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EDUCATION

University of California, Santa Barbara

Santa Barbara, CA

Ph.D. Candidate, Social Anthropology

Expected June 2024

- Interdepartmental Emphasis on Environment and Society; Research Interests: energy studies, infrastructure studies, climate justice, feminist political ecology,
- Dissertation: “*Sovereign and Deadly Energy Transition: Communal Life against Extractivism in Mexico*” (co-advisors: Dr. Casey Walsh & Dr. Barbara Herr Harthorn)

El Colegio de Michoacán A.C.

Zamora, Mexico

M.A., Social Anthropology

September 2013

- Thesis: “*Definición de una franja vial y redefinición de la escala de la localidad: El Gasoducto Morelos en Puebla*” [Defining a corridor, rescaling locality: Morelos Gas Pipeline in Puebla]¹ (advisor: Dr. Andrew Roth Seneff)

Universidad de las Américas, Puebla

Puebla, Mexico

B.A. Magna Cum Laude, Anthropology

June 2011

- Thesis: “*Se necesita más que agua para convertir tierra en barro: efectos de estado, ruralidad, categorías, sujetos e historias en la multiculturalidad neoliberal*” (advisor Dr. Francisco Gómez Carpinteiro)

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

- Salgado Lázaro, A., **Coyotecatl Contreras, J.M.**, and Del Angel, Y. (2021) “Radio Tsinaka: Comunicación contra el despojo y por la vida” [Communicating life against dispossession]. *Regions and Cohesion, Special Issue The 2020 paradox: a multisystemic crisis in search of an integral response* 11(3): 102-114 DOI: <https://doi.org/10.3167/reco.2021.110307>
- Coyotecatl Contreras, J. M.** and Díaz Alba, C. L. (2018) “Femibici: experiencias y reflexiones feministas” [Feminist Cycling in Guadalajara: experiences and thoughts], *Ciudades: Análisis de la coyuntura, teoría e historia urbana* 119:25-32. ISSN:0187-8611
- Coyotecatl Contreras, J. M.** (2016) “Los espacios de transportación en la economía extractivista. El caso del gasoducto Morelos en el centro de México” [Transportation in the Extractive Economy: Morelos Pipeline in Mexico], *Ecología Política: Cuadernos de debate internacional* 51:108-112. ISSN: 1130-6378

¹ An abbreviated English translation is provided in brackets for all Spanish titles.

Conference Collections

Coyotecatl Contreras, J. M. and G. Rodríguez Solís (2016) “Jerarquización y gubernamentalidad en un programa social de metodología internacional” [Hierarchy and Governmentality in a Relief International Program]. In *Reflexiones multidisciplinarias sobre la interculturalidad, vol II: Las políticas públicas, entre los límites del estado y la cultura*, Guadalupe Huerta Morales and Roberto Canto (comp.) pp. 79-86. Puebla: BUAP, UIEP

Public Press Publications

- 2022- to date Column “El Telar”, on Land Defense, *Cholollan Radio*,
- “[Nace Asamblea Nacional por el Agua y la Vida en Santa María Zacatepec: fortalecerá Ley de los Pueblos](#)” [National Assembly for Water and Life is Born], August 29, 2022
 - “[Proyecto Malintzi SPM: Proteger y restaurar lo que otros destruyen](#)” [Malintzi Forest Project: Protecting and Restoring], August 23, 2022
- 2021 Energy Justice on California’s Central Coast: A Public Syllabus by the UCSB Re-Centering Energy Justice Collaborative <https://www.ejcasyllabus.org/>
- 2019 “[Make the Drilling Moratorium Permanent](#),” Op-Ed for VC Reporter, July, with Rizo-Centino, A.R, A. Tejada
- 2016 Column “Lentes Violetas. Experiencia y reflexión sobre género y movilidad,” on gender and urban mobility, *La Bicikleta Magazine*
- “[Hagamos de los grupos ciclistas espacios seguros](#)” [Let’s Make Cycling Groups Safe Spaces], December
 - “[Con gafas violetas al 9º Congreso Nacional de Ciclismo Urbano](#)” [Purple Glasses towards the 9th National Urban Cycling Conference], November, with C. Díaz Alba
 - “[¿Qué tienen en común la copa menstrual y las bicis?](#)” [What Do Menstrual Cup and Bicycles Have in Common], September, with M. Serrano Cuatlayotl

AWARDS AND DISTINCTIONS

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- 2022 UCSB Graduate Division Research Accelerator Award, for fieldwork research in Mexico (\$8000)
- 2021 Mellon Sawyer Seminar: Energy Justice in Global Perspective: summer edition fellowship, UCSB-Andrew Mellon Foundation, for fieldwork research in Mexico (\$1000)
- 2021 Charles J. Erasmus Award in Anthropology, UCSB Anthropology Department, for fieldwork research in Mexico (\$1000)
- 2020 Summer 2020: Global Partnership Research Award, Environmental Justice/Climate Justice Research Hub, UCSB Orfalea Center for the project “Tsinaka Radio: land defense in central Mexico in times of COVID-19” (\$750)

- 2019-to date Research Focus Group “Re-Centering Energy Justice” UCSB Interdisciplinary Humanities Center, co-convener with Dr. Mona Damluji (\$4000)
- 2018-2019 Mellon Sawyer Seminar “Energy Justice in Global Perspective” Research Fellowship UCSB-Andrew Mellon Foundation, 1 year
- 2017-2022 Programa de becas al extranjero, doctoral fellowship, UC-Mexus Conacyt, 5 years
- 2013 Best unpublished scientific investigation, Honorable Mention, BA Thesis category, Asociación Mexicana de Estudios Rurales A.C. for “Se necesita más que agua para convertir tierra en barro”

SELECTED RESEARCH AND CONSULTATION

Research

- 2019-2020 **Research Assistant**, Project “US Public and Expert Perceptions on the Risks and Benefits of the Synthetic Cell for Energy Applications,” PI: Dr. Barbara Herr Harthorn, UCSB-NSF; Santa Barbara, CA.
- 2018 **Assistant Field Manager**, Project: “Cuyama Water Census,” PI: Dr. Casey Walsh, UCSB and Central Coast Region of the Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM); Santa Barbara, CA.
- 2015–2016 **Researcher**, Project: “Estudio sobre los factores que inciden en la percepción de la seguridad alimentaria de hogares en el marco de la Cruzada Nacional contra el Hambre” [Perceptions on Food Security within the Mexican Crusade against Hunger], PI: Dr. Magdalena Villarreal, CIESAS Occidente and Coneval; Guadalajara, Jalisco
- 2015-2016 **Qualitative Research Coordinator**, Project: “Ciudadanía múltiple México-Estados Unidos: Migración de retorno y estrategias familiares” [Multiple Citizenship MX-US], PI: Dr. Pablo Mateos. CIESAS Occidente and Conacyt; Guadalajara, Jalisco.

Consultancies and Evaluations

- 2016 **Researcher**, project “Evaluación de la gestión operativa del Programa Integral de Inclusión Financiera (PROIIF)” [Evaluation Report: Mexican Financial Inclusion Program], PI: Dr. Magdalena Villarreal, Espectron and Prospera Program, SEDESOL; Mexico
- 2014 **Consultant**, evaluation of CDI Programs, Evaluare, Expertos en Políticas Públicas; Puebla
- 2013-2014 **Regional Coordinator**, national evaluation of the Special Programme for Food Security (PESA FAO), Autonomous University of Mexico State (UAEM), qualitative and quantitative research; Pachuca

- 2008 **Evaluator**, NGO “Artesanos y artesanas alfareros popolocas de Los Reyes Metzontla, A.C.” [Indigenous Artisans Potters], Fondo Nacional para el Fomento de las Artesanías (Fonart), PI: Marta Turok; Mexico

INVITED TALKS FOR ACADEMIC AND GOVERNMENT INSTITUTIONS

- 2021 “Energy justice during Mexico’s “Sovereign transition”: notes from a historical ethnography,” iX Cultures of energy, May 28, Rice University, <http://culturesofenergy.rice.edu/>; online
- 2020 “25 de noviembre Los feminismos en la ciudad” [Urban Feminisms], 50-50 Ciudades para las Mujeres, Jalisco Government, Transport Gender Lab at the Inter-American Development Bank, November 25; Guadalajara; online
- 2020 “Hábitos y Percepción Ciclista 2019” [Cycling Habits and Opinions in Guadalajara] Survey Results Discussant, Mobility and Transport Office, Guadalajara City Government. September 22; Guadalajara; online
- 2018 “Femibici: Feminist Cycling Activism” (poster) with Carolina Arroyo. Women Mobilize Women Conference, International Transport Forum at the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), May 22; Leipzig
- 2017 “Los cuerpos feminizados en la industria de la moda: de la maquila a la publicidad [Feminized Bodies in Fashion Industry], Entre puntadas Conference, February 23; Guadalajara, Jal

SELECTED PAPER PRESENTATIONS (REFEREED)

- 2022 “Mapping Violence in the (Under)Ground: The Morelos Pipeline,” Knowing the Underground Panel, Society for Social Studies of Science (4S) with ESOCITE: Reunion, Recuperation, Reconfiguration: Knowledges and Technosciences for Living Together, December 7-11; Cholula
- 2022 “Companion Species in the War of Money against Life: Ecological Regimes of/against Extractivism in Mexico,” Ecologies of Violence panel, American Anthropological Association: Unsettling Landscapes, November 9-13; Seattle
- 2022 “Justicia epistémica digital contra el extractivismo en pandemia: la campaña “El PIM no es desarrollo, es despojo y destrucción”, XL LASA Polarización socioambiental y rivalidad entre grandes potencias, May 5-8; online
- 2021 with Carmen Díaz “Educación Popular Feminista en Tiempos de Pandemia” [Feminist Popular Education in Pandemic Time] International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences (IUAES) 2021: Heritages, global interconnections in a possible world, November 9-13; online

- 2021 “Where Is the Pipeline? Mapping Through Unequal Expertise of the Subsoil in Mexico,” XXXIX LASA Crisis Global: Desigualdades y Centralidad de la vida. May 26-29; online.
- 2020 “Caminar sobre y a través de un gasoducto: memorias geográficas del Gasoducto Morelos,” XXXVIII LASA América Ladina: Vinculando Mundos y Saberes, Tejiendo Esperanzas, May 13-16; online
- 2019 “Rights and history in energy infrastructure: Morelos Integral Project and the continuum of violence in Mexico,” Energy and Environmental Justice: A Multidisciplinary Workshop. ICTA-UAB. October 21-22; Barcelona (online)
- 2015 with Gerardo Rodríguez “‘Es que *ellos* no entienden bien’: Prioridades y estrategias en un programa social de metodología internacional”, III Coloquio sobre Interculturalidad: Diversidad y Políticas Públicas, UNAM and BUAP. October 19-21; Puebla
- 2014 “Disputas de escalas: el Gasoducto Morelos como definición de una franja vial en Puebla”, Antropologías para el mundo: Tramas de saberes para contribuir a una ecología política planetaria, UMSNH. March 12-14; Morelia
- 2013 “(Re)ordenamiento territorial y luchas locales en la reconfiguración del estado: el Gasoducto Morelos en Puebla”, 9° Congreso Nacional de la Asociación Mexicana de Estudios Rurales, AMER. March 4-5; Guadalajara

TEACHING

Instructor of Record

Instituto Tecnológico y de Estudios Superiores de Occidente (ITESO), Guadalajara, Mexico

- 2021 “Equidad y género: respuestas feministas a una pandemia desigual” [Feminist Responses to the Pandemic] with Dr. Carmen Díaz, Summer

Teaching Assistant

University of California, Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara, CA

- 2021 “Envs 155: The Built World: Infrastructure and Environmental Change,” Instructor: Dr. Summer Gray, Winter

Guest Lecturer

University of California, Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara, CA

- 2021 “Climate Justice is Social Justice,” *EEMB/ES 133 Biodiversity and Conservation*, undergraduate, November 4, Fall
- 2020 “Infrastructure as border, infrastructure as immigration cause,” *Anth 117 Borders and Borderlands*, undergraduate, August 13, Summer
- 2020 “Fieldwork engagement,” *Anth 129 Ethics and Engagement in Ethnographic Research*, February 11, undergraduate, Winter

2019 “From Race to Rights,” *FEMST 185BC Feminist Environmental Thought*, February 11, undergraduate, Winter

Universidad de San Carlos de Guatemala, Guatemala

2022 “Feminist Research Methodology,” *Political Sciences*; undergraduate, September 19, Fall

2021 “Feminist Research Methodology,” *Political Sciences*; undergraduate, September 8, Fall

Pitzer College, Claremont, CA

2020 “Feminist & Women's Movements Panel Discussion: Latin American Feminisms,” *Social Movements*, undergraduate, April 17, Spring

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

American Anthropological Association (AAA)

Anthropology and Environmental Society

Association for Feminist Anthropology (AFA)

Latin American Studies Association (LASA)

Re-center Energy Justice Research Focus Group, IHC-UCSB, **co-convener**

Environmental Justice/Climate Justice Studies Hub, Orfalea Center UCSB

ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

2017 “Luchas de las mujeres en el Sur: América Latina, África y Oriente” [Women’s Strugles in the Global South], Seminar, CLACSO, Dr. Karina Bidaseca. Distance learning, 120 hours

2016 “Teoría y crítica post y decolonial: problemas y debates” [Post and Decolonial Theory], Seminar, CLACSO, Dr. Mario Rufer. Distance learning, 120 hours

2016 “Entrenamiento especializado en Análisis de Información Cualitativa para la Investigación con apoyo de Nvivo”, QSR International. Distance learning, 18 hours

2012 “Los grupos focales como estrategia metodológica de investigación” [Focus Groups as Research Strategy], Dr. Víctor Manuel Ortiz Marín, El Colegio de Michoacán. June 30. Zamora, Michoacán. 5 hours

LANGUAGES

Spanish Native

English Proficient (Toefl 106/120, 2017)

French Basic (April 2017)

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