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Education

University of Southern California

Ph.D. in Political Science and International Relations, expected 2027

Fields: International Relations, Comparative Politics, Political Economy

Dissertation: *Unaccountable Power: The Strange Case of the Bank for International Settlements*

Committee: Manuel Castells (Chair), John Eatwell, Sharon Lloyd, Alison Renteln, Carol Wise

University of Southern California

M.A. in Politics and International Relations, 2025

University of Guadalajara

M.A. in Social Sciences, 2016

Concentration: International Relations and Pacific Studies

University of the Valley of Atemajac

B.A. in International Relations, *summa cum laude*, 2014

Academic Appointments

University of Guadalajara

Assistant Professor of International Relations, Department of Pacific Studies, 2016-2022

University of the Valley of Atemajac

Adjunct Professor of International Relations, Department of International Business, 2016-2021

Massey University

Visiting Lecturer, Centre for Defence and Security Studies, 2019

The University of Texas at Austin

Visiting Scholar, Edward A. Clark Centre for Australian and New Zealand Studies, 2016

Visiting Scholar, Nettie Lee Benson Latin American Collection, 2017

University of the Valley of Mexico

Adjunct Professor of International Relations, Department of Social Sciences, 2015-2016

Publications

ARTICLES

Híjar-Chiapa, M. A. (2020). A Quad Plus? The Prospects for Australia and New Zealand. *Journal of Indo Pacific Affairs*, 3(5), 87-105.

Híjar-Chiapa, M. A. (2018). Navigating Dangerous Waters: Australia and the Indo-Pacific. *Rising Powers Quarterly*, 3(2), 157-173.

BOOK CHAPTERS

- Híjar-Chiapa, M. A. (2021). "From Distant Relatives to Close Partners: India's Relations with Australia and New Zealand" in A. Pande (Ed.), *Routledge Handbook of South Asian Foreign Policy* (pp. 216-230). Routledge.
- Híjar-Chiapa, M. A. (2021). "Australia, New Zealand and the Quad Plus" in J. Panda & E. Gunasekara-Rockwell (Eds.), *Quad Plus and Indo-Pacific: The Changing Profile of International Relations* (pp. 94-107). Routledge.
- Híjar-Chiapa, M. A. (2020). "Australia and the Construction of the Indo-Pacific" in A. Rossiter & B. Cannon (Eds.), *Conflict and Cooperation in the Indo-Pacific: New Geopolitical Realities* (pp. 78-93). Routledge.
- Híjar-Chiapa, M. A. (2020). "John G. Ruggie: Teórico de la Transformación" in R. Velázquez, J. Schiavon & D. Morales (Eds.), *Los Clásicos de las Relaciones Internacionales: Ideas y conceptos para la construcción teórica de la disciplina* (pp. 221-225). AMEI, CIDE & UABC.
- Gallardo Ocampo, A. & Híjar-Chiapa, M. A. (2020). "Museums as Critical Spaces for Alterity in a Post-Truth World" in B. Jones & M. Guddonis (Eds.), *History in a Post-Truth World: Theory and Praxis* (pp. 251-265). Routledge.

Working Papers

- *Hobbes and the Global Covenant: A Reply to the International Foole*
- *The Currency of Order? Dollar Hegemony and the Crisis of American Leadership*
- *A Revolutionist Thinker: Frantz Fanon as a Theorist of International and World Society*

Grants, Awards, Fellowships, and Scholarships

The Sherwin Family Advanced Graduate Student Research Support Fund (\$5000), 2026
USC Graduate Student Government Professional Development Fund, 2026
Graduate Student Summer Research Assistantship Award, Centre for International Studies, University of Southern California, 2026
USC Travel Grant, 2026
The Sherwin Family Advanced Graduate Student Research Support Fund (\$2400), 2025
USC Dornsife Communicator of the Year Award, 2025
Graduate Student Summer Research Assistantship Award, Centre for International Studies, University of Southern California, 2025
USC Graduate Student Government Professional Development Fund, 2025
USC Travel Grant, 2024
Graduate Student Summer Research Assistantship Award, Centre for International Studies, University of Southern California, 2024
USC Graduate Student Government Professional Development Fund, 2024
USC Travel Grant, 2023
Graduate Student Summer Research Assistantship Award, Centre for International Studies, University of Southern California, 2023
USC Graduate Student Government Professional Development Fund, 2023
USC Travel Grant, 2022
Desirable Profile Award, Programme for the Faculty Professional Development (PRODEP), Ministry of Public Education of Mexico (\$1000), 2020
Research Grant, University of Guadalajara (\$1000), 2019
Research Grant, Ministry of Public Education of Mexico (\$15000), 2019

Research Grant, University of Guadalajara (\$1000), 2018
Research Grant, Edward A. Clark Centre for Australian and New Zealand Studies, University of Texas at Austin (\$1000), 2018
Research Grant, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mexico (\$1000), 2017
International Research Fellowship, National Council of Science and Technology of Mexico (\$5000), 2016
National Scholarship, National Council of Science and Technology of Mexico, 2014-2016
Excellence Scholarship, Full-Tuition, University of Valley of Atemajac, 2010-2013

Invited Talks and Conference Presentations

INVITED TALKS

“Security Relations Between Australia, New Zealand, and South Korea,” National Autonomous University of Mexico, 2026
“Horizons of AI: Democracy, Labour, and Power,” International Book Fair of Guadalajara, 2024
“The Bank for International Settlements and International Order,” University of the Valley of Atemajac, 2024
“Cooperation for Sustainable Development in the South Pacific,” Mexican Consortium of APEC Study Centres, 2024
“Emerging Challenges for the South Pacific States,” Mexican Council of Foreign Relations, 2024
“The Quadrilateral Security Dialogue and the Indo-Pacific,” Mexican Council of Foreign Relations, 2024
“50 Years of Diplomatic Relations Between New Zealand and Mexico: Multilateral Like-Mindedness,” The Latin America Centre of Asia-Pacific Excellence, New Zealand, 2023
“AUKUS, Quad, and the Balance of Power in the Indo-Pacific,” The University of Texas at Austin, 2022
“The Asia-Pacific in a New Era,” Mexican Consortium of APEC Study Centres, 2021
“Framing the Narrative: Defining the Indo-Pacific,” Harvard University, 2020
“The Crisis of the Liberal Order and its Implications for the Pacific Rim,” Massey University, 2019
“Challenges Ahead for the Pacific Alliance,” Ministry of Economy, Mexico, 2018
“The Foreign Policy Platforms of the Presidential Candidates,” National Electoral Institute of Mexico, 2018
“The Consequences of Brexit for the UK-Ireland Relations,” International Book Fair of Guadalajara, 2016
“The United Kingdom Before and After the Scottish Independence Referendum,” International Book Fair of Guadalajara, 2015

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

“Hobbes and the Global Covenant: A Reply to the International Foole,” International Studies Association 67th Annual Convention, 2026
“The Bank for International Settlements and International Order,” International Studies Association 66th Annual Convention, 2025
“A Revolutionist Thinker: Frantz Fanon as a Theorist of International and World Society,” Southern Political Science Association 96th Annual Conference, 2025
“The Wretched of the Pantheon: Frantz Fanon and International Relations,” International Studies Association 65th Annual Convention, 2024
“India and the Indo-Pacific,” International Political Science Association 27th World Congress, 2023
“The Foreign Policy Challenges for the New Labor Government,” International Australian Studies Association Biennial Conference, 2022
“*Diplomatic Investigations* and the Second Debate of the Discipline,” Mexican International Studies Association 34th Annual Conference, 2021
“India in the Indo-Pacific: A Reluctant Great Power?,” Mexican International Studies Association 34th Annual Conference, 2021

- “The Indo-Pacific as a New Regional International Society,” International Australian Studies Association Biennial Conference, 2021
- “Divergent Views? The Australian and New Zealand Outlooks on the Indo-Pacific,” Australian and New Zealand Studies Association of North America 26th Annual Conference, 2020
- “Caution or Ambivalence? New Zealand and the Indo-Pacific,” From Manila to Melbourne, Lima to Mombasa: Indo-Pacific Strategies in the Southern Oceans International Symposium, 2020
- “A Man for All Seasons: Hedley Bull and his Contributions to International Relations,” Mexican International Studies Association 33rd Annual Conference, 2019
- “From Asia-Pacific to the Indo-Pacific: A Brief History of the Evolution of the Idea of the Region,” Mexican International Studies Association 33rd Annual Conference, 2019
- “Navigating Dangerous Waters: Australia and the Indo-Pacific,” Australian and New Zealand Studies Association of North America 25th Annual Conference, 2019
- “The Identity of Australia in a Changing World,” International Australian Studies Association Biennial Conference, 2018
- “The State of Australian Studies in North America,” International Australian Studies Association Biennial Conference, 2018
- “Australia and the Indo-Pacific,” Mexican International Studies Association 32nd Annual Conference, 2018
- “Reviving the Trans-Pacific Partnership,” Latin American Association for Asian and African Studies 15th Annual Conference, 2018
- “Navigating Dangerous Waters: Australia and the Changing Balance of Power in Asia-Pacific,” Latin American Association for Asian and African Studies 15th Annual Conference, 2018
- “Australia and the Indo-Pacific: An Analysis of the Defence and Foreign Policy White Papers,” Australian and New Zealand Studies Association of North America 24th Annual Conference, 2018
- “Walking Among Giants: Australia and its Relations with China and the United States,” Mexican International Studies Association 31st Annual Conference, 2017
- “About Identity: Australia, Canada, and New Zealand and their Adjustment to the Rise of China,” Australian and New Zealand Studies Association of North America 23rd Annual Conference, 2017

Teaching Experience

All courses taught in English, except where specified

University of Southern California

Teaching Assistant

- IR 101 – International Relations
- IR 212 – Historical Approaches to International Relations
- IR 213 – The Global Economy
- IR 323 – Politics of the Global Environment
- IR 331 – The Global Economy 2040

University of Guadalajara

Instructor of Record

Undergraduate Courses

- International Relations Theory I
- International Relations Theory II
- Social and Political Theory I
- Social and Political Theory II

- Global Politics
- Government and Foreign Policy in the Anglosphere
- Contemporary History of North America
- Contemporary History of the United Kingdom
- Comparative Politics of North America
- Culture and Identity in Asia and the Pacific: Australia and New Zealand

Graduate Courses

- Selected Topics on International Economic Relations
- Global Politics and Society
- North American History, Culture, and Society
- Comparative Politics of North America
- Research Design and Methods II
- Research Design and Methods III
- Introduction to Research Methods in the Social Sciences

University of the Valley of Atemajac

Instructor of Record

Undergraduate Courses

- International Relations Theory I
- International Relations Theory II
- International Relations History
- Global Politics [taught in Spanish]
- Global Civil Society [taught in Spanish]
- Area Studies: North America
- Area Studies: Asia-Pacific [taught in Spanish]
- International Relations in the Asia-Pacific Region [taught in Spanish]

Graduate Courses

- International Society and its Challenges
- Contemporary Ethical Problems

University of the Valley of Mexico

Instructor of Record

Undergraduate Courses

- Introduction to International Relations [taught in Spanish]
- Regional Economic Integration [taught in Spanish]
- Geoeconomics [taught in Spanish]

Other Research Experience

University of Southern California

Research Assistant to Professor Gerardo Munck, Centre for International Studies, 2025, 2026

Research Assistant to Professor Carol Wise, Centre for International Studies, 2023

Mentoring

University of Guadalajara

Master's Thesis Advisor, Department of Pacific Studies

- Sandoval Chávez, Mariana. (2021). Knowledge Networks of Experts and Changing Security Governance in Japan.

Honours Thesis Advisor, Department of International Studies

- González Cuervo, Rosa Janet. (2021). The Role of the International Lesbian and Gay Association (ILGA) in the Visibility of the LGBTQ+ Population in the European Union, 1996–2018.

University of the Valley of Atemajac

Honours Thesis Advisor, Department of International Studies

- Gómez Cosío Vidaurri, Ximena Mía & Gómez Cordero, Mariana. (2019). From Euroscepticism to Brexit: An Analysis of British National Identity.
- Barba Zanabria, Mariana & Carranza Cisneros, Rafael. (2019). The Role of Germany in the Regional Security of the European Union.
- Anaya González, Óscar. (2018). A Clash of Identities: The Role of German Leadership in the European Union vis-à-vis Hungary and Poland.
- Kolorizos González, Ana Ekaterini & Mercado García, Rosy Andrea. (2017). The Discrepancies between Hungary and the European Union Regarding Refugees and Asylum Seekers: A Constructivist Analysis.

Conference and Workshop Organisation

Co-organiser, “Informal Institutions and Challenges for International Relations: Asian Perspectives: A Talk by Andrew F. Cooper,” University of Southern California, 2025

Co-organiser, “The Future of the Indo-Pacific Conference,” University of Texas at Austin, 2022

Co-organiser, “11th International Relations Seminar,” International Book Fair of Guadalajara, 2021

Organiser, “From Manila to Melbourne, Lima to Mombasa International Symposium,” University of Guadalajara, 2020

Organiser, “Australian and New Zealand Studies Association of North America 27th Annual Conference,” University of Guadalajara at Puerto Vallarta, 2020

Co-organiser, “9th International Relations Seminar,” International Book Fair of Guadalajara, 2019

Organiser, “Australian and New Zealand Studies Association of North America 26th Annual Conference,” University of Texas at Austin, 2019

Co-organiser, “Mexican International Studies Association (AMEI) 32nd Annual Conference,” University of Guadalajara, 2018

Organiser, “Australian and New Zealand Studies Association of North America 25th Annual Conference,” University of Guadalajara, 2018

Co-organiser, “BRICS in Turmoil Seminar,” University of Guadalajara, 2017

Co-organiser, “Progress and Challenges in Regional Integration Seminar,” University of Guadalajara, 2016

Professional Service

International Studies Association

Treasurer, English School Section, 2025-present

Graduate Student Representative-at-Large, ISA Latin America and the Caribbean, 2026-present

Australian and New Zealand Studies Association of North America

President, 2018-present

Vice-President, 2017-2018

USC Pre-Doctoral Institute for First Generation Scholars

Co-organiser, 2024-2026

Catholic University of Salta

Member of the Honorary Advisory Council, Institute of International Relations and Political Science, 2020-present

Consortium of Indo-Pacific Researchers

Member of the Executive Committee, 2022-2024

Latin American Network of Canadian Studies

Executive Coordinator, 2013-2014

University Service

University of Southern California

President, Graduate Student Association of Political Science and International Relations, 2023-2025

University of Guadalajara

Chairman, International Relations Faculty Group, 2021-2022

Secretary, International Relations Faculty Group, 2018-2021

Professional Memberships

American Political Science Association (APSA), since 2023

International Studies Association (ISA), since 2020

International Australian Studies Association (InASA), since 2018

Australian and New Zealand Studies Association of North America (ANZSANA), since 2017

Mexican International Studies Association (AMEI), since 2017

Skills & Languages

LANGUAGES

Spanish (Native Proficiency); English (Bilingual Proficiency); French (Full Professional Proficiency); and German (Limited Working Proficiency).

METHODS

Archival Work; Interviews; Ethnographic Methods; Process Tracing; Comparative Historical Analysis; Discourse Analysis.

SOFTWARE

R; Adobe Creative Suite; Microsoft Office.

Additional Training

Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research, 2023

Certificate in Teaching Through English in Higher Education, 2018

Pass Distinction, Certificate no. 3346

University of Jyväskylä

Media and Public Engagement

TELEVISION

SBS (Australia), Canal 44 Jalisco (Mexico)

RADIO

SBS (Australia), Notisistema (Mexico)

PRINT & ONLINE

Lettera43 (Italy), Milenio (Mexico), El Informador (Mexico), Debate (Mexico)

PODCASTS

Semanario Gatopardo (Mexico)

References

Manuel Castells

Wallis Annenberg Chair in Communication Technology and Society

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