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Last month, however, Carrión flew east across the Atlantic to deliver a special short course on public opinion and doctoral students at the University of Salamanca, the oldest university in Spain.

Carrión’s course was selected in a public competition in which professors from around the world University of Salamanca to offer short-term courses relevant to the education of students interested in public opinion.

Carrión covered existing theories and the state of the art in the study of public opinion in Latin America, books, as well as those of other authors.

“There is a growing realization that the analysis and understanding of public opinion will shed significant light on developments in the region, such as the emergence of populism,” Carrión said, referring to a lead article appearing in the latest issue of the Journal, "Bloomberg News." 

Populism, warlordism and the temptation of military dictatorship are problems that currently we are facing in Latin America, broadly considered, has not yet become a key topic of research for those who study the region.

“While each country in Latin America faces its own troubles and challenges, the region as a whole is the most important of which seems to be the sensation that crime has gotten out of control,” Carrión, "everything goes" in combating it, increasing public support for authoritarian practices."
While Carrión’s visit was arranged before the creation of the new Center for Global and Area Stuc Arts and Sciences, the experience represents the kind of research and academic outreach the cent global and international issues.

Carrión established important contacts with faculty and administrators at the University of Salan He and his colleagues also plan to meet in Quito, Ecuador, this June, during the VI Congress of tl Science, to discuss future collaboration.

To see an interview with Carrión (in Spanish) by the University of Salamanca, visit this website. (Radio, a radio station in Salamanca.)