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EDUCATION

current

Master's/PhD student in sociology, University of California, Santa Barbara - USA.

2024

Master's Degree in Latin American Studies, Universidad Andina Simon Bolívar - Ecuador.

Thesis title: Peasant struggles against the expansion of the extractive frontier. Imperialist mining and the class struggle in Cajamarca, Peru.

2021

Master's Degree in Political Sociology, FLACSO-Ecuador (Latin American Faculty of Social Sciences – Ecuador). Thesis title: Scale Shift in the Peruvian Anti-mining Contention. Theory Building from the Anti-mining Campaign of Struggle Against the Mining Exploration of the Quilish Mountain in Cajamarca.

2013

Bachelor's Degree in Political Science, Universidad Nacional Mayor de San Marcos – Peru.

SCHOLARSHIPS & BURSARIES

2024

Seed Grant Award for fieldwork given by the Sociology Department, UCSB.

2023

International Doctoral Recruitment Scholarship (IDRF) given by the UCSB Department of Sociology.

2022

Scholarship for fieldwork in the indigenous community of Huanuara (Tacna), UNMSM-Peru.

2019-2020

Full scholarship to pursue the Master's Degree in Latin American Studies, UASB-Ecuador.

2016-2018

Full scholarship to study the Master's Degree in Political Sociology, FLACSO-Ecuador.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2022

Teaching Assistant to Professor Angelica Ordonez in her course: Social Movements, organizations and cultural organizations in the Department of Liberal Arts and Cultural Studies, UASB-Ecuador.

2014-2015

Professor at the Faculty of Political Science and Governance of the Universidad Nacional Micaela Bastidas de Apurímac, Peru.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2020-2021

Researcher and coordinator of the project for the analysis of protest events for the update of the Social Protest Base of Peru (BPSP) corresponding to the period 2016-2020. Project Director: Professor Moises Arce (Tulane University).

2016-2017

Research assistant for the analysis of the Database of Sociopolitical Conflicts of Ecuador. Project director: Professor Santiago Ortiz (FLACSO-Ecuador).

REVIEWER AND EDITORIAL EXPERIENCE

2011-present

Co-founder and Member of the Editorial Committee of the Journal of Andean Political Studies (RAEP), ISSN: 2221-4135, Lima-Peru. Editor, Reviewer, and Indexing Manager: ProQuest, ESCI (WoS, Clarivate), EBSCO, Latindex.

PARTICIPATION IN CONGRESSES

- Mejía, José Manuel. 2013. “Aproximación Teórica a La Fragmentación de La Contienda Política Transgresiva.” In: III Congreso Nacional de Ciencia Política. Lima: Universidad Nacional Mayor de San Marcos.
- . 2014. “Repensando La Fragmentación de La Contienda Política Transgresiva En El Perú Post-Transición, 2001-2003.” In: VIII Coloquio de Estudiantes de Ciencia Política. Lima: Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú.
<https://doi.org/10.13140/2.1.3547.9360>.
- Mejía, José Manuel, and Renzo Ovidio Aurazo. 2015. “Mapeando La Fragmentación de La Contienda Política Transgresiva, Perú 2001-2006.” In: VIII Congreso Latinoamericano de Ciencia Política. Lima: Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú.

PUBLICATIONS

Thesis

- Mejía, José Manuel. 2024. “*Luchas campesinas contra la expansión de la frontera extractiva: minería imperialista y conflicto de clases en Cajamarca, Perú. [Peasant struggles against the expansion of the extractive frontier. Imperialist mining and the class struggle in Cajamarca]*” Latin American Studies M.A. Thesis, Quito: Universidad Andina Simón Bolívar, Sede Ecuador.
<http://repositorio.uasb.edu.ec/handle/10644/9715>.
- Mejía, José Manuel. 2021. “*Cambio de Escala En La Contienda Anti-Minera Peruana. Construcción de Teoría a Partir Del Conflicto Por La Exploración Del Cerro Quilish En Cajamarca. [Scale Shift in the Peruvian Anti-mining Contention. Theory Building from the Anti-mining Campaign of Struggle Against the Mining Exploration of the Quilish Mountain in Cajamarca]*” Political Sociology M.A. Thesis, Quito: Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales - Sede Ecuador.
<https://repositorio.flacsoandes.edu.ec/handle/10469/17341>.

Peer-review articles

Mejía, José Manuel, and Renzo Aurazo. 2015. “Repensando La Fragmentación de La Contienda Política Transgresiva En El Perú Post-Transición, 2001-2003.” *Encrucijadas. Revista Crítica de Ciencias Sociales* 9. <https://recyt.fecyt.es/index.php/encrucijadas/article/view/79029>.

Book chapters

Mejía, José Manuel. 2023. “El Estallido En Los Andes En Perspectiva Internacional.” In *Estallido Popular. Protesta y Masacre En Perú, 2022-2023*, edited by Gustavo Montoya and Homero Quiroz, 83–94. Lima: Estallido Editorial & Editorial Horizonte.

Reviews

Mejía, José Manuel, and Luis Meléndez. 2017. “Review: La extracción de recursos naturales y la protesta social en el Perú.” *Revista Andina de Estudios Políticos*, July, 101-104 Páginas. <https://doi.org/10.35004/RAEP.V7I1.60>.

COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION

2020-Present

Activist and co-founder of Surco Común (<https://www.facebook.com/surco.comun.5>). Organization committed to planning a transition to a peasant agroecological economy and building reciprocal ways of being with nature. Support of the monitoring processes of extractive industries, community work with the environment, organizations and agroecologists, sound map of the aquatic landscape.

2018-2019

Active participation in agroecological projects for soil rehabilitation, construction and non-monetary trade of urban horchatas (also during COVID19), and corn cultivation in a popular neighborhood of Quito. I work with peasant families who have recently migrated to the city and various groups of urban youth, in the production of alternative social relations.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

2023-present

Member of the CLACSO Working Group "Borders, Regionalization and Globalization".