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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2020–Present Associate Professor of Sociology, Tulane University
 2024–Present Director of Graduate Studies, City, Culture, and Community (CCC) PhD Program
 2014–Present Core Faculty, Stone Center for Latin American Studies, Tulane University
 2017–Present Associate Research Fellow, Center for Inter-American Policy and Research, Tulane
 2018–Present Faculty Advisory Committee, Environmental Studies Program, Tulane University
 2014–2020 Assistant Professor of Sociology, Tulane University

EDUCATION

2014 Ph.D. Sociology. Interdisciplinary Concentration in Latin American and Caribbean Studies.
 The Graduate Center of the City University of New York (CUNY)
 2010 M.Phil. Sociology. The Graduate Center, City University of New York (CUNY)
 2009 M.A. Sociology. Queens College, City University of New York (CUNY)
 2004 B.A. Sociology and Philosophy. Summa Cum Laude. McKendree College. Lebanon, Illinois
 2000–2002 Licenciatura en Sociología. Universidad Nacional de La Plata, Argentina
 (Transferred to the United States)

RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

Environmental Sociology | Development Sociology | Technology & Socio-Environmental Change |
 Agrarian & Food Studies | Latin American Studies | Qualitative Methods

PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS

Leguizamón, Amalia. 2020. *Seeds of Power: Environmental Injustice and Genetically Modified Soybeans in Argentina*. Durham, NC: Duke University Press.

- Translated into Spanish as: *Las semillas del poder: Injusticia ambiental en la Argentina sojera*. Trans. Gerardo Losada. Buenos Aires, Argentina: UNSAM Edita, 2022.

- Translated into Portuguese as: [*Sementes de poder: injustiça ambiental e soja geneticamente modificada na Argentina*](#). Trans. Gabriela Moncau. Sao Paulo, Brazil. Elefante Editora, 2023.
- Winner, Allan Schnaiberg Outstanding Publication Award. Environmental Sociology Section, American Sociological Association
- Winner, Global Development Studies Book Award. Global Development Studies Section, International Studies Association
- Honorable Mention, Best Book Award. Environment Section, Latin American Studies Association.
- Media & Reviews: *New Books Network (Podcast)*; *Tip of the Tongue (Podcast)*; *Green Social Thought*; *ZNet*; *CounterPunch*; *Climate & Capitalism*; *Institute for Social Ecology*; *Concerning Climate (Podcast)*; *Tulane School of Liberal Arts Magazine*; *The American Association of Geographers (AAG) Review of Books*; *Journal of Latin American Geography*; *Social Forces*; *Review of Agricultural, Food, and Environmental Studies*; *Nature Plants*; *Green Dreamer (Podcast)*; *American Journal of Sociology*; *Tapuya: Latin American Science, Technology and Society*; *Journal of Agrarian Change*; *A Contracorriente*; *Latin American Perspectives*
- Media & Reviews in non-English-speaking outlets: *Outras Palavras* (Brazil); *Biodiversidad en América Latina*; Argentina: *Página/12*; *Revista Noticias*; *Agencia TSS*; *Info Blanco Sobre Negro*; *Proyección AgroIndustrial*; *Radio Capital 91.3*; *Tierra Viva*; *Czech Radio Plus* (Czech Republic)

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES (CO-AUTHORS WHO WERE STUDENTS AT THE TIME OF COLLABORATION ARE UNDERLINED)

Perlin, Liat and Amalia Leguizamón. 2024 “Agriculture-Driven Deforestation in Ecuador’s Mache-Chindul Ecological Reserve: The Farmers’ Perspective.” *Journal of Rural Studies*. 107:103263. doi: [10.1016/j.jrurstud.2024.103263](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jrurstud.2024.103263).

Busscher, Nienke, Eva L. Colombo, Lidewij van der Ploeg, Julia I. Gabella, and Amalia Leguizamón. 2020. “Civil Society Challenges the Global Food System: The International Monsanto Tribunal.” *Globalizations* 17 (1): 16–30. doi: [10.1080/14747731.2019.1592067](https://doi.org/10.1080/14747731.2019.1592067)

- Translated into Spanish as: “Tribunal Internacional Monsanto: La sociedad civil desafía al sistema alimentario mundial.” *Revista Administración Pública y Sociedad* 8 (Julio-Diciembre): 60–81, 2019.

Leguizamón, Amalia. 2019. “The Gendered Dimensions of Resource Extractivism in Argentina’s Soy Boom.” *Latin American Perspectives* 46 (2): 199–216. doi: [10.1177/0094582X18781346](https://doi.org/10.1177/0094582X18781346)

- Revised and updated as: “The Gendered Dimensions of Soybean Extractivism in Argentina.” *Latin American Extractivism: Dependency, Resource Nationalism, and Resistance in Broad Perspective*. Edited by Steven Ellner. Rowman & Littlefield, 2020.

Leguizamón, Amalia. 2016. "Disappearing Nature? Agribusiness, Biotechnology, and Distance in Argentine Soybean Production." *Journal of Peasant Studies* 43 (2): 313–330. doi: [10.1080/03066150.2016.1140647](https://doi.org/10.1080/03066150.2016.1140647)

- Winner, Robert Boguslaw Award for Technology and Humanism by the Environmental Sociology Section of the American Sociological Association.
- Reprinted in *Soy, Globalization, and Environmental Politics in South America*. Edited by Gustavo de L. T. Oliveira and Susanna B. Hecht. Routledge, 2018.

Leguizamón, Amalia. 2016. "Environmental Injustice in Argentina: Struggles Against Genetically Modified Soy." *Journal of Agrarian Change* 16 (4): 684–692. doi: [10.1111/joac.12163](https://doi.org/10.1111/joac.12163)

- Translated into Spanish as "Las luchas por la justicia ambiental en la Argentina sojera." *Estudios Críticos del Desarrollo* 6 (11): 129–149, 2016.

Leguizamón, Amalia. 2014. "Modifying Argentina: GM Soy and Socio-Environmental Change." *Geoforum* 53: 149–160. doi: [10.1016/j.geoforum.2013.04.001](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.geoforum.2013.04.001)

Haskins, William, Amalia Leguizamón, and Xiaohui Pan. 2006. "Freedom of Speech in Collectivist Cultures: Cross-Cultural Analysis of Attitudes in Argentina, China, Japan, Nigeria, Qatar, and Turkey." *International Journal of Diversity in Organisations, Communities and Nations* 5: 91–100.

PEER-REVIEWED BOOK CHAPTERS

Leguizamón, Amalia. 2026. "The Future of Food." Pp. 208–221 in *Environmental Sociology Now*, edited by Jordan Fox, Ian Carrillo, J.P. Sapinski, and Diana Stuart. University of California Press.

Leguizamón, Amalia. 2025. "Corporations and the Environment." *Twenty Lessons in Environmental Sociology*, edited by Kenneth A. Gould and Tammy L. Lewis. Oxford University Press.

Leguizamón, Amalia. 2023. "The Political Economy of the Environment in Latin America." Pp. 101–111 in *Routledge Handbook of Latin America and the Environment*, edited by Beatriz Bustos, Salvatore Engel-Di Mauro, Gustavo García-López, Felipe Milanez, and Diana Ojeda. Routledge. doi: [10.4324/9780429344428-12](https://doi.org/10.4324/9780429344428-12).

Leguizamón, Amalia. 2023. "Treadmill of Production." Pp. 11–27 in *Handbook of Inequality and the Environment*, edited by Michael A. Long, Michael J. Lynch, and Paul B. Stretesky. Edward Elgar Publishing. doi: [10.4337/9781800881136.00010](https://doi.org/10.4337/9781800881136.00010).

Leguizamón, Amalia. 2022. "Gender, Sexuality, and Intersectionality." Pp. 238–272 in *Ten Lessons in Introductory Sociology*, edited by Kenneth A. Gould and Tammy L. Lewis. Oxford University Press.

OTHER ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

- (Encyclopedia Entry). Leguizamón, Amalia. 2026. "Genetically modified crops." *The SAGE Encyclopedia of Environmental Justice*, edited by Dorceta E. Taylor. SAGE
- (Encyclopedia Entry) Leguizamón, Amalia. 2024. "Treadmill of Production." Pp. 560–563 in *Encyclopedia of Environmental Sociology*, edited by Christine Overdevest. Edward Elgar Publishing. doi: [10.4337/9781803921044.ch99](https://doi.org/10.4337/9781803921044.ch99).
- (Book Review) Leguizamón, Amalia. 2012. Review of *Industrializing the Corn Belt: Agriculture, Technology and the Environment 1945-1972* by J.L. Anderson. *Food, Culture and Society* 15(1): 148–51.
- (Report) Gornick, Janet, Markus Jäntti and Amalia Leguizamón. 2009. "Adding Five Latin American Datasets to the Luxembourg Income Study (LIS) Database: Data Assessment and First Comparative Results." The Luxembourg Income Study, *LIS EuroSocial Report*, October 2009.

HONORS & AWARDS

- 2024** Honorable Mention for Best Book Award for *Las semillas del poder / Seeds of Power*
Environment Section of the Latin American Studies Association (LASA)
- 2023** Outstanding Faculty Member Service Award
Latin Americanist Graduate Organization (LAGO), Tulane University
- 2022** Allan Schnaiberg Outstanding Publication Award for *Seeds of Power*
Environmental Sociology Section of the American Sociological Association
- Book Prize for *Seeds of Power*
Global Development Studies Section at the International Studies Association
- 2017** Robert Boguslaw Award for Technology and Humanism
Environmental Sociology Section of the American Sociological Association

GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS

EXTERNAL FUNDING & SUPPORT

- 2022–2024** Principal Investigator, "Linking community-engaged research with reforestation to achieve lasting conservation in the Ecuadorian Chocó (Part II. Social Dynamics)." Funded by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Latin America and Caribbean Regional Program. Award # FWS-IA2022001420 (\$186,211)*
* Terminated prior to implementation
- 2007–2008** P.E.O. International Peace Scholarship
- 2006–2007** P.E.O. International Peace Scholarship
- 2003–2004** Associated Colleges of Illinois Humanities Fellowship

INTERNAL FUNDING & SUPPORT

2026 Stone Center Faculty Professional Travel Award (\$1000)
Stone Center for Latin American Studies, Tulane University

2024-2026 Faculty Research Award (\$5000)
School of Liberal Arts, Tulane University
Project: “Climate Coloniality in Latin America”

2024 Travel funds to support attendance at ASA Annual Meeting (Montreal, Canada):

- SLA International Travel Award, Tulane University (\$1000)
- SCLAS Faculty Professional Travel Award, Tulane University (\$760)
- COR Faculty International Travel Grant Program, Tulane University (\$800)

Travel funds to support attendance at LASA Annual Congress (Bogotá, Colombia):

- SCLAS Faculty Professional Travel Award, Tulane University (\$800)
- COR Faculty International Travel Grant Program, Tulane University (\$1000)

2023-2027 ByWater Institute Fellowship
ByWater Institute, Tulane University

2023 Stone Center Faculty Professional Travel Award (\$304)
Stone Center for Latin American Studies, Tulane University

2022 SCLAS Faculty Summer Field Research Grant (\$4,000)
Stone Center for Latin American Studies, Tulane University
Project: “Community-Engaged Reforestation in the Mache-Chindul Reserve, Ecuador”

EVST Faculty Research Grant (\$2,450)
Environmental Studies Program, Tulane University
Project: “Community-Engaged Reforestation in the Mache-Chindul Reserve, Ecuador”

Stone Center Faculty Professional Travel Award (\$440)
Stone Center for Latin American Studies, Tulane University

2021 EVST Faculty Research Grant (\$2,480)
Environmental Studies Program, Tulane University
Project: “Social drivers of deforestation in the Mache-Chindul Reserve, Ecuador.”

Stone Center Faculty Professional Travel Award (\$735)
Stone Center for Latin American Studies, Tulane University

Classroom Enhancement Grant. Tulane’s Center for Teaching and Learning (\$390)

Book Subvention Fund (Portuguese translation of *Seeds of Power*)

- School of Liberal Arts, Tulane University (\$4,000)
- Special Faculty Grant Award. (Spanish translation of *Seeds of Power*).
Stone Center for Latin America Studies, Tulane University (\$4,407)
- 2020** Rosenthal Blumenfeld Gulf South Food Studies Fellowship (\$5000)
New Orleans Center for the Gulf South, Tulane University
- Classroom Enhancement Grant (\$275 –Declined due to COVID-19 campus closure)
Center for Teaching and Learning, Tulane University
- 2019** Book Subvention Fund (*Seeds of Power*). School of Liberal Arts, Tulane University (\$3,076)
- Stone Center Faculty Professional Travel Award (\$1,020)
Stone Center for Latin American Studies, Tulane University
- Faculty Networking Seminar Grant. Provost Office, Tulane University (\$3,360)
- 2018** Carol Lavin Bernick Faculty Grant Program, Tulane University (\$5,114)
Project: “Economic Development, Protest, and Government Responses in Latin America” (Co-PI, PI: Eduardo Silva, Political Science).
- Editorial Assistance Special Project Support (\$3,450)
Stone Center for Latin American Studies, Tulane University
- 2017** Newcomb Institute Faculty Fellows Research Grant (\$3,300)
Project “Book development support for *Seeds of Power*”
- Writing Residency. A Studio in the Woods, Tulane University
- Stone Center Faculty Professional Travel Award (\$835)
Stone Center for Latin American Studies, Tulane University
- 2016** Course Development Grant, “Sustainable Development in Latin America”
Environmental Studies Program, Tulane University (\$1,500)
- COR Faculty International Travel Grant Program (\$1000)
Office of Academic Affairs and Provost, Tulane University
- Stone Center Faculty Professional Travel Award (\$365)
Stone Center for Latin American Studies, Tulane University
- Center for Scholars. School of Liberal Arts, Tulane University (\$800)
- 2015** Lurcy Grant. School of Liberal Arts, Tulane University (\$3000)

- Project: "Occupy Monsanto: Struggles Against Genetically Modified Soy in Argentina"
- Guest Speaker Support. Altman Program in International Studies, Tulane University (\$500)
- Center for Scholars. School of Liberal Arts, Tulane University (\$1200)
- Stone Center Faculty Professional Travel Award (\$526)
Stone Center for Latin American Studies, Tulane University
- 2014** COR Faculty International Travel Grant Program, Tulane University (\$500)
- Stone Center Faculty Professional Travel Award (\$646)
Stone Center for Latin American Studies, Tulane University
- 2012–2013** Graduate Center Dissertation Fellowship (\$22,000)
Graduate Center, City University of New York (CUNY)
- 2012–2013** Doctoral Research Grant. Graduate Center, CUNY (\$825)
Project: "Roundup Ready Nation: The Political Ecology of Genetically Modified Soy in Argentina"
- Conference Presentation Support (\$300)
Graduate Center, City University of New York
- 2008–2012** Instructional Technology Fellowship (\$30,951/year)
School of Professional Studies, CUNY
- 2010–2011** Doctoral Research Grant. Graduate Center, CUNY (\$600)
- Presidential Research Fund. Graduate Center, CUNY (\$500)
- Student Travel and Research Fund. Graduate Center, CUNY (\$130)
- 2008–2009** Student Travel and Research Fund. Graduate Center, CUNY (\$300)
- 2007–2008** Graduate Teaching Fellowship. Graduate Center, CUNY (\$14,620)
- 2006–2007** Graduate Assistantship Research Award. Graduate Center, CUNY (\$8,307)
- University Fellowship. Graduate Center, CUNY (\$2,000)

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- 2024** Closing Plenary Speaker. Center for Advanced Latin American Studies (CALAS) International Conference. “Ciencias sociales y humanidades: claves de lectura, aportes y potencialidades frente a las crisis en América Latina.” CALAS Cono Sur y Brasil and Universidad Nacional de San Martín. Buenos Aires, Argentina. November 14-15, 2024
- “The NEXT 100: Emerging Voices in Latin American Studies.” Tulane University. New Orleans, LA. September 20, 2024.
- 2023** Latinx Law Students Association & Food Law Society. University of Maryland Francis King Carey School of Law. February 7, 2023
- 2022** Sociology Colloquium. The University of Illinois at Urbana–Champaign. October 5, 2022.
- 2021** Speaker Series. Center for Latin American and Border Studies, New Mexico State University. October 27, 2021.
- Climate Justice and Resilience Series. Evergreen State College. May 12, 2021.
- EcoLunch Seminar. Department of Ecology & Evolutionary Biology, Tulane University. March 17, 2021.
- Latin American and Latinx Studies Program at the University of Pennsylvania and the Red para el Estudio de la Economía Política de Latinoamérica (REPAL). March 4, 2021.
- 2020** Center for Inter-American Policy and Research, Tulane University. November 17, 2020.
- 2019** Plenary Speaker, “Performance, Politics, Power.” Annual Meeting of the Cultural Studies Association. May 31, 2019. New Orleans, LA
- “Experiences of Faculty of Color in Academia.” Annual Graduate Symposium, City, Culture, and Community Ph.D. Program. February 15, 2019. Tulane University. New Orleans, LA
- 2017** International Symposium, “Sociology in Contemporary Argentina: A Collective Reflection.” University of Texas at Austin. October 26–27, 2017. Austin, TX
- 2015** International Symposium, “Can Genetically Modified Crops Help the Poor?” Dalhousie University. October 1–3, 2015. Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada. <http://gmosandpoverty.com>
- 2014** Global Environmental Health Sciences Department Seminar. School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine, Tulane University. October 16, 2014. New Orleans, LA

PARTICIPATION IN PROFESSIONAL MEETINGS & PUBLIC TALKS

PAPERS READ

- 2024** “Climate Coloniality in Practice: Inequality and Injustice in Climate Change Solutions.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. August 9-13. Montreal, Canada
- “Reproducing Climate Coloniality: The Role of U.S. Higher Education and Transnational Conservation NGOs.” International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association. June 12-15. Bogotá, Colombia.
- 2023** “Reproducing Climate Coloniality: The Role of NGOs and Study Abroad Programs.” Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers. March 23-27. Denver, CO
- 2022** “Social Drivers of Deforestation in Ecuador.” With Liat Perlin. Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. August 10-13. Los Angeles, CA
- 2019** “The Synergies of Power in the Study of Environmental Injustice.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. August 10-13. New York City
- 2018** “Elite Responses to Extractivism in Argentina.” International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association. May 23–25. Barcelona, Spain
- 2017** “The Gendered Dimensions of Resource Extractivism in Argentina’s Soy Boom.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. August 12-15. Montreal, Canada
- Panel, “Extractive Industries, Protest, and Policy Impact.” International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association. April 29-May 1. Lima, Peru
- Panel, “Confronting the Challenges of Inequality.” International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association. April 29-May 1. Lima, Peru
- 2016** “GM Crops, Agrochemical Drift, and the Struggle for Health and Life in Argentina.” 5th Annual Conference of the American Sociological Association Section on the Sociology of Development. October 6–8. Cornell University, Ithaca, NY
- “On the Debate on GMOs: Feeding the Poor?” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. August 20-23. Seattle, WA
- “Gender and Motherhood in the Struggles Against Dispossession.” International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association. May 27-30. New York City
- 2015** “Can Genetically Modified Crops Help the Poor? Reflections on Science, Technology, Development, and the Environment.” Sociology Department Colloquium Series. September 25. Tulane University, New Orleans, LA

- “The Power to Silence: Quiescence and Denial in Cases of Environmental Contamination in Argentina.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. August 22-25. Chicago, IL
- “*De eso no se habla*: Health hazards of GM Soy Production in Argentina.” International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association. May 27-30. San Juan, Puerto Rico
- “Environmental Injustice in Argentina: Rural Struggles Against Genetically Modified Soy.” Annual Meeting of the Southern Sociological Society. March 25-28. New Orleans, LA
- “Mobilizing Against Argentina’s Unsustainable Soy-For-Export Model.” 4th Annual Conference of the American Sociological Association Section on the Sociology of Development. March 13-15. Brown University, Providence, RI
- 2012** “Technological Innovation in the Argentine Pampas: Modern Agriculture and the Displacement of Nature.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. August 17-20. Denver, CO
- “Disappearing Peasantries, Disappearing Nature: Rural Labor and Genetically Modified Soy in Argentina.” International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association. May 23-26. San Francisco, CA
- 2011** “Modifying Argentina: GM Soy and Socio-Environmental Change.” 1st Annual Conference of the American Sociological Association Section on the Sociology of Development. November 10-12. Cornell University, Ithaca, NY
- “Nature in the Modern Mindset: Reasons for GM Biotech Take-Up in the Argentine Countryside.” Annual Meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society. February 24-27. Philadelphia, PA
- 2010** “Modernidad, identidad y biotecnología en el agro argentino, ayer y hoy.” VIII Congreso Latinoamericano de Sociología Rural. November 15-19. Porto de Galinhas, Brazil
- “*Yo, Soy*: National Identity, Modernization, and Genetically Modified Soy in Argentina.” 9th Annual Graduate Conference, Latin American & Caribbean Studies Center. April 9. Stony Brook University, New York City
- “Household Poverty in Latin America: Results from the Luxembourg Income Study.” With Natascia Boeri and Janet C. Gornick. Annual Meeting of the Eastern Sociological Society. March 18-21. Boston, MA

- 2008** “YES to Life, NO to the Paper Mills: Contesting Transnational Capital in Gualeguaychú, Argentina.” Global Studies Association / North American Conference. June 2008. New York City

DISCUSSANT AND/OR PRESIDER IN PUBLIC TALKS OR PANELS (INVITED)

- 2023** Panelist, Public Talk. Argentina 2023: Analyzing the Electoral Results and Perspectives for the Future. November 7, 2023. Center for Inter-American Policy and Research, Tulane University.

Discussant, Public Talk. Amitav Ghosh presents “The Great Uprooting: Migration and Movement in the Age of Climate Change.” March 16, 2023. Tulane University.

- 2022** Presider, Roundtable. “The Environment, People, and Movement”. Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. August 10-13. Los Angeles, CA

Discussant. Regular paper session. “Toxic dispossession, socio-ecological degradation and forced environmental change in Latin America - PART II.” International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association. Virtual Congress. May 5-8, 2022.

Organizer and Discussant, Public Talk. Dr. Gabriela Merlinsky presents her book, *Toda Ecología es Política*. March 15, 2022. Tulane University. New Orleans, LA

- 2019** Rapporteur, Commodities Flow Seminar. *Anthropocene River Campus: The Human Delta*. November 15, 2019. Tulane University. New Orleans, LA

Moderator, Public Talk. “Environmental Risk in the Matanza-Riachuelo, Mississippi, and Yamuna River Basins.” November 14. Tulane University, New Orleans.

Presider, Roundtable. “Everyday Environmentalism: Critical Perspectives.” Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association. August 10-13. New York City

- 2015** Presider. Regular paper session. “Neoliberalismo y transformaciones agrarias en Latinoamérica.” International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association. May 27-30. San Juan, Puerto Rico

Discussant and Presider. XIII Annual Tulane Undergraduate Conference on Latin America. November 21. New Orleans, LA.

- 2014** Discussant and Presider. XII Annual Tulane Undergraduate Conference on Latin America. November 22. New Orleans, LA.

CONFERENCES AND PAPER SESSIONS ORGANIZED

2024 Organizer, Panels “Climate Coloniality in Latin America” (Parts I and II). International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association. June 12–15, 2024. Bogotá, Colombia.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE AT TULANE UNIVERSITY

Introductory Undergraduate Courses:

- Foundations of Sociology (SOCI 2010)
- Environmental Sociology (SOCI 2600)
- Latin America & the Environment (SOCI 2650)
- Latin American Development (SOCI 2100, Topics in Sociology)

Upper-Level Undergraduate/Graduate-level Courses:

- Sociology of Food and Agriculture (SOCI 6112)
- Sustainable Development in Latin America (SOCI 6650)
- Approaches to Global Dilemmas, Altman Program in International Studies (ISIB 6010)
Module: “The Political Economy of the Environment in Latin America”
Module: “Climate Change & Sustainability in Latin America”
Module: “Climate Colonialities in Latin America” (Spring 2026)

Graduate-level Courses:

- Teaching Seminar, PhD Program, City, Culture, and Community (CCCC 7700)

PREVIOUS TEACHING EXPERIENCE

BROOKLYN COLLEGE, CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK (CUNY)

Fall 2013 Instructor, Introduction to Sociology (3 sections)

BARUCH COLLEGE, CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK (CUNY)

Spring 2009 Instructor, Introduction to Sociology

QUEENS COLLEGE, CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK (CUNY)

Spring 2009 Instructor, Economics of Latin America

Fall 2008 Instructor, Social Change in Latin America and the Caribbean
Instructor, Introduction to Sociology

Spring 2008 Instructor, Social Change in Latin America and the Caribbean

Fall 2007 Instructor, Social Change in Latin America and the Caribbean
Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Sociology (2 sections)

PAST RESEARCH EMPLOYMENT

2009 – 2012

Luxembourg Income Study (LIS) Center at The Graduate Center, CUNY

Cross-National Data Archive and a Research Institute, with a focus on income distribution, employment, and social policy. Director: Dr. Janet C. Gornick
Research associate. Outreach Coordinator for Latin America

2012

Occupy Wall Street Survey

Principal Investigators: Dr. Ruth Milkman, Dr. Stephanie Luce, and Dr. Penny Lewis
Survey taker

2008

Research Assistant to Dr. Sujatha Fernandes, Graduate Center, CUNY

General research and editing for Dr. Fernandes' book on urban social movements in Caracas, Venezuela: *Who Can Stop the Drums? Urban Social Movements in Chávez's Venezuela*, Duke University Press, 2010

2005 – 2007

"7 Train Project" - Research Foundation of the City University of New York

Principal Investigators: Dr. William Kornblum and Dr. Stéphane Tonnelat
Research assistant. Collected ethnographic data for Tonnelat and Kornblum, *International Express: New Yorkers on the 7 Train*. Columbia University Press, 2017

2006 – 2007

Bildner Center for Western Hemisphere Studies at the Graduate Center, CUNY

Director: Dr. Mauricio Font
Areas of research: State Reform, Public-Private Partnerships, Latin America, Brazil
Research assistant. Responsible for developing an online library and archive system for the Center

TULANE UNIVERSITY SERVICE

SERVICE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY

2020–2023	Salary Committee
2015–2019	SACS Assessment Committee
2015–2017	Organizer, Departmental Colloquium Series

SERVICE TO THE SCHOOL OF LIBERAL ARTS (SLA)

2024–Present	Director of Graduate Studies, City, Culture, and Community (CCC) PhD Program
2023–2024	Equity Advocate, EVST/SOCI Hiring Committee
2022–2025	SLA Executive Committee
Fall 2021	Acting Director, Environmental Studies Program (one-semester replacement)
2021–2025	Selection Committee, Creative Premedical Scholars Program
2018–Present	Faculty Advisory Committee, Environmental Studies Program (EVST)
2018–Present	SLA Graduate Honor Board Representative

UNIVERSITY-WIDE SERVICE

2023–Present	Selection Committee, Mid-Career Scholar Fellowships at the Center for Inter-American Policy and Research (CIPR)
Fall 2023	Faculty Associate Host Collaborator to Visiting Fulbright Scholar Daniela Vrbová (Environmental Journalist, Czech Republic)
Fall 2022	Faculty Leader, Newcomb-Tulane College Reading Project
2021–Present	Selection Committee, Graduate Admissions for Latin American Studies Program
2021–Present	Selection Committee, Post-Doctoral Fellowships at the Center for Inter-American Policy and Research (CIPR)
2019–2024	Executive Committee, Social Sciences Representative. Stone Center for Latin American Studies
2017–Present	Associate Research Fellow, Center for Inter-American Policy and Research (CIPR)
2017–Present	Faculty Fellow, Newcomb Institute
Fall 2019	Steering Committee Member. City, Culture, and Community Doctoral Program (one-semester replacement)
Spring 2018	Graduate Student Summer Research Award Committee. Stone Center for Latin American Studies
Fall 2015	Discussant and Presider. XIII Annual Tulane Undergraduate Conference on Latin America. November 21, 2015
Fall 2014	Discussant and Presider. XII Annual Tulane Undergraduate Conference on Latin America. November 22, 2014

DIRECTED STUDENT LEARNING & ADVISING***Ph.D. Dissertation Committees***

Sylvia Marina Ruiz, “How Private-Sector Actors Design, Finance, and Deploy Carbon Offset Projects in Peripheral Territories: The Case of the Voluntary Carbon Market in Argentina.” Ph.D. in Latin American Studies. Spring 2026–Present, Chair.

Ashley Ortiz Chico, “Mangrove Roots: Kinship Networks as Environmental Justice in Loiza, Puerto Rico.” Ph.D. in Latin American Studies. Fall 2024–Present, Member.

Devin Wright, “Climate Change: A Lens on Food Justice Among Small-Scale Producers in the Metropolitan New Orleans Area.” CCC Program. Fall 2020–Present, Member.

Ph.D. Area Exam Committees

Sylvia Marina Ruiz, “Latin American Political Ecology.” Ph.D. in Latin American Studies. 2025–2026, Chair.

Ashley Ortiz Chico, “Environmental Colonialism in Puerto Rico.” Ph.D. in Latin American Studies. 2023–2024, Chair.

Sarah Kington, “Environmental Sociology.” City, Culture, and Community (CCC) Doctoral Program. 2022–2023, Chair.

Catherine Sckerl, “Planning & Community Design Fieldwork: Decolonial Practices for Research.” CCC Doctoral Program. 2022–2023, Reader.

Devin Wright, “Sociology of Food and Agriculture.” CCC Doctoral Program. Fall 2019, Chair.

Dustin Robertson, “Urban Political Ecology.” CCC Doctoral Program. Spring 2019, Reader.

Chloe Tucker, “Political Ecology of Near-Urban Communities and Risk.” CCC Doctoral Program, Spring 2019, Reader.

M.A. Thesis Committees

Ezra Remer, “Dominique Dou- Sweet Dominica: Declining Youth Participation in the Dominican Agricultural Sector.” Master’s Program in Latin American Studies. 2024–2025, Chair.

Juliette Maasland, “Evaluating the Negotiated Strategic Relationship between Lithium Mining Companies, the State, and Local Communities in the Chilean Atacama Desert.” Master’s Program in Latin American Studies. 2024–2025, Member.

Marina Ruiz, “How NGOs Shape Protected Areas: The case of Argentina's National Park *El Impenetrable*.” Master’s Program in Latin American Studies. 2023–2024, Chair.

Carmen Vescia, “Private Trouble or Public Issue: Nutritionists’ Narratives of Treating Spanish-Speaking Latinos Living with Diabetes.” Master’s Program in Latin American Studies. 2022–2023, Chair.

Liat Perlin, “Deforestation in the Mache-Chindul: A Case Study of the Political Ecology of Tropical Deforestation.” Master’s Program in Latin American Studies. 2021–2022, Chair.

Huiying Cui, “Migrant-based Operational Patterns in the Coffee Production Sector in Honduras.” Master’s Program in Latin American Studies. 2021–2022, Reader.

Undergraduate Honors Thesis

Leila Warner, “Mindfulness and Nature Exposure: Impacts on Climate Change Anxiety.” BSc, Psychology. 2024–25, Reader.

Liv Davidson, “Sustainability of Study Abroad: Impact on Students’ Environmental Perspectives and Community Stakeholders at the *Fundación para la Conservación de los Andes Tropicales* Station in the Choco Rainforest in Ecuador.” BA, Environmental Studies & Sociology. 2022–23, Co-Director.

*Awarded Outstanding Honors Thesis in Environmental Studies

*Awarded Sociology Phi Mu Award

Clea Hendricks, “Mapping Justice: A Spatial Analysis of Environmental and Social Health in the Greater New Orleans Community.” BA, Environmental Studies. 2021–22, Reader.

Erin Sheehy, “Habitat Selection of Four Sympatric Manakins in Northwest Ecuador.” BSc, Environmental Biology. 2020–2021, Reader

Liat Perlin, “An Ecofeminist Analysis of Rural Agricultural Development: Alternatives from Thailand and India.” BA, Environmental Studies. 2016–2017, Director
*Awarded 2017 Best Thesis in Environmental Studies

Meredith McInturff, “Climate Change, Food Security and Children: The Role of Environmental Education in Promoting Behavior Change.” BSc, Public Health & International Development. 2016–2017, Reader

Undergraduate Independent Studies

Julia Guy. BA, Environmental Studies. “Lithium, Water, and Conflict.” Fall 2019

Liv Davison. BA, Sociology & EVST. “Applied Environmental Sociology.” Summer 2022

Graduate Independent Studies

Liat Perlin. MA, Latin American Studies. “Applied Environmental Sociology.” Fall 2021

GUEST LECTURES AT TULANE UNIVERSITY & OTHERS

2023 Environmental Conflicts (POLC 3023). Prof. Moisés Arce. Tulane University. October 12, 2023.

2022 Sociology of the Environment (Graduate Seminar). Prof. Emily Hubbart Kennedy. University of British Columbia (Canada). November 21, 2022.

Poverty and Inequality in the Global South. Prof. Izabela Steflja. Wilfrid Laurier University (Canada). November 1, 2022.

2021 Environmental History of Latin America (HIST 3911, Prof. Kris Lane). March 25, 2021.

“Exploring Opportunities in Food and Nutrition at Tulane.” Organized by the Tulane Public Health Society. March 16, 2021.

2020 Landscape Architecture Design Studio III. Prof. Forbes Lipschitz. Ohio State University. November 4, 2020

Feminist Epistemologies and Research Design (INTU 3000, Prof. Clare Daniel and Jacquelyne Howard). September 10, 2020

2019 Latin America's Environmental History (HIST 6910, Prof. Kris Lane). March 28, 2019

2017 Stuffed and Starved: The Politics of Eating. Prof. Rachel Schurman. November 6, 2017 (via Skype). University of Minnesota

Introduction to Environmental Studies (EVST 1010, Prof. Nicole Katin). April 4, 2017

- 2015** Speaker to first-year faculty orientation. August 20, 2015
 Speaker to the Newcomb Scholars Program. October 20, 2015

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- 2021–Present** Member, International Union for Conservation of Nature Species Survival Commission (IUCN-SSC), Oil Crops Task Force 2021-2025
- 2020–2023** Treasurer. Environmental Sociology Section, American Sociological Association
- 2023** Committee member, Fred Buttel Distinguished Contribution Award. Environmental Sociology section, American Sociological Association
- 2021–2022** Grant Reviewer, SSRC International Dissertation Research Fellowship
- 2021–2022** Program Committee Co-chair. Track: Toxic presents and future imaginaries. Latin American Studies Association 2022.
- 2021** Committee member, Robert Boguslaw Award for Technology and Humanism. Environmental Sociology section, American Sociological Association
- Committee member, Fred Buttel Distinguished Contribution Award. Environmental Sociology section, American Sociological Association
- 2020** Juror. *Rising: Climate in Crisis*, Artists Residencies at A Studio in the Woods. May 2020.
- 2019** Committee member, Allan Schnaiberg Outstanding Publication Award. Environmental Sociology section, American Sociological Association
- 2018–2019** Member Site Committee, 2019 Annual Conference Cultural Studies Association
- 2016–2017** Committee Member. Supporting International and Global Programs in Higher Education Initiative. Development Sociology Section, American Sociological Association

Editorial Boards

- 2022–Present** Advisory Board Member, Southern Food & Beverage Museum Series, LSU Press
- 2021–Present** Editorial Review Board Member, *Journal of Agricultural and Environmental Ethics*
- 2021–Present** Editorial Review Board Member, *Social Currents*

- 2021** Editorial Review Board Member, *Frontiers in Sustainable Food Systems - Land, Livelihoods and Food Security*
- 2020–2024** Faculty Review Board Member, *The Tulane Journal of Policy & Political Economy*
- 2015–Present** Editorial Review Board Member, *Qualitative Sociology*

Reviewer, Peer-Reviewed Journals

Contemporary Sociology; Sociology of Development; World Development; Geoforum; Journal of Agrarian Change; Journal of Peasant Studies; Qualitative Sociology; Globalizations; Canadian Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Studies; Development and Change; Tulane Journal of Policy & Political Economy; Journal of Rural Studies; Environmental Justice; American Ethnologist; Ethnos: Journal of Anthropology; American Journal of Sociology; Social Forces

Reviewer, Book Chapters

Routledge (2020)

Reviewer, Book Proposals

University of California Press (2021)
Oxford University Press (2025)

Reviewer, Book Manuscripts

MIT Press (2022)
University Press of Florida (2026)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS

American Sociological Association (ASA)
Southern Sociological Society (SSS)
Eastern Sociological Society (ESS)
Latin American Studies Association (LASA)

MEDIA & PUBLIC SOCIOLOGY

- 2024** Podcast Interview. *Cultural Studies* by Toby Miller. January 11, 2024
<https://www.podbean.com/ew/pb-kjii3-154903b>
- 2022** Radio interview. Program: “Es lo que hay.” Radio Capital 91.3. La Plata, Argentina. December 1, 2022. <https://radiocapital913.com.ar/index.php/2022/12/02/amalia-leguizamon-sociologa-ambiental-argentina-es-el-tercer-exportador-de-transgenicos-en-el-mundo/>

Interview. “La producción agrícola latinoamericana siempre ha sido muy conflictiva.” *Agencia TSS*. November 25, 2022 <http://www.unsam.edu.ar/tss/leguizamon-la-produccion-agricola-latinoamericana-siempre-ha-sido-muy-conflictiva/>

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Proyección Agroindustrial, Nov. 29, 2022. <https://proyeccionagroindustrial.com/28646-2/>

Conversatorio “Mediambiente y agronegocios.” With María Soledad Córdoba. Organized by UNSAM Edita. October 27, 2022. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wCNRTZVwK9o>

“El daño social y ecológico del “boom” sojero.” *Revista Noticias*, September 17, 2022. <https://noticias.perfil.com/noticias/opinion/el-dano-social-y-ecologico-del-boom-sojero>

Podcast Interview. *Green Dreamer*, a podcast about “collective healing, ecological regeneration, and true abundance and wellness for *all*,” with Kamea Chayne. March 22, 2022. <https://greendreamer.com/podcast/amalia-leguizamon-seeds-of-power>

- 2021** “A Collective Commitment Against GMOs.” *Tulane School of Liberal Arts Magazine*, Spring 2021. <https://liberalarts.tulane.edu/newsletter/committed-against-gmos>

Podcast Interview. *Concerning Climate*, by Sasha and Ezra. A podcast led by kids about the climate crisis where we interview experts and activists. March 16, 2021. <https://anchor.fm/concerning-climate/episodes/All-About-GMOs-esne80>

Podcast Interview. *Tip of the Tongue*, a podcast about food & drink, culture, and museums with Liz Williams, Founder of the National Food & Beverage Foundation and the Southern Food & Beverage Museum. January 18, 2021. <https://southernfood.org/tip-of-the-tongue/2021/01/18/tip-of-the-tongue-60>

- 2020** Podcast Interview. *New Books Network*, presents *Seeds of Power*. By Stentor Danielson. November 2020. <https://newbooksnetwork.com/seeds-of-power>

Interview. “Resource Extraction: In Conversation with Kregg Hetherington, Amalia Leguizamón and Gastón Gordillo.” Duke University Press. November 2020. <https://dukeupress.wordpress.com/2020/11/06/in-conversation-kregg-hetherington-amalia-leguizamon-and-gaston-gordillo/>

Interview. “Climate Change Knows No Borders: Discussion with Experts and Activists in New Orleans, Argentina, and Copenhagen.” By Emily Burkhard, Center for Global Education, Tulane University. October 2020. <https://global.tulane.edu/climate-change-student-lives>

Quoted. "Climate Week: Faculty reflect on the future of climate change education at Tulane." By Jesse Keenan, *Tulane Today*. September 2020.
<https://news.tulane.edu/pr/climate-week-faculty-reflect-future-climate-change-education-tulane>

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES (SELECTED)

- 2024** "Teaching with AI." CELT and The Connolly Alexander Institute for Data Science (CAIDS). Tulane University, Aug 15, 2024
- 2021** "Facilitating Classroom Conversations about Historical Racism and White Supremacy." CELT and the Office of Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion. Tulane University, Oct 21, 2021
- "Anti-Racism and Sociology." Workshop with Dr. Mary Pattillo, Northwestern University. Organized by Tulane School of Liberal Arts. March 2, 2020.
- 2020** "Anti-Racism and Racial Justice in Action: Building the Beloved Community in Teaching and Learning Environments." CELT, Tulane University. September 30, 2020.
- "Mobilization, Extractivism, and Government Action (MEGA) Workshop." Center for Inter-American Policy and Research. Tulane University. February 3-4, 2020.
- "Finding Grants or Funding Opportunities in Research." Library Workshop. Tulane University, New Orleans. January 30, 2020.
- 2019** Anthropocene River Campus: The Human Delta. Tulane University, New Orleans. November 10–16, 2019. <https://www.anthropocene-curriculum.org/>
- Workshop, "Confronting the Challenges of Poverty and Inequality." SCLAS & CIPR. Ongoing meetings throughout the academic year (2016–Present).
- REPAL 2019 (Red para el Estudio de la Economía Política de América Latina). Sixth Annual Conference. New Orleans, LA. May 13–14, 2019.
- "Write Winning Grant Proposals." Led by Dr. John Robertson, Grant Writers' Seminars and Workshops, LLC. Tulane University. New Orleans, LA. May 9, 2019.
- 2016** "Making Time, Making Change: Avoiding Overload in Teaching." Led by Dr. Douglas Robertson. Tulane University. New Orleans, LA. May 6, 2016.
- Workshop, "Political change in Latin America: Challenges for the Left Turn." Organized by Ken Roberts, Cornell University. Tulane University, April 12, 2016.
- 2015** Grant Writing Workshop. Led by Dr. Peg AtKisson, Grant Writers' Seminars and Workshops, LLC. Tulane University. New Orleans, LA. May 7, 2015.

- 2013** Agrarian Studies Conference: "Food Sovereignty: A Critical Dialogue."
Yale University. New Haven, CT. September 14-15, 2013
- 2011** Statistical Conference of the Americas of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (SCA-ECLAC) / Conferencia Estadística de las Américas de la Comisión Económica para Latinoamérica y el Caribe (CEA-CEPAL)
Bávaro, Dominican Republic. November 16-18, 2011
- 2010** VII International Seminar on Nanotechnology, Society and the Environment/ Brazilian Research Network in Nanotechnology, Society and Environment
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. November 10-12, 2010
- 2010** Building Bridges Conference: Community Partnerships and Learning
Brooklyn College, City University of New York. May 6-7, 2010
- 2009** Organization of American States (OAS) / Organización de Estados Americanos (OEA)
Inter-American Social Protection Network Launch. New York City. September 22, 2009
- 2009** Luxembourg Income Study (LIS) Summer Workshop (in Luxembourg)

INTERNSHIPS

- 2006 United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM)**
Latin America and the Caribbean Section, New York Headquarters
Summer internship.
Tasks: Developed a website on Indigenous women; Research on Indigenous women, gender budgets, and violence against women; Worked on Violence Against Women (VAW) Campaign Report

LANGUAGES

Fluent in Spanish (Native speaker)
Advanced knowledge of French
Working knowledge of Portuguese

References upon Request