cycle of criminal violence?] in Institute for Economics and Peace, *El índice de paz 2018* [The 2018 Mexico Peace Index], Sydney: IEP

G. Trejo. 2010. “Violencia y política en el México del bicentenario: Causas y consecuencias de la primera crisis de la democracia,” [Politics and violence in Mexico: Causes and consequences of democracy’s first crisis] in R. Cordera (ed.) *Historia Crítica de las Modernizaciones en México: Presente y Perspectivas*, Fondo de Cultura Económica. [Press ranking # 1 in Latin America]

G. Trejo. 2006. “Etnia e mobilização social. Uma revisão teórica com aplicações à ‘quarta onda’ de mobilizações indígenas na América Latina,” [Ethnicity and social mobilization. A theoretical review with applications to the “fourth wave” of indigenous mobilization in Latin America] in *América Latina hoje – conceitos e interpretações*, edited by J.M. Domingues and M. Maneiro, Rio de Janeiro: Civilização Brasileira.

G. Trejo. 2004. “Conflicto social y transición a la democracia en México,” [Social conflict and the Mexican transition to democracy] in *24 Años de Desarrollo Social en México*, edited by R. Aguilar et.al., Mexico City: Banamex.

G. Trejo. 2003. “Mutaciones de un conflicto cambiante,” [Transformations in Chiapas’s changing conflict] in *Chiapas: Interpretaciones Sobre la Negociación y la Paz*, edited by C. Arnson, et.al., Mexico City: CISAN, UNAM and the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars.

G. Trejo and J. A. Aguilar. 2003. “Etnicidad y consolidación democrática: La organización de las elecciones federales en zonas indígenas,” [Ethnicity and democratic consolidation: The organization of federal elections in indigenous regions] in *Dilemas de la Democracia en México: Los Actores Sociales Ante la Representación Política*, A. Hémond and D. Recondo (eds.), Mexico City: CEMCA and IFE.

G. Trejo. 2003. “Pobreza y desigualdad en México,” [Poverty and inequality in Mexico] in *Gran Historia de México Ilustrada*, vol. V, Mexico City: Editorial Planeta De Agostini.

G. Trejo and C. Jones. 1998. “Political Dilemmas of Welfare Reform: Poverty and Inequality in Mexico,” in *Mexico Under Zedillo*, S. Kaufman Purcell and L. Rubio (eds.), Boulder and London: Lynne Rienner. [Press ranking # 16]

G. Trejo. 1995. “The Politics of Educational Reform in Mexico: Ambivalence toward Change,” in *The Challenge of Institutional Reform in Mexico*, R. Roett (ed.), Boulder and London: Lynne Rienner. [Press ranking # 16]

Policy Reports

S. Ley, S. Mattiace and G. Trejo. 2020. *Amicus Curiae para la Suprema Corte de Justicia de la Nación en materia de derechos de los pueblos originarios en el estado de Guerrero* [Amicus Curiae brief submitted to the Mexican Supreme Court on March 11, 2020, on the Efficacy of Indigenous Community Policing and Judicial Systems to Confront Organized Crime in Mexico].

G. Trejo, E. Cortez, J. Mendieta, N. Quintero and F. Sánchez-Matus. 2018. *Romper el Silencio: Hacia un Proceso de Verdad y Memoria en México* [Breaking the Silence: Toward a Truth and Memory Process in Mexico], Mexico City: Plataforma Contra la Impunidad y la Corrupción

- Proposal was launched in Mexico City with UN representative of High Commissioner for Human Rights in Mexico and groups of families of victims. Proposal received wide press coverage from more than 30 news sources, including *La Jornada*, *El Financiero*, *Proceso*, and in-person interviews with *El Financiero-TV* and CNN’s program *Aristegui en vivo*.

Policy Monographs

G. Trejo and C. Jones. 1994. *Contra la pobreza: Por una estrategia de política social*, [Fighting Poverty: Toward a New Social Policy Approach] Mexico City: Cal y Arena & CIDAC.

G. Trejo, et.al. 1992. *Educación para una economía competitiva: Hacia una estrategia de reforma*, [Education Policy for an Open Economy: A Reform Strategy] Mexico City: Diana & CIDAC.

Book Reviews

G. Trejo. 2012. Review of *Demanding the Land: Urban Popular Movements in Peru and Ecuador* by Paul Dosch, (Pennsylvania University Press, 2010) in *Perspectives on Politics*, vol. 10, no. 3.

G. Trejo. 2007. Review of *Democracy in Latin America, 1760-1900: Civic Selfhood and Public Life in Mexico and Peru* by Carlos Forment (The University of Chicago Press, 2003) in *Política y Gobierno*, vol. 14, no. 2.

G. Trejo. 2006. Review of *Economic and Political Contention in Comparative Perspective* by Maria Kousis and Charles Tilly (eds.), (Paradigm Publishers 2005) in *Contemporary Sociology: A Journal of Review*, vol. 35, no. 6.

G. Trejo. 2002. Review of *Containing Nationalism* by Michael Hechter (Oxford University Press, 2000) in *Política y Gobierno* vol. 9, no. 2.

G. Trejo. 2000. Review of *Rendering unto Caesar: The State and the Catholic Church in Latin America* by Anthony Gill (The University of Chicago Press, 1998) in *Política y Gobierno*, vol. 7, no. 2.

G. Trejo. 1999. Review of *The Rebel's Dilemma* by Mark Lichbach (The University of Michigan Press, 1996) in *Política y Gobierno*, vol. 6, no. 2.

G. Trejo. 1998. Review of *Chiapas: la razón ardiente: Ensayo sobre la rebelión del mundo encantado* [Chiapas: Essay about the rebellion of an enchanted world] by Adolfo Gilly (Era, 1997) in *Política y Gobierno*, vol. 5, no. 1.

G. Trejo. 1998. Review of *Chiapas: La rebelión indígena de México* [Chiapas: Mexico's indigenous rebellion] by Carlos Montemayor (Joaquín Mortiz, 1997) in *Política y Gobierno*, vol. 5, no. 1.

G. Trejo. 1997. Review of *Organizing Dissent: Unions, the State, and the Democratic Teachers' Movement in Mexico* by Maria L. Cook (The Pennsylvania University Press, 1996) in *Política y Gobierno*, vol. 4, no. 2.

CONFERENCE PAPERS AND MANUSCRIPTS (last 5 years)

G. Trejo, L. Tiscornia, and J. Albarracín, *Breaking State Impunity: Why Transitional Justice Prevents Criminal Wars in New Democracies*

- Kellogg Institute for International Studies, University of Notre Dame, 2021

G. Trejo, N. Skigin, and K. Burgos-Morón, “Silencing the Press in Criminal Wars: Why Subnational Government Officials and Drug Cartels Murder Local Journalists in Mexico”

- APSA 2020
- University of Notre Dame, 2020

G. Trejo and S. Ley. *Votes, Drugs, and Violence. The Logic of Political and Criminal Violence in Mexico*

- Harvard University, 2021
- Universidad Iberoamericana, 2021
- King’s College, London, 2020
- ITAM 2020
- Pittsburgh University, 2020
- University of Notre Dame, 2020
- CIDE, 2020
- Yale University, 2019
- Princeton University, 2018
- University of Oxford, Nuffield College, 2018
- University of Texas at Austin, 2018

G. Trejo, N. Skigin and K. Burgos-Morón. “Silencing the Press in Criminal Wars: Why Subnational Government Officials and Drug Cartels Murder Local Journalists in Mexico”

- American Political Science Association Meeting 2020
- Kroc-Kellogg Peace, Conflict, Crime and Violence Workshop, 2020

G. Trejo and C. Nieto-Matiz. “Containing Large-Scale Criminal Violence through Internationalized Prosecution: How the CICIG Contributed to the Reduction of Guatemala’s Murder Rate”

- Midwest Political Science Association Meeting 2020
- University of Chicago 2019
- Instituto Tecnológico de Monterrey 2019

G. Trejo and S. Ley. “High-Profile Criminal Violence: Why Drug Cartels Murder Government Officials and Party Candidates in Mexico.”

- University of Chicago 2018

S. Ley, S. Mattiace and G. Trejo. “Indigenous Resistance to Criminal Governance. Why Ethnic Autonomy Regimes Protect Communities from Narco Rule.”

- American Political Science Association 2018
- Latin American Studies Association Meeting, 2017

G. Trejo, J. Albarracín and L. Tiscornia, “Breaking State Impunity in Postauthoritarian Regimes: Why Transitional Justice Mechanisms Deter Criminal Violence in New Democracies”

- University of Chicago, 2018
- Purdue University, 2018
- CIDE, Mexico City, 2016
- Providence College, 2016

CONFERENCE, WORKSHOPS AND LECTURE PRESENTATIONS (last 7 years)

2021. Institut Català Internacional per la Pau (ICIP), Barcelona, Rethinking Peace Building in Violent Contexts Speaker Series

2021. Kellogg Institute for International Studies, University of Notre Dame, “Transitional Justice in Latin America”

2021. Harvard University, Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies, Book Discussion, “Votes, Drugs, and Violence”

2021. Oxford University, Center for Latin American Studies, “Indigenous Resistance to Criminal Governance: Social Movements, Participatory Institutions, and Grassroots Community Policing in Mexico”

2021. Universidad Iberoamericana, Programa Seguridad Ciudadana, Book Discussion, “Votes, Drugs, and Violence”

2020. ITAM, Mexico City, Book Discussion, “Votes, Drugs, and Violence”

2020. King’s College, London, Book Discussion, “Votes, Drugs, and Violence”

2020. Feria Internacional del Libro, Guadalajara, Mexico, “Roundtable on Criminal Violence in Mexico”

2020. University of Pittsburgh, Charlemos Series, Book Discussion on “Votes, Drugs, and Violence”

2020. CIDE, Mexico City, Book Launch “Votes, Drugs, and Violence”

2020. University of Notre Dame, Kellogg Institute for International Studies, Book Launch “Votes, Drugs, and Violence”

2020. University of Notre Dame, Kroc-Kellogg Peace, Conflict, Crime and Violence Workshop

2020. American Political Science Association Meeting

2020. Institut des Amériques and Asociación de Juristas Franco-Colombianos, Bogotá, Workshop on “The Assassination of Social Movement Leaders in Colombia”

2020. Servicio para la Paz (SERAPAZ) and Institut Català Internacional per la Pau (ICIP), Mexico City, Strategies of Peacebuilding in Mexico Workshop

2020. Latin American Studies Association Meeting [panel canceled due to COVID-19]

2020. Instituto de Estudios Superiores de Occidente (ITESO-Georgetown-Notre Dame Conference on Challenges to Mexican Democracy, Guadalajara, Mexico [canceled due to COVID-19]

2020. Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM), Mexico City, State-Criminal Collusion Conference [postponed due to COVID-19]

2020. Midwest Political Science Association Meeting [canceled due to COVID-19]

2020. ICESI. Cali, Colombia. Indigenous Resistance to Armed Actors Conference [postponed due to COVID-19]

2019. Yale University. Old and New Challenges to Mexican Democracy Conference, The MacMillan Center

2019. Institut Català Internacional per la Pau (ICIP), Barcelona, International Peace Forum for Mexico

2019. Universidad Autónoma de Coahuila, Mexico, National Forum for Truth, Justice, and Reparations for Mexico organized by Mexico's Ministry of Interior

2019. Instituto Tecnológico de Monterrey. The Rule of Law in Mexico Conference, Co-sponsored by Notre Dame International and Tec de Monterrey

2019. University of Chicago, Pozen Family Center for Human Rights. New Drivers of Migration Conference

2019. University of Chicago, Pozen Family Center for Human Rights. Eyes on Mexico Series

2018. University of Chicago, Center for Latin American Studies

2018. University of Chicago, Criminal Governance Conference, Political Science Department

2018. University of Notre Dame, Mexico City International Conference, The Challenges of Transitional Justice in Mexico, sponsored by Notre Dame International

2018. University of Notre Dame Law School & Klau Center for Civil and Human Rights, Monthly conference for international human rights LLM students

2018. University of Texas at Austin, Center for Latin American Studies

2018. Princeton University, Center for Latin American Studies

2018. Purdue University, Department of Political Science

2018. University of Notre Dame, Kroc-Kellogg Peace, Conflict, Crime and Violence Workshop

2018. Texas State University, Conference on the 2018 Mexican Presidential Election organized by Office of the President

2018. Oxford University, Nuffield College

2017. University of Notre Dame, Kroc-Kellogg peace, conflict, crime and violence Workshop

2017. University of Kentucky, Political Science Department and Center for Latin American Studies

2017. University of Notre Dame, Authors' workshop for special LARR Dossier, Social Responses to Criminal Governance

2017. Latin American Studies Association Meeting

2016. CIDE, Mexico City, Kellogg-CIDE international conference "Breaking State Impunity: Lessons from Latin America for Mexico"

2016. Columbia University, Political Science Department

2016. University of Chicago, Center for Latin American Studies

2016. University of Wisconsin, Madison, Center for Latin American Studies

2016. Latin American Studies Association Meeting

2016. Brown University, The Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs

2016. Providence College, 2016 Cleary Lecture, Keynote Speaker

2016. CIDE, Mexico City, presentation of special issue of *Política y Gobierno* on Criminal Violence in Latin America

2015. University of Texas-Austin, Latin American Studies Speakers Series

2015. Universidad de las Américas, Puebla, Keynote Speaker, Criminal Violence Conference

2015. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association Meeting

2015. Brown University, BIARI Summer School, The Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs

2015. University of Berkeley, American Political Science Association Task Force on Racial and Class Inequalities in the Americas

2015. Harvard University, Mexico after Ayotzinapa Conference, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs

2015. Midwest Political Science Association Meeting

2015. University of Chicago, Center for Latin American Studies

2014. University of Berkeley, American Political Science Association Task Force on Inequalities in the Americas
2014. 40th Anniversary of CIDE, Mexico City
2014. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association
2014. Northwestern University, Comparative Politics Workshop
2014. Latin American Studies Association Meeting
2014. University of Chicago, Center for Latin American Studies
2014. Midwest Political Science Association Meeting
2014. University of Notre Dame, Public Opinion and Elections Working Group
2014. Yale University, Religion and Politics Colloquium, MacMillan Center
2014. Harvard University, Subnational Comparative Studies Conference, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs

GRANTS

External

2018. Research Grant, The Harry Frank Guggenheim Foundation (\$40,000)

Internal

2019. Research Grant, Violence and Transitional Justice Lab, Kellogg Institute for International Studies (\$75,000)
2019. Summer Research Grant, Ecosystems of Local Violence in Mexico, Kellogg Institute for International Studies (\$3,000)
2019. Research Grant for fieldwork in Guatemala, Kellogg Institute for International Studies (\$5,000)
2017. Mexico City Collaboration Grant, Notre Dame International, University of Notre Dame (\$15,000)
2017. Authors' Workshop, Kellogg Institute for International Studies (\$3,000)
2017. Workshop Grant, Kellogg Institute for International Studies
2016. Research Grant, Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts, University of Notre Dame (\$15,000)
2016. Conference Grant, Kellogg Institute for International Studies, University of Notre Dame (\$35,000)
2013. Conference Grant, Kellogg Institute for International Studies, University of Notre Dame (\$5,000)
2013. Research Grant, Kellogg Institute for International Studies, University of Notre Dame
2010. Research Grant, Department of Political Science, Duke University
2010. Research Grant, Trent Foundation, Duke University
2010. Grant to help publication of first book, Duke Center for Latin American Studies
2009. Travel Grant, Duke Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies
2009. Research Grant, Trent Foundation, Duke University

LAB DIRECTOR

Founding director and principal investigator, Violence and Transitional Justice Lab (V-TJ Lab), 2019 –

- The V-TJ Lab includes a group of five Notre Dame PhD political science students and six international human rights lawyers to rethink the drivers of large-scale political and criminal violence and gross human rights violations in Latin America, and to explore how transitional justice processes may contribute to address victims' claims for truth and justice. Research focuses mainly on Mexico, Guatemala, El Salvador, Colombia, and Brazil. The lab researchers work closely with human rights practitioners and victims' groups from Mexico.

WORKSHOP CONVENER

Kroc-Kellogg Peace, Conflict, Crime and Violence Workshop, 2017–

- Co-convenor with Gary Goertz, Laurie Nathan, Abby Córdova and Josefina Echavarría
- Bi-weekly meetings of graduate students, faculty, and visiting fellows.
- Held over 52 workshop seminar meetings over the past three years with an average attendance of 15 persons per session.

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE CO-ORGANIZER

“Militarization and Police Brutality in Latin America,” international conference sponsored by the Violence and Transitional Justice Lab (V-TJ Lab), Universidad Nacional de Colombia and Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México.

“Challenges of Transitional Justice in Mexico,” international conference sponsored by Notre Dame International, Mexico City, October 16, 2018 (with Fabián Sánchez Matus, LLM 2015)

- Following the 2018 Notre Dame Award presented by Fr. John Jenkins to Colectivo Solecito, this conference convened international practitioners and academics with families of victims (including Solecito and families of victims from other colectivos), human rights defenders, religious leaders, business leaders, and journalists to discuss the challenges associated with a transitional justice process in Mexico.

“Transitional Justice and the Struggle Against Impunity: Lessons from Latin America for Mexico,” international conference co-sponsored by CIDE and the Kellogg Institute for International Studies, Mexico City, October 21-22, 2016 (with Fabián Sánchez Matus, LLM 2015)

- Conference convened leading practitioners of transitional justice from Guatemala, Peru, Colombia and other international practitioners from the US to discuss best practices in creating truth commissions and trials against perpetrators of gross human rights violations, in the context of large-scale political and criminal violence.

“A Truth Commission for Mexico?” international conference sponsored by the Kellogg Institute for International Studies, Notre Dame, December 2014 (with Fabián Sánchez Matus, LLM 2015)

- Conference convened commissioners of the Guerrero Truth Commission (Mexico) to discuss the commission's main conclusion and to reflect on how to transition from a subnational to a national truth commission for Mexico.

COURSES TAUGHT AT UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME (including spring 2021)

Graduate Seminars

Comparative Politics Field Seminar, 2017
Prosem: Scope and Methods in Political Science, 2016, 2018, 2020
The Logics of Political and Criminal Violence, 2012; 2016; 2019; 2021
Democracy and Violence, 2014
Dissertation Workshop on Organized Crime and Violence, 2017
Religion and Comparative Politics, 2014

Undergraduate Lectures

World Politics: Introduction to Comparative Politics, 2014, 2015
Elections and Social Protest in Latin America, 2013, 2015, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020
Data Analysis for Human Rights, 2015 (co-taught with S. Ley), 2016
Dictatorship, Democracy and War in Latin America, 2018, 2020, 2021

Undergraduate Seminars

Organized Crime in Latin America, 2014, 2016, 2019, 2020
Transitional Justice in Latin America, 2016, 2018, 2019

COURSES TAUGHT AT DUKE UNIVERSITY (English) **AND CIDE** (Spanish)

Graduate Seminars

Collective Action and Social Movements, 2009, 2012
Organized Crime in New Democracies, 2011
The Logic of Political Violence, 2006, 2008, 2010, 2011
Religion and Comparative Politics, 2010
Comparative Ethnic Politics, 2007

Undergraduate Lectures

Elections and Social Protest in Latin America, 2007, 2009, 2012
Democracy, Development and Violence, 2008, 2010
Religion and Politics, 2005

Introducción a la Elección Racional, 1997, 1998
Introducción a Métodos Cuantitativos, 2003
Las Bases Sociales de la Política Comparada, 1999, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004
Economía Política, 1999
Seminario de Acción Colectiva y Movimientos Sociales, 2003
Seminario de Tópicos de Estadística Avanzada, 2004

DOCTORAL DISSERTATIONS

Chair or co-chair

Natán Skigin (Notre Dame)
Omar Coronel (Notre Dame)
Camilo Nieto-Matiz (Notre Dame) – defended 2020
Juan Albarracín (Notre Dame) – defended 2018

Committee member

Jacob Turner (Notre Dame)
Shana Scogin (Notre Dame)
Helen Kras (University of Kentucky) – defended 2021
Leslie MacColman (Notre Dame, Sociology) – defended 2020
Lucía Tiscornia (Notre Dame) – defended 2019
Reyes Ruiz (Notre Dame, Economics) – defended 2019
Cecilia Pe Lero (Notre Dame) – defended 2018
Gabriela Cantú (UNAM, Mexico City) – defended 2018
Chonghyun Choi (Notre Dame) – defended 2017
Divya Guru Rayan (Duke, Public Policy) – defended 2016
Victor Hernández (Notre Dame) – defended 2015
Melina Altamirano (Duke) – defended 2015
Gregory Schober (Duke) – defended 2015
Sandra J. Ley (Duke) – defended 2014
Marco A. Fernández (Duke) – defended 2012
Anoop Sadanandan (Duke) – defended 2011
Kian Min Ong (Duke) – defended 2010
Matthew Singer (Duke) – defended 2007
Jorge Bravo (Duke) – defended 2006
Miguel Armando López-Leyva (FLACSO) – defended 2004

Teaching Distinctions

2012. Dean's recognition for scoring in the top 5% of student evaluations for all undergraduate instructors, Duke University

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2005. Faculty award for excellence in undergraduate teaching at CIDE, Mexico City

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Department of Political Science

Mission and diversity committee, 2020–
Faculty search committees (Comparative Politics), 2014 and 2017
Graduate admissions committee (Comparative Politics representative), 2015 and 2019
Best undergraduate thesis award committee, 2018
Ad-hoc committee to assess Political Science-Keough School collaboration, 2020
Graduate student appeals committee, 2020

Kellogg Institute for International Studies

Kellogg Faculty Committee, 2013-2015, 2016-2018, 2019-2021
Editor of Working Paper Series, 2015 –
Kellogg Visiting Fellows selection committee, 2013
Faculty adviser for undergraduate students, International Scholars Program, 2013–

Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies

Admissions committee to PhD program in Peace Studies (Political Science representative), 2019 and 2020

Office of the President

Advised Office of the President on substantive and logistic issues related to the 2018 Notre Dame Award to Colectivo Solecito – a group of 120 mothers of victims of forced disappearance in Mexico

Notre Dame International

Member of faculty advisory, Committee for Latin America, 2013–2015; 2021–

Internationalization research grants committee, 2016

Led organization of international conference “Challenges of Transitional Justice in Mexico” that followed immediately after the 2018 Notre Dame Award to Colectivo Solecito.

OTHER UNIVERSITY SERVICE AT DUKE UNIVERSITY AND CIDE (selection)

Duke University

Elected member, University Senate, 2006–2008
Faculty Advisory Committee, Duke Human Rights Center, 2009–2012

CIDE

Committee to Reform the Political Science and International Relations Undergraduate Program, 1998–2000

University Undergraduate Faculty Committee, 1997–2002

Led Committee to Design and Launch *Diploma on Modern Political Analysis* and Served as Founding Director of the Program, 1999–2000 and 2003–2004

- Six-month continuing education diploma that introduces government officials, legislators, mayors, party activists, journalists and members of NGOs to the basic theories and findings in political science. Average enrollment: 30 students
- First and longest-living professional diploma offered at CIDE – offered over 50 times since 2000

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

ACADEMIC REFEREE

Journals

American Journal of Political Science
American Political Science Review
American Sociological Review
British Journal of Political Science
Comparative Politics
Comparative Political Studies
Electoral Studies
Hispanic American Historical Review
International Studies Quarterly
Journal of Conflict Resolution
Journal of Peace Research

Journal of Politics
Latin American Politics and Society
Latin American Research Review
Party Politics
Perspectives on Politics
Política y Gobierno
Religion and Politics
Security Studies
Studies in International Comparative Development
World Development

Editorial Houses

Cambridge University Press – Manuscripts reviewed in 2012, 2015 and 2020

Tenure Reviews

Three files from Political Science Departments at R1 universities since 2017

Editor

Working Paper Series – Kellogg Institute for International Studies, 2015–

Co-editor

Mobilizing Ideas – Blog of the Center for the Studies of Social Movements, University of Notre Dame, 2015 –2018

Editorial Board Member

Política y Gobierno – CIDE, Mexico City, 2013 –

- Top political science journal in the Spanish-speaking world

Service to Professional Associations

American Political Science Association (APSA)

- Task Force on Inequality in the Americas – report will be published in the Fall of 2015

American Political Science Association Meeting, 2018

- Comparative Politics (co-Track chair)

Latin American Studies Association Meeting, 2017

- Politics and Public Policy (co-Track chair)

Latin American Studies Association Meeting, 2014

- Defense, Violence and (In) Security (co-Track chair)

Award Committees by Professional Associations

Gregory Lubbert Award, Best article in comparative politics (APSA), 2016.

Donna Lee Van Cott Award, Best book in political institutions in Latin America, Latin American Studies Association (LASA), 2016

Giovani Sartori Award, Best work in qualitative and multi-methods research, American Political Science Association (APSA), 2015

Professional Affiliation

American Political Science Association

Midwest Political Science Association

Latin American Studies Association

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

Op-ed Contributions to Global Media Outlets (last seven years)

El País (leading international media outlet in the Spanish-speaking world)

- Por qué Peña Nieto no pudo encarar a Trump [Why Mexico's President could not confront Donald Trump] 09/07/2016
- El Leviatán desnudo [Leviathan without clothes] 09/11/2015
- Cuando el Estado exonera al Estado [When the State exonerates the State] 08/25/2015
- ¿Vicios privados, virtudes públicas? [Private vices, public virtues?] 05/26/2015
- Por qué el gobierno reprime la auditoría social en México [Why state authorities suppress societal accountability in Mexico], 03/27/2015
- Municipios y crimen organizado en México [Local governments and organized crime in Mexico] (with Sandra Ley), 02/20/2015
- ¿Por qué el crimen organizado atenta contra la sociedad civil en México? [Why does organized crime attack civil society in Mexico?], 10/10/2014 [29,000 people shared this article through social media] [The article was translated to English by the Trans-border Freedom of Expression Project, University of San Diego]
- La industria criminal en México [Mexico's Criminal Industry] 10/16/2014 [4,000 people shared this article through social media]
- La riesgosa apuesta de las autodefensas en México [The perils of self-defense groups in Mexico] 01/20/2014

Los Angeles Times

- Will we see a 'Mexican Spring'? 06/24/2012

openDEMOCRACY

- Mexico 2018: End of an era and regime change? 04/06/2018

Op-ed Contributions to Mexican Media Outlets (last five years)

Nexos (one of Mexico's leading intellectual magazines)

- Municipios bajo fuego [Municipalities under criminal attack] (with Sandra Ley), 01/01/2015
- Seven additional articles since 1999

Animal Político

- ¿Quién calla sobre el pasado? [Who is afraid of speaking about Mexico's history of human rights violations?] 01/29/2020
- Justicia transicional, hoy más que nunca [Transitional justice, now more than ever] 01/21/2019
- ¿Fin de era o cambio de régimen? [The article was translated to English and published by openDEMOCRACY as "Mexico 2018: End of an era and regime change?"] 03/29/2018
- Refundar a México a partir de la verdad [Reinventing Mexico through a truth-seeking process], 04/09/2018
- Los candidatos ante la lucha contra la impunidad [Mexico's presidential candidates and the anti-impunity agenda] 04/26/2018
- No fragmentemos la búsqueda de la verdad, [Why a national truth commission (as opposed to multiple regional commissions) would work better] 04/26/2018
- Tanhuato: ¿Ejecución extrajudicial o batalla desigual? [Tanhuato: Extrajudicial execution or unequal battle?] 05/24/2015

- Por qué Mexico necesita una Comisión Internacional Contra la Impunidad [Why Mexico Needs an International Commission against Impunity] [The article was translated to English by Mexico Issues and Opinion] 10/29/2015

Media Interviews

New York Times, 2018

National Public Radio (NPR), 2018

Proceso, 2018

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT

Founding Member of Plataforma Contra la Impunidad y la Corrupción (Mexico), 2016–

- Network of over 50 human rights NGOs, anti-corruption organizations, independent activists and academics advocating for a transitional justice process in Mexico, including a national truth commission, an international commission against impunity, and a program of reparations for victims of atrocities of the past 50 years

Advisory Board Member of Justicia Transicional México, 2019–

- Mexican think tank devoted to stimulate research on transitional justice and to promote a processes of truth, justice, and reparations for Mexico

External Advisor of Familias de Acapulco en Búsqueda de Sus Desaparecidos, A.C. (Mexico), 2020–

- Group (colectivo) of 265 families of relatives of missing people in Acapulco, Guerrero

PERSONAL

Mexican citizen

US permanent resident