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EDUCATION

--University of Pittsburgh, United States, *Ph.D. in Political Science*, 2003
Main areas of concentration: Comparative Politics and International Relations
Dissertation: "*Democracy at Risk: Citizens' Support for Undemocratic Options*"

--University of Pittsburgh, United States, *M.A. in Political Science*, 1999

--University Rafael Landívar (Catholic University of Guatemala).
M.A. in Teaching and University Research, 1993

--University Rafael Landívar, Guatemala. *B.A (Licenciatura) in Political and Social Sciences*, 1985. Major in Political Science, Minor in International Relations (Cum Laude)

--University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA), United States
Undergraduate courses (Latin American Politics and World Politics), 1982

Other graduate studies:

--University of Pittsburgh, United States, *Certificate in Latin American Studies*, 2000

--Institute universitaire d'études du développement (IUED), Geneva, Switzerland.
Certificate in Development Studies, Graduate Program (in French), Academic year 1985-1986

--Uppsala University, Sweden. *Diploma in Conflict Resolution*, Graduate Program, Spring-Summer 1989

Pre-College Education

Iowa Falls High School, Iowa, United States
Student Exchange Program through AFS – American Field Service, *High School Diploma*

Guatemalan-American Institute (IGA), Guatemala
High School Diploma

EMPLOYMENT

Academic

Teaching:

--Wichita State University. *Associate Professor* (Fall 2005-Present).

--Vanderbilt University. *Visiting Assistant Professor* (Fall 2004-Summer 2005).

--University of San Carlos and University Rafael Landívar, Guatemala. *Invited Professor*, Joint Program on Human Rights Research (graduate level) (2002 and 2003).

--University Rafael Landívar, Guatemala, *Adjunct Professor* (1987-1996).

Other Academic Appointments (Research and Administration):

--Wichita State University, *Interim Chair of the Political Science Department* (Spring 2011)

--Vanderbilt University, *Research Coordinator* for the Latin American Public Opinion Project (LAPOP) and *Research Fellow*, Center for the Americas (Fall 2004-Summer 2005).

--Association for Social Research and Studies (Asociación de Investigación y Estudios Sociales (ASIES), Guatemala, *Senior Researcher* at the Political Research Department (August 2000-August 2004).

--University Rafael Landívar, Guatemala, *Assistant Dean of the School of Political and Social Sciences* (1989-1991).

--University Rafael Landívar, Guatemala, *Chair of the Department of Political Science* (1990-1991).

--Association for Social Research and Studies (Asociación de Investigación y Estudios Sociales (ASIES), Guatemala, *Head of the Department of Political Research* (1992-1997).

Courses taught:

Wichita State University (USA):

Comparative Politics: Global Democracy, Developing World, Comparative Politics, Latin American Politics, Public Opinion in Comparative Perspective.

International Relations: Comparative Foreign Policy, Latin American International Politics, Introduction to International Relations.

Research Methods: Political Inquiry, Senior Seminar (capstone research Seminar).

Vanderbilt University (USA):

Latin American Politics, Latin American International Relations (undergraduate level).
Comparative Politics (graduate level).

University Rafael Landivar (Guatemala):

Law School: Quantitative Research Methodology, Political Analysis of Guatemala.

Political Science Department (undergraduate level): Socio-Political Analysis, Sociology of Development, Current Sociological Theories, Analysis of Political National Reality, Theory of Power, Sociology of Political Organizations, Introduction to International Relations.

Other Professional Employment

--Supreme Electoral Tribunal of Guatemala and Organization of American States (OAS), *Executive Secretary* of the Commission for Electoral Reform derived from the Peace Accords (February-August 1997).

--Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Guatemala, *Assistant Director* of the Department for North America (1988-1991).

--Ministry of Urban and Rural Development of Guatemala, *Program Officer (Professional Staff)* at the Department for International Cooperation (1986-1987).

--Save the Children Alliance (an alliance of European and American Save the Children organizations). Guatemala, *Assistant to the Director* (1981-1985).

Consultant in short-term projects with the following organizations (1997-2010):

- Woodrow Wilson Center for International Scholars, Latin American Program (USA)
- Development Associates, Inc. (USA)
- Casals and Associates (USA)
- ARD, Inc. (USA)
- Centra, Inc. (USA)
- MSI, Inc. (USA)
- Organization of American States, OAS (Guatemala mission)
- Instituto de Relaciones Internacionales para la Paz, IRIPAZ (Guatemala)
- Instituto Centroamericano de Estudios Políticos, INCEP (Guatemala)
- PROCESOS (Costa Rica)
- Instituto Interamericano de Derechos Humanos, IIDH (Costa Rica)

PUBLICATIONS

Areas of Research: Public Opinion and Political Behavior; Democratization; Democracy Promotion; Peace-Building and Conflict Resolution; U.S.-Latin America Relations.

Articles in Refereed Journals

“The Salience of Ideology: Fifteen Years of Presidential Elections in El Salvador” in *Latin American Politics and Society* (Vol. 52, Issue 2, Summer 2010).

“The United States and the Promotion of Democracy in Latin America: Then, Now and Tomorrow” in *Orbis (A Journal of World Affairs)*, Vol. 54, No. 2, Spring 2010, pp. 252-267 (co-authored with Carolyn Shaw).

“Perceptions of Democracy in Guatemala: An Ethnic Divide?” in *Canadian Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Studies*. Vol. 34, Issue 67, 2009, pp. 105-130.

“¿Qué ha estado haciendo Estados Unidos?” in *Journal of Democracy en Español*, Vol. 1, July, 2009, pp. 191-202 (co-authored with Steve Finkel, Aníbal Pérez-Liñán and Mitchell A. Seligson). One of the few articles selected for first issue of the journal in Spanish, which is published annually.

“Trends in Democracy Assistance. What has the US Been Doing?” in *Journal of Democracy*, Volume 19, Number 2. April 2008, pp.151-159. (co-authored with Steve Finkel, Aníbal Pérez-Liñán and Mitchell A. Seligson).

“2007: un año de contrastes para la democracia en Guatemala” in *Revista de Ciencia Política*, Instituto de Ciencia Política, Universidad Católica de Chile. Vol. 28 No. 1, 2008, pp. 217-244 (co-authored with Ligia Blanco).

“The 2007 Presidential and Legislative Elections in Guatemala” in *Electoral Studies*, Vol. 27, Issue 3, September 2008, pp. 562-566.

“Guatemala 2006: El aniversario de la paz y la democracia” in *Revista de Ciencia Política*, Instituto de Ciencia Política, Universidad Católica de Chile, Vol. 27, No. Especial, 2007, pp. 149-163 (co-authored with Ligia Blanco).

“La Ciencia Política en Guatemala: el reto de la consolidación como disciplina independiente” in *Revista de Ciencia Política*, Instituto de Ciencia Política, Universidad Católica de Chile, Special Edition Vol. 25, No. 1, 2005, pp. 171-181.

“The General Elections in Guatemala, November-December 2003” in *Electoral Studies*, Vol. 24, Issue 1, March 2005, pp. 143-149.

Book Reviews in Refereed Journals

Book Review: “The Quiet Revolutionaries: Seeking Justice in Guatemala,” Paul Jesilow and Frank M. Afflitto (University of Texas Press), in *International Journal of Transitional Justice*, Volume 2, Number 2, July 2008.

Books and Book Chapters in Edited Volumes

“Democracy and Governance in Conflict and Post-War Latin America: A Quantitative Assessment” in *In the Wake of War: Democratization and Internal Armed Conflict in Latin America*. Cynthia J. Arnson, Editor (forthcoming, Stanford University Press and Woodrow Wilson Center Press).

“Negotiating a Revolution in Guatemala and El Salvador” in *Negotiating with Armed Oppositions to the State*. Douglas Porch and Maria Rasmussen, Editors (forthcoming, Stanford University Press).

“The Promotion of Democracy: Actors and Methods” in *Achieving Democracy: Democratization in Theory and Practice*. Mary Malone, Editor (Continuum Books, 2011).

“Carta a los estudiantes de Ciencia Política” in *Cartas a los estudiantes de Ciencia Política*, Volumen 1. Cortés, Jorge and López Rubí, José Ramón, Editors (Mexico, Miguel Ángel Porrúa-BUAP, 2010)

“Democratización en Guatemala y El Salvador: un desarrollo desigual” in *Perspectivas para la democracia en América Latina* (Prospects for Democracy in Latin America). Leticia Heras and John Booth, Editors (Toluca, Mexico: University of North Texas and Universidad Autónoma del Estado de México, 2009). English version forthcoming.

“From Peace to Democratization: Lessons from Central America” Revised and updated chapter in second edition of the book *Contemporary Peacemaking, Conflict, Peace Processes and Post-war Reconstruction* (2008).

“From Peace to Democratization: Lessons from Central America” in *Contemporary Peacemaking*. John Darby and Roger McGinty, Editors (London: Palgrave/McMillan Press, 2003). Co-authored with Cynthia Arnson.

Construyendo la democracia en sociedades posconflicto: Guatemala y El Salvador, un enfoque comparado (Guatemala and Ottawa: F&G Editores and International Development Research Center (IDRC) Publishers, 2007). Co-authored with L. Blanco, R. Córdova, N. Loya, C. Ramos, and A. Zapata.

“Strengthening Human Rights Institutions in Guatemala” in *Promoting Democracy in Post-Conflict Societies: Views and Lessons from Africa, Asia and Central America*. Jeroen De Zeeuw and Krishna Kumar, Editors (Boulder, CO: Lynne Rienner, 2006).

“Los Jóvenes y la Democracia en Guatemala” in *Con la herencia de la paz: cultura política de la juventud centroamericana*. Florisabel Rodríguez, Silvia Castro y Johnny Madrigal, Editors (Heredia, Costa Rica: EFUNA, 2003).

“El liderazgo político en Guatemala: Un Proceso de Reconstrucción y Redefinición” in *El Liderazgo Político en América Latina*. Wilhelm Hofemeister, Editor (Rio de Janeiro, Brazil: Konrad Adenauer Foundation, 2002).

“Las dimensiones y el impacto político de la delincuencia en Guatemala” in *Población del Istmo 2000: familia, migración, violencia y medio ambiente*. Luis Rosero, Editor (San José, Costa Rica: University of Costa Rica, 2000). Co-authored with Mitchell A. Seligson.

“Peace and Democratization in Guatemala: Two Parallel Processes” in *Comparative Peace Processes in Latin America*. Cynthia J. Arnson, Editor (Palo Alto/Washington D.C: Stanford University Press and Woodrow Wilson Press, 1999).

La Realidad Política Guatemalteca. Required textbook for several years for all careers at the University Rafael Landívar (Guatemala, University Rafael Landívar, 1994).

Working Papers and Special Publications

“¿Cuán democrática es América Latina? Comparando los índices globales y regionales de democracia” in *Boletín de Política Comparada* (Buenos Aires, Argentina, forthcoming 2011).

“The Geopolitical Origins and Evolution of Guatemala’s Strategic Culture” published online in the Strategic Culture Studies Series, Applied Research Center, Florida International University (forthcoming 2011). <http://strategicculture.fiu.edu/Studies.aspx>.

Six articles in the *Encyclopedia of United States-Latin American Relations*. Thomas Leonard, Editor (SAGE Publications, forthcoming 2011):

“The United States and Democracy in Latin America”

“The Organization of American States (OAS)”

“The United States Agency for International Development (USAID)”

“United States-Guatemala Relations”

“Latin American Program, Woodrow Wilson Center”

“Americas Barometer”

“Building Democracy in Post-Conflict Societies: Guatemala and El Salvador in Comparative Perspective”, Executive Summary (Guatemala City and San Salvador: IDRC, ASIES, FUNDAUNGO, 2006). Published in English and Spanish.

“Democracy Assistance to Post-Conflict Guatemala: Finding a Balance between Details and Determinants,” *Working Paper No. 30*, Netherlands Institute for International Relations (The Hague, Netherlands, 2004). Co-authored with L. Blanco, C. Mendoza, E. Blank.

“Paz, Democracia y Cultura Política en Guatemala,” *Working Paper No. 2004-04 Procesos* (Serie Cuadernos de Trabajo, San José, Costa Rica, 2004).

“Guatemala’s Democracy in Jeopardy” in *FOCAL Point*, Canadian Foundation for the Americas, August 2003, Vol. 2, Number 8.

“Los Jóvenes y la Democracia en Guatemala” *Working Paper No. 2001-06 Procesos* (Serie Cuadernos de Trabajo, San José, Costa Rica, 2001).

“The Consulta Popular: A Vote Divided by Geography” in *The Popular Referendum and the Future of the Peace Accords in Guatemala,” Working Paper #243*, Woodrow Wilson Center for International Scholars (Washington, D.C., October, 1999) (also published in Spanish in December, 1999).

“Posibilidades de paz: nuevo rumbo para Guatemala” in *Procesos de Negociación Comparados en África y América Latina* (Guatemala City: FLACSO, 1994).

“In Search of Peace: The Central American Case” in *Third World Dimensions in Conflict Resolution* (with A. Siliazzy *et. al*). Report from the Advanced International Programme on Conflict Resolution (Uppsala, Sweden: Uppsala University, 1990).

Monographs

Consolidación democrática en las Américas en tiempos difíciles: Guatemala 2010. IX Estudio de cultura democrática de los guatemaltecos (Nashville and Guatemala City: Vanderbilt University, USAID and ASIES, forthcoming 2010).

(English version online at www.lapopsurveys.org) **Democratic Consolidation in the Americas in Difficult Times: Guatemala 2010.** (Nashville and Guatemala City: Vanderbilt University, USAID and ASIES, forthcoming 2010).

Cultura política de la democracia en Guatemala, 2008: El impacto de la gobernabilidad. VIII Estudio de cultura democrática de los guatemaltecos (Nashville and Guatemala City: Vanderbilt University, USAID and ASIES, 2008).

(English version online at www.lapopsurveys.org) **The Political Culture of Democracy in Guatemala 2008: The Impact of Governance** (Nashville and Guatemala City: Vanderbilt University, USAID and ASIES, 2008)

Cultura política de la democracia en Guatemala en 2006. VII Estudio de cultura democrática de los guatemaltecos (Nashville and Guatemala City: Vanderbilt University, USAID and FLACSO-Guatemala, 2007).

(English version online at www.lapopsurveys.org) **The Political Culture of Democracy in Guatemala in 2006** (Nashville and Guatemala City: Vanderbilt University, USAID and FLACSO-Guatemala, 2007)

Effects of U.S. Foreign Assistance on Democracy Building: Results of a Cross-National Quantitative Study, Report of a study commissioned by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), with Steven Finkel, Anibal Pérez-Liñán and Mitchell A. Seligson (Vanderbilt University and University of Pittsburgh, January, 2006).

La cultura política de la democracia en Guatemala en 2004. VI Estudio de cultura democrática de los guatemaltecos (Nashville and Guatemala City: Vanderbilt University, ASIES, USAID and ARD, 2004).

(English version online at www.lapopsurveys.org) **The Political Culture of Democracy in Guatemala in 2004** (Vanderbilt University, ASIES, USAID and ARD, 2004).

La cultura democrática de los jóvenes y maestros en Guatemala (Guatemala City: ASIES and Fundación SOROS, 2003).

La cultura política de los guatemaltecos en el nuevo siglo. V Estudio de cultura democrática de los guatemaltecos (Guatemala City: ASIES, 2002).

(English version online at www.lapopsurveys.org) **The Political Culture of Guatemalans in the New Century** (Guatemala City: ASIES, 2002)

La cultura democrática de los guatemaltecos en los departamentos de Quiché y Quetzaltenango (Guatemala City: ASIES, 2002).

Diagnóstico de los partidos políticos en Guatemala, co-authored with Carmen Ortiz and Marco Barahona (Guatemala City: ASIES, 2000).

La cultura democrática de los guatemaltecos, Cuarto Estudio, co-authored with M. Seligson, M. Young, C. Hammil and M. Lucas (Guatemala City and Pittsburgh: Development Associates, University of Pittsburgh and ASIES, 2000).

(English version) **Guatemalan Values and the Prospects for Democratic Development: with Emphasis on Civil Society Participation and Attitudes Regarding Crime, Due Process and Authoritarian Regimes** (Development Associates, Arlington, 2000).

La cultura democrática de los guatemaltecos, Tercer Estudio, co-authored with M. Seligson, M. Young and M. Lucas (Guatemala City and Pittsburgh: Development Associates, University of Pittsburgh and ASIES, 1998).

La cultura democrática de los guatemaltecos, Segundo Estudio, co-authored with M. Seligson, J. Jutkowitz and M. Lucas (Guatemala City and Pittsburgh: Development Associates, University of Pittsburgh and ASIES, 1995).

(English version) **Guatemalan Values and the Prospects for Democratic Development, Second Report** (Development Associated, Arlington, 1996).

Guatemalan Values and the Prospects for Democratic Development, co-authored with M. Seligson, J. Jutkowitz, J. Castillo and M. Lucas (Development Associates, Arlington, 1994).

Non-refereed journals

“El impacto de la gobernabilidad: cultura política de la democracia en Guatemala, 2008” en *Revista ASIES*, No. 1, 2009.

“Construyendo la democracia en sociedades posconflicto: Un enfoque comparado entre Guatemala y El Salvador,” Resumen Ejecutivo, in *Revista ASIES* No. 2, 2006 (Guatemala, 2006).

“La opinión pública y el estado de derecho en Guatemala” in *Revista ASIES*, No. 1, 2006 (Guatemala City, 2006).

“Guatemala: Ayuda internacional a la democracia en una sociedad posconflicto” in *Revista ASIES*, No. 2, 2005 (Guatemala City, ASIES, 2005)

“Como se percibe la paz en Guatemala” in *Revista MOMENTO* No. 11, 2002 (Guatemala City: ASIES, 2002).

“El apoyo a la democracia en Guatemala” in *Revista ASIES* No. 3, 2002 (Guatemala City, ASIES, 2002).

“Evaluando la democratización y la paz en Guatemala” in *Revista ASIES* No. 1, 2001 (Guatemala City, ASIES, 2001).

“La cultura democrática de los guatemaltecos. Resumen” in *Revista ASIES* No. 1, 1995 (Guatemala City, ASIES, 1995).

“Gobernabilidad y democracia” in *Revista Visión Nacional* No. 1, 1994 (Guatemala City: Fundación para el Desarrollo Institucional, DIG, 1994).

“Gobernabilidad y democracia: Conceptos básicos” in *Revista ASIES* No. 3, 1992, (Guatemala City, ASIES, 1992).

“El sistema político guatemalteco” in *Revista ASIES* No. 5, 1991 (Guatemala City, ASIES, 1991).

“La cooperación Sur-Sur: Alternativa o utopía” in *Revista Estudios Sociales* (Guatemala City, University Rafael Landívar, 1987).

Work in Progress

--Book manuscript: *Authoritarian Governments or Authoritarian Citizens? Exploring the Support for Undemocratic Rule in Latin America*. Lynne Rienner Publishers.

--Article “How Much State? Latin American Perceptions on the Role of the State”. Co-authored with Mary Malone.

--Article “The Y Generation and Democracy in Latin America: Hope or Continuity?”

--Book Chapter “The Quality of Peace in El Salvador”. In *Quality Peace: The Role of Third Parties and the Search for Indicators*, John Darby and Madhav Joshi, Notre Dame University, editors.

PRESENTATION OF SCHOLARSHIP

Invited Presentations

--Invited Panelist at **Workshop Strategic Culture Study of Guatemala**, organized by Florida International University’s Applied Research Center (FIU ARC), in collaboration with the United States Southern Command (SOUTHCOM) and FIU’s Latin American and Caribbean Center (LACC). Florida International University, Miami, May 2010. Paper presented: *The Geopolitical Origins and Evolution of Guatemala’s Strategic Culture*.

--Invited Panelist at the Seminar **Guatemala Political Stability**, organized by Centra, Inc., Washington D.C., December 2009.

--Invited Panelist at the Conference **Ethics in Democracy II**, organized by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Canada, the Centre d’Étude de l’Université de Montréal and the Centre for Ethics at the University of Toronto, FUSADES and FUNDE. San Salvador, El Salvador, November 2009. Presentation in panel: *Channeling Distrust and Contestation*.

--Invited Panelist at the Seminar **Democracia en America Latina: Repensando sus Desafíos** (Democracy in Latin America, Rethinking the Challenges), organized by the Catholic University of Chile and the United Nations Development Program. Santiago, Chile, August 2008. Presentation: *The Impact of Crime on Democratization in Central America* (in Spanish).

--Main Speaker, **Saul O Sidore Memorial Lecture Series 2007-2008, Exploring Democracy at Home and Abroad**, organized by the University of New Hampshire. Durham, New Hampshire, February 2008. Lecture: *Financing Democratic Change*.

--Invited Discussant at the **Roundtable Meeting UN and Democracy Assistance: A New Strategy?** Organized by the United Nations Development Program and the International Peace Academy. New York City, September 2007

--Invited Panelist at the Seminar **Negotiations with Armed Oppositions to the State**, organized by the Naval Postgraduate School. Monterey, California, August 2007. Presentation: *Negotiations and Political Reintegration of Armed Opposition Groups in Guatemala and El Salvador*.

--Invited Panelist at the Symposium **Prospects for Democracy in Latin America**, organized by the University of North Texas. Denton, Texas, April 2007. Paper presented: *Democracy in Guatemala and El Salvador: An Uneven Performance*.

--Invited Discussant at the Conference **Candidate Indicators for the United Nations Development Program Democracy Support Index** organized by Vanderbilt University. Nashville, Tennessee, May 2006.

--Invited Panelist at the Conference **Democracy and Peace Processes in Latin America** organized by the Latin American Program at the Woodrow Wilson Center. Washington, DC, April 2006. Paper presented: *The State of Democracy in Conflict and Post-Conflict Latin America*.

--Invited Speaker at the University of Kansas. Special event sponsored by the Latin American Solidarity Student Association. Lawrence, Kansas, November 2005. Lecture: *Democracy Assistance and Challenges of Democratization in Guatemala*.

--Presentation of the Study **The Effects of U.S. Foreign Assistance on Democracy Building Results of a Cross-National Quantitative Study** at the Woodrow Wilson Center. Washington, D.C., October 2005

--Invited Panelist at the Conference **State Fragility in the Western Hemisphere: Identification, Prevention, and Reconstruction**, organized by the Office of External Research, Bureau of Intelligence & Research (INR) U.S. Department of State. Arlington, Virginia, October 2004. Panel: Assessing State Fragility in the Western Hemisphere. Presentation: *Public Opinion and State Fragility in Latin America*.

--Invited Speaker at American University. Special event sponsored by the Council on Comparative Studies at AU and the Department of Government. Washington, D.C., August 2003. Presentation: *Democracy in Guatemala at the Crossroads: Citizens' Support for Undemocratic Options*.

--Invited Panelist at the **Seminar on Guatemala for designated U.S. Ambassador to Guatemala**, John R. Hamilton. Sponsored by the Office of External Research, Bureau of Intelligence & Research (INR) U.S. Department of State. Arlington, Virginia, November 2002.

--Invited Panelist at the **Workshop Democratic Transitions in Post-Conflict Societies: Building Local Institutions**, organized by the Netherlands Institute of International Relations 'Clingendael'. The Hague, Netherlands, 2004. Presentation: *Electoral, Human Rights and Media Assistance to Post-Conflict Guatemala*.

--Diverse public presentations of the results of the survey research studies "The Political Culture of Democracy in Guatemala" (democratic culture studies) between 2000-2010, in Mexico, Guatemala, Costa Rica and El Salvador.

--Invited Panelist at the Seminar **The Challenge of Democratic Transitions in Post Conflict Situations: Applying Lessons from the Past to Future UN Peacemaking and Peacebuilding**, organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research. Geneva, Switzerland, March 1999. Presentation: *Indicators of Democratization in Post-Conflict Guatemala*.

--Invited Panelist at the Seminar **Comparative Peace Processes in Latin America**, organized by the Latin American Program at the Woodrow Wilson Center. Washington, D.C., April 1995. Presentation: *The Guatemalan Peace Process*.

--One of three invited professors from University Rafael Landívar to give a series of conferences on the Central American crisis at Spring Hill College (Mobile, Alabama) and Loyola University (New Orleans). 1987, 1988 and 1989. More than 40 conferences to diverse groups at the colleges and in the community.

--Between 1985 and 1996 I participated as panelist or discussant in numerous conferences in Guatemala, organized by ASIES, University Rafael Landívar or the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Professional Conferences

--**2011 American Political Science Association Meeting (APSA)**, Seattle, September 2011. Panel: Democratic Consolidation in Hard Times. Paper: *Lingering Authoritarian Attitudes in Latin America*.

--**XXIX International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association (LASA)**, Toronto, Canada, October 2010. Panel: The State of Democracy in Latin America. Paper: *A Comparison of Quantitative Indicators of Democracy for Latin America*.

--**III Congreso Internacional de Estudios Electorales**, Salamanca, Spain, October 2009. Panel: Electoral Processes in Mexico and Central America: Change and Continuity. Paper: *The Role of Ideology in Elections: the Case of El Salvador* (in Spanish).

--**2009 Midwest Political Science Association Conference (MPSA)**, Chicago, April 2009. Panel: Political Legitimacy, Participation, and Attitudes in Latin America. Paper: *How Much State? Perceptions on the Role of the State in the Americas* (with M. Malone).

--**XXVII International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association (LASA)**, Montreal, Canada, September 2007. Panel: Comparative Peace Processes in Latin America. Paper: *Challenges of Democratization in Conflict and Post-Conflict Latin America*.

--**2007 American Political Science Association Meeting (APSA)**. Chicago, August 2007. Paper: *The US and Democracy in Latin America: A Change of Course?* (presented by co-author).

--**2006 American Political Science Association Meeting (APSA)**, Philadelphia, August, 2006. Panel: Can Democracy be Promoted? A Cross-National Study of USAID Democracy and Governance Programs. Presentation: *The Record of US Democracy Assistance*.

--**XXVI International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association (LASA)**, Puerto Rico, March, 2006. Panel: Peace-Building and Democratization in Central America. Paper: *Democracy and Peace in Guatemala and El Salvador: A Comparative Approach*.

--**XXV International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association (LASA)**, Las Vegas, October, 2004. Panel: Social Cleavages and Political Parties in Latin America. Paper: *Predictors of Electoral Behavior in Guatemala and El Salvador*.

--**2004 International Studies Association Annual Convention (ISA)**, Montreal, Canada, March 2004. Panel: Promoting Democracy in Post-Conflict Societies. Paper: *Assessing Electoral Assistance to Guatemala*.

--**2003 American Political Science Association Meeting (APSA)**, Philadelphia, August, 2003. Panel: Measuring Ethnic Group Attitudes Toward Institutions of Government. Paper: *Indigenous Perceptions of Democracy in Guatemala*.

--**XXIII International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association (LASA)**, Washington, D.C., September 2001. Panel: The Return of the Caudillos: Support for Authoritarian Leaders in Latin America. Paper: *Voting in the Strongmen in Guatemala*.

--**2001 Congress of the Canadian Association for Latin American and Caribbean Studies (CALACS)**. Antigua Guatemala, February, 2001. Panel: Peace and Democratization in Guatemala. Paper: *An Assessment of Peace and Democracy in Guatemala*.

--**Discussant** at the Congress of the Canadian Association for Latin American and Caribbean Studies (CALACS), Antigua Guatemala, February 2001. Round Table on Guillermo O'Donnell's "Democracy and Comparative Politics".

--**XXII International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association (LASA)**, Miami, March 2000. Panel: Challenges to Democratization in Central America. Paper: *The Political Impact of Crime in Guatemala (originally Crime and Democratization in Guatemala, Results of a 1997 Survey)*.

--**2000 Latin American Social and Public Policy Graduate Conference**, University of Pittsburgh, February 2000. Paper: *Voting in the Strongmen: the Case of Guatemala*.

--**XXI International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association (LASA)**, Chicago, 1998. Panel: Comparative Peace Processes in Latin America. Presentation: *Democracy and Peace in Guatemala*.

--**Discussant** at the XVII International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association (LASA), Los Angeles, California, September 1992. Panel: The Guatemalan Peace Process.

RESEARCH GRANTS AND PARTICIPATION IN RESEARCH PROJECTS

Part of a grant obtained by the Business School at Wichita State University intended to develop a course on *Business, Culture & Society in Latin America*. One of the curricular goals is to develop an interdisciplinary course on Latin America.

Principal Investigator (Team Leader) and Country Director for Guatemala of the comparative survey research project **The Political Culture of Democracy in Latin America**. Part of a cross-national study conducted in 26 countries of the Western Hemisphere by the Americas Barometer and the Latin American Public Opinion Project (LAPOP). Funded by: United States Agency for International Development (USAID), and other international organizations such as the United Nations Development Program and the Interamerican Development Bank. (2003-Present).

Senior Researcher in the project **Social Responses to Vulnerability in Contexts of Weak States and Extreme Social Violence: Implications for the Practice of Citizenship and International Democratization and Development Efforts**. This is a multidisciplinary project in which I am working with two prominent American Anthropologists (Richard N. Adams and Tani Adams, who is the Principal Investigator). The project consists of different stages and components. Two components of the project were funded in the Summer 2010 by MSI, Inc. and the Woodrow Wilson Center. Proposals for the other components have been presented to several European agencies. Spring 2010-Present.

Principal Investigator of the comparative research project **Consolidating Peace and Democracy: A Comparative Case Study of Guatemala and El Salvador**. I coordinated a team of five Central American researchers. Funded by: International Development Research Center of Canada, IDRC. 2003-2006. The project was done through the Guatemalan research center ASIES, but I prepared the proposal and coordinated all aspects of the project.

Summer Research Grant from Wichita State University, Office of Research Administration, for data acquisition and analysis in the context of the project **Authoritarian Governments or Authoritarian Citizens: A Look at Latin America**. Summer 2006.

Principal Investigator (Team Leader) for Guatemala of the comparative research project **Democratic Transition in Post-Conflict Societies, Building Local Institutions**. I coordinated a team of four Guatemalan researchers. Funded by: The Netherlands Institute of International Relations - Clingendael Institute. 2003-2004. The project was done through the Guatemalan research center ASIES, but I prepared the proposal and coordinated all aspects of the implementation and evaluation of the project.

Principal Investigator of the survey research project **The Democratic Values of Young Adults and School Teachers in Guatemala**. Funded by: The SOROS Foundation of Guatemala 2002-2003. The project was done through the Guatemalan research center ASIES, but I prepared the proposal and coordinated all aspects of the implementation and evaluation of the project.

Principal Investigator of the survey research project **The Democratic Values of Guatemalans in the New Century**. Funded by: United States Agency for International Development, USAID. 2001-2002. The study of political culture this year was done by ASIES alone, without involvement of any American university or scholars. I prepared the proposal and coordinated all aspects of the project.

Researcher in the project **A Cross-National Quantitative Study of the Effects of Democracy Assistance on Democracy Building**. With Steve Finkel, Aníbal Pérez-Liñán and Mitchell A. Seligson. Funded by: United States Agency for International Development, USAID. 2005. I participated in several aspects of the research, including the literature review, the descriptive statistical analysis and the review of the final report.

Researcher in the comparative research project **Political Culture in Central America**. Funded by: Procesos of Costa Rica. 2003. I was in charge of the Guatemala component.

Researcher of the comparative research project **The Political Culture of Youth in Central America**. Funded by: Instituto Interamericano para la Agricultura y la Alimentación, IICA and Procesos of Costa Rica. 2000- 2001. I was in charge of the Guatemala component.

Researcher and Coordinator for Guatemala of the comparative research project **Mapping Human Rights: A Quantitative Approach**. Funded by: Instituto Interamericano de Derechos Humanos, IIDH. 2001-2002. I was in charge of the Guatemala component.

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

-Latin American Social and Public Policy Fellowship, Center for Latin American Studies, University of Pittsburgh. Fall 1997-Spring 2000 (to pursue PhD program in Political Science).

-LASPAU/Fulbright Fellowship for graduate study in the United States. Fall 1997-Spring 2000 (to pursue PhD program in Political Science).

-Scholarship from the Institute for International Education (IIE), Regional Program of Graduate Fellowships in the Social Sciences, Fall 1997-Spring 1999 (to pursue PhD in Political Science).

-Tuition fellowship from the Center for Latin American Studies at the University of Pittsburgh, 1997-2000.

-Scholarship from the Institut Universitaire d'etudes du developpement, Geneva, Switzerland, Fall 1986-Spring 1987 (to pursue graduate Certificate in Development Studies).

-Scholarship from the government of Sweden, Spring-Summer 1990 (to participate in the Graduate Program in Conflict Resolution at Uppsala University).

-Fellowship from American Field Service (AFS), for a year of High School in the United States, 1977-1978.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

External Advisory Boards

Member of the *Political Science Scientific Editorial Group (Comité Científico Editorial de Ciencia Política)* of the Network of Scientific Journals of Latin America, the Caribbean, Spain and Portugal (Red de Revistas Científicas de América Latina, El Caribe, España y Portugal). 2007-Present.

Member of the *Scientific Advisory Group* of the Americas Barometer, Vanderbilt University. 2005-Present.

Member of the *Evaluation Committee of the Scholarship Program for Young Researchers*, University of Montevideo (Uruguay), the United Nations Development Program and the United States Embassy in Uruguay.

Service at Wichita State University

-Fairmount College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (LAS) Curriculum Committee (2009-Present)

-LAS Scholarship Committee (2010, 2011)

-LAS College Council (2006-2009)

-Collaboration (as Faculty) in the interdisciplinary course "Global Issues" (2007, 2008, 2010)

-WSU Assessment Committee (some sessions in 2009)

-Collaboration with Welcome Orientations for International Students (2007, 2008, 2011)

organized by the Office of International Education at WSU

-Collaboration in some university organized orientations and activities for Hispanic students

-Political Science Department: Interim Department Chair (Spring 2011).

Service at Professional Conferences

-Organizer and Chair at the XXIX International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association (LASA), Toronto, Canada, October 2010. Panel: The State of Democracy in Latin America.

-Chair and Discussant (at the request of the organizing committee) at the 2009 Midwest Political Science Association Conference (MPSA), Chicago, April 2009. Panel: Public Opinion and Political Participation in Latin America.

-Chair at the XXVII International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association (LASA), Montreal, Canada, September 2007. Panel: Public Opinion and Threats to Democracy in Latin America: Support for Undemocratic Options, Populism and Intolerance.

-Roundtable Presenter and Coordinator, Tilford Conference on Diversity and Multiculturalism, WSU (2008).

--Organizer and Chair at the XXVI International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association (LASA), San Juan, Puerto Rico, March, 2006. Panel: Peace-Building and Democratization in Central America.

-Symposium Chair and member of the Organizing Committee of the Conference Global Challenges, Wichita, April 2006. Symposium: Democracy in a Globalizing World.

-Presenter "Women Political Leaders in Latin America" in the Panel Women Political Leadership and National Power at WSU (2006).

-Organizer and Chair at the XXIII International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association (LASA), Washington, D.C., September 2001. Panel: The Return of the Caudillos: Support for Authoritarian Leaders in Latin America.

-Member of the Organizing Committee of the VIII Central American Sociology Congress (Congreso Centroamericano de Sociología), Guatemala, 1988.

Peer Review of Manuscripts

United States journals and publishers:

- Journal of Politics
- American Journal of Political Science
- International Studies Quarterly
- Latin American Politics and Society
- Party Politics
- International Journal of Transitional Justice
- Westview Press
- CQ Press
- Woodrow Wilson Center (Latin American Program)

International journals and publishers:

- United Nations University
- Journal of Intervention and Statebuilding (Germany)
- IAPI Diversity
- Journal of Politics in Latin America (GIGA) (Germany)
- Revista de Estudios Sociológicos (Mexico)
- Colombia Internacional (Colombia)
- World Development (Canada)

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

--Member of the American Political Science Association, APSA (United States), Professional member since 2003 (student member before)

--Member of the Latin American Studies Association, LASA (United States), Professional member since 2003 (student member before)

--Associate Member of the Association for Social Research and Studies, ASIES (Guatemala), since 2004

--Member of the Canadian Association for Latin American and Caribbean Studies (Canada), member between 2003-2006.

--Member of the Society for International Development (SID), 1985-1988

LANGUAGES

- Spanish (native language)
- English (near native fluency)
- French (fluent)

STATISTICAL SOFTWARE

- SPSS
- STATA