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### EDUCATION

#### **Ph.D. in Political Science, Tulane University, 2022.**

Dissertation: "The FARC's revolutionary failure: Changes in class composition and the making of modern Colombia. (1899-2016)"

Areas: Comparative Politics, International Relations, International Development

Regional Expertise: Latin America and the Caribbean

Readers: Dr. Eduardo Silva(chair); Dr. Moises Arce; Dr. Mary Clark; Dr. David Smilde

#### **M.A. in Political Science, Tulane University, 2019.**

("High pass" in Political Development)

#### **M.A. in History, University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras Campus, 2016.**

Thesis: "The Puerto Rico Telephone Strike of 1998: Rethinking Neoliberalism and Colonialism in Puerto Rico." (passed "with distinction")

#### **B.A. in Education, University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras Campus, 2013.**

### PUBLICATIONS

"El Caribe dependiente: retos históricos y trayectorias problemáticas para la organización obrera y la contención neoliberal en los pueblos isleños no soberanos del Caribe.," in Seda, Gabriela Quijano, and Pablo Mariano Villarreal. *"Pasado, presente y futuro de la economía de l@s trabajador@s."* Buenos Aires, Argentina. 2018, pp. 81-103.

"The Privatization of the Puerto Rico Telephone Company: A History of Neoliberal Acquisition and Discourse (1974-1998)," *Ámbito de Encuentros*, vol. 8, no. 2, 2016, pp. 27-63.

### TEACHING

**Gonzaga University, Spokane, Washington** **2022**  
Assistant Professor of Latin American Politics

**Brightmont Academy, Ann Arbor, Michigan** **2020**  
US History, World History, Economics (high school)

**Tulane University, New Orleans, Louisiana** **2018-2020**  
Introduction to International Development; Scope and Methods

**The Episcopal Cathedral School, San Juan, Puerto Rico** **2013-2016**  
World History, US History, Sociology, Economics (high school)

### RESEARCH

Social Movement Incorporation in Latin America (Dr. Eduardo Silva) 2021

### ASSISTANTSHIPS

Labor and Social Welfare Policy in Latin America (Dr. Eduard Silva) 2020

(Tulane University)

Venezuelan Migration Crisis (Dr. Raymond Taras) 2019

Mental Health Policy in Latin America/Caribbean (Dr. Mary Clark) 2016-2018

### HONORS AND AWARDS

**Tulane University, School of Liberal Arts** **2021-2022**  
Dissertation Completion Fellowship (DCF), \$25,000.

**Tulane University, School of Liberal Arts** 2021  
Summer Write-up Award, \$3,000.

**Tulane University, School of Liberal Arts** 2016-2021  
Five-year Graduate Fellowship: full-tuition, \$22,000 yearly stipend.

**Stone Center and Tinker Foundation Summer Field Research Grant** 2018  
Exploratory Research in Colombia, \$1,800.

**Tulane University, Department of Political Science** 2018  
Summer research award for quantitative methods, \$750.

CONFERENCE  
PAPERS

“Colombia’s peasant self-defense communes and representations of “Social Banditry”, Florida International University, Miami, Florida: XXII del Congreso de Colombianistas: “Colombias diversas: comunidades al margen.”, October 13-15, 2021.

“The FARC and Revolutions Literature: What we know now.” Vancouver, Canada: Proceedings of Latin American Studies Association (LASA) conference, May 26-29, 2021.

“The end of the Rosseriato: Rethinking state power in Puerto Rico.” Guadalajara, Mexico: Proceedings of Latin American Studies Association (LASA) conference, May 13-16, 2020.

“A State without a Nation for a People without a State?: The atomization of Puerto Rican Nationalism.” Dallas, TX: Proceedings of the National Association of Hispanic and Latino Studies conference. Feb. 11-16, 2019.

“Puerto Rican Nationalism(s): Imperialist cooptation or anti-colonial resistance? (1898-2018).” New Orleans, LA: Proceedings of the Latin American Graduate Organization (LAGOS) annual conference entitled: “Entanglement and the Spaces in Between: Discourses and Processes of Hybridity in Latin America.”, Feb. 1-3, 2019.

“Electoral Guerillas: Electoral Failure or Strategic Resistance? A qualitative analysis behind the FARC’s low 2018 voter turnout,” New Orleans, LA: Proceedings of Conference, The Stone Center & The Tinker Foundation, Oct. 20, 2018.

PRESENTATIONS  
AND INVITED  
LECTURES

“Michigan Social Movements: Migration and Diaspora Movements”, US History Survey Course, Albion College, November 14, 2021.

“The FARC and the Making of the “Social Bandit””, Bandidos Sociales en America Latina y El Caribe, Alfred University, February 2, 2021.

“Social Movements and Protest”, Center for Global Education, Tulane University, September 10, 2020.

“Puerto Rico and the Politics of Disaster”, The Politics of Nationalism, Tulane University, Jan. 30, 2020

“Labor Movements in Puerto Rico”, History of Puerto Rico, Universidad Metropolitana-Bayamon (UMET), Oct. 2012.

FORTHCOMING  
PROJECTS

“Quebec and Puerto Rico: A tale of two nationalisms”, Coauthored with Dr. Raymond Taras

“A lomo de chiva: Un viaje al corazón de las Farc.”, Manuscript based on field notes.

“Neoliberalism in Puerto Rico: Political dynamics under US colonial rule.” Manuscript.

“The FARC and the Making of the Social Bandit.” Journal Article.

PRESS

“How the FARC-EP Got Gustavo Petro Elected in Colombia”. (Op-ed), Latino Rebels, July 13, 2022.

“Boricuas en Detroit: Voces en Resistencia”, Boricuas Unidos en la Diaspora. September 10, 2021.

“The anti-colonial struggle in Puerto Rico is growing”, (translated from Greek) Epohi, May 2, 2021.

“Los Estados Unidos nunca han sido actores neutrales y su arbitraje representaría un conflicto de interés” (Interview) “Revista Rebelión” & El Post Antillano, April 10, 2021.

“Unpacking the Puerto Rican “statehood” vote: colonial dynamics and national trends” (Op-ed) Latino Rebels, February 24, 2021.

“Cese al fuego: A Letter and the FARC’s Political Legacy”. (Op-ed), Latino Rebels, October 7, 2020.

“Movimiento Victoria Ciudadana (MVC): ¿Cambio político o reproducción de la colonia? Notas para un debate”. (Op-ed), Latino Rebels, Accepted for publication on September 25, 2020.

“Fragmented Autonomy”, Bori-Que: A podcast about Puerto Rico and Puerto Rican stories, Aug. 11, 2020.

“7 reasons why the COVID-19 stimulus package is not a ‘gift’ for Puerto Ricans”, Boricuas Unidos en la Diaspora, April 28, 2020.

“To My Fellow Puerto Ricans: Aid Is Not Enough” (Op-ed), Latino Rebels, Jan, 20, 2020.

SERVICE

**Travesías por la Paz, Medellín, Colombia** **2020-present**  
(Peacebuilding project coordinator)

**Boricuas Unidos en la Diaspora, Washington, D.C.** **2020-present**  
(Researcher, writer, collaborator, lobby work)

**One Michigan for Immigrant Rights, Detroit, MI.** **2019-present**  
(Educator/Organizer/Grant Writer/Curriculum Development)

**Centro Comunitario Puerta de Tierra/Las Monjas, San Juan, PR.** **2014**  
(Community tutor and facilitator.)

LANGUAGES  
AND SKILLS

Languages: Spanish (fluent); English (fluent); Italian (beginner)  
Skills and training: APEX, SPSS, STATA, Canvas, Blackboard, Windows, Zoom, History teaching certificate, “Proyectos Cumbres” certificate for teaching “at risk” populations.

PROFESSIONAL  
AFFILIATIONS

Asociación de Colombianistas, Florida International University **2021**  
Latin American Studies Association (LASA) **2019-Present**

REFERENCES

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**David Smilde, Professor of Sociology**

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Tulane University  
Email: dsmilde@tulane.edu

**Mary Clark, Associate Professor of Political Science**

Department of Political Science  
Tulane University  
Email: maclark@tulane.edu

**Jorge Chinaea, Professor of History**

Department of History  
Wayne State University  
Email: jchinaea@wayne.edu

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