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EDUCATION

Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, USA

Ph.D. Department of City and Regional Planning. August 2001.

Concentration: international development and globalization, gender and development, urban informal sector and micro-enterprise politics, urban theory, action research.

Dissertation: The Political Economy of Micro-Enterprise

Promotion Policies: Restructuring and Income-Generating Activities in El Alto, Bolivia.

Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, USA

Masters in Regional Planning, Department of City and Regional Planning. January 1994.

Concentration: International development, environmental planning, political ecology.

Thesis: Unsustainable development: socio-economic benefits and environmental costs of industrial development in Puerto Rico.

Consortio Latinoamericano de Agroecología y Desarrollo (CLADES); Lima, Perú.

Curso a distancia en Agro-ecología y Desarrollo Sostenible. May 1995 - May 1996.

Diploma in Agro-ecology and Sustainable Development.

Thesis: Agroecología, Urbanización, y Planificación: Retos, Potencialidades, y Limitaciones en la Microcuenca de Achocalla, Bolivia.

University of Illinois, Urbana, IL, USA.

Bachelors Degree in Landscape Architecture (Urban Design), May 1989.

Concentration: Urban design, land-use planning.

Tongji University, Shanghai, People's Republic of China.
Summer Urban Design Program, Departments of Planning and
Architecture.
June 1988 – August 1988.

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor. Growth and Structure of Cities. Bryn
Mawr College. August 2002 – Present.

Adjunct Professor. Programa de Investigación Estratégica en
Bolivia (PIEB). February 2006 - present.

Visiting Professor. Programa de Investigación Estratégica en
Bolivia (PIEB). November – December 2005.

Lecturer. Centro de Promoción de la Mujer 'Gregoria Apaza'.
August 2005 – June 2006.

Visiting Assistant Professor. Cornell-in-Washington Program,
Washington, DC. August 2001 – May 2002.

Tutor. Cornell-in-Washington Program, Washington, DC.
August 2000 – May 2002.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Founding member, Board of Directors. Centro de Estudios
Sociales de El Alto. July 2003 – present.

Consultant, United Nations Development Program, La Paz,
Bolivia. June 2001 – August 2001.

Visiting Researcher, Centro del Estudio para el Desarrollo
Laboral y Agrario (CEDLA), La Paz, Bolivia. December 1998 –
June 1999.

Consultant, Centro de Promoción de la Mujer Andina 'Bartolina
Sisa' (CEPROMA-BS), El Alto, Bolivia. October 1998 – March
1999.

Consultant, Asociación Artesanal Boliviana 'Señor de Mayo'
(ASARBOLSEM), El Alto, Bolivia. October 1998 – February

1999.

Coordinator, Agro-urban Development Program. Servicios Múltiples de Tecnologías Apropriadas (SEMTA), La Paz, Bolivia. April 1994 – March 1996.

Coordinator, Micro-enterprise Promotion Program - Achocalla. Trickle Up Program (TUP), La Paz, Bolivia. October 1994 – March 1996.

Urban Designer, Rigall & Parker, Inc., Tampa, FL September 1989 – August 1990.

Urban Designer, División de Parques y Areas Verdes, Municipalidad de la Ciudad de Guatemala, Guatemala, C.A. June 1989 – August 1989.

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Fulbright Scholar. July 2005-April 2006.
- Lindback Foundation. Research Grant. June 2004.
- Center for International Studies, Bryn Mawr College. Travel Grant. May 2004.
- Honorable Mention. Ford Foundation Dissertation Writing Fellowship. April 2000.
- Research Fellowship. Anonymous Donor Dissertation Research Fellowship. 1998-1999.
- Research Fellowship. Cornell International Institute for Food and Agricultural Development (CIIFAD), Cornell University. 1998, 2000.
- Pre-dissertation Research/travel Grant. Mario Einaudi Center for International Studies, Cornell University. Summer 1997.
- Pre-dissertation Research/travel Grant. Cornell International Institute for Food and Agricultural Development (CIIFAD), Cornell University. Summer 1997.
- Scholarship. Foreign Language Area Studies (FLAS). 1996-1998.
- Research/Travel Grant. Indore, India. Building and Social Housing Foundation/Overseas Development Agency. November 1995.

- Research/Travel Grant. Mario Einaudi Center for International Studies, Cornell University. Summer 1993.
- Scholarship. Sage Graduate Fellowship. 1991-1992.

**CONFERENCE
PRESENTATIONS**

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Urbanization and the ecological impact on an agricultural region: a case study in Bolivia. Canadian Association for the Study of International Development. Montreal, Canada, June 1995.

Perspectivas socio-económicas, ambientales, y políticas relacionadas con el proceso de urbanización: el caso de la microcuenca de Achocalla, Bolivia. Latin American Studies Association congress, Washington, DC, USA, September 1995.

Planning for sustainable urban agriculture: challenges, potentialities, and limitations in the micro-region of Achocalla, Bolivia. International Conference on Sustainable Development Research, Manchester, UK, March 1996.

Urban colonization and displacement in the face of global restructuring: perspectives from the metropolitan region of La Paz, Bolivia. Latin American Studies Association Congress, Guadalajara, México, April 1997.

From theory to the reflection of practice: designing for action research from the university. Participatory Action Research World Congress, Cartagena, Colombia, June 1997.

Globalización y la fragmentación de espacios urbanos: notas y comentarios de la zona metropolitana de La Paz, Bolivia. International Congress of Latin Americanist Geographers, Arequipa, Perú, July 1997.

Reflections on the Role of U.S. Academia in 'Shaping' Social Activism: Four Views and a Dialogue. The State of Social and Economic

Thought: Marxist, Third World and Feminist Perspectives, La Habana, Cuba, June 2000.

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Políticas de Promoción a la Micro-Empresa en Bolivia: ¿Solución al problema de la pobreza o profundización del proyecto neoliberal? Centro Boliviano de Estudios Multidisciplinarios (CEBEM) and Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales (FLACSO). La Paz, Bolivia, 12 January 2001.

Políticas de Promoción a la Micro-Empresa en Bolivia: Perspectivas Sindicales, Perspectivas Gubernamentales. Municipality of El Alto (HAMEA). El Alto, Bolivia, 15 January 2001.

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The Informal Sector and Urban Politics in El Alto, Bolivia. Rethinking Labor Market Informalization Precarious Jobs, Poverty, and Social Protection. Cornell University, Ithaca, NY. 19 October 2002.

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Studies. Illinois State University. Normal, IL. 31 March 2004.

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PUBLICATIONS**

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El surgimiento de las estructuras barriales ‘subterráneas’ en El Alto.
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