

*Curriculum Vitae***Philip J. Williams**

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UF PROFILE

Founded in 1853, the University of Florida is a major, public, comprehensive, land-grant, research university. UF has a long history of established programs in international education, research and service. It is one of only 17 public, land-grant universities that belong to the Association of American Universities. Annual research funding exceeds \$800 million. UF is among the nation's most academically diverse public universities, with 55,000 students spread across 16 colleges and professional schools. UF is ranked in the Top 10 of Public Schools by *US News and World Report*.

EDUCATION

D. Phil	1987	University of Oxford, Politics.
M.Phil	1984	University of Oxford, Latin American Studies.
B.A.	1981	University of California, Los Angeles, Political Science.

FACULTY POSITIONS

2000-present	Professor of Political Science, University of Florida.
1993-2000	Associate Professor of Political Science, University of Florida.
1989-93	Assistant Professor of Political Science, University of Florida.
1987-89	Assistant Professor of Political Science, Truman State University.

ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS

2009-present	Director, Center for Latin American Studies, University of Florida
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Reporting directly to the Provost, responsible for strategic planning, program development, fund-raising, and daily management of federally-funded National Resource Center with 21 faculty lines, 10 staff lines, and over 160 affiliated faculty in 16 colleges and professional schools; coordinate all aspects of the academic programs, including an undergraduate major and minor, undergraduate and graduate certificates, two MA programs, a joint MA/law degree, and an interdisciplinary graduate certificate and concentration in Tropical Conservation and Development; provide oversight and coordination for externally funded interdisciplinary research and training projects, international visiting scholar programs, and study abroad

programs; chief financial officer of the center (budget of \$5 million); and hiring authority and evaluator for all faculty and staff members.

Accomplishments:

- secured DOE, Title VI, National Resource Center and Foreign Language and Area Studies grants for Center during 2010-2014, 2014-18, and 2018-22 funding rounds
- played leadership role in multi-college efforts to secure new grants from the Ford Foundation and USAID
- worked with Center for African Studies for approval and implementation of new MA degree in Sustainable Development Practice (MDP)
- developed a new combined degree (BA/BS and MA) in Latin American Studies
- developed new study abroad programs in Latin America targeting students in pre-health, STEM fields, and the arts.
- partnered with the College of Arts and Harn Museum of Arts to expand music and arts outreach programs
- partnered with the School of Music to expand the Brazilian Music Institute to South Florida
- expanded the scope and impact of the Center's public engagement with Minority Serving Institutions (MSIs), K-12 schools, business, media, and community-based organizations
- expanded joint programming between the Center and the office of Multicultural and Diversity Affairs (MCDA)
- worked with undocumented students to implement UF's new tuition equity plan
- organized regular career workshops for undergraduate and graduate students, including opportunities to network with alumni
- oversaw curriculum review and revisions of Center's undergraduate and graduate programs
- organized external reviews of Center's academic, outreach, study abroad and language instructional programs
- hired thirteen new faculty members, including directors of Tropical Conservation and Development program and the new MDP program, and two senior faculty members under UF's "Preeminence Initiative"
- led the process to develop the Center's 2016-2021 strategic plan
- organized four campus-wide faculty strategic planning retreats
- developed new merit pay policy for center-based faculty
- instituted annual staff professional development retreats
- increased outreach to alumni and hired a development officer to increase Center's fundraising efforts (secured five new endowments to support Center's academic and research programs)

2004-2007 Chair, Department of Political Science, University of Florida.

Chief administrative officer of the department (35 faculty and 3 staff), calling and presiding at departmental meetings, and supervising day-to-day activities; coordinator of all aspects of the academic program (1,300 undergraduates/125 graduate students), such as degree requirements, curricular offerings, class scheduling, and faculty teaching assignments; chief financial officer of

the department (budget of \$3.2 million), preparing budgets and supervising all expenditures; hiring authority for all searches for new faculty and staff members; evaluator of faculty and staff performance and coordinator of merit pay decisions; liaison to the office of the Dean of the College.

Accomplishments:

- expanded enrichment opportunities for undergraduates through internships and spring study abroad programs
- increased support for graduate students, including more competitive stipends, participation in conferences and workshops, and summer research
- developed new guidelines for supervising graduate student instructors; enhanced graduate placement efforts, including organizing placement workshops for Ph.D. students
- recruited and hired 8 new faculty members
- developed new paternal leave policy for the department
- increased department's support from external grants and fellowships, and from the private donations of alumni and friends
- increased the department's endowment from \$2.5 million to over \$5 million
- played leadership role in college initiative to establish the Bob Graham Center for Public Service

1999-2003 Director, Rockefeller Residential Humanities Fellowships Program, Center for Latin American Studies, University of Florida

1998-2002 Associate Chair, Department of Political Science, University of Florida

RESEARCH GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

U.S. Department of Education, Title VI, National Resource Center and Foreign Language and Area Studies grants (2018-2022). UF Center for Latin American Studies (\$1,860,000). Principal Investigator.

Tinker Foundation (2017-2019) – “Tinker Field Research Grants Program” (\$45,000). Principal Investigator.

U.S. Embassy Panama (2015-2017) - “Equal Justice for all in Panama: Supporting the Transition to the Accusatory System in Rural and Indigenous Communities,” (\$273,238). Principal Investigator.

University of Florida Levin College of Law, “The Jon Mills Award for Significant Contributions to Relations Between Florida and the Americas,” May 2015.

Carnegie Corporation of New York (2015-2016) - “Recovering the Human Face of Immigration,” (\$50,000). Project Director.

U.S. Department of Education, Title VI, National Resource Center and Foreign Language and Area Studies grants (2014-2018). UF Center for Latin American Studies (\$1,890,000). Principal Investigator.

USAID-Higher Education for Development (2012-2015) – “Colombia-U.S. Human Rights Law School Partnership Program,” (\$760,000). Project Co-Director.

Ford Foundation Grant (2012-2014) – “Program for Immigration, Religion, and Social Change” (\$400,000). Co-Principal Investigator.

Tinker Foundation (2011-2014) – “Tinker Field Research Grants Program” (\$45,000). Principal Investigator.

U.S. Department of Education, Title VI, National Resource Center and Foreign Language and Area Studies grants (2010-2014). UF Center for Latin American Studies (\$1,786,120). Principal Investigator.

Ford Foundation Grant (2010-2011) – “Institute for the Study of Immigration, Religion and Social Change in the US South” (\$200,000). Co-Principal Investigator.

University of Florida Research Foundation Professorship (2009-2012)

National Science Foundation (2009) - "Doctoral Dissertation Research: Do Courts Matter? Institutional Arrangements, Judicial Impact and the Attitude of Brazilian Federal Agencies Toward Court Decisions" (\$11,960). Principal Investigator (Co-PI: Iran Rodrigues).

Ford Foundation Grant (2007-2009) – “Latin American Immigrants in the New South: Religion and the Politics of Encounter” (\$450,000). Principal Investigator.

Ford Foundation Grant (2005-2006) – "Latino Immigrants in the New South: Lived Religion, Space and Power" (\$150,000). Principal Investigator.

U.S. Department of Justice (2005-2007) – “Leadership and Public Service Mentoring Program” (\$148,000). Co-Principal Investigator.

National Science Foundation (2004) - “US-Argentina Dissertation Research: Market and Non-Market Factors in Argentine Immigration Policy: 1973-1999” (\$17,370). Principal Investigator (Co-PI: Julia Albarracín).

Ford Foundation Grant (2003-2005) - "Latino Immigrants in Florida: Lived Religion, Space and Power" (\$550,000). Principal Investigator.

Fulbright Lecturing/Research Award (2002), Catholic University, Peru.

Rockefeller Foundation Supplementary Grant (2002-2003) – “Religion and Globalization in the Americas – The Center for Latin American Studies 2003 Conference” (\$12,500). Principal Investigator.

Ford Foundation Planning Grant (2001-2002) - "Transnational Florida Project" (\$115,900). Principal Investigator.

University of Florida Research Opportunity Fund (2000-2001) – “Religion in the Americas Initiative” (\$45,000). Principal Investigator.

Rockefeller Foundation Humanities Residency Fellowship Program - Host Institution Grant (1999-2003) – “Religion in the Americas: Constructing Self, Community, and Nation in the Age of Globalization” (\$250,000). Principal Investigator.

National Science Foundation - Dissertation Enhancement Grant (1999-2000) “Out-smarting the State: A Case Study of the Colombian Narcotics Dilemma and the Learning Capacity of Drug Trafficking Enterprises” (\$22,500). Principal Investigator (Co-PI: Mike Kenney).

CLAS Summer Research Award, University of Florida (1999).

Pew Charitable Trusts Research Advancement Grant (1995-98) - “Negotiating Political and Economic Crises: Peruvian and Salvadoran Christians in Latin America and the United States” (\$298,000). Principal Investigator.

Teaching Incentive Program Award, University of Florida (1995).

United States Institute of Peace Research Grant (1994) - “Civil-Military Relations, Peace and Democratization in El Salvador” (\$30,000). Principal Investigator.

North-South Center Research Grant (1993-94) - “The Military and Democratization in El Salvador” (\$41,000). Principal Investigator.

Fulbright Lecturing/Research Award (1991-92), Central American University, El Salvador.

DSR Research Development Award, University of Florida (1990).

Faculty Research Award, Truman State University (1988).

Overseas Research Student Award, University of Oxford (1984-85).

PUBLICATIONS

Books

2011 *Living “Illegal”: The Human Face of Unauthorized Immigration*, with Marie Marquardt, Tim Steigenga, and Manuel Vásquez (New York, NY: The New Press).
(Paperback edition with new forward and epilogue published 2013)

2009 *A Place to Be: Brazilian, Guatemalan, and Mexican Immigrants in Florida’s New Destinations*, edited with Tim Steigenga and Manuel Vásquez (New Brunswick, N.J: Rutgers University Press,).

2001 *Christianity, Social Change, and Globalization in the Americas*, edited with Anna Peterson and Manuel Vásquez (New Brunswick, N.J: Rutgers University Press).

1997 *Militarization and Demilitarization in El Salvador’s Transition to Democracy*, with Knut Walter (Pittsburgh: University of Pittsburgh Press).

1989 *The Catholic Church and Politics in Nicaragua and Costa Rica* (London: Macmillan Press Ltd. and Pittsburgh: University of Pittsburgh Press).

Articles, Book Chapters, and Monographs

2017 “Recovering the Human Face of Immigration in the US South,” (co-authored with Fred Kammer, S.J. and Sue Weisher), *Jesuit Social Research Institute* (March).

2013 Orígenes y Evolución de la Jerarquía Católica en Nicaragua,” *Temas Nicaragüenses*, No. 64 (August).
(Spanish translation of chapter 2 from *The Catholic Church and Politics in Nicaragua and Costa Rica*, 1989. Reprint appearing in *Revista de la Academia de Geografía e Historia de Nicaragua*, No. 74, 2013).

2013 “Demilitarization after Central American Civil Wars,” (co-authored with J. Mark Ruhl), in Peter Stearns (ed.) *Demilitarization in the Contemporary World* (Champaign, IL: University of Illinois Press).

2010 “The Nicaraguan Constitutional Experience: Process, Conflict, Contradictions, and Change,” (co-authored with Lee Walker), in Laurel Miller (ed.) *Framing the State in Times of Transition: Case Studies in Constitution Making* (Washington, D.C.: United States Institute of Peace).

- 2009 “Introduction: Understanding Transnationalism, Collective Mobilization, and Lived Religion in New Immigrant Destinations,” (co-authored with Timothy Steigenga and Manuel Vásquez) in *A Place to Be: Brazilian, Guatemalan, and Mexican Immigrants in Florida’s New Destinations* (New Brunswick, N.J: Rutgers University Press).
- 2009 “Solidarities among Mexican Immigrants in Immokalee,” (co-authored with Patricia Fortuny and Mirian Solís) in *A Place to Be: Brazilian, Guatemalan, and Mexican Immigrants in Florida’s New Destinations* (New Brunswick, N.J: Rutgers University Press).
- 2009 “Transnationalism and Collective Action among Guatemalan and Mexican Immigrants in Two Florida Communities,” (co-authored with Timothy Steigenga) in *A Place to Be: Brazilian, Guatemalan, and Mexican Immigrants in Florida’s New Destinations* (New Brunswick, N.J: Rutgers University Press).
- 2009 “Looking for Lived Religion in Immokalee,” (co-authored with Patricia Fortuny) in *A Place to Be: Brazilian, Guatemalan, and Mexican Immigrants in Florida’s New Destinations* (New Brunswick, N.J: Rutgers University Press).
- 2009 “Conclusion: A Place to Be: New and Old Geographies of Latin American Migration in Florida and Beyond,” (co-authored with Timothy Steigenga and Manuel Vásquez) in *A Place to Be: Brazilian, Guatemalan, and Mexican Immigrants in Florida’s New Destinations* (New Brunswick, N.J: Rutgers University Press).
- 2008 “Iglesias y espacios públicos: Lugares de identidad de mexicanos en Metro Atlanta,” (with Patricia Fortuny) *Trayectorias: Revista de Ciencias Sociales* (Monterrey, Mexico: Universidad Autónoma de Nuevo León), Vol. 10, No. 26 (January-June).
- 2008 “Identidad Colectiva y Movilización Política de los Inmigrantes Latinos en Florida” (with Timothy Steigenga, *Studia Politicae* (Córdoba, Argentina: Universidad Católica de Córdoba), No. 13.
- 2007 “Más allá de Miami: religión y migración en Florida”, (co-authored with Timothy Steigenga) in Aldo Panfichi, ed. *Migraciones Internacionales* (Lima, Peru: PUCP - Fondo Editorial).
- 2007 “Protestantism and Child Mortality in Northeast Brazil, 2000,” (co-authored with Charles Wood and Kuniko Chijiwa), *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*, Vol. 46, No. 3.
- 2007 “Religion and Social Capital Among Mexican Immigrants in Southwest Florida,” (co-authored with Patricia Fortuny), *Latino Studies*, Vol. 5, Issue 2.
- 2005 “Introduction: The Power of Religious Identities in the Americas,” (co-authored with Manuel Vásquez) *Latin American Perspectives*, Vol. 32, No. 1 (January).

- 2003 “The Limits of Reformism: The Rise and Decline of Christian Democracy in El Salvador and Guatemala,” (co-authored with Gullermina Seri) in Scott Mainwaring and Timothy Scully (eds.) *Christian Democracy in Latin America* (Stanford University Press). (Spanish translation: “Los límites del reformismo: el ascenso y la caída de la democracia Cristiana en El Salvador y Guatemala,” in Scott Mainwaring and Timothy Scully (eds.) *La democracia Cristiana en América Latina: Conflictos y competencia electoral*, Fondo de Cultura Económica, México, DF, 2010.
- 2001 “Popular Religion and the (Re)Construction of Community in Yungay,” in *Christianity, Social Change, and Globalization in the Americas* (New Brunswick, NJ: Rutgers University Press).
- 2001 “Introduction: Christianity and Social Change in the Shadow of Globalization,” (co-authored with Anna Peterson and Manuel Vásquez), in *Christianity, Social Change, and Globalization in the Americas* (New Brunswick, NJ: Rutgers University Press).
- 2001 “The Global and the Local,” (co-authored with Anna Peterson and Manuel Vásquez), in *Christianity, Social Change, and Globalization in the Americas* (New Brunswick, NJ: Rutgers University Press).
- 2000 “Catholic Responses to the Crisis of Everyday Life in Lima, Peru,” (co-authored with Vilma Fuentes), *Journal of Church and State*, Vol. 42, No. 1 (Winter).
- 2000 “El Salvador: Revolt and Negotiated Transition,” (co-authored with Shawn Bird), in Thomas Walker and Ariel Armony (eds.) *Repression, Resistance, and Democratic Transition in Central America* (Wilmington, DE: Scholarly Resources).
- 1997 “Antipolitics in El Salvador, 1948-1994,” (co-authored with Knut Walter), in Brian Loveman and Thomas Davies (eds.) *The Politics of Antipolitics: The Military in Latin America*, Scholarly Resources. (Revised version of an earlier article that appeared in the *Journal of Interamerican Studies and World Affairs*)
- 1997 “The Sound of Tambourines: The Politics of Pentecostal Growth in El Salvador,” in Edward Cleary and Hannah Stewart-Gambino (eds.) *Power, Politics and Pentecostals in Latin America* (Boulder, CO: Westview).
- 1996 “Evangelicals and Catholics in El Salvador: Evolving Religious Responses to Social Change,” (co-authored with Anna Peterson), *Journal of Church and State*, Vol. 38, No. 4 (Autumn).
- 1994 *A Negotiated Revolution? A Two Year Progress Report on the Salvadoran Peace Accords*, co-authored with Kevin Murray, Margaret Popkin, Jack Spence and George Vickers, (Cambridge, MA: Hemisphere Initiatives).
- 1994 “Dual Transitions from Authoritarian Rule: Popular and Electoral Democracy in

- Nicaragua,” *Comparative Politics*, Vol. 26, No. 2 (January).
(Reprint appearing in Rosemary O’Kane (ed.) *Revolution: Critical Concepts*, Vol. III, London: Routledge, 2000.)
- 1993 “The Military and Democratization in El Salvador,” co-authored with Knut Walter, *Journal of Interamerican Studies and World Affairs*, Vol. 35, No. 1.
(Spanish translations: “El papel político del ejército salvadoreño: 1930-1979,” in Erick Rivera Orellana (ed.) *El Salvador: Historia mínima 1811-2011*, San Salvador: Editorial Universitaria, 2011; “Los Militares y el Proceso de Democratización en El Salvador,” *Revista Occidental* 11:1 (1994), and “El Ejército y la Democratización en El Salvador,” *Estudios Centroamericanos*, No. 539, September 1993).
- 1993 “El Salvador: A Bitter Pill,” *Hemisfile*, Vol. 4, No. 3 (May-June).
- 1992 *Endgame: A Progress Report on Implementation of the Salvadoran Peace Accords*, co-authored with David Holiday, Margaret Popkin, Jack Spence, William Stanley and George Vickers (Cambridge, MA: Hemisphere Initiatives).
- 1992 “The Limits of Religious Influence: The Progressive Church in Nicaragua,” in Edward Cleary and Hannah Stewart-Gambino (eds.) *Conflict and Competition: The Latin American Church in a Changing Environment* (Boulder CO: Lynne Reinner Publishers).
(Reprint appearing in Virginia Garrard-Burnett, ed., *On Earth as It Is in Heaven: Religion in Modern Latin America*, Wilmington, DE: Scholarly Resources, 1999).
- 1992 “The Nicaraguan Revolution in Perspective,” (review essay) *Latin American Research Review*, Vol. 27, No. 2,
- 1991 “Church and Protest in Nicaragua and Costa Rica,” *Conflict*, Vol. 11, No. 4 (October-December).
- 1991 *Nicaragua - Reconciliation Awaiting Recovery: Politics, the Economy and US Aid under the Chamorro Government*, co-authored with Laura Enriquez, Jeffrey Gould, Jack Spence, Richard Stahler-Sholk, and George Vickers (Washington, DC: Washington Office on Latin America).
- 1990 “Elections and Democratization in Nicaragua: The 1990 Elections in Perspective,” *Journal of Interamerican Studies and World Affairs*, Vol. 32, No. 4 (Winter).
- 1989 “The Catholic Church in the Nicaraguan Revolution: Differing Responses and New Challenges,” in Alexander Wilde and Scott Mainwaring (eds.) *The Progressive Church in Latin America*, (Notre Dame: University of Notre Dame Press,).
- 1985 “The Catholic Hierarchy in the Nicaraguan Revolution,” *Journal for Latin American Studies*, Vol. 17, Part 2 (November).

REVIEWS

Revolutionary Movements in Latin America: El Salvador's FMLN and Peru's Shining Path, by Cynthia McClintock. *The Journal of Conflict Studies*, Vol. XIX, No. 1 (Spring 1999).

The Catholic Church and Democracy in Chile and Peru, by Michael Fleet and Brian Smith, and *Contradiction and Conflict: The Popular Church in Nicaragua*, by Debra Sabia. *American Political Science Review*, v92, n3 (Sep 1998).

Organized Religion in the Political Transformation of Latin America, ed. by Satya Pattanyak. *Journal of Church and State*, Vol. 39, No. 4 (Autumn 1997).

The Church in Latin America 1492-1992, ed. by Enrique Dussel. *The Journal of the American Academy of Religion*, Vol. 7 (1996).

Faith and Revolution in Nicaragua: Convergence and Contradictions, by Giulio Girardi. *Journal of Church and State*, Vol. 33, No. 2 (Spring 1991).

Liberation Theology at the Crossroads, by Paul Sigmund and *Liberation Theology and Its Critics*, by Arthur McGovern. *America* (July 14-21, 1990).

The Catholic Church and Social Change in Nicaragua, by Manzar Foroohar. *Journal of Latin American Studies*, Vol. 22, Part II (May 1990).

Power in the Isthmus, by James Dunkerley. *Journal of Interamerican Studies and World Affairs*, Vol. 32, No. 1 (Spring 1990).

"The Church and Revolution in Latin American," *Religion and Politics*, Vol. 5, No. 3 (Fall 1989).

CONFERENCE ORGANIZATION

Organizer of the 66th Annual Conference of the Center for Latin American Studies, "Cuba and the United States in the 21st Century," University of Florida, Gainesville, March 30-April 1, 2017.

Co-organizer of "Immigration Reform and Beyond? The 5th Conference on Immigration to the US South," University of Florida, Gainesville, October 23-25, 2014.

Co-organizer of "Imprisoned, Forgotten, and Deported: Immigration Detention, Advocacy, and the Faith Community," Loyola University, New Orleans, October 13-14, 2011.

Co-organizer of "Assessing the "Secure Communities" Program and the Impact of 287(g) Agreements," Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, November 18, 2010.

Co-organizer of “Latino Immigration to Atlanta: Connecting Faith Communities and Addressing Critical Issues,” The Candler School of Theology, Emory University, March 19-20, 2010.

Co-organizer of the Ford Conference, “Latino Immigrants in Florida: Lived Religion, Space, And Power,” Antigua, Guatemala, December 9-11, 2005.

Co-organizer of the 51st Annual Conference of the Center for Latin American Studies, “Religion And Identity in the Americas: Agendas for the Future,” University of Florida, Gainesville, April 10-12, 2003.

Organizer of the 47th Annual Conference of the Center for Latin American Studies, “New Perspectives on Religion and Social Change in the Americas,” University of Florida, Gainesville, March 26-28, 1998.

Organizer of “Perspectivas de las relaciones civiles-militares en El Salvador,” CENITEC conference on civil-military relations, 7 October 1993, San Salvador.

SELECTED PAPERS AND LECTURES

“Transitional Justice Before and After Transition: The Colombian Case in Comparative Perspective,” International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association, Barcelona, Spain, May 23-26, 2018.

“¿America First? El discurso y políticas de Trump y su significado para América Latina,” Cátedra Global 2017, Universidad del Norte, Barranquilla, Colombia, October 19, 2017.

“US – Latin American Relations: From Globalism to Anti-Globalism?” Forum for China-LAC Relations, and Anhui-LAC Economic and Trade Cooperation, Anhui University, Hefei, China, September 23-24, 2017.

“Posconflicto en Centroamérica,” Cátedra Europa 2016, Universidad del Norte, Barranquilla, Colombia, March 18, 2016.

“El proceso de justicia transicional en Colombia: una perspectiva comparada, SECOLAS Conference, Cartagena, Colombia, March 9-13, 2016

“Latino Views of Black Americans in Metro-Atlanta: The Role of Contact and Religion in Mediating Racial Distancing,” (co-authored with Tim Steigenga), International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association, San Juan, Puerto Rico, May 27-30, 2015.

“Justicia transicional: Lecciones derivadas de de los procesos de paz en Centroamérica,” Primer Congreso Internacional Movimientos Sociales y Movimientos Revolucionarios en América Latina y el Caribe, Universidad del Norte, Barranquilla, Colombia, September 3-5, 2014.

“Demilitarization after Central American Civil Wars,” Society for Military History, 79th Annual

- Meeting, Arlington, VA, May10-13, 2012.
- “Religion, Immigration, and Ethnic Diversity in Metropolitan Atlanta: Contact, Conflict, and Constrict Theory,” Society for Applied Anthropology, 70th Annual Meeting, Mérida, Mexico, March 24-27, 2010.
- “Attitudes and Stereotypes: Examining Data from Metro Atlanta,” Conference on Latino Immigration to Atlanta: Connecting Faith Communities and Addressing Critical Issues, The Candler School of Theology, Emory University, March 19-20, 2010.
- “Guatemalan and Mexican Immigrant Mobilization in New South Destinations,” (co-authored with Tim Steigenga), XXVIII International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association, Rio de Janeiro, June 11-14, 2009.
- “A realidade do imigrante mexicano na Florida e em Atlanta,” Seminário Migração, Religião e Transnacionalismo, Universidade Candido Mendes, Rio de Janeiro, June 10, 2009.
- “Identidad Colectiva y Movilización Política de los Inmigrantes Latinos en Florida,” Jornadas Internacionales sobre Agenda Regional Latinoamericana, Universidad Católica de Córdoba, Argentina, August 26, 2008.
- “La dinámica de las identidades mexicanas en Metro Atlanta,” (co-authored with Patricia Fortuny) XXVII International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association, Montreal, Canada, September 5-8, 2007.
- “Democracy in Latin America: Challenges and Prospects,” Academic Assembly, United States Air Force Academy, February 6-9, 2007, Colorado Springs.
- “Más allá de Miami: Religión y Migración en Florida,” Aula Magna 2006 – International Migration, November 7-9, 2006, Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú, Lima, Peru.
- “Looking for Lived Religion in Immokalee, Florida,” Conference on Transnational Religion in Contemporary Latin America and the United States, January 26-27, 2006, University of Texas at Austin.
- “Religion, Transnationalism, and Collective Action among Guatemalan and Mexican Immigrants in Two Florida Communities,” (co-authored with Tim Steigenga), Presented at Annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, September 1-4, 2005, Washington, D.C.
- “Sacred and Secular Spaces among Mexican Immigrants in Immokalee, Florida,” co-authored with Patricia Fortuny Loret de Mola and Elizabeth Juárez. Paper presented at the XXIV International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association, Dallas, Texas, March 27-29, 2003.
- “Nuevas Perspectivas sobre el Pentecostalismo en América Latina.” Universidad

- Nacional Mayor San Marcos, Peru. December 3, 2002.
- “Gobernabilidad Democrática en América Latina.” Symposium on Democratic Governance in Latin America. Catholic University, Peru. November 13, 2002.
- “The Nicaraguan Constitutional Experience: Process, Conflict, Contradictions, and Change,” (co-authored with Lee Walker). Workshop on Constitution-Making, Peace Building, and National Reconciliation. United States Institute of Peace, Washington, DC. October 11, 2002.
- “Religión y Globalización en las Américas.” Universidad Nacional del Centro, Huancayo, Peru. October 3, 2002.
- “Pluralismo Religioso y Sociedad Civil en América Latina.” Symposium on Religion and Civil Society. Catholic University, Peru. August 9, 2002.
- “Religion and Social Change in the Americas,” The Interamerican World: Current Trends and Imagined Futures, March 22, 2000, New College, Sarasota.
- “Religious Pluralism, Citizenship, and Democracy in Latin America,” Latin American Studies Association International Congress, March 16-18, 2000, Miami, Florida.
- “El Salvador: Revolt and Negotiated Transition,” (with Shawn Bird), Latin American Studies Association International Congress, September 24-26, 1998, Chicago, Illinois.
- “Catholic Responses to the Crisis of Everyday Life in Peru,” Latin American Studies Association International Conference, April 1997, Guadalajara, Mexico.
- “Dilemmas of Democratization in Nicaragua: The 1996 Elections in Perspective,” McVay Memorial Lecture, Xavier University, Cincinnati, January 24, 1997.
- “Evangelicals and Catholics in El Salvador: Evolving Religious Responses to Social Change,” (with Anna Peterson), Latin American Studies Association International Congress, 28-30 September 1995, Washington, DC.
- “Transforming Civil-Military Relations in El Salvador: Implications for US Policy,” Inter-American Relations Conference, 22-24 September 1994, Jacksonville.
- “From Civil War to Civil Peace,” Democracy and Peace Building in Central America, The Southern Center for International Studies and the North-South Center, 10 May 1994, Atlanta.
- “The Salvadoran Military Confronts the Peace Accords,” Latin American Studies Association XVIII International Congress, 10-12 March 1994, Atlanta.

- “Perspectivas de las relaciones civiles-militares en El Salvador,” Conference on Civil-Military Relations, CENITEC, 7 October 1993, San Salvador.
- “Hacia nuevas relaciones civiles-militares,” Universidad Salvadoreña, 23 July 1993, San Salvador.
- “Democracia y Governabilidad: Los Casos de El Salvador y Nicaragua,” Universidad Tecnológica, 21 July 1993, San Salvador.
- “Democracy Without Governability?: The Politics of Democratization in Nicaragua and El Salvador,” Florida International University, 13 November 1992, Miami.
- “The Peace Process in Central America,” Central America in the Changing Business Environment, 2 October 1992, Miami.
- “The Military and Democratization in El Salvador,” Latin American Studies Association XVII International Congress, 24-27 September 1992, Los Angeles.
- “Una Agenda para la Paz y la Reconstrucción Nacional: Desmovilización y Democratización en Nicaragua,” CENITEC, 12 September 1991, San Salvador.
- “Ten Years of Revolution: The Nicaraguan Church,” Latin American Studies Association XV International Congress, 4-6 December 1989, Miami.
- “The Catholic Church in Costa Rica: The Enigma of Central America?” Society for Latin American Studies 26th Annual Conference, 7-9 April 1989, University of Bradford, England.
- “The Sandinistas and Religion in Nicaragua,” International Political Science Association XIV World Congress, 28 August - 1 September 1988, Washington, DC.
- “Destabilizing the Revolution: The Catholic Hierarchy in Nicaragua,” Mid-West Association of Latin American Studies and Illinois Conference of Latin Americanists Joint Congress, 6-7 November 1987, DePaul University, Chicago.

TEACHING

Comparative Politics
 Introduction to Latin American Politics
 Contemporary Problems in Latin America
 The Politics of Central America
 Andean Politics
 Latin American and Caribbean Migration to the United States
 Graduate Seminar: Latin American Politics
 Graduate Seminar: Issues and Perspectives in Latin American Studies
 Graduate Seminar: Comparative Social Movements

Advanced Research Seminar in Comparative Politics

INTERNATIONAL FIELD RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2015-17 Panama: Project on justice system reform in indigenous communities
 2012-15 Colombia: Colombia-U.S. Human Rights Law School Partnership Program
 2006 Peru: Research on transnational migration.
 2004 Mexico: Ford Foundation-supported research on religion and migration.
 2002 Peru: Fulbright-supported research on democratic governance.
 1998 Peru: Pew Charitable Trusts-supported research on religion and social change.
 1997 Peru: Pew Charitable Trusts-supported research on religion and social change.
 1996 Peru: Pew Charitable Trusts-supported research on religion and social change.
 1994 Chile: Consultant for USAID Study of NGO's, Civil Society and Democratization.
 1994 El Salvador: North-South Center-supported research on civil-military relations and democratization.
 1993 El Salvador: North-South Center-supported research on civil-military relations and democratization.
 1991-92 El Salvador: Fulbright-supported research on grassroots religious movements.
 1991 Nicaragua: Member of LASA Delegation studying the post-electoral transition.
 1990 Peru: Preliminary research on grassroots religious movements.
 1990 Nicaragua: Research on the post-electoral transition.
 1988 Nicaragua: Research on political parties and democratization.
 1985 Costa Rica: Dissertation research on religion and politics.
 1984 Nicaragua: Dissertation research on religion and politics.
 1983 Nicaragua: Master's research on the Catholic church and politics.

UNIVERSITY GOVERNANCE AND SERVICE

Service for the University

- UF International Council (2014-present)
 International Outreach Advisory Council (2013-present)
 International Center Dean Search Committee (2013)
 Doctoral Research Travel Awards Committee (2012)
 Center for International Business Education and Research (CIBER) Advisory Council (2009-2014)
 CHISPAS, Faculty Advisor (2009-2011)
 Bridges Across Borders, Faculty Advisory (2008-2010)
 CALOR, Faculty Advisor (2005-present)
 Nicaraguan Students Association, Faculty Advisor (1997-2004)
 Peruvian Students in Unity, Faculty Advisor (2005-present)
 Overseas Studies Scholarship Committee (1994-97)
 Fulbright Study Abroad Grants Committee (1994-99)

Service for the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences

Center for European Studies Board of Directors (2014-present)
 Bob Graham Center Advisory Committee (2012-present)
 Center for European Studies Director Search Committee (2011)
 Salary Plan for Professors (SPP) Committee (2009)
 Department of Classics Chair Search Committee (2007)
 Dean's Advisory Council (2002-2006)
 Design/Build Committee, Pugh Hall (2006)
 Graham Center Working Group (2004-06)
 University Scholars Selection Committee (2000)
 CLAS Undergraduate Study Abroad Scholarships Committee (1999)
 CLAS TIP Committee (1998)
 CLAS Bonus Awards Committee (1997)
 Foreign Language Across the Curriculum Committee (1995-99)

Service for the Center for Latin American Studies

Center Director (2009-present)
 Program Coordinator, UF Cuba Program (2015-present)
 Faculty Advisory Committee (2008-09)
 Admissions and Financial Aid Committee, Chair (2009)
 Director, Rockefeller Residential Fellowships Program (1999-2003)
 Chair, Rockefeller Fellowship Selection Committee (1999-2001)
 Coordinator, Bacardi Lecture Series (2001-2002, 2005)
 Chair, Financial Aid Committee (2001-2002)
 Coordinator, Religion and Society Concentration, Master's in Latin American Studies
 (1998-2000)
 Coordinator, Andean Studies Concentration, Master's in Latin American Studies (2003-)
 Center's Advisory Committee (2001-2002)
 Center for Latin American Studies Governance Committee (1996-2001)
 Bacardi Eminent Scholar Search Committee (1996-98)
 Center for Latin American Studies Editorial Advisory Committee (1995-96)
 Center for Latin American Studies Executive Committee (1994-98)

Service for the Political Science Department

Chair Search Committee, Chair (2013)
 Comparative Politics Field Committee, Chair (2008-09)
 Merit Committee (2008-09)
 Chair's Advisory Committee, Chair (2008-09)
 Strategic Planning Committee, Chair (2008-09)
 Market Equity Committee (2008-09)
 Department Chair (2004-2007)
 Associate Chair (August 1998-2002)
 Comparative Politics/European Studies Search Committee, Chair (2003-2004)

Chair's Advisory Committee (2003-2004)
Sustained Performance Evaluation Program (SPEP) Committee (2002)
Faculty Development Committee, Chair (2001-2002)
Comparative Politics/Latin American Studies Search Committee, Chair (2001)
Undergraduate Best Paper Awards Committee (2001)
Comparative Politics Search Committee (2000-01)
Step Committee (2000)
Tenure and Promotion Committee (2000, 2003, 2012)
Political Theory Search Committee (1999)
Master's Program Review Committee (1998-99)
Initiatives Committee (1997-present)
European Politics Search Committee, Chair (1997-98)
African Politics Search Committee (1996-97)
Leadership Committee (1995-97)
Undergraduate Committee (1994-1999)
African Politics Search Committee, Chair (1994-95)
Chair of Comparative Politics Field Committee (1992-1998)