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## EDUCATION

- Ph.D. May 2014  
Geography and the Environment, University of Texas at Austin  
Dissertation: *Waiting For Eviction: Squatters and the Right to the City in Buenos Aires, Argentina*
- M.A. August 2006  
Latin American Studies, University of Texas at Austin  
Thesis: *Peruvian Immigration to Chile: Policy, NGOs and the Chilean State*
- B.A. April 1994  
Latin American Literature and Culture,  
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan

## AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Latin America, Urban Geography, Housing, Immigration, Race and Ethnicity

## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2015- Present *Assistant Professor*  
Department of Geography  
University of Tennessee
- 2011- 2015 *Lecturer*  
University of Michigan  
Residential College
- 2006-2011 *Assistant Instructor/Assistant Researcher*  
University of Texas at Austin  
Department of Geography and the Environment
- 2005-06 *Assistant Instructor*  
University of Texas at Austin  
Department of Spanish and Portuguese

2001-04                      *Lecturer*  
 University of Michigan  
 Residential College

## SCHOLARSHIP

### Refereed Articles in Print

- 2014                      Carte, Lindsey, **Solange Muñoz**, Omar Diaz. Assessing the Participatory Planning Experience. *Planning Theory and Practice*, 2014, Vol. 15, No. 4, 565-588 [Peer-reviewed]
- 2013                      Torres, Rebecca, Rich Heyman, **Solange Munoz**, Lauren Apgar, Emily Timm, Cristina Tzintzun, Charles Hale, John McKiernan-Gonzalez, Shannon Speed, Eric Tang. "Building Austin, Building Justice: Immigrant Construction Workers, Precarious Labor Regimes and Social Citizenship." *Geoforum*, Volume 45, March 2013, Pages 145-155 [Peer-reviewed]
- 2010                      Sletto, Bjorn, **Solange Muñoz**, Shawn Strange, Rosa Donoso, Martin Thomen. "El Rincón de los Olvidados: Participatory GIS, Experiential Learning and Critical Pedagogy in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic." *Journal of Latin American Geography*, 9 (3): 111-135. [Peer-reviewed]

### Refereed Articles in Preparation

- N.d.                      Muñoz, Solange. Waiting Together: The Politics of Shared Housing and Collective Uncertainty. *Urban Studies*. [Peer-reviewed] in preparation

### Chapters, Articles and Reviews

- Forthcoming            "For a Proper Home: Housing Rights in the Margins of Urban Chile" (By Edward Murphy) in *Bulletin of Latin American Research*.
- 2008                      Baumann, David, Monica Bosquez, Meredith Bossin, Erin Daley, Rosa Donoso, Maritza Kelley, **Solange Muñoz**, Dana Stovall, Shawn Strange, Martin Thomen, and Bjorn Sletto. "El Rincon de los Olvidados: Methods for Risk and Vulnerability Assessment in Informal Settlements." Austin: School of Architecture, University of Texas, 144 pp.
- 2008                      **Muñoz, Solange** and Shawn Strange. "Reflections on Working in the Field: What you can't learn in the classroom", *LLILAS Annual Review Portal*. 2007-2008 (3).
- 2007                      Skop, Emily and **Solange Muñoz**. Book Review: Inside the Mosaic, *Journal of Regional Science*. Volume 47, Issue 3, pages 648–650.

**Translation of Academic Texts**

- 2010 Grimson, A. 2010. Culture and identity: two different notions. *Social Identities: Journal for the Study of Race, Nation and Culture*. Vol. 16, Issue 1
- 1999 Menéndez-Carrión, A. and A. Joignant Rondón eds. 1999 “*La Caja de Pandora: el retorno de la transición chilena.*” Planeta. Santiago, Chile

**UNDERGRADUATE COURSES** (developed)

- Fall 2015 Human Geography: People and Places
- Fall 13/Winter 14 First Year Writing Seminar: Landscapes of Home
- Winter 2013 Race and Racism in the Americas
- Winter/Fall 2012 Space, Identity and Rights in the Americas
- Fall 2010 This Human World: Introduction to Human Geography

**HONORS AND AWARDS**

- 2008 Faculty-Sponsored Dissertation Field Research Grant. Latin American Studies, University of Texas, Austin
- 2008 Leadership Award. Department of Geography and the Environment
- 2007-08 President of the Geography Association of Graduate Students
- 2007 Lozano Long Summer Field Research Grant
- 2007 Veselka Summer Field Research Grant
- 2005 Center for Latin American Policy Summer Field Research Grant
- 2005 Tinker Summer Field Research Grant
- 2004-06 Joe R. and Teresa Lozano Long Graduate Fellowship Preemptive Award

**CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

- 2015 “Brokering the Right to the City: Urban Migrants, Social Movements and the State.” Latin American Studies Association, San Juan, Puerto Rico. May 30, 2015.
- 2015 “Squatters and the State in Buenos Aires: Keeping the poor *poor* through subsidized eviction.” Association of American Geographers annual conference, Chicago, Illinois. April 23, 2015.

- 2014 “Waiting for Eviction in Buenos Aires: The Destabilizing Effects of Eviction on the Urban Poor.” Latin American Studies Association, Chicago, IL. May 24, 2014.
- 2013 ““Yo tengo mi casa en Peru” Women Migrant’s Narratives of Squatting in Buenos Aires.” Latin American Studies Association, Washington DC. May 29, 2013.
- 2012 “Squatter Houses, Eviction and the Struggle to the Stay in the City,” Conference of International Sociology Association: Social Justice and Democratization. Buenos Aires, Argentina. Session: Housing and the Right to the City. August 3, 2012.
- 2012 “Women, Gender and the Struggle for a Place in the City,” Association of American Geographers annual conference, New York, NY. February 24, 2012.
- 2011 “Squatters and the Right to the City: *Casas Tomadas* in Buenos Aires,” Association of American Geographers annual conference, Seattle, Washington. April 12, 2011.
- 2010 “Squatters and the Right to the City: *Casas Tomadas* in Buenos Aires, Argentina,” Latin American Studies Association, Toronto, CA. Session: Urban Citizenship in Latin America. October 10, 2010.
- 2010 “*Casas Tomadas* in Buenos Aires: Waiting for eviction with no place to go,” American Association of Geographers annual conference, Washington DC. Session: Informal Housing in Built Environments. April 18, 2010. (Session organizer)
- 2008 “Applied Geographic Information Systems: Participatory Approaches to Environmental Justice,” Austin City Forum, University of Texas, Austin.
- 2007 “Peruvian Immigration to Chile: Policy, NGOs and the Chilean State,” American Association of Geographers annual conference, San Francisco. Session: Migrants, Migration and Neoliberalism IV. April 20, 2007.
- 2006 “Peruvian Immigration to Chile,” ILASSA Student Conference, University of Texas, Austin.
- 2003 “Community Service and Migrant Outreach Services,” Second Annual Hispanic Heritage Month Reception, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.
- 2003 Migrant ESL: Bilingual Approaches to Service Learning and Community Collaboration. Panel session for MITESOL Conference, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor.

#### FIELD RESEARCH

- 2012 Buenos Aires, Argentina. Conducted two weeks of follow-up research doing interviews and data collection with organizations and squatter houses and residents included in my research.
- 2009 Buenos Aires, Argentina. Conducted dissertation field research focusing on squatter homes and evictions, Peruvian immigration and social movements.

- 2008 Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic. GIS Participatory Research Project in Los Platanitos, an informal settlement in the municipality of Santo Domingo Norte.
- 2007 Buenos Aires, Argentina. Conducted reconnaissance dissertation research on Peruvian migrant communities living in the center of Buenos Aires. Five weeks in the field.
- 2005 Santiago, Chile. Spent three months conducting research on Peruvian immigrant communities, NGOs and government anti-discrimination programs

**MENTORSHIPS**

- Winter 2013 *Mentor*  
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor  
Independent Study: Human Geography and Grant Writing
- Summer 2010/2011 *Mentor*  
University of Texas at Austin  
NSF Research Experiences in Undergraduate Education (REU)  
“REU Site: Undergraduate Research in Immigration, Geography, and Race/Ethnicity in the United States”. Population Research Center, UT Department of Sociology and UT Department of Geography and the Environment

**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

- 2014-2015 University of Michigan, LSA Diversity and Climate Faculty Institute Workshop

**SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY**

- 2015 Member and Officer College Diversity Committee  
Member McCrosky Fund Committee  
Member Graduate Program Committee  
Member Webpage and Social Media Committee

**SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY**

- 2008-2010 Austin, Texas  
Proyecto Defensa Laboral/Workers Defense Project  
Worker Center  
*English Instructor*

- 2005 Austin, Texas  
Casa Marianella: Emergency Shelter for Adult Immigrants  
*English Instructor*
- 2003 Ann Arbor, Michigan  
Proyecto Avance: Latino Mentoring Association (PALMA)  
*Co-founder, co-coordinator and tutor*
- 2001 Ann Arbor, Michigan  
Asociación Latina Alcanzando Sueños (ALAS)  
*Tutor*
- 1999 Santiago, Chile  
Agrupación de Familiares de Detenidos Desaparecidos/Families of  
the Detained and Disappeared  
*Translator*

**SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION**

- 2014 *América Latina Hoy, Revista de Ciencias Sociales*; manuscript review.

**PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

- 2006-present Association of American Geographers  
2009-present Latin American Studies Association  
2010-present Urban Geography Specialty Group