

ROGELIO GARCIA-CONTRERAS

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EXPERIENCE

More than eleven years experience teaching at the graduate and undergraduate levels in public and private university of Mexico, China and the United States.

More than eight years experience directing and administrating the Micro Credit and Social Entrepreneurship Program at the University of St. Thomas, Houston. The MC and SEP is a co-curricular service-learning program dedicated to the design and implementation of sustainable development and poverty alleviation projects around the world.

More than eight years experience on program development, design and management

More than eight years experience directing and administrating Micro credit projects

More than twelve years experience conducting research and socioeconomic assessments in marginalized communities around the world.

Successful Fundraising and Grant Writing Experience

Experience working in grant making and grant funded projects

Experience working in both, the public and private sectors of Mexico and the US

Experience working and administrating development projects in South Eastern Africa: Malawi, Mozambique, Tanzania

Experience working with NGOs and Foundations in Pakistan and Turkey in the design and administration of development and advocacy policies

Experience working and administrating development projects in Bolivia, Colombia, Chile, US and Mexico

Experience with Policy Advocacy in Mexico and the US

SKILLS

Advanced Academic and Professional Degree

Proficiency with MS Work, Outlook, Excel, Visio, Pilzer and Power Point

Grant Writer and Administrator

Excellent writing and oral communication skills in both, English and Spanish

Knowledge of French and Italian

Strong analytical and critical thinking skills

Strong research skills

Negotiation skills across the public and private sectors

Familiarity with Internet and innovative technologies

Multi-project management skills

Program Manager

EDUCATION

- **University of Denver**

PhD, Josef Korbel School of International Studies, November 23, 2005

Dissertation Committee: Chair: Dr. Sally Hamilton. Readers: Dr. Jack Donnelly and Dr. Tim Sisk

Master of Arts, Graduate School of International Studies, June 1998.

Master Thesis: "Mexican Time: Between Change and Immutability"

Certificate, Economics University of Prague and the University of Denver (GSIS), June 1997

- **El Colegio de México**

Diplomado, Centro de Estudios sobre la Integración Europea, May 1996.

- **Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México**

Bachelor of Arts: Facultad de Ciencias Políticas y Sociales, ENEP Acatlán, February 1995

Field: International Studies.

- **Instituto Matías Romero de Estudios Diplomáticos**

Diplomado, Secretaría de Relaciones Exteriores, May 1993

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- **UNIVERSITY OF ST. THOMAS**

Center for International Studies

Fall 2007 to the Present

Founder and Director of the Micro Credit and Social Enterprise Program

- Program Development, Design and Management.
- Research and Socioeconomic assessments.
- Grant Writing, Grant Administration

- **UNIVERSITY OF ST. THOMAS**

Center for International Studies

Fall 2006-13/Spring 2007-14/Summer 2008, 2010, 2013/Winter Interterm 2011

Cullen Trust for Higher Education/Fayez Sarofim Endowed Chair in International Studies for 2013 – 2015

Associate Professor

- **SEVENTY-ONE** courses with a total of **EIGHTEEN different preparations**: Research Methods, Intro to Int'l Studies, International Politics, Regional Study of Europe, Eastern European Integration, International Development, Introduction to International Studies, International Political Economy, Regional Study of Latin America, Contemporary Latin America, Third World Politics; Race, Class and Gender; Freshman Symposium, Social Entrepreneurship Seminar, Senior Thesis Seminar, International Politics Seminar, Politics and Economics of Latin America, and an On Line Course on Globalization.

Faculty Advisor and Coordinator

- Center for International Studies *Films and Documentaries Series*
- University of St. Thomas *Mosaics of Faith Conference*
- University of St. Thomas – *Centro Fox Partnership*
- Thesis Advisor to *Thirty* Undergraduate Students and *Four* MLA Students.

- **UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON**

Spring 2007-2008 / Fall 2007

Political Science Department

Adjunct Professor

- Lecturing: International Politics

- **UNIVERSITY OF DENVER**

Spring Quarter 2004-05-06 / Fall Quarter 2003-04-05

Josef Korbel School of International Studies

Adjunct Professor

- Lecturing at the Graduate Level: Latin American Development / Politics of Development

- **UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO AT BOULDER**

Spring 2004-05-06 / Fall 2004

Department of International Affairs and Department of Ethnic Studies

Adjunct Professor

- Lecturing: Latin America and the Post Cold War World / Race, Class and Gender.

- **UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO AT DENVER**

Spring 2005

Department of Political Science

Adjunct Professor:

- Lecturing: Third World Politics

- **RENMIN UNIVERSITY OF CHINA, Beijing**

Winter Interterm 2004-2005

Graduate School for European Studies and International Relations

Part-Time Visiting Professor:

- Lecturing: Human Security (Graduate level)

- **METROPOLITAN STATE COLLEGE OF DENVER** Spring 2004-05-06 / Fall 2004-05
Department of Political Science
Full Time Visiting Professor:
 - Lecturing: Pol. Sys. and Ideas / WPE / Political Theory / Int'l Politics
Adjunct Professor:
 - Lecturing: Pol. Sys. and Ideas / WPE / Political Theory / Int'l Politics

- **UNIVERSITY OF DENVER** September 1998 – May 1999
Graduate School of International Studies - Undergraduate Program
Work study position
 - Assist the Undergraduate Director of Admissions with the organization of events and the management of applications for the BA program in International Studies

- **UNIVERSIDAD DE GUADALAJARA** January 1998 – June 1998
Economics Department
 Guadalajara, JAL, Mexico
Part-Time Visiting Professor at the MA Program in Economics
 - Lecturing: Latin American Monetary Relations and a Seminar on Mexican Civil Society

- **UNIVERSIDAD IBEROAMERICANA** May 1998 – September 1998
Political Economy Department
 Mexico D.F., Mexico
Part-Time Visiting Professor at the BA Program in Political Economy
 - Lecturing: Political Economy of Latin America 1982-1994

- **UNIVERSIDAD NACIONAL AUTONOMA DE MEXICO** August 1995 – December 1995
National School of Professional Studies
Adjunct Professor
 - Lecturing: International Monetary Problems and Latin American Politics

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- **WORK AND FAMILY CENTER** May 1999 – June 2004
Center for Policy Research
Research Manager
 - Grant Writing. Economic and political evaluation of the Work and Family Center, a Colorado Department of Corrections agency, dedicated to reduce recidivism rates and to facilitate the reintegration of former offenders to the community.
 - Research planning and development

- **FREELANCER TRANSLATOR** Sept ember 1996 – June 2001
NxLevel (www.nxlevel.org) UNIVERSITY of COLORADO at Denver
 - Translation of NxLevel training material (Text and Workbooks) for new entrepreneurs.
 - Topics: Business Administration, Business Management and Financial Planning
 - Layout for PRINTING and PUBLICATION

- **DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE AND PUBLIC CREDIT (SHCP)** June 1994 – September 1996
Foreign Press Office, Mexican Government
Researcher at the Foreign Press office
 - Assist in the organization of official press conferences on relevant Economic issues
 Coordinate the publication of special Economic reports for the foreign Press

- **PRESIDENCY OF THE REPUBLIC** January 1992 – June 1994
Foreign Press Office, Mexican Government
Political and Economic analyst at the Foreign Press office
 - Assist with the preparation of special reports on articles appearing in the Foreign Press.

- **INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE OF RECYCLING** July 1992 – February 1993
Environmental Consulting Group
Environmental Consultants' Manager
 - Social, environmental and statistical analysis. Grant writing.
 - Risk assessment and risk management
 - Use of agricultural land evaluations
 - Analysis of environmental impact

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- Member of the International Political Science Association (IPSA)
- Member of the Association of Professional Schools of International Affairs (APSIA)
- Member of the Southwest Conference of Latin American Scholars (SCOLAS)
- Member of the Latin America Studies Association (LASA)
- Member of the Southwestern Social Science Association (SWSSA)
- Member of the Editorial Board of the Journal for Peace Studies and the South Western Journal of IS

SCHOLARSHIPS, AWARDS AND HONORS

- Clinton Global Initiative Universities, Program of the Year Award, UST Micro Credit Program, April 2009
- University of St. Thomas, Student Affairs and Enrollment Management, Community Service Award – CIS Microcredit Program, May 2008
- National Council of Science and Technology, Mexican Government, Study Abroad Scholarship, 1996-2001
- University of Denver, Graduate School of International Studies, Tuition Award, 1996-1997
- National Council of Science and Technology, Mexican Government, Excellence Scholarship, 1995-1996
- Department of Social Development, Mexican Government, Solidaridad Fellowship, 1993 and 1994
- National University of Mexico, Academic Merit Fellowship/Award, 1991-1994

SERVICE

- Founder and Director of the Center for International Studies *Micro Credit Program* (today *Social Entrepreneurship Program*) at the University of St. Thomas
- Founder and Coordinator of the Center for International Studies *Films and Documentaries Series* at the University of St. Thomas
- Initiator and Co-Sponsor of the Center for International Studies *Mosaics of Faith Conference* at the University of St. Thomas
- Coordinator of the *UST – Centro Fox Partnership* for Seminars and Workshops
- UST Foreign Languages Curriculum Reform Subcommittee
- UST International Education Committee
- UST Social Justice Committee
- UST Social Justice Program Committee
- UST Admissions Committee (interim)
- UST Core Curriculum Review Committee
- UST Latin America and Latino Studies Committee
- UST Undergraduate Research Committee

PUBLICATIONS

Peer Review Publications:

- “Fostering traditional Activities and Nature Conservation in the Yucatan Peninsula.” Co-author: Dr. Eduardo Garcia-Frapolli, Centro de Investigacion de Ecosistemas, Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico. Published at the Society and Natural Resources Journal, 0:1-14, July 2013.
- “A Microcredit Program, a Math Education Initiative and Service-Learning: Matching a University’s Mission to Greater Community Needs”. Co-authors: Dr. Jean-Philippe Faletta and Dr. Rick Krustchinsky, University of St. Thomas. Published at the New Horizons Journal, Vol 16, Number 1, January 2013.
- “The University of St. Thomas Service-Learning Program: Matching the University’s Catholic Mission to Greater Community Needs”. Co-authors: Dr. Jean-Philippe Faletta and Dr. Rick Krustchinsky, University of St. Thomas. Published at the Journal of Catholic Higher Education, Vol 9, Number 31, January 2012.
- “Colonial Hangover: The case of the CFA”. Co-author: Dr. Pierre Canac, University of St. Thomas. Published at the Journal of Asian and African Studies, Vol. 46, Number 1, February 2011.
- “Realpolitik Challenges to World Peace: The debate on America’s Preemption Doctrine during the early years of the second Iraqi War”. Published at the Peace Studies Journal, Vol. 2, Issue 3, December 2009.
- “Relative Price Variability: The Case of 32 Mexican States”. Co-author: Dr. Ulyses Balderas, Sam Houston State University. Published at the Indian Journal of Economics and Business, Vol. 32 Number 4, December 2009.
- “Opening Spaces: The Role of Civil Society in the Consolidation of Liberal Democracy” Accepted for Publication at the Southwestern Journal of International Studies, Issue 3, Volume 1, Fall 2009.
- “I am you, you are me: Exploring the notions of mutual constituency in international relations theory”. Published at the Southwestern Journal of International Studies, Issue 2, Volume 1, Summer 2008.
- “Dangerous and endangered populations: A proposal to reduce recidivism”. Published Electronically at Bad Subjects Journal, Berkeley University, Issue Num. 71, Dec 2004

Published Chapters in Books:

- Garcia Contreras (2014), “An open path to self employment: the revolutionary and hopeful path of social entrepreneurship”. Published in Carmen Parra, Editor (2014). The World of Social Entrepreneurship. Banco Santander Publishing Division. Barcelona, Spain.
- Garcia Contreras, et al. (2011). “From the Jungles of the Yucatan to the Urban Canyons of Houston: Examples of Service-Learning in Action and their Applicability.” Published in Phylis Lan Lin, Editor (2011) Service-Learning in Higher Education: Connecting the Global to the Local. University of Indianapolis Press, Indianapolis, Indiana, USA.
- Garcia Contreras (2010), “Transforming Societies by empowering individuals: the effects of micro financing on programs for poverty alleviation and democratic alteration”. Published in Armel Pecheul, Editor (2010). Globalization: An Interdisciplinary Perspective. International Council of the Universities of St. Thomas Aquinas. Institut Catholique d’Etudes Superieures, Presses Universitaires de l’ICES, La Roche, France.

Published Conference Proceedings:

- Garcia Contreras et al (2012) “How service-learning can enhance active and collaborative learning globally and locally. The case of the UST Social Entrepreneurship Program”. To be published at the proceedings of the 2012 ICERI Conference in Madrid, Spain.
- Garcia Contreras et al (2012) “Master on Micro Credit for Development as a Service Learning Initiative”. To be published at the proceedings of the 2012 ICERI Conference in Madrid, Spain.
- Rogelio Garcia Contreras (2003) “Preemptive strikes: The Bush Doctrine and the case of Iraq.” Proceedings of the 2003 Social Sciences Conference in Honolulu, Hawaii.

Peer Review Articles and Book Chapters already submitted for review and Publication:

- “Master on Microfinance for Development as a Service Learning Initiative”, Co-Authored with Dr. Mari Cruz Lacalle, Universidad Autonoma de Madrid. Submitted for Review and Publication to the International Journal of Educational Development.
- “Liberal Justice: A Catholic view on the role of microfinance as a tool for Development”. Submitted for Review and Publication to the Social Advocacy and Systems Change Journal.
- “El uso de micro creditos para fomentar la apropiacion tradicional de la naturaleza en comunidades mayas.” Co-author: Dr. Eduardo Garcia-Frapolli, Centro de Investigacion de Ecosistemas, Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico. Submitted for Review and Publication to Territorio, Sociedad y Medio Ambiente, a Spanish Language Journal.

Peer Review Articles in Progress:

- “The Social Enterprise Experience in Europe and the United States”. Co-author: Dr. Carmen Parra. Presented at the ARNOVA Conference, Denver, CO, November 19-22, 2014
- “Survey of Europe: Czech Citizens view on Europe’s recent crisis”. Co-author: Dr. Pierre Canac, University of St. Thomas. Paper in Progress.
- “Micro financing as a case of Social Entrepreneurship”. Paper in Progress.
- “In search of Social Justice: Micro financing as an opportunity”. Paper in Progress.
- “Solidarity, Equality of Opportunity, and the teachings of the Catholic Church”. Paper in Progress.
- “Transforming Societies by Empowering Individuals”. Co-author: Dr. Ulyses Balderas, University of St. Thomas. Submitted for its Publication to the Review of Radical Political Economists.

Academic and Scholarly Contributions:

- “Mexico somos todos”. Literal, Latin American Voices, Vol. 22, Fall 2010
- “Una Cronica del triunfo de Espana y las sutilezas de una independencia”. Literal Magazine Blogspot, July 2010
- “El Deporte mas hermoso del Mundo” Literal Magazine Blogspot, June 2010.
- “Intellectual Democracy: A global perspective on American Intelligentsia”. Literal, Latin American Voices, Vol. 20, Spring 2010.
- “On what is normal”. Literal, Latin American Voices, Vol. 16, Spring 2009
- “Bringing Hope, Empowering Individuals”. The Bulletin of Catholic Higher Education, Vol. 1, Number 1, October 2008.
- “American Unilateralism and the Doctrine of Preemption: The case of Iraq.” Social Sciences Conference Papers, Honolulu, Hawaii, June 2003.
- “Chiapas and the Meaning of Commitment” Commentary, High Plains Applied Anthropology, Vol. 19, No. 2, Fall 1999, pp. 194-196.
- “A critical essay on John H. Bodley’s Victims of Progress”, High Plains Applied Anthropology, Vol. 17, No. 2, Fall, 1997, pp. 188-190.

Academic Monograph in Progress:

- “Educating Students, Empowering Individuals. A Monograph on the Case of the University of St. Thomas Micro Credit Program”. Work in Progress.

Book Reviews:

- Book Review on “Andar y Ver. Segundo Cuaderno” by Jesus Silva-Herzog Marquez. To be Published at Literal Magazine Blogspot, Fall 2013.
- Book Review on “On History”, A conversation between Tariq Ali and Oliver Stone. Published at Literal Magazine Blogspot, Summer 2013.
- Book Review on “To Die in Mexico” by John Gibler. Published at Literal, Latin American Voices, Vol. 26, Fall 2011.
- Book Review on “Monsieur Pain” by Roberto Bolano, To be Published at Literal, Latin American Voices, Vol. 24, Summer 2011.
- Book Review on “Aliento a Muerte” by F.G. Haghenbeck. To be Published at Literal, Latin American Voices, Vol. 23, Spring 2011
- Book Review on “Gunshots at the Fiesta” by Maarten van Delden and Yvon Grenier. To be Published at Lieral, Latin American Voices, Vol. 19, Winter 2010
- Book Review on “Nazi Literature in the Americas” by Roberto Bolano. Literal, Latin American Voices, Vol. 18, Fall 2009.
- Book Review on “The age of the Warrior” by Robert Fisk. Literal, Latin American Voices, Vol. 15, Winter 2009.
- Book Review on “The Post American World” by Fareed Zakaria. Literal, Latina American Voices, Vol. 14, Fall 2008.
- Book Review on “Ex Mex” by Jorge Castaneda. Literal, Latin American Voices, Vol. 13, Summer 2008.

Newspaper Articles, Commentaries and Contributions

- “The Art of Development”, Notes from Istanbul, UST English Department, IID and Kimse Yok Mu, May 2010.
- “El Deporte más hermoso del mundo”, Reforma, Esfera Pública, 27 de Junio del 2004.
- “De Políticos y la Ética Política”, Reforma, Esfera Pública, 27 de Junio del 2004.
- “Los Americanos, su discurso e Irak”, Reforma, Esfera Pública, 27 de Junio del 2004.
- “La invasión Francesa como fenómeno sociocultural. Disertaciones sobre el Cinco de Mayo”, Horizontes, vol. 27, Universidad del Tepeyac, México, 1990.

CONFERENCES AND LECTURES

- “*The University of St. Thomas Social Entrepreneurship Program*”. To be presented at Ashoka Exchange Universities, University of Maryland, February 26-28, 2015.
- “The Social Enterprise Experience in Europe and the United States”. Presented at the ARNOVA Conference, Denver, CO, November 19-22, 2014
- “*Investing for the Poor*”, 1st Annual Conference on Impact Investment, Pontifical Council for Justice and Peace, The Vatican, June 15-18, 2014.
- “*Women Empowerment*”. Hope International Lectures, Baker Institute, Rice University, Houston, TX, March 2014.

- *“Social Entrepreneurship, Microfinance and the social responsibility of higher education.”* Presented at the 1st Symposium of Red Suma on Service Learning, Universidad de Uniminuto, Medellin, Colombia, August 12-14, 2013.
- *“Francis, a Latin American Pope”*. Fifth Annual Mosaics of Faith Conference, cosponsored with the Argentinean Consulate at Houston, University of St. Thomas, Houston, TX, April 24, 2013.
- *“How service-learning can enhance active and collaborative learning globally and locally. The case of the UST Social Entrepreneurship Program”* Presented at the 5th International Conference on Education, Research and Innovation, ICERI 2012, Madrid, Spain, November 19-21, 2012.
- *“Master on Microcredit for Development as a Service Learning Initiative”* Presented at the 5th International Conference on Education, Research and Innovation, ICERI 2012, Madrid, Spain, November 19-21, 2012.
- *“Social Entrepreneurship as a Service Learning Experience”* A Keynote speaker presentation conducted at the 1st International Workshop on Social Enterprise and Service Learning, Universidad Santo Tomas, Santiago Chile, October 15-16, 2012
- *“To conserve producing and to produce conserving”*. Presented at the 2012 SISA Conference, Manchester Grand Hyatt, San Diego, CA, April 4-7, 2012.
- *“The Czech Experience”*. Fourth Annual Mosaics of Faith Conference, cosponsored with the Czech Cultural Center, University of St. Thomas, Houston, TX, February 29-March 1st, 2012.
- *“The UST SEP: Service learning experience”*. 13th Annual Social Entrepreneurship Conference, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, February 26-27, 2012.
- *“UST Microcredit and Social Entrepreneurship Program”*. We will participate as a delegation representing UST at the 2011 Microcredit Summit Campaign in Valladolid, Spain, November 14-17, 2011.
- *“The Transatlantic Conference: Which Transatlantic relationship after the Global Crisis?”* University of St. Thomas, Houston, TX October 3-4, 2011.
- *“Europe’s Economic Crisis and The State of the World Economy”*. Presented at the Federal Reserve of Dallas, Houston, TX, July 28, 2011.
- *“Microfinance: Lessons learned and future opportunities. The case of the Yucatan”*. Presented at the 2011 SCOLAS Conference in San Juan, Puerto Rico, March 10-13, 2011.
- *Social Entrepreneurship and Service Learning Opportunities: The UST Micro Credit Program in the Yucatan*. Presented at the 2011 Latin American Celebration: Festival Inspiracion, Sam Houston State University, February 21-26.
- *“Mexico Past, Present and Future”*. Lecture granted as part of the Mexican Lecture Series, Department of Hispanic Students, Herring Hall, Rice University, November 12, 2010
- *“Experiential Learning as Pedagogy: Examples from a Mission Based Approach Using Collaboration, Connections, and Communication”*. Presented at the 2010 Fall Teacher Education Conference of the Consortium of State Organizations for Texas Teacher Education (CSOTTE), Westin Galleria Hotel, October 10-12, 2010.
- *“Experiential Learning as Pedagogy: Examples from a Mission Based Approach Using Collaboration, Connections, and Communication”*. Presented at the 16th Annual Conference of the Coalition of Urban and Metropolitan Universities, California State University at Fresno, October 24-26, 2010.
- *“The Irish Experience”*. Second Annual Mosaics of Faith Conference, co-organized with the Center for Irish Studies, University of St. Thomas, Houston, TX, April 15 and May 5, 2010.
- *“In search of Social Justice: Micro financing as an opportunity”*. Presented at the 2010 SISA Conference, Marriot Hotel, Houston TX, April 1-3, 2010.
- *“Living Maya: The UST MCP experience in the Yucatan”*. Presented at the 2010 SCOLAS Conference in Santa Fe, New Mexico, March 2010.
- *“Justice for Immigrants. The Substantive Aspects of the Immigration Discourse: A Political Economist Perspective”*. Presented at the 2009 Immigration Roundtable organized by the Rev. William J. Young Social Justice Institute, UST Campus, Houston TX, September 11, 2009.
- *“Consolidating Markets, developing Civil Society. The Microeconomic Experience in the Yucatan, Mexico”*. Presented at the 21st IPSA World Congress of Political Science in Santiago, Chile, July 12-16, 2009.
- *“The UST Microcredit Program: Changing the World one loan at the time”*. Presented at the Maryknoll First Friday Forum of the Rev. William J. Young Social Justice Institute, UST Campus, Houston TX, May 1st, 2009.

- “*Educating Students, Empowering individuals*”. Presented at the 2009 Biannual ICUSTA Conference in Limerick, Ireland, April 15-18, 2009.
- “*Educating Students, Empowering Individuals*”. Presented at the 88th Annual Conference of the Southwestern Social Science Association in Denver, Colorado, April 8-11, 2009.
- “*The Catholic Experience in Mexico*”. First Annual Mosaics of Faith Conference, co-organized with San Rafael Films, University of St. Thomas, Houston, TX, March 20-21, 2009.
- “*The Microcredit program as an academic and social justice tool*”. Presented at the SCOLAS Conference in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, March 11-14, 2009.
- “*The UST Microcredit Program: Educating Students, Empowering Individuals*”. Presented at Universidad de Santo Tomas in Valparaiso and Santiago, Chile, as the Guest Speaker of ICUSTA’s faculty exchange program, October 2008.
- “*The UST Microcredit Program*”. Presented at the Young Social Justice Summer Conference, June 4-6, at the University of St. Thomas in Houston, TX, June 4-6, 2008.
- “*The Economics of Migration*” Presented at the 13th Annual Western Hemispheric Trade Conference, El Paso, TX, April 2-4, 2008.
- “*The relation between France and the CFA franc zone countries. Is it sustainable?*” in collaboration with Dr. Pierre Canac. Presented at the 87th Annual Conference of the Southwestern Social Science Association in Las Vegas, NV, March 2008.
- “*Reverence: The Forgotten Virtue*”. Lecture Coordinator and Moderator. Center for International Studies and Philosophy Department, University of St. Thomas. UST Campus. October 7, 2007.
- “*La Actualidad Mexicana vista por tres de sus protagonistas*”. Moderator. Master Conference organized by Literal Magazine and co-sponsored by the General Consulate of Mexico, the Department of Hispanic Studies at Rice University, the Center for Mexican American Studies of the University of Houston and the Center for International Studies of the University of St. Thomas. UST Campus, Sept 20, 2007.
- “*Redefining security: From Theory to Action*”. Presented at the annual SSA Conference in Albuquerque, NM, April 2007.
- “*Reclaiming justice: New alternatives for world development*”. Presented at the World Affairs Annual Conference, University of Colorado, Boulder, June 2006
- “*Migrants, Transnational Citizens and Social Networks: Expanding Democracy in Mexico and America*”. Presented at the 86th Annual Conference of the Southwestern Social Science Association in San Antonio, TX, April 2-5, 2006.
- “*The role of Civil Society in Democratic Transitions: The Mexican Experience*”. Presented at the Annual LASA Conference in San Juan, Puerto Rico, March 2006.
- “*A self-fulfilled prophecy. Bush in Iraq*”, Presented at the 85th Annual Conference of the Southwestern Social Science Association, New Orleans, LA, March 23-26, 2005.
- “*The role of Civil Society in Contemporary Latin America. The case of Mexico.*” Presented at the annual MAIR Conference, University of Toronto, April 30th - May 1st, 2004.
- “*The Civic Search for Democracy, Security and Social Justice in contemporary Mexico.*” Presented at the 2004 Graduate Student Conference on Latin American Social and Public Policy, LASA, University of Pittsburgh, February 2004.
- “*Preemptive strikes: The Bush Doctrine and the case of Iraq.*” Presented at the 2003 Social Sciences Conference in Honolulu, Hawaii, June 2003.