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**ACADEMIC DEGREES**

**PhD in Sociology (2022)**

*Bielefeld Graduate School in History and Sociology (BGHS). Bielefeld University, Germany.*

Thesis: "Ad interim: Everyday life of Central American Refugees at 'La 72' shelter in Tenosique, Mexico"

**Master's Degree in Regional Studies (2009)**

*Instituto de Investigaciones Dr. José María Luis Mora. Mexico City, Mexico.*

Thesis: "Governance and Policy Networks: The Special Programme for Food Security in the Region of Sierra Negra, Puebla."

**Bachelor's Degree in Historic Anthropology (2006)**

*Universidad Veracruzana. Xalapa, Veracruz, Mexico.*

Thesis: "Powered structures and Political Culture. Continuities and Transformations in Political and Social Organizations in San Juan Guichicovi, Oaxaca, 1980-2005."

**Bachelor's Degree in Childcare Education (2000)**

*Escuela Normal para Educadores de la Ciudad de México. Mexico City, Mexico.*

**RESEARCH INTEREST**

Forced Migration and Refugee Studies, Anthropology of Everyday Life, Human Geography, Gender and Area Studies, Conflict Studies, Latin American Studies. Areas of expertise: North and Central America, and Germany.

**ACADEMIC WORK EXPERIENCE (Germany)**

- 2021– 2022    **Department of Anthropology and African Studies (ifeas) –Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz**  
Project Manager in the project "African trajectories across Central America: displacements, transitory emplacements, and ambivalent migration nodes." Funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG).
- 2019-2021    **Institute for interdisciplinary Research on Conflict and Violence (IKG) – Bielefeld University**  
Project Manager of the international research projects "Misrecognizing Minorities in Europe" and "The Experience of the COVID-19 Pandemic by Minorities in Europe"

# Curriculum Vitae

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(funded by the Volkswagen Stiftung: Challenges for Europe). Countries involved: Germany, France, Hungary, Romania, Serbia, UK, and the Netherlands.

- 2018 – 2019 **Research Unit: Sociology of transnationalization and Social Anthropology at the Department of Sociology – Bielefeld University –**  
Research Fellow and instructor for graduate courses (MA): Sociology, InterAmerican Studies, Political Science, Communications Science.  
Supervision of Coordination of the ERASMUS-Program at the Research Unit for Social Anthropology.
- 2013 – 2017 **Center for InterAmerican Studies (CIAS) – Bielefeld University –**  
Research Fellow in the project “The Americas as Space of Entanglement(s).” Funded by the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF).

## NON-ACADEMIC WORK EXPERIENCE (Mexico)

- 2011 – 2012 **Rural Financial Development Bank-Mexican Finance Ministry**  
Special Projects’ Coordinator. Development and planning of special projects to promote financial inclusion policies in rural indigenous marginalized areas of the country.
- 2010 – 2011 **Consultant.** Strategic planning, elaboration, and evaluation of projects - related to environmental and social problematics in Mexico.
- 2009 – 2010 **Mexican Ministry of Social Development-(SEDESOL)**  
Deputy Director in Regional Development. Planning and management of governmental programs. Regulation of operating rules of federal programs. Analysis of implementation of regional development policies in Mexico.

## LANGUAGE SKILLS

Spanish (First language)  
German (Fluent)  
English (Fluent)

## FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

- 2023 “Transatlantic Tandem” Fellowship by the Maria Sibylla Merian Center for Advanced Latin American Studies (CALAS). Costa Rica.
- 2018 Doctorate completion Scholarship by the Bielefeld Young Researcher’s Fund. Germany.
- 2013 PhD Scholarship granted by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD). Germany.
- 2007-2009 Master’s Fellowship incorporated into the Standard of Excellence by the National Council of Science and Technology (CONACYT).
- 2005-2006 Bachelor’s Scholarship granted by the Center for Research and Graduate Studies in Social Anthropology (CIESAS) and CONACYT.

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- 2005-2006 Research scholarship: "The Mexican Isthmus in the Contemporary Context of Development: Processes of Social and Spatial Organization in a New Regulatory Framework" supported by CIESAS, Universidad Veracruzana, Institut de Recherche pour le Developpement, Instituto Nacional Indigenista, Université de Paris X y VIII, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México.
- 2004-2005 Academic Exchange Scholarship to study at Universität Paderborn, Germany. (Granted by the School for Foreign Students and the Universidad Veracruzana).

## EXTERNAL PROJECTS GRANTED

- 2021 Workshop: "Peace and Fear- Multidisciplinary Approaches"  
Granted by: Center for Interdisciplinary Research (ZiF) at Bielefeld University, in cooperation with the Maria Sibylla Merian Center (CALAS) and the Center for Interdisciplinary Research on Conflict and Violence (IKG).
- 2018 CIAS Research Funding  
Granted by: Center for InterAmerican Studies (Germany).  
Project: "Trayectorias de familias migrantes vistas desde las experiencias de retornos voluntario y forzados: estudios de caso en Chiapas, México y Cortés, Honduras.". Elaborated by: Arriola Vega, Luis (El Colegio de la Frontera Sur) and Yaatsil Guevara González (Bielefeld University).
- 2018 Research Project: "Culturas que migran: Participación artística e intercambio colectivo entre personas migrantes y refugiadas en Tenosique, Tabasco, México."  
Granted by Ella Lyman Cabot Trust (USA) and Stiftung Umverteilen (Germany)  
Elaborated by: Alexandra Lestón and Yaatsil Guevara González.

## COMMITTEE MEMBER FOR MASTER THESIS

Alexandra Lestón (2022). "Políticas de muerte, prácticas de cuidado: Sobreviviendo el tránsito migratorio en la frontera sur de México". *Master in Community Psychology*, Universidad de Costa Rica – Second Supervisor.

Chapinal García, Itxaso (2016). "La comunidad enferma: la escuela desde la experiencia wirárika". *Master in InterAmerican Studies*, Bielefeld University – Second Supervisor.

Melisande Dybowski, Lina Violetta (2017). "El significado de la asistencia humanitaria para personas migrantes en tránsito. El ejemplo de La 72 en Tenosique, Tabasco, México". *Master in InterAmerican Studies*, Bielefeld University – Second Supervisor.

## COORDINATION AND ORGANIZATION OF WORKSHOPS AND CONFERENCES

- 07/2021 Workshop: *Along and out of the way. Place-making amidst migrant trajectories*, with Prof. Dr. Heike Drotbohm and Dr. Nanneke Winters. Department of Anthropology and African Studies. Johannes Gutenberg-University Mainz. Germany.

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- 02/2021 Workshop: *Peace and Fear- Multidisciplinary Approaches*, with: Prof. Dr. Andreas Zick, Prof. Dr. Joachim Michael, Prof. Dr. Roberto Briceño-León, and Sebastián Martínez. Center for Interdisciplinary Research (ZiF).
- 03/2017 Workshop: *Beyond External Borders: Multi-level analysis and comparative perspectives on migration governance*; with Susanne Schultz, Inka Stock, Aysen Üstübiçi. Bielefeld, Germany.
- 04/2017 Advisory Committee: Workshop: *The Theory and Praxis of Irregular Migration Facilitation*. El Paso, Texas, United States.
- 10/2016 International Conference of the Center for Interamerican Studies: *Reflecting the Americas as a Space of Entanglement(s)*. Bielefeld, Germany.
- 07/2016 8th Annual Seminar of the Bielefeld Graduate School in History and Sociology. *Done with Eurocentrism? Directions, Diversions, and Debates in History and Sociology*. Bielefeld, Germany.
- 06/2014 Workshop: *Transit Migration: More than just a transitory stage between place of origin and destination*. Visiting Professor: Carmen Fernández-Casanueva. Center for InterAmerican Studies. Bielefeld, Germany.

## **VOLUNTARY WORK**

Migrant's shelter: Hogar Refugio para personas migrantes "La 72", Tenosique, Mexico.

## **REVIEWER IN FOLLOWING JOURNALS:**

- Antipode. A Radical Journal of Geography
- Citizenship Studies Journal
- Journal of Immigrant & Refugee Studies
- Online dictionary "InterAmerican Wiki: Terms - Concepts - Critical Perspectives"
- Revista Migraciones (Madrid)
- Migraciones Internacionales (El Colegio de la Frontera Norte, Mexico)
- Routledge Handbooks Series for Key Topic Series: "Rethinking the Americas"
- Z'Flucht. Zeitschrift für Flucht- und Flüchtlingsforschung. German Journal of Forced Migration and Refugee Studies
- Geographica Helvetica (Swiss Academy of Sciences)