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PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Boston University, Frederick S. Pardee School of Global Studies, Assistant Professor, 2012-present

EDUCATION

- Ph.D. History, University of Texas at Austin, 2012
- M.A. History, University of Texas at Austin, 2009
- B.A. History, Arizona State University, 2004
- B.A. Spanish, Arizona State University, 2004

PUBLICATIONS

Books

- 2015 *Mexico's Cold War: Cuba, the United States, and the Legacy of the Mexican Revolution* (New York: Cambridge University Press, 2015)

Refereed Journal Articles

- 2015 "U.S.-Mexican Relations from Independence to the Present," *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of American History* (forthcoming)
- 2015 "The Latin American Missile Crisis," *Diplomatic History* 39:2 (April 2015), 195-222
- 2013 "Building 'Nuestra América': National Sovereignty and Regional Integration in the Americas," *Contexto Internacional*, 35, no. 2 (2013), 537-564
- 2012 "A Foreign Policy for Domestic Consumption: Mexico's Lukewarm Defense of Castro, 1959-1969," *The Latin American Research Review* 47, no. 2 (Summer 2012), 100-119
- 2010 "The Martyrdom of Monseñor Angelelli: The Popular Creation of Martyrs in Twentieth-Century Argentina," *The Journal of Religion & Society*, 12 (2010)

Book Chapters

- 2013 “Don Lázaro Rises Again: Heated Rhetoric, Cold Warfare, and the 1961 Latin American Peace Conference” in *Beyond the Eagle’s Shadow: New Histories of Latin America’s Cold War*, ed. Virginia Garrard-Burnett, Mark Lawrence, and Julio Moreno (Albuquerque: University of New Mexico Press, 2013), 129-149

Reviews

- 2014 “International Relations: Mexico and Central America,” in Hispanic Division of Library of Congress, *Handbook of Latin American Studies* vol. 69 (Austin, University of Texas Press), 344-351
- 2014 Review of Thomas Tunstall Allcock, “The First Alliance for Progress? Reshaping the Eisenhower Administration’s Policy toward Latin America.” H-Diplo, H-net Reviews (November 19, 2014)
- 2014 Review of Heather A. Vrana, ““Do Not Tempt Us!”: The Guatemalan University in Protest, Memory, and Political Change, 1944—Present,” *Dissertation Reviews*, May 2014
- 2012 “Review of Castro, Soraya; Pruessen, Ronald W., eds., *Fifty Years of Revolution: Perspectives on Cuba, the United States, and the World*. H-Diplo, H-net Reviews (December, 2012)
- 2011 “Review: John H. Elliot, *Empires of the Atlantic World: Britain and Spain in the Americas, 1492-1830*” Not Even Past (April 2011)

Other Publications

- 2015 “Ending the Quest for Control: The Weight of History on U.S.-Cuban Relations,” *Georgetown Journal of International Affairs* (April 20, 2015), Front Page section
- 2012 “Research Note: Transparency and Transition in Mexico,” H-Intel (10 July 2012)
- 2009 “Economics and Democracy: An Interview with Miguel Alemán Velasco,” *Portal*, Issue 4, 2008-2009, Austin: University of Texas Press

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS

- 2015 BU Center for the Humanities Tertulia Award
- 2014 BU Center for the Humanities Publication Production Award
- 2013 Kluge Fellowship, U.S. Library of Congress
- 2011 Philanthropic Educational Organization Scholar Award

- 2010 Edward H. Moseley Award, Southeastern Council of Latin American Studies Conference
- 2009 Social Science Research Council International Dissertation Research Fellowship
- 2009 University of Texas Mexican Center E.D. Farmer Dissertation Research Fellowship
- 2009 University of Texas Department of History Dissertation Research Fellowship
- 2008 University of Texas Liberal Arts Graduate Research Fellowship
- 2008 University of Texas Mexican Center Summer Research Fellowship
- 2006 Fulbright Teaching Assistantship, Argentina

INVITED TALKS

- 2015 “‘We Will Fight for Peace’: Mexico, the Cuban Missile Crisis, and the Cold War in Latin America,” book talk, Center for the Study of the United States and the Cold War, NYU (November 12, 2015)
- 2015 “Whose News? Cuba’s Prensa Latina and the Cold War Contest Over Information,” Boston-Area Latin American History Workshop Series, Harvard (September 22, 2015)
- 2015 “Life: Past—How We Write About Those Who Came Before Us,” panel at Scholarfest at the Library of Congress (June 11, 2015)
- 2015 “Looking Back to Move Forward: Political Crisis and Social Mobilization in Mexico,” panel at MIT (February 19, 2015)
- 2014 “Country of Migrants: A History of Immigration to Mexico,” address at Harvard Initiative for Latin American Relations conference (October 11, 2014)
- 2014 “Mexico’s Cold War: Cuba, the United States, and the Struggle Over the Legacy of the Mexican Revolution,” Kluge Center Lecture (February 20, 2014)
- 2013 Panelist, “Gold Fever” screening at Fordham University (October 17, 2013)

MEDIA AND PUBLIC OUTREACH

- 2015 Interview, “Historical Context of the Video Game Tropico 5,” History Respawned, Youtube (July 24, 2015)
- 2014 Interview, “A Historical Perspective on the U.S.-Cuba Relationship,” Insights: Scholarly Work at the John W. Kluge Center (December 19, 2014)

- 2014 Interview, “End of U.S. Isolation Toward Cuba ‘Really Promising,’ Says Expert,” Radio France Internationale (December 17, 2014)
- 2014 Interview, “Drug Cartel Chaos in Mexico,” NECN television show Broadside: The News with Jim Braude (November 17, 2014)
- 2013 Interview, “With Hugo Chávez Dead, What Now? CAS prof ponders Venezuela’s future,” BU Today (March 11, 2013)

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

Panels Organized

- 2015 “Interpersonal and International Relations: Inter-American Connections During the Cold War,” Latin American Studies Association Conference
- 2015 “‘You Say You Want a Revolution’: Student Struggles to Change Their Societies During Latin America’s Cold War,” Rocky Mountain Council for Latin American Studies Conference
- 2014 “México en la Guerra Fría, la Guerra Fría en México,” XIV Reunión Internacional de Historiadores de México, University of Chicago
- 2014 “The Latin American Cold War: Inter-American or Anti-American?” Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations Conference
- 2013 “Student Activism, Political Alliances, and Visions of a New Social Order in Mexico and Central America,” Latin American Studies Association Conference
- 2012 “Revolutionary Reverberations: Latin American Politics in the Wake of the Cuban Revolution,” American Historical Association Annual Meeting

Papers Presented

- 2015 “Latin America and the Cuban Missile Crisis,” Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations Conference
- 2015 “Diplomacy’s Backstage: Espionage and International Relations Among Mexico, Cuba, and the United States,” Latin American Studies Association Conference
- 2015 “The Role of Third-Party Countries in U.S.-Cuban Relations,” paper presentation on roundtable “A Discussion on the Proposed Changes in U.S.-Cuba Relations” at Rocky Mountain Conference on Latin American Studies (April 10, 2015)
- 2015 “Fan Mail to Fidel: Messages of Friendship and Fraternity from Mexican Students to Cuba,” Rocky Mountain Council for Latin American Studies Conference

- 2014 “Qué tan excepcional fue la Guerra Fría Mexicana?” XIV Reunión Internacional de Historiadores de México, University of Chicago
- 2014 “Weighing Alliances: U.S. Perceptions of Mexico’s Cold War,” Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations Conference
- 2014 “Testing the Limits of Censorship: *Política* Magazine and Mexico’s ‘Perfect Dictatorship,’ 1960-1967,” paper delivered at Libertad Bajo Palabra: Censorship, Satire, and the Press in Mexico conference at UC San Diego Center for U.S.-Mexican Studies (May 1, 2014)
- 2014 “Friend and Foe: Fidel Castro’s ‘Exceptional’ Relations with Mexico,” American Historical Association Annual Meeting
- 2013 Panelist, “From Dissertation to Book,” Library of Congress Kluge Center Professionalization Seminar (December 5, 2013)
- 2013 “An ‘Exceptional’ Relationship: Mexico and Fidel Castro’s Export of Revolution,” New England Council of Latin American Studies Conference
- 2013 “Kennedy, Johnson, and the Cold War Calculus of Mexico’s Relations with Cuba,” Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations Conference
- 2013 “The Ghost of Guevara and the Tlatelolco Massacre: Cuba and the 1968 Mexican Student Movement,” Latin American Studies Association Congress
- 2013 “Cuba and the 1968 Mexican Student Movement,” Rocky Mountain Council for Latin American Studies Annual Conference
- 2012 “Building a Revolutionary Community: The 1961 Latin American Peace Conference and the 1966 Tricontinental Conference in Comparative Perspective,” American Historical Association Annual Meeting
- 2010 “Capitalizing on Castro: Mexico’s Foreign Relations with Cuba and the United States, 1959-1969,” Southeastern Council of Latin American Studies Annual Conference
- 2009 “Capitalizing on Castro: Mexico’s Foreign Relations with Cuba and the United States, 1959-1969,” Latin America in the Cold War Conference, University of Texas
- 2009 “Capitalizing on Castro: Mexico’s Foreign Relations with Cuba and the United States, 1959-1969,” Rocky Mountain Council for Latin American Studies Annual Conference
- 2009 “Capitalizing on Castro: Mexico’s Foreign Relations with Cuba and the United States, 1959-1969,” Lozano Long Institute of Latin American Studies Student Association Conference
- 2008 “The Martyrdom of Monseñor Angelelli,” Rocky Mountain Council for Latin American Studies Annual Conference

Discussant

- 2015 “Missing Exiles, Counter-Revolutionaries, Social Scientists, and Some Nukes: New Perspectives on Latin American International Relations,” Latin American Studies Association Conference

CAMPUS TALKS

- 2015 “Drugs and Security in the Americas,” BU Open House (April 24, 2015)
- 2014 “U.S.-Cuba Relations: What’s Up? What’s Next?” BU Global Conversations panel (November 10, 2014)
- 2013 “Uneasy Neighbors: The Weight of History on US-Mexican Relations,” BU Mexas Lecture (March 7, 2013)
- 2012 “The Cuban Missile Crisis After Fifty Years,” BU Landmarks Lecture Series (October 17, 2012)

TEACHING

- Experiencing Cuba: Cuba and the World (Spring Break Study Abroad, 2016)
- Introduction to Latin American Politics and International Relations, Boston University (Fall 2014, Fall 2012, Fall 2015)
- U.S.-Latin American Relations, Boston University (Fall 2014, Spring 2013, Fall 2015)
- Drugs and Security in the Americas, Boston University (Spring 2015)
- Latin America Today, Boston University (Spring 2015)
- First Year Seminar: Latin American Culture in Boston, Boston University (Fall 2014)
- The Cold War in Latin America, Boston University (Spring 2013)
- Latin American Civilization: National Period, University of Texas (Summer 2011)

SERVICE TO PROFESSION

- Article Reviewer for *Diplomatic History*, *The International History Review*, *Bulletin for Latin American Research*, and *Polymath*

LASA Premio Iberoamericano Book Prize Committee (2015)

NECLAS Executive Committee (2015—2017)

Flinn Foundation Alumni Advisory Council (2014-present)

NECLAS Book Prize Committee (2013)

BOSTON UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Tertulia Coordinator, BU College of Arts and Sciences (2015—2016)

Latin American Studies Program Executive Committee (2014—2015)

PARDEE SCHOOL SERVICE

Strategic Planning Committee (2015)

MA Admissions Committee (2015)

Learning Outcomes and Assessment Committee (2014-present)

Faculty Search Committee, Assistant Professor of International Relations (2014)

Faculty Search Committee, Professor of the Practice of U.S. Diplomacy or National Security Policy (2012)

ADVISING

Faculty Advisor, BU Latin American Students Association (2015—2016)

Faculty Mentor to 36 students (as of Fall 2015)

Thesis Committees

Doctoral

Adrea Hernández, American Studies (second reader, ongoing)

Christopher K. Seely, History, BU (fifth reader, 2012)

Masters

Kenneth Rayner, Pardee School, BU (committee member, 2015)

Nicholas Nepveu, Pardee School, BU (committee member, 2015)

Karla Sofía León Espinoza, Latin American Studies, BU (committee member, 2015)

Sergio Reyes, Political Science, BU (committee member, 2014)

Yejin Kim, International Relations, BU (committee member, 2013)

Dana Bruhns, Latin American Studies, BU (committee member, 2013)

Undergraduate Honors

Graciela Mariño, Pardee School, BU (committee member, 2015)

Britta Dosch, Pardee School, BU (committee member, 2015)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Historical Association

Conference on Latin American History

Latin American Studies Association

New England Council of Latin American Studies

Rocky Mountain Council of Latin American Studies

Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations

South Eastern Council on Latin American Studies

REFERENCES

Jonathan C. Brown, Professor of History, University of Texas at Austin, GAR 1.104, Campus Mailcode B7000, Austin, TX 78712, j.brown@austin.utexas.edu

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