TEXAS STATE VITA

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EDUCATION

Ph.D. History, 2022.
The University of Arizona.

- *Spatial Legacies in the Borderlands: Land Speculation and U.S. Colonization of Northwestern Mexico, 1863-1934.*

  2023 Winner at the National Competition held by the Instituto Nacional de Estudios Históricos de las Revoluciones de México (INHERM),
  Best Dissertation "Premio Gastón García Cantú."

  2024 Honorable Mention for best dissertation in regional history.
  Premio Citibanamex Atanasio G. Saravia en Historia Regional.

M.A. Architecture and Historic Preservation, 2010.
Universidad Michoacana de San Nicolás de Hidalgo, Morelia, Michoacán.

- *Arquitectura Misional de la Compañía de Jesús en la Antigua Provincia de Sinaloa, siglos XVI-XVIII. Procesos de Hibridación*.

  2011 Honorable Mention at the national competition held by the Instituto Nacional de Antropología e Historia (INAH), "Premio Francisco de la Maza."

Visiting Graduate Student, College of Architecture and Urban Planning. Fall 2008
University of Washington, Seattle, WA.

B.A Architecture, 2006.
Instituto Tecnológico de Los Mochis, Sinaloa, Mexico.

RESEARCH PROJECTS

Reporting on Race and Ethnicity in the Borderlands (1882-1924): A Data-Driven Digital Storytelling Hub, Student Fellow, Mellon Foundation and University of Arizona. (2021-2022)

Project: *On the Edge: Expressions of Shared Heritages Throughout Bounding Spaces.* (2017-2018)
Graduate Student Participant /Innovation Farm Confluence Center.
University of Arizona

*El Paisaje Cultural de Topolobampo. Historia y Cultura***.** (2014-2015). Funded by the CONACULTA-PECDAS Grant, (National Council of Culture and Art) Research Digital Project**.**

La Colonia Americana de Los Mochis Sinaloa. Arquitectura y Urbanismo. (2011-2012). Funded by the CONACULTA-FOECA Grant, (National Council of Culture and Art) Research Project**.**

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

"Tracing Indigenous' Architectural Agency: The Jesuit Mission Churches of Northwest Mexico. 1591-1767." In *The Routledge Companion to Race in Artistic, Material, and Visual Production during the Early Modern Period: Decolonial Reversals*. Routledge Press, 2025.

Coauthored with Fabricio Espinosa Ortiz, "Influencia Norteamericana. Apropiación de la Modernidad Arquitectónica en el Norte de Sinaloa", in Catherine Ettinger Mc Enulty, and J. Jesús López García (Coords.), México: Porrúa Editores, 2013.17-39 ISBN: 978-607-8116-23-2

"Los Constructores de la Arquitectura Misional de la Compañía de Jesús en la Antigua Provincia de Sinaloa", in Padilla Ramos, Raquel (Comp.), Misiones del noroeste de México: Origen y Destino, 2011, México: FORCA Noroeste, 2013, 137-148. ISBN 978-607-7598-67-1

"Intenciones Frustradas de Consolidación Arquitectónica: El caso de los templos misionales jesuíticos de la Antigua Provincia de Sinaloa", in Zazueta Manjarrez, Carlos (Coord.), Seminario La Religión y los Jesuitas en el Noroeste Novohispano, Volumen VI, Culiacán: COLSIN, 2013. ISBN:978-607-7904-08-3

"Hibridación arquitectónica, el caso de los conjuntos jesuíticos de la antigua provincia de Sinaloa, s. XVI-XVIII" in Anuar Abraham Kasis Ariceaga (Coord.), Ponencias y apuntes de la V Catedra Nacional de Arquitectura, Carlos Chanfon Olmos, El espacio habitable y la cultura local, CUMEX, Facultad del Habitat, San Luis Potosí: UASLP, 2010, 302-311. ISBN: 978-607-7856-23-8

Coauthored with Catherine Ettinger Mc Enulty, "Estrategias utilizadas para la materialización de la arquitectura de las misiones jesuíticas de la provincia de Sinaloa" in Salvador García Espinosa (Coord.), Conservación y usos del patrimonio frente a la globalización, memorias del III Encuentro académico internacional sobre restauración y VII Foro de investigación en arquitectura. Universidad Michoacana de San Nicolás de Hidalgo, Morelia: UMSNH, 2009, 165-170. ISBN: 978-607-424-037-5

WORK IN PROGRESS

"Children Stretching Frontiers: Literature, Scouting, and Adventures in Northwest Mexico." (Journal Article).

"American Refugee Camps during the Mexican Revolution,1913-1916." (Journal Article).

SELECTED CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS

"*Maps, Dreams, and the Making of the Mexican West, 1883-1910,"* Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas, (February 4, 2026).

Comment and Chair, "Border Boom Towns: Labor, Capital, and Politics along the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands" Western History Association Conference. Albuquerque, New Mexico, (October 17, 2025)

"Campos de Refugiados de Norteamericanos Durante la Revolución Mexicana, 1913-1916." Seminario de Historia de las Migraciones en México, COLMEX, CIDE, IIH UNAM, (December 4, 2024)

"Ataques Mediáticos: Inversionistas Estadounidenses y la Formación de Estereotipos Étnicos y Discriminación Racial Durante la Revolución Mexicana, 1910-1920." *Más Allá de las Fronteras y de la Historia Nación,* Red Iberoamericana de Historiadoras. (November, 26 2024.)

"Creating a Craze: American Promoters and the Opening of a New Land Market in Mexico, 1883-1912." *Western History Association Conference*. Kansas City, Missouri. (October 23, 2024)

"Everyday life and Revolution at the U.S. Colonies of Northwest Mexico, 1910-1920. Richard E. Greenleaf Visiting Scholar Presentation. *Latin American and Iberian Institute*. Alburquerque, New Mexico. (August 15, 2024)

"Casados de vivir "con una maleta en una mano y un arma en la otra: Refugiados estadounidenses y la Diplomacia de las Cañoneras en el Golfo de California durante la Revolución Mexicana, 1913-1916." *XXXIX Congreso Internacional de Historia Regional*. Mazatlán, Mexico. (Dec 7, 2023)

"The Mexican Revolution: What are we Celebrating?" Arkansas State University, Mexico (Nov 14, 2022)

"Rational Deforestation? Local Knowledge and Scientific Research for Energy Transition in Mexico's Agricultural Frontier, 1886-1910." Southern History Association (Nov 6, 2021)

"Padre Jacobo de Sedelmayr: Explorador, misionero, y constructor en los confines de la Nueva España." El Colegio de Sinaloa, Culiacán Sinaloa México (May 1, 2021)

"Las Misiones: Patrimonio histórico y herencia cultural común entre México y Estados Unidos." UNAM Tucson and University of Arizona (October 2020)

"Especulación de la Tierra y formación de colonias estadounidenses en el noroeste de México, 1854-1946." El Colegio de San Luis, San Luis Potosí (June 06, 2019)

"U.S. Colonies of Northwest Mexico." XLIV Symposium of History and Anthropology, Globalization and Transnationalism, Historical Perspectives. UNISON, Hermosillo Sonora, (March 12-15, 2019)

"U.S. Colonies in Northwestern Mexico: Conflicts about Land and Water through the Documents of Archivo General de la Nacion (AGN) and Archivo Historico del Agua (AHA) in Mexico City, 1883-1930s." *Tinker Symposium*, Center for Latin American Studies, University of Arizona, (November 2018)

"Vivir entre sapos, hormigas y mexicanos: La experiencia de habitar de colonos estadounidenses en México, 1884-1910." *II Workshop Internacional: Investigación en Imaginarios y Representaciones,* Universidad de Concepción, Concepción, Chile. (October 2018)

"Building the U.S.-Mexico Border Landscape: A History of Monuments, Fences, Custom Buildings and Walls", *On the Edge: Expressions of Shared*

Heritages Throughout Bounding Spaces, University of Arizona Confluence Center for Creative Inquiry, Tucson, AZ, (March 2018).

"Spatial Legacies in the Borderlands: U.S. colonies of Northwestern Mexico, 1883-1930s." *Before the City/Beyond the City, Capitalism in the Countryside Graduate Student Conference,* Harvard University, Cambridge Massachusetts, (October 2017)

"Standing Life Among Toads, Ants and Mexicans: Inhabiting South of Uncle Sam's Land, 1884-1910." *Rocky Mountain Council for Latin American Studies* (RMCLAS) Salt Lake City Utah, (April 2017)

"American Colonies of the Nineteenth-Century Mexico: Land Speculation and the Urban Transformation of Mexico's North", *Latin American Studies Association*, Lima, Peru (April-May 2017)

"Recreating Homeland: Architecture and Urban Landscape of Northwestern Mexico U.S. Colonies." *West Conference*, Chiricahua AZ. (May 2016.)

"Mexican Colonization Laws and its Impacts on Northern Mexico Built Environment, 1823-1910." *Rocky Mountain Council for Latin American Studies* (RMCLAS) Santa Fe NM, (April 2016)

"Toward a Global History of Architecture", Graduate Students Roundtable, *Society of Architectural Historians International Conference*, Pasadena CA, (April 2016)

"Arquitectura y Vida Cotidiana de los Americanos en Los Mochis, Sinaloa. 1903-1930" Universidad Autónoma de Sinaloa, *XXXI Congreso Internacional de Historia Regional, Homenaje a Sergio Ortega*. Culiacan, México. (December 2015)

"US Colonies in Northwest Mexico: A New Model of Architecture at the Turn of the 20th Century", *Rocky Mountain Council for Latin American Studies* (RMCLAS) Tucson Arizona, (April 2015).

"Pacific City-The Credit Foncier of Sinaloa. Un Proyecto utópico en el norte de Sinaloa" Universidad Michoacana de San Nicolás de Hidalgo, *Imaginarios de la Modernidad y Tradición*, Morelia, México, (June 2013).

"Otra modernidad arquitectónica en el norte de Sinaloa, México." coauthored with Fabricio Espinosa Ortiz, (Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México). *I Congreso Internacional sobre Temas Americanistas*, Universidad de Sevilla, España. (November 2012)

"Intenciones frustradas de consolidación arquitectónica. El caso de los templos misionales jesuitas de la antigua provincia de Sinaloa", *Seminario La Religión y los Jesuitas en el Noroeste Novohispano*, el Colegio de Sinaloa, Culiacán, Sinaloa. (January 2012)

"El papel de los constructores de la arquitectura de la Compañía de Jesús en la antigua Provincia de Sinaloa" *VIII Foro de las Misiones del Noroeste de México, Origen y Destino, en el tricentenario de la muerte de Eusebio Francisco Kino*, Instituto Sonorense de Cultura, Hermosillo, Sonora, México. (June 2011)

"Proceso de conformación arquitectónica de las misiones jesuitas de la antigua Provincia de Sinaloa, S. XVI-XVIII. Un caso de hibridación arquitectónica" *Coloquio: Focos, Redes, y fronteras, Arte global/ Arte regional,* Instituto de Investigaciones Estéticas, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM), (September 2010)

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS, AND AWARDS

2025-2026
- **Bill and Rita Clements Fellow at the Clements Center for Southwest Studies, 2025-26** Southern Methodist University.

2024
- **Richard E. Greenleaf Visiting Library Scholar**
  Latin America & Iberian Institute, University of New Mexico

2024
- **Honorable Mention Best Dissertation in Regional History.**
  Premio BANAMEX Atanasio G. Saravia en Historia Regional.

2023
- **National Award for Best Dissertation in Historical Research** at the national competition held by the Instituto Nacional de Estudios Históricos de las Revoluciones de México (INHERM), "Premio Gastón García Cantú." Investigación Histórica sobre la Reforma Liberal y el Porfiriato.
- **Mellon Fellow for the Summer Workshop Applied History** with Patricia N. Limerick
  Center of the American West/Applied History Initiative, University of Colorado Boulder.

2021-2022
- Mellon-funded Digital Borderlands Grant. **Reporting on Race and Ethnicity in the Borderlands (1882-1924): A Data-Driven Digital Storytelling Hub**, Student Fellow, University of Arizona.

2020
- **Edwin S. Turville Fellowship**, University of Arizona, History Department.
- **William H. Hesketh Fellowship**, University of Arizona, History Department.

2019
- **El Colegio de Sinaloa,** Dr. Sergio Ortega Noriega History Dissertation Completion Grant, in Regional History.

2018
- **Tinker Foundation Field Research Grant,** University of Arizona, Center for Latin American Studies.
- **Graduate Professional Student Council, University of Arizona, Travel Grant** for Dissertation Research.

2017-2018
- **Huntington Library** Research Fellowship**,** Short-Term Award, 2017-2018.

2017
- **Harvard University,** *Before the City/Beyond the City: Capitalism in the Countryside.*
  Selected Participant fellowship, Graduate Student Conference. October 19-20, 2017.
- **COLMEX Research Residency**, Centro de Estudios Históricos del Colegio de México. Dr. Luis Aboites Aguilar. May-July 2017.

2017 • **Sybil Ellingwood Pierce Fellowship** University of Arizona, History Department

2016 • **History Department Research Fellowship,** University of Arizona.

2015-2016 • **Scholarship for Doctoral Studies**. SEP-Secretary of Public Education (Mexico). For studies at the University of Arizona.

2015 • **Sybil Ellingwood Pierce Fellowship** University of Arizona, History Department
• **John P. Rockfellow Award** University of Arizona, History Department

2014-2015 • **CONACULTA-PECDAS Grant**, (National Council of Culture and Art) Research project**:** *The Cultural Landscape of Topolobampo Sinaloa, History and Culture.* 2014-2015. http://sic.conaculta.gob.mx/ficha.php?table=estimulo_feca&table_id=17677

2014-2015 • **Scholarship for Doctoral studies**. SEP-Secretary of Public Education (Mexico). For studies at the University of Arizona.

2014 • **Honorable Mention** by **The Historic American Landscapes Survey (HALS)** NPS (National Park Service and Secretary of Interiors) for the **2014 Challenge Documenting New Deal Landscapes**, with the teamwork: Arizona New Deal Landscapes: Colossal Cave Mountain Park HALS AZ- 15

2013-2017 • **Scholarship for Doctoral Studies**. CONACYT-National Council for Science and Technology (Mexico). For studies at the University of Arizona.

2011-2012 • **CONACULTA- FOECA Grant**, (National Council of Culture and Art) Research project**:** *The American District of Los Mochis, Sinaloa. Architecture and Urbanism*. 2011-2012. http://sic.conaculta.gob.mx/ficha.php?table=estimulo_feca&table_id=14399

2011 • **Honorable Mention for Best Master's Thesis** on Urban and Architectural Historic Preservation, at the national competition held by the Instituto Nacional de Antropología e Historia. (Mexico). Premio Francisco de la Maza

2009 • **Master's Thesis Fellowship,** (Universidad Michoacana de San Nicolás de Hidalgo).

2008 • **Mixed Scholarship CONACYT** - National Council for Science and Technology (Mexico) **and NEXOPOLIS Scholarship**, for studies at the College of Architecture and Urban Planning, **University of Washington**. (Fall 2008)

2007-2009 • **Scholarship for Master Studies**. CONACYT-National Council for Science and Technology (Mexico). For graduate studies at the Universidad Michoacana de San Nicolás de Hidalgo.

2006 • **Best Student Award**, Class of 2001-2006 of the **College of Architecture**, Instituto Tecnológico de Los Mochis, August 2006.

• **Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship**, Scholarship sponsored by the Academia Mexicana de Ciencia. (Mexican Academy of Science). (Verano de la Investigación Científica). August 2006. For research assistantship in Historic Preservation at Universidad Michoacana de San Nicolas de Hidalgo.

2005

- **Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship**, sponsored by Verano de la Investigación Científica y Tecnológica del Pacífico, DELFIN. August 2005. For research assistantship in Historic Preservation at Universidad Michoacana de San Nicolas de Hidalgo.
- **National Design Competition for College Students on Architecture.** at Universidad Nacional Autonoma de México (UNAM), Mexico City. (Premio a la Composición Arquitectónica Alberto J. Pani.) September 2005 to represent the school of Architecture of ITLM.
- **National Design Competition for College Students on Architecture.** at Universidad Marista de Merida, Merida, Yucatán. (Encuentro Nacional de Estudiantes de Arquitectura, ENEA) April -May 2005 to represent the school of Architecture of ITLM.

PUBLIC HISTORY

"Landscape Design Across the US-Mexico Border Florence Yoch & Lucille Council," (May 2026) https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/fcab27201533495d98ba0c605d7509fd

"Media Attacks: U.S. Land Investors and the Shaping of Ethnic Mexican Stereotypes and Racial Discrimination in Revolutionary Mexico, 1910-1920" Reporting on Race and Ethnicity in the Borderlands (1882-1924): A Data-Driven Digital Storytelling Hub, Mellon Fronteridades Student Fellow, University of Arizona. https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/94c3dfb52ca8414ca376363aa20f4df2

"Ataques Mediáticos: Inversionistas Estadounidenses y la Formación de Estereotipos Étnicos y Discriminación Racial Durante la Revolución Mexicana, 1910-1920" Reporting on Race and Ethnicity in the Borderlands (1882-1924): A Data-Driven Digital Storytelling Hub, Mellon Fronteridades Student Fellow, University of Arizona. https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/e3e2550a5cd14c4ea657fbb8872bbc17?header

"The Changing Landscape of the U.S.-Mexico Border: in Luis Alberto Urrea's *Into the Beautiful North."* Chillicothe Public Library, Chillicothe Illinois (February 27, 2020) A talk sponsored by the National Endowment of the Arts, Big Read Program.

Repensar los Museos: Introducción a la Museología Contemporánea. INAH Querétaro, August-September 2019. Workshop (45 hours)

"Florence Yoch y Lucille Council Las Arquitectas que Diseñaron el Jardín Botánico de Los Mochis." *La Voz del Norte*, 2013. https://www.lavozdelnorte.com.mx/2013/04/28/florence-yoch-y-lucille-council-las-arquitectas-que-disenaron-el-jardin-botanico-de-los-mochis/

Radio Program,"Intenciones frustradas de consolidación arquitectónica: los templos misionales jesuitas de la antigua provincia de Sinaloa," El Colegio de Sinaloa, 13 18 February 2012.

Course TRAINMONHER, (TRAINing in MONumental HERitage), financed by the European Union. Morelia, Michoacán, 2008.

BOOK REVIEWS

Colonizing Ourselves: Tejano Back-to-Mexico Movements and the Making of a Settler Colonial Nation. by José Angel Hernández. *New Mexico Historical Review*, (Forthcoming)

JOURNAL REVIEW

Article Reviewer. *Footnotes: A Journal of History*, Volume 5, 2021. University of Arizona.
Article Reviewer. *Estudios de Historia Moderna y Contemporánea de México*. Journal of Instituto de Investigaciones Históricas, UNAM, Mexico, 2026.

DOCTORAL DISSERTATION COMMITTEE

Yuneiry Ramirez Topete, Universidad Autónoma de Sinaloa, External Member, (Ongoing, ABD)

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

- Walking Tour, "Celebrate Mexico Week Downtown Queretaro, *History & Architecture*, Arkansas State University. Nov 2024
- Arkansas State University, Event Organizer Committee *Celebrate Mexico Week,* (2022, 2023, 2024).

VOLUNTER

Tucson Historic Preservation, *Tucson Modernism Week Guide* 2016 and 2017.
Urban Sketchers, Queretaro, Mexico, 2024, 2025

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

HIST 361 The U.S.-Mexico Border Region_ Summer 5W 2017.
HIST 368 Colonial Mexico_ 5W Summer 2018.
HIST 467 Twentieth Century Latin America_7W2 Fall 2018.
HIST 368 Colonial Mexico_ 7W1 Spring 2019**.**
HIST 361 The U.S.-Mexico Border Region_ Summer 2019.
HIST 361 The U.S.-Mexico Border Region_ 7W1_ Fall 2019.
HIST 361 The U.S.-Mexico Border Region_ Fall 2020.
HIST 361 The U.S.-Mexico Border Region_ Summer 2021.
HIST 361 The U.S.-Mexico Border Region_ Winter 2021-2022.
HIST 368 Colonial Mexico_ 7W1 Summer 2022.
HIST 361 The U.S.-Mexico Border Region_ Spring 2020.
HIST 361 The U.S.-Mexico Border Region_ Summer 2021.
HIST 361 The U.S.-Mexico Border Region_ Winter 2022.
HIST 361 Colonial Mexico _ Summer 2022.
HIST 2773 The United States Since 1876 _Spring 2022.
HIST 2773 The United States Since 1876 _Fall 2022.
HIST 2773 The United States Since 1876 _Spring 2023.
HIST 2773 The United States Since 1876 _Fall 2023.
HIST 2773 The United States Since 1876 _Spring 2024.
HIST 1732230 Latin America the Colonial Period _Summer 2024
HIST 2773 The United States Since 1876 _Fall 2024.
HIST 2773 The United States Since 1876 _Spring 2025.
HIST 1023 World History since 1500_Spring 2025.
HIST 2328 History of Mexican America since 1865_ Fall 2026.
HIST 1310 The United States to 1877_ Fall 2026.
HIST 21203 The United States Since 1876 _Fall 2026.

Teaching Assistantships:

HIST 150 U.S. Society and Institutions since 1877, Fall 2017.
HIST 436 The Civil War and Reconstruction, Spring 2018.
HIST 204 Greek History Classics, Spring 2021.

Lecturing for Mexican Universities:
Universidad Michoacana de San Nicolás de Hidalgo in México
College of Architecture Undergraduate Courses:
History and Theory of Architecture. (April 2008- to August 2013)

MEMBERSHIP

SAH, Society of Architectural Historians
WHA, Western History Association
RMCLAS, Rocky Mountain Council for Latin American Studies
LASA, Latin American Studies Association.
SECOLAS, Southeastern Council of Latin American Studies
RED CISAN, Centro de Investigaciones sobre América del Norte, UNAM

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