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Curriculum Vitae

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Employment History

- **Assistant Professor (tenure eligible)**, University of Arizona, 2021-present
- **Assistant Professor (nontenure eligible)**, University of Arizona, 2018-2021
- **Assistant Professor**, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, 2015-2018
- **Visiting Professor**, College of William and Mary, 2013-2015

Education

- **Ph.D. Foreign Affairs, University of Virginia**, Charlottesville, VA, May 2014.
Dissertation title: Drugs, Oil, and Insurgency in Colombia, Committee: David Waldner (Chair), Herman Schwartz, Daniel Gingerich, Herbert Braun
- **M.A. Foreign Affairs, University of Virginia**, Charlottesville, VA, August 2007
- **B.A. Political Science, Stetson University**, DeLand, FL, May 2004
- **B.S. Sociology, Stetson University**, DeLand, FL, May 2004

Refereed Publications

- **Brewer-Osorio, S., and J. Osorio.** 2025. “Demand and Supply of Criminal Governance in Central America and Mexico.” *American Political Science Review*. Published online: 1–18. <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0003055425101251>
- **Brewer-Osorio, S.** 2025. “Collective Reintegration and Gender Relations Among Ex-Combatants: Lessons from Colombia.” *International Peacekeeping*. 1–30. <https://doi.org/10.1080/13533312.2025.2456741>
- **Brewer-Osorio, S.** 2025. “The Andean Cocaine Trade: Global Reach and Local Impacts.” In Sebastián A. Cutrona and Jonathan D. Rosen (eds.), *Cocaine: The Global Reach of the World’s Most Lucrative Illicit Drug*. University of New Mexico Press.
- **Brewer-Osorio, S.** 2024. “MAS Relations with Social Movements: The Yungas Cocaleros and the 2019 Crisis.” *Bolivian Studies Journal* 30: 127–158. <https://doi.org/10.5195/bsj.2024.338>
- **Brewer-Osorio, S.** 2024. “From Spoilers to Builders: Collective Reintegration, Leadership, and Peace in Colombia.” *Conflict, Security & Development* 24(2): 79–110. <https://doi.org/10.1080/14678802.2024.2332184>
- **Brewer-Osorio, S.** 2021. “Turning Over a New Leaf: A Subnational Analysis of ‘Coca Yes, Cocaine No’ in Bolivia.” *Journal of Latin American Studies* 53(2). (Cambridge University Press).

- **Brewer-Osorio, S.** 2021. “The Coca Leaf in Bolivian History.” *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Latin American History*. Oxford University Press. <https://doi.org/10.1093/acrefore/9780199366439.013.989>
- **Brewer-Osorio, S.** 2020. “Uniting the Opposition: Reform, Repression, and the Rise of the Cocaleros in Bolivia.” *The Latin Americanist* 64(3): 257–279.
- **Osorio, J., S. Brewer-Osorio, M. Mohamed, and V. Pavón.** 2019. “Mapping Violent Presence of Armed Actors in Colombia.” *Advances in Cartography and Geoscience* 1: 16. <https://doi.org/10.5194/ica-adv-1-16-2019>
- **Brewer-Osorio, S.** 2019. “Mexico’s Democratic Consolidation.” In Paulette Kurzer, *Comparative Governance: Political Structure and Diversity Across the Globe*, 2nd ed. McGraw-Hill.
- **Brewer-Osorio, S.** 2018. “Narcotization as Security Dilemma: The FARC and the Drug Trade in Colombia.” *Studies in Conflict & Terrorism* 41(8): 638–659.
- **Brewer-Osorio, S.** 2012. “A Tale of Two Paramilitaries: The Political Economy of Local Paramilitary Rule in the Magdalena Medio, Colombia.” *The Latin Americanist Annals* 56(1): 36–56.

Book Reviews

- **Brewer-Osorio, S.** 2022. Review of *Politics after Violence: Legacies of the Shining Path Conflict in Peru*, edited by Hillel David Soifer and Alberto Vergara. *Journal of Latin American Studies* 54(4): 740–742. (University of Texas Press, 2019).

Works in Progress

- Book Manuscript, *Peace without Surrender: Former Rebels and the Remaking of Political Struggle in Colombia*.
- “Female Ex-Combatants and Entrepreneurship as Emancipation,” co-authored with Santiago Sosa and Norida Vanegas Chinchilla (Universidad EAFIT, Medellin, Colombia, Business School and Political Science).
- “Beyond the Gun and the Ballot: Ex-Combatant Collectives as Reimagined Resistance in Colombia.” Submitted for presentation at the 2026 meeting of the International Studies Association (ISA).
- “Beyond Pacification and Resistance: Reimagining Peace as World-Building.” Co-authored with Sean Chabot (Eastern Washington University, Sociology), submitted for presentation at the 2026 meeting of the International Studies Association (ISA).

Selected Conference Presentations and Invited Talks

- “Female Ex-Combatants and Entrepreneurship as Emancipation” Presented with co-author Santiago Sosa (Universidad EAFIT, Medellin) at the International Studies Association (ISA), Chicago, Illinois, March 3, 2025.
- “Reintegration through business ventures: Women ex-combatants as entrepreneurs.” Presented with co-author Santiago Sosa (Universidad EAFIT, Medellin) at Peace Science (International), University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, November 9, 2024.
- “In Search of Status: Former Rebel Leaders and Peacebuilding in Colombia.” Invited talk at the University of Rhode Island, Center for Nonviolence and Peace Studies, November 1, 2024.

- “How Ex-Combatants are Building a Feminist Peace in Colombia,” presented at the Peace & Justice Studies Association (PJSA), Niagara, New York, October 26, 2024.
- Invited Talk, Latin America Security Panel, Fall Conference of the Patterson School of Diplomacy and International Commerce, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky, October 18, 2024.
- “Collective Reintegration and Gender Relations Among Ex-Combatants.” Presented at the Peace Science Society International, St. Louis, Missouri, November 10, 2023.
- “Collective Reintegration and Female Ex-Combatants: Lessons from Colombia.” Presented at the Manchester Peace Studies Conference, Manchester, UK, September 14-15, 2023.
- “The Demand and Supply of Criminal Governance: Experimental Evidence from Mexico, Honduras, Guatemala, and El Salvador.” Presented at the 22nd Jan Tinbergen European Peace Science Conference, University of Bologna, Italy, June 26-28, 2023.
- “Collective Reincorporation of Ex-Combatants in Colombia: Sustainable Communities and Abandoned Spaces.” Presented at the International Peace Research Association (IPRA) Conference, Trinidad and Tobago, May 17-20, 2023.
- “From Spoilers to Stakeholders: Collective Reintegration, Leadership, and Peace in Colombia.” Presented at the International Studies Association (ISA) in Montreal, Canada, March 15-18, 2023.
- “The Cocalero Opposition and Political Crisis in Bolivia.” Presented at the Latin American Studies Association annual conference (virtual), May 5-8, 2022.
- “Spoiler Alert: The Logic of Violence against Ex-Combatants in Colombia.” Presented at International Studies Association (ISA), Nashville, TN, March 28-April 2, 2022.
- “La Unidad de los Grupos Armados después de la Guerra: El caso de las FARC en Colombia.” presented at VI Seminario Internacional sobre Conflicto Interno Armado: Las políticas de la memoria histórica, November 6, 2020 (virtual due to COVID).
- “The Unity of Rebel Groups After War: The Case of the FARC in Colombia” 20th Jan Tinbergen European Peace Science Conference, June 29-July 1, 2021 (virtual due to COVID).
- “Turning over a New Leaf: A Subnational Analysis of ‘Coca Yes, Cocaine No’ in Bolivia” *Red de Estudios Sobre Drogas en América Latina* (REDESCDAL)- Bogota, Colombia, June 27-28, 2021 (virtual due to COVID).
- “Beyond Peace Spoiling: The Logics of Violence against Ex-Combatants in Colombia.” Latin American Studies Association (LASA) annual meeting, May 26-29, 2021 (virtual due to COVID).
- “Rebel Villages: Committing to Peace and Collective Reincorporation in Colombia.” American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual meeting, September 10-13, 2020 (virtual due to COVID).
- “A Comparative Analysis of Colombia’s Reincorporation Spaces for Ex-Combatants.” Latin American Studies Association, May 13-16, 2020 (panel organizer) (virtual due to COVID).
- “Colombia’s Reincorporation Spaces for Ex-Combatants.” Latin American Peace Science Society (LAPSS), Medellin, Colombia, January 17-18, 2020.

- “Should I Stay, or Should I Go? A Comparative Analysis of Colombia’s Reincorporation Spaces for Ex-Combatants.” Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame, South Bend, Indiana, November 8-10, 2019.
- “Sealing the Peace Deal? Assessing the Reincorporation of Ex-Combatants in Colombia.” Latin American Studies Association (LASA), Boston, May 24-27, 2019.
- “Drug Policy Reform in Bolivia.” The Southwest Council of Latin American Studies (SCOLAS), San Miguel de Allende, Guanajuato, Mexico, March 21-23, 2019.
- “Why They Leave: Explaining Central American Migration.” Invited talk for the workshop, “Asylum and Central America: What you need to know”, Continued Legal Education (CLE) for lawyers, U.S. District Court, Tucson, Arizona, January 17, 2019.
- “Multi-Actor Conflict and Violence in Colombia,” with Javier Osorio, University of Arizona, American Political Science Association, Boston, August 2018.
- “The Politics of Coca Eradication in Bolivia.” Latin American Studies Association, Lima, Peru, April 30-May 2, 2017.
- “Social Movements and Drug Policy, the Case of Bolivia.” American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, September 1-4, 2016.
- “Territorial Dynamics of Multipolar Conflict in Colombia,” co-authored with Javier Osorio (John Jay College of Criminal Justice, CUNY), Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois, April 7-9, 2016.
- “Effects of Drug Policy on Insurgent-Civilian Relations in the Colombian Amazon, 1978-2004.”, Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois, April 3-6, 2014.

Honors, Awards, and Fellowships

- **CLASP Faculty Teaching Award**, Consortium of Latin American Studies Programs (CLASP) national award recipient, 2024.
- **Global and International Faculty Research Award**, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, University of Arizona, 2024.
- **Udall Center Faculty Fellow**, Social Science Track, Udall Center for Studies in Public Policy, University of Arizona, 2023-24.
- **International Peace Research Association Foundation (IPRAF) Peace Research Grantee** for field research in Colombia, May-October 2021.
- **Fulbright U.S. Scholar (Colombia)**, Research/Teaching at the Universidad Javeriana, in Bogota, Colombia, May-October 2021.
- **Latin American Studies Faculty Travel Grant** for conference participation at the Latin American Studies Association, Guadalajara, Mexico, May 2020 (canceled due to COVID-19).
- **Latin America Studies Faculty Travel Grant**, for conference participation, Latin American Studies Association, Boston, MA, May 2019
- **University of Arizona Research, Discovery, and Innovation (RDI) Faculty Seed Grant**, for the project “Sealing the Peace Deal? Assessing the Reincorporation of Ex-Combatants in Colombia”, 2018.
- **Drugs, Security and Democracy (DSD) Fellowship**, Social Science Research Council (SSRC), and Open Society Foundations, for dissertation research in Colombia, 2011-2012.
- **Albert Gallatin Dissertation Research Fellowship**, Thomas Jefferson Memorial Foundation at the University of Virginia, for dissertation research in Colombia, 2012.

Teaching Experience

- **Faculty Director, Study Abroad Bogotá and Sincelejo, Colombia, 2019 and 2023**
Faculty-led summer study abroad program with supervised undergraduate internships with grassroots organizations in Bogotá and Montes de María, Colombia.
- **University of Arizona, 2018-present**
Development in 20th Century Latin America; U.S.-Latin American Relations; Indigenous Resistance Movements in Latin America; Politics of Latin America; Latin American Politics through Film; Drug Wars and Oil Fortunes in Latin America; Conflict and Peacebuilding in Colombia; Conflict Resolution in Latin America (M.A. Graduate Seminar); Critical Security Studies in Latin America; Latin American Studies Senior Capstone (thesis writing seminar); U.S.-Latin American Relations; Digital Research Methods in Times of COVID (virtual Graduate Seminar).
- **Hobart and William Smith Colleges, 2015-2018**
Introduction to Comparative World Politics; Political Violence; Latin American Politics; Seminar: Drug Trade in the Americas
- **College of William and Mary, 2014-2015**
Introduction to Comparative Politics; Latin American Politics; Seminar: Political Violence in Latin America; Seminar: Human Rights in Latin America
- **University of Virginia, 2012-2014**
Democracy, Conflict, and Development in Latin America

Professional Service

- Executive Committee, International Studies Association (ISA) Peace Studies Section, 2025-present.
- Editorial Board, International Journal of Peace Studies (IJPS), 2025-present
- Board of Directors, International Peace Research Association (IPRA) Foundation, 2024-present.
- Grant Application referee, International Peace Research Association Foundation (IPRAF), 2023-2024.
- Data Collection (Interviews), Colombian refugees in the U.S., Colombian Truth Commission, 2020-2021
- Journal referee, *Journal of Peace Research*, 2021-present
- Journal referee, *Journal of Latin American Studies*, 2019-present
- Journal referee, *Perspectives on Politics*, 2019-present
- Journal referee, *Bulletin of Latin American Research*, 2017-present
- Journal referee, *European Review of Latin American and Caribbean Studies*, 2021-present

Professional Affiliations

- International Peace Research Association (IPRA)
- Peace and Justice Studies Association (PJSAA)
- Latin American Peace Science Society (LAPSS)
- American Political Science Association (APSA)
- Latin American Studies Association (LASA)

- International Studies Association (ISA), Peace Studies Section
- Peace Science Society (International)

Language Skills

- English, native speaker
- Spanish, fluent/near native