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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Drexel University

Assistant Professor of Political Science, Department of History and Politics, 2010-

- International and Area Studies Advisory Board
- Mobilities Research and Policy Center Advisory Board
- Undergraduate Advisor, Pi Sigma Alpha
- Advisor for Summer Humanities Undergraduate Research Fellow (2011, 2012)
- Coordinator, Colloquium in Comparative Political Theory (2012-2013)
- Dean's Task Force for Non-Major Courses (2012-2013)

Venezuelan School of Planning

Lecturer in Philosophy and Political Economy, 2006-2007, Admissions Committee

EDUCATION

- Ph.D.** **University of California, Berkeley**, Political Science, May 2010
- Dissertation: "Identity against Totality: the Counter-Discourse of Separation Beyond the Decolonial Turn."
 - Committee: Wendy Brown (Chair), Mark Bevir, Kiren Chaudhry, Nelson Maldonado-Torres, Pheng Cheah
 - Fields: Political Theory, Latin American Politics, Comparative Politics
- M.A.** **University of California, Berkeley**, Political Science, May 2004
- B.A./M.A.** **St. John's College, University of Cambridge**, Social and Political Sciences, June 2003
- Davies-Jackson Scholar
 - Double First-Class
- B.A.** **St. Lawrence University**, Government (with honors) and Economics, May 2001
- *Summa Cum Laude*

PUBLICATIONS

1. Books

We Created Chávez: A People's History of the Venezuelan Revolution (Durham NC: Duke University Press, 2013).

2. Edited

Special issue of *Human Architecture* devoted to the work of Enrique Dussel, with Ramón Grosfoguel (forthcoming, 2013).

3. Articles

"Decolonial Realism: Ethics, Politics, and Dialectics in Fanon and Dussel," *Contemporary Political Theory* (forthcoming, 2013).

"Frantz Fanon, Fifty Years On: A Memorial Roundtable," editor and contributor, with Lewis R. Gordon and Nelson Maldonado-Torres, *Radical Philosophy Review* 16, n. 1 (Spring 2013).

"Constituent Moments, Constitutional Processes: Social Movements and the New Latin

- American Left,”** *Latin American Perspectives* 40, n. 3 (May 2013), 126-145
- “The Dialectics of Standing One’s Ground,”** *Theory & Event* 15, n. 3 (2012).
- Participant in **“The Bolivarian Process in Venezuela: A Left Forum,”** ed. S. Spronk and J. Webber, *Historical Materialism* 19, n. 1 (2011), 233-270.
- “Jumpstarting the Decolonial Engine: Symbolic Violence from Fanon to Chávez,”** *Theory & Event* 13, n. 1 (2010).
- “A Critique of Du Boisian Reason: Kanye West and the Fruitfulness of Double-Consciousness,”** *Journal of Black Studies* 39, n. 3 (January 2009), 371-401.
- “Dussel’s 20 Theses and Anti-Hegemonic Praxis,”** *Listening: Journal of Religion and Culture* 43, n. 1 (Winter 2008), 37-49.
- “Dual Power in the Venezuelan Revolution,”** *Monthly Review* 59, n. 4 (September 2007).
- “To Lose Oneself in the Absolute: Revolutionary Subjectivity in Sorel and Fanon,”** *Human Architecture: Journal of the Sociology of Self-Knowledge* (Summer 2007), 101-112.
- “Toward a Racial Geography of Caracas: Neoliberal Urbanism and the Fear of Penetration,”** *Qui Parle* 16, n. 2 (Spring/Summer 2007), 39-72.
- “The Internal Limits of the European Gaze: Intellectuals and the Colonial Difference,”** *Radical Philosophy Review* 9, n.2 (Fall 2006), 139-165. Reprinted in J. Judaken, ed., *Race After Sartre*.
- “Audience Responses to U.S. Mass Media: A Three-Nation Study”** with Calvin F. Exoo, in *National Social Science Perspectives* 32, n. 1 (2006), 52-65.
- “Detached Irony Toward the Rest’: Working-Class One-Sidedness from Sorel to Tronti,”** *The Commoner*, 11 (Spring/Summer 2006), 54-73.
- “Brechtian Hip-Hop: Didactics and Self-Production in Post-Gangsta Political Mixtapes,”** *Journal of Black Studies* 36, n.1 (September 2005), 129-160. Reprinted in M. Carroll, ed., *Music and Ideology (The Library of Essays on Music, Politics and Society)* (London: Ashgate, 2012).
- “The Spanish Left: Partisan Politics and Economic Viability in the Integrated World,”** *Michigan Journal of Political Science* 1, n. 30 (2001).

4. Chapters

- “From Oscar Grant to Occupy: The Long Arc of Rebellion in Oakland,”** in K. Khatib, M. Killjoy, M. McGuire, eds., *We are Many: Critical Reflections on Movement Strategy from Occupation to Liberation* (Oakland: AK Press, 2012), 39-45.
- “Counterinsurgency and the Occupy Movement,”** in K. Williams et al, eds., *Life During Wartime* (Oakland: AK Press, 2013).
- “An Anarchism that is Not Anarchism: Notes toward a Critique of Anarchist Imperialism,”** in J. Klausen and J. Martel, eds., *How Not to Be Governed: Readings and Interpretations from a Critical Anarchist Left* (Lanham, MD: Lexington Press, 2011).
- “Obama and Global Change in Perceptions of Group Status,”** with M. Hughey, in G.S. Parks, ed. *The Obamas and a (Post-) Racial America* (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2010).
- “Oakland,”** with Jeff St. Andrews, in M. Hess, ed., *Represent Where I’m From: The Greenwood Guide to American Regional Hip Hop* (Westport, CT: Greenwood Press, forthcoming 2009).
- “Sidney Webb: Positivism, Fetishism, and Fabian Socialism,”** in Greg Butler, ed., *Political Economy in Philosophic Perspective* (Lanham, MD: University Press of America, 2010).
- “European Intellectuals and the Colonial Difference: Césaire and Fanon beyond Sartre and Foucault,”** in J. Judaken, ed., *Race After Sartre* (Albany, NY: SUNY Press, 2008), 129-164.
- “Public Enemy,”** in M. Hess, ed., *Icons of Hip-Hop: An Encyclopedia of the Movement, Music, and Culture* (Westport, CT: Greenwood Press, 2006), 169-192.

5. Reference

- “Colonialism,”** in Michael T. Gibbons, ed., *Encyclopedia of Political Thought* (Hoboken, NJ: Wiley-Blackwell, 2013).
- “Latin American Marxism,” “Revolution,” “Georges Sorel,” “Violence,” and “World-Systems**

Theory,” in M. Bevir, ed., *The Encyclopedia of Political Theory* (London: SAGE, 2010).

6. *Reviews*

Chris Lehmann, *Revolt of the Masscult* (Chicago: Prickly Paradigm Press, 2003), *Reconstruction* 6, n.2 (Spring 2006).

“On Asymmetrical Emergency: A Review of Michael Hardt, ‘War and Democracy in the Age of Empire,’” *Critical Sense* 12, n.1 (Spring 2004), 157-162.

7. *Journalism*

Contributions to *Counterpunch*, *Fox News Latino*, *Philadelphia Inquirer*, *History Workshop Online*, *Warscapes Magazine*, *MRZine*, *SF Bayview*, *Venezuela Analysis*, *Znet*, *Alternet*, *Deep Oakland*, and *Wiretap Magazine*.

Quoted in press outlets including the *Los Angeles Times*, *Time Magazine*, *Washington Post*, *Christian Science Monitor*, *New York Times*, and Brazil’s *Gazeta do Povo*, among many others.

Frequent radio and television appearances on National Public Radio, Telemundo, Fox News Live, CNN Español, Public Radio International, KPFA, and Al-Jazeera English, and others.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

1. *Books*

Decolonizing Dialectics: Conflict and Political Identity (manuscript under revision).

2. *Articles*

“Decolonizing Universal History: Dialectics and the Haitian Revolution,” under review.

“Malcolm X and the Dialectic of Black Power,” for a special issue of *Biography*, in preparation.

TRANSLATIONS

1. *Books: Spanish to English*

Maurizio Lazzarato, *Revolutions of Capitalism: The Politics of the Event*, with Brian Whitener (Durham, NC: Duke University Press, complete).

Stefan Gandler, *Critical Marxism in Mexico*, (Leiden: Brill, complete, forthcoming).

Immanuel Wallerstein, Carlos Aguirre Rojas, and Charles Lemert, *Uncertain Worlds: World-Systems Analysis in Changing Times* (Boulder, CO: Paradigm Press, 2013).

Enrique Dussel, *20 Theses on Politics* (Durham, NC: Duke University Press, 2008).

2. *Articles: Spanish to English*

“Anti-Cartesian Meditations,” by Enrique Dussel, in *Anti-Cartesian Meditations and Transmodernity: From the Perspective of Philosophy of Liberation* (Indiana University Press, forthcoming).

“Decolonizing Western Uni-versalisms: Decolonial Pluri-versalism from Aimé Césaire to the Zapatistas,” by Ramón Grosfoguel, *Transmodernity* 1, no. 3 (Spring 2012), 88-104.

“Transmodernity and Interculturality: An Interpretation from the Perspective of the Philosophy of Liberation,” by Enrique Dussel, *Transmodernity* 1, no. 3 (Spring 2012), 28-59.

“The Dilemmas of Ethnic Studies in the United States: Identitarian Multiculturalism, Disciplinary Colonization, and Decolonial Epistemologies,” by Ramón Grosfoguel, *Human Architecture* 10, no. 1 (Winter 2012), 81-90.

“From Critical Theory to the Philosophy of Liberation: Some Themes for Dialogue” by Enrique Dussel, *Transmodernity* 1, no. 2 (Fall 2011), 16-43.

“The Liberatory Event in Paul of Tarsus,” by Enrique Dussel, *Qui Parle* 18, no. 1 (Fall/Winter 2009), 111-180.

“Recolonization or Decolonization: The Neocolonial Project of the United States in Puerto Rico,” by Ramón Grosfoguel, *ReVista: Harvard Review of Latin America* (Spring 2008).

“On the Coloniality of Being: Contributions to the Development of a Concept,” by Nelson Maldonado-Torres, *Cultural Studies* 21, n. 2 (March-May 2007), 240-270.

3. *Articles: English to Spanish*

“Más Allá del Silencio y la Memoria: El Concepto del Desconocimiento en Sibylle Fischer,”
by Neil Roberts, *Caribbean Philosophy* 33, n. 2 (July-December 2005).

4. *In Progress*

Enrique Dussel, *Marx’s Theological Metaphors* (in progress).

Santiago Castro-Gómez, *Zero-Point Hubris: Science, Race, and Enlightenment in New Granada (1750-1816)* (in progress).

“From the End of the Capitalist World-System Toward a New, Alternative, Historical-System: Immanuel Wallerstein’s Utopistics,” by Ramón Grosfoguel (complete).

“Race, Empire, and Religion,” by Nelson Maldonado-Torres (complete).

“The Coloniality of Power and Social Classification,” by Aníbal Quijano (complete).

HONORS

Career Development Award, 2012-2013, Drexel University

Mark Rozance Memorial Dissertation Award, awarded 2010, U.C. Berkeley

University of California Dissertation-Year Fellowship, 2009-2010, U.C. Berkeley

Graduate Assembly Travel Grant, awarded July 2009, U.C. Berkeley

Graduate Division Travel Grant, awarded June 2009, U.C. Berkeley

Dean’s Normative Time Fellowship, awarded 2007, U.C. Berkeley

Jacob K. Javits Fellowship, 2003-2007, awarded by the U.S. Dept. of Education for doctoral study

Whytehead Scholarship, inducted by the Council of St. John’s College, 30 October 2002

H. D. Schmidt Prize, awarded by the Faculty of Social and Political Sciences, Cambridge, 2002

Davies-Jackson Scholarship, 2001-2003, awarded to fund study at St. John’s, Cambridge

Carl W. Chilson Government Award, St. Lawrence University, 28 April 2001

John W. Hannon Jr. Honors Award, St. Lawrence University, 28 April 2001

Juckett Grant, Department of Government, St. Lawrence University, December 2000

Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society, St. Lawrence University Chapter, inducted November 2000

Pi Sigma Alpha National Government Honorary, inducted fall 2000

Omicron Delta Epsilon International Economics Honorary, inducted fall 2000

North Country Fellowship, Dept. of Government, St. Lawrence University, summer 2000

Harry Reiff Government Award, St. Lawrence University, 29 April 2000

Class of 1934 Scholarship in Economics, St. Lawrence University, 29 April 2000

University Scholar, St. Lawrence University, 1997 - 2001

National Merit Scholar, St. Lawrence University, 1997-1998

PRESENTATIONS

1. *Invited/ Keynotes*

Invited Panelist, Change or Continuity? Hugo Chávez and the Future of the Bolivarian Revolution, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, April 19th 2013.

Invited Panelist, W.E.B. Du Bois Symposium, Temple University, April 5th 2013

Invited Panelist, intervention on the roundtable in honor of Joel Olson, Western Political Science Association, March 2013 in Hollywood, California

“Class, Concentraion, and Political Identity,” Temple University Political Theory Workshop,

February 13th 2013.

Invited Panelist, Fanon Today, American Philosophical Association-Eastern, Atlanta, December 30th 2012.

Invited Speaker, Institute for Civic Engagement, Burlington College, November 28th 2012.

Invited Keynote, Pre-Occupy Symposium, Center for 21st-Century Studies, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, April 13th 2012.

“A People’s History of the Bolivarian Revolution,” University of Alicante, March 27th 2012.

Invited Panelist, “Venezuela’s Social Movements and Chávez’s Re-Election,” Left Forum, Pace University, 17 March 2012.

Participant, organizer, and chair of roundtable “Frantz Fanon, 50 Years On,” including Lewis Gordon, and Nelson Maldonado Torres, Critical Refusals Conference, University of Pennsylvania, October 2011.

Invited participant, University of Toronto Conference on Venezuela in its Bicentennial, October 2011.

Organizer and participant in author-meets-critic panel on Susan Buck-Morss, *Hegel, Haiti, and Universal History*, Caribbean Philosophical Association, Rutgers University, 2011.

“Some Reflections on Dussel’s *Politics*, volume II,” intervention on the author-meets-critics panel on Enrique Dussel, American Philosophical Association-Pacific Division, 23 April 2011 in San Diego.

“Dual Power and the Dialectic of Communization,” intervention on the roundtable “Did Someone Say Communism?” at the Western Political Science Association, 21-23 April 2011 in San Antonio Texas.

“Jumpstarting the Decolonial Engine,” University of Pennsylvania Political Theory Workshop, 29 March 2011.

“A People’s History of Venezuela’s Bolivarian Revolution,” College of Arts and Sciences Dean’s Seminar Series, Drexel University, 23 February 2011.

“Jumpstarting the Decolonial Engine,” Institute for Global History seminar series, Georgetown University, 9 February 2011.

“Some Reflections on U.C. Santa Rita,” intervention on the roundtable “San Quentin, 94974—The Everyday Prison” at the 2010 Western Political Science Association.

“Left Theory, Left Dialectics,” intervention in the roundtable “Left Theory, Left Politics” at the 2010 American Political Science Association.

“Dussel: A Study in the Unity of His Thought,” International Association for Philosophy and Literature, London, 1-7 June 2009.

“A People’s History of the Bolivarian Revolution,” public presentation at the Vancouver Socialist Forum, 20 March 2009.

“Building Dual Power in Venezuela,” plenary talk at the Eighth Biennial Radical Philosophy Association Conference, San Francisco State University, 6-9 November 2008.

“The Chávez Revolution: A View from the Front Lines,” St. Lawrence University, Canton, New York, 2 April 2007.

2. Conference presentations

“Decolonizing Dialectics? Between Fanon and Dussel,” Western Political Science Association, March 2013 in Hollywood, California.

“Decolonizing Dialectics: Fanon and Dussel in Parallax,” Caribbean Philosophical Association, July 2012 at the University of the West Indies, Trinidad and Tobago.

“Jumpstarting the Decolonial Engine: Fanon in Latin America,” Is Fanon Finished? American University in Paris, 30 March 2012.

“Dialectical Realism: the Critique of Ontology in Fanon and Dussel,” American Political Science Association, 1-4 September 2011 in Seattle, Washington.

Discussant, “Liberalism in Colonial Spaces,” Western Political Sciences Association, 21-23 April 2011 in San Antonio, Texas.

- “Exteriority against Totality: Enrique Dussel’s Ana-Dialectical Method,”** presented at the 2010 Western Political Science Association.
- “Black Anti-Jacobins? Comparative Political Theory in Sorel, James, and Fanon,”** presented at the 2009 Association for Political Theory conference and at Rethinking Marxism 2009.
- “Building a Decolonized Dual Power in Venezuela,”** presented at Rethinking Marxism 2009.
- “Rethinking ‘The People’ in the Age of Chávez,”** presented at the 2009 American Political Science Association.
- “Symbolic Decolonial Violence from Fanon to Chávez,”** presented at the International Congress of Americanists, 19-24 July in Mexico City; the Western Political Science Association, 19-21 March 2009 in Vancouver, B.C.; the Association for Political Theory, 9-12 October 2008 at Wesleyan University in Middletown, CT.
- “Sorel and Mariátegui: Separation and Eurocentrism,”** accepted by the Caribbean Philosophical Association, 28-30 June 2007 at Mona University, Jamaica (declined).
- “To Lose Oneself in the Absolute: Revolutionary Subjectivity in Sorel and Fanon,”** presented at the fourth annual Social Theory Forum, 27-28 March 2007 at the University of Massachusetts Boston.
- “Can the Muselmann Speak? Historical Erasure and Agamben’s Homo Sacer,”** presented at the Caribbean Philosophical Association, 1-3 August 2006 at Concordia University in Montreal, Canada.
- “Scientia Sexualis, Scientia Racialis: The Damné and Foucauldian Biopower,”** presented at the Caribbean Philosophical Association, 1-3 August 2006 at Concordia University in Montreal, Canada.
- “The Zapatista-Chávez Divide? Civil Society in the Current Conjuncture,”** presented at the conference “Latin@/Americans in a Global Context,” 12-13 May 2006 at UC Santa Cruz.
- “Hegemonic Articulation and the Logic of Separation,”** presented at the conference “Immaterial Labour, Multitudes, and New Social Subjects: Class Composition in Cognitive Capitalism,” 29-30 April 2006 at King’s College, Cambridge, UK.
- “Civil Society in the Sexta Declaración,”** presented at the roundtable “Zapatismo Beyond Its Borders: The Convergence of Theory and Praxis, Social Change and New Cultural Formations,” 13 April 2006 at UC Berkeley.
- “Worker and Parasite: Social-Fetishism and One-Sidedness,”** presented at the conference “Metastasizing Capital: The Logic of Unbridled Growth,” 10-11 April 2006 at Brock University, Ontario.
- “To Have Friends is to Have Enemies: One-Sided Logic in Tronti and Negri,”** presented at the conference “Making Friendship: Bonds, Boundaries, Becomings,” 6-8 April 2006 at NYU.
- “On the Materiality of Language: Fanon, Marx, Ngugi,”** presented at the National Association of Ethnic Studies, 30 March - 1 April 2006 in San Francisco.
- “The Coloniality of Power and the Zapatista Sixth Declaration,”** presented at the Sixth World Social Forum, 27 January 2006 in Caracas, Venezuela.
- “Toward the Self-Valorization of Time: E.P. Thompson and Antonio Negri in Parallax,”** presented at the conference “Out of Time: Theorizing Culture and the Political,” 20-22 October 2005 at the University of Minnesota.
- “The Internal Limits of the European Gaze: Césaire and Fanon beyond Sartre and Foucault,”** presented at the “Workshop on Philosophy, Theory, and Critique in Ethnic Studies,” 21-23 April 2005 at UC Berkeley; Caribbean Philosophical Association, 1-4 June 2005 at the University of Puerto Rico, Old San Juan.
- “Provincializing Political Theory,”** presented at the Western Political Science Association Annual Conference, 17-19 March 2005 in Oakland California.
- “The Debate on Humanism Reconsidered: Césaire and Fanon on Situated Agency,”** presented at the North American Sartre Society, 18-20 February 2005 at the University of San Francisco.

“Transformative Theory and Critical Method: Valorization, Instrumentalization, Ontology, and the Failure of Tocqueville,” presented at the conference “Critical Theory in Dark Times: The Political Economy of (In)Security,” 30 April – 1 May 2004 at the University of Minnesota.

“Audience Responses to U.S. Mass Media: A Three-Nation Study” with Calvin F. Exoo, presented at the European Consortium for Communications Research (ECCR) conference, Moscow State University, Russian Federation, 17-20 October 2002.

EXPERIENCE

Teaching

Policing and Prisons (PSCI 472), Drexel University, Spring 2013
Political Thought of Frantz Fanon (PSCI 472), Drexel University, Winter 2013
Latin American Political Theory (PSCI 472), Drexel University, Spring 2012
Political Theory of the African Diaspora (PSCI 472), Drexel University, Winter 2012
History of Political Thought (PSCI 120), Drexel University, Spring 2011, Fall 2011, Spring 2013
Political Theory from Below (PSCI 472), Drexel University, Winter 2011, Spring 2012
Comparative Political Theory (PSCI 323), Drexel University, Fall 2010, Spring 2011, Winter 2012, Winter 2013
20th Century Political Theory (PS 112D), GSI for Paul Thomas, UC Berkeley, Fall 2008.
Ancient Rhetoric (Rhetoric 103A), GSI for David Cohen, UC Berkeley, Fall 2007.
Introduction to Philosophy, with Jeff Paris, Patten University at San Quentin, California, Fall 2007.
Socialism, Venezuelan School of Planning, Caracas, Spring 2007.
Capitalism, Venezuelan School of Planning, Caracas, Fall 2006.
Introduction to Philosophy, with Jeff Paris, Patten University at San Quentin, California, Fall 2005.

Academic

Secretariat, Caribbean Philosophical Association, 2012 - present.
Manuscript Reviewer, Duke University Press, Duquesne University Press, *Theory & Event*, *Historical Materialism*, *Contemporary Political Theory*
External Referee, Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research and Council for the Humanities
External Member, Trent University Center for the Study of Global Power and Politics, 2006 - present.
Admissions and Curriculum Development, Venezuelan School of Planning, Caracas, 2006 - 2007.
Reconstruction Editorial Board, 2004 - 2010, <http://www.reconstruction.ws>.
Critical Sense Editorial Board, 2003 - 2007, <http://criticalsense.berkeley.edu>.

Politics/Policy

Social Policy Think-Tank Intern, New Policy Institute, London, July-August 2002.
Intern, Spanish Socialist Workers' Party (PSOE), Madrid, January-May 2000.
Intern, Spanish United Left (IU) Coalition, Madrid, January-May 2000.

LANGUAGES

Fluent: Spanish; **Good:** French, Italian, German; **Rudimentary:** Japanese, Mandarin.