

CURRICULUM VITAE

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Research and Teaching Interests:

Political Economy and Global Social Change; Race and Class Inequality; Critical Social Theory; Social Mobilization & Movements; Authoritarianism and Far-Right Politics; Contemporary Latin America; Qualitative Research Methods; Comparative and Historical Research Methods.

Education:

PhD Sociology, University of California, Riverside, 2025 (Expected)
PhD Dissertation: "The Crisis of Neoliberalism and Far-right, Authoritarian Politics in Southern California." Dissertation Committee: Ellen Reese, Co-Chair. Alfonso Gonzales-Toribio, Co-Chair. Christopher Chase-Dunn, Committee Member. Lorenzo Fusaro, Committee Member.

M.A. Sociology, University of California, Riverside, 2019
Master's Thesis: "Threat, Racialization, and Mobilization: Lessons from Southern California's Anti-Gang Injunction Movement." Ellen Reese, Chair. Alfredo Mirandé and Augustine Kposowa, Committee Members.

B.A. Liberal Arts, Humanities Concentration, Soka University of America, May 2015
Minor: Spanish
Bachelor's Thesis: "What the Community Wants: Gang Injunctions and Grassroots Organizing in Santa Ana, California." James Spady, Chair.

Fellowships & Awards:

2023	Haynes Lindley Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship Award, Haynes Foundation. \$28,600
2022	Annual Dissertation Year Fellowship Award, Graduate Division, University of California Riverside. \$7,000
2020	Annual Graduate Student Paper Award, Department of Sociology University of California, Riverside
2019	Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award, Graduate Division, University of California, Riverside
2014	Undergraduate Junior Scholar, <i>Pacific Basin Research Center</i>

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Teaching Experience:

Instructor (Summer Session)

2023- *University of California, Riverside.* Department of Sociology.
Courses: Modern Sociological Theory; Social Change; World Systems and Globalization.

Instructor of Record (Sociology)

2024 *California Indian Nations College & College of the Desert.*
School of Social Sciences and Art
Courses: Introduction to Race and Ethnicity; Introduction to Statistics.

Teaching Assistant

2018- *University of California, Riverside.* Department of Sociology.
Provide supplemental instruction in three discussion sections per week with approximately 25-30 students in each section. Responsibilities include lecturing, facilitating group discussions, grading, holding weekly office hours, and assisting the instructor with additional course-related tasks. Courses: Introduction to Sociology, Classical Sociological Theory, Modern Sociological Theory, Social Conflict, Racism in Western Society, Formal Organizations, World Systems and Globalization, Theoretical Perspectives in Sociology, Sociological Foundations: Global Change and Inequality; Introduction to Health Equity and Health Justice.

Professional Work Experience:

Graduate Student Researcher

2021-2024 *UC Riverside, Latino and Latin American Studies Research Center.*
Supervised by Professor Alfonso Gonzales Toribio (Director of the Latin American Studies Program at UCR), funded by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation Grant for “Latinx Futures: The Civil, Cultural and Political Stakes for Southern California Latinx Communities. Responsibilities: Coordinate qualitative and quantitative research projects in the Inland Empire examining rightwing authoritarian politics, the state of the local economy, labor conditions, and migration; Organize and coordinate bi-weekly theory and philosophy workshop, campus speakers, discussion panels, and online outreach.

Research Internship

2021 Latino Labor Working Group, Supervised by Professor Ellen Reese (Center for Social Innovation and Labor Studies Program at UCR), funded by the UC Riverside, Latino and Latin American Studies Research Center. Responsibilities: Conduct qualitative research on authoritarianism, far-right politics, and the criminalization of Latinos in the Inland Empire and how this shapes the consciousness of White and Latino middle-class and working-class residents.

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Outreach Coordinator & Podcast Host

2017- *Latin American Perspectives* (SAGE Publications), supervised by Professor Ronald Chilcote. Responsibilities: producing, writing, recording, and conducting bi-weekly podcast interviews with leading scholars on contemporary issues, political economy, and social movements in Latin America; Coordinating online outreach and the journal blog, reviewing article submissions, proofing and copyediting manuscripts for publication.

Research Internship

2020 Supervised by Professor Ellen Reese (Center for Social Innovation and Labor Studies Program at UCR) and Lola Cuevas and Andrea Baldrias (Los Angeles Black Workers Center). Responsibilities: Work as a team to analyze, summarize, and correct contents of transcripts of four focus groups of Black workers in the Inland Empire and maintain confidential records, and to help co-author a research and policy brief and research presentation on the state of Black workers in the Inland Empire.

Research Assistant

2014- 2015 Supervised by Professor Aneil Rallin (Professor of rhetoric and writing at Soka University of America). Responsibilities: Collaborated with supervisor to prepare a special issue of *The Writing Instructor* for publication; Proofread and provided feedback on journal submissions; and compiled articles, texts, and films for undergraduate courses.

2012-2014 Soka University of America. Supervised by Professor James Spady (Professor of American History). Responsibilities: Assisted with preparing two American History texts for publication; Provide written feedback on drafts of book chapters and journal articles; Analyzed archival data; Compiled bibliographies, academic articles, and media publications.

Research Internship

2014 *Ñaupá Fundación De Saberes Andinos* (Quito, Ecuador). Collaborated with scholars and community organizers on developing Afro-Ecuadorian ethnic studies curricula and education platforms; Co-authored a policy proposal to the Ecuadorian Ministry of Culture addressing Afro-Ecuadorian studies curricula in public education.

Publications:

Scott, Alexander. 2025. "Neoliberalism, far-right politics, and the shrinking White middle class in Southern California's Inland Empire." *Globalizations*.

Wilson, Kristi M., Scott, Alexander., Crowder-Taraborrelli, Tomás. 2024. "Film, Media, and 50 Years of Latin American Perspectives." *Latin American Perspectives*, 51(2).

Scott, Alexander. 2022. "Threat, Latinx Racialization, and Oppositional Consciousness: Lessons from Southern California's Anti-Gang Injunction Movement." *Sociological Perspectives*, 66(4).

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Spady, James. Scott, Alexander. Luevano, Susan. Hernandez, Gabriela. Torres, Carolyn. 2021. "Chicanx Histories of the Present: Organizing against Gang Injunctions and Spatial Alienation in Southern California, 2008-2016." *Radical Americas*, 6(1).

Lola Smallwood Cuevas; Semi Cole; Ellen Reese; and Gary Rettberg; with Sara Bruene, Matthew Byrne, Christian Guerra, Luis Higinio, April Celeste Leviton, Bernabe Rodriguez, Ardcha Premruedeelert, and Alexander Scott. 2020. *Ain't No Sunshine: The State of Black Workers and Demands for a Brighter Future for the Inland Empire*. Riverside, CA: Future Inland Empire Black Worker Center Project (IEBWCP) Advisory Group, Center for Social Innovation at UCR, Labor Studies Program at UCR, and Los Angeles Black Workers Center. Available at: <https://www.bluedfoundation.org/ie-black-work-center>

Ellen Reese and Alexander Scott. 2019. "Warehouse Employment as a Driver of Inequality in the Inland Empire: The Experiences of Young Amazon Warehouse Workers." Paper for the Blueprint for Belonging Series. UC Berkeley: Haas Institute for a Fair and Inclusive Society. Available at: <https://belonging.berkeley.edu/warehouse-employment-driver-inequality-inland-empire-experiences-young-amazon-warehouse-workers>

Accepted for publication:

Scott, Alexander. "Neoliberal Capital Accumulation and the Crisis of Rightwing Authoritarianism in Southern California's Inland Empire." Book chapter for an edited volume in the Studies in Subaltern Latina/o Politics series from *Oxford University Press*. Edited by Juan De Lara.

Under Preparation:

Scott, Alexander. "The crisis of neoliberalism and California's multi-ethnic far-right." For submission to *Critical Sociology*.

Scott, Alexander. "Neoliberalism, Authoritarian Populism, and Far-Right Latinx Politics" For submission to *Race & Class*.

Special Issues of Journals:

Crowder-Taraborrelli, Tomás F. Wilson, Kristi. Scott, Alexander (eds.). 2023. "COVID-19 as a Social Crisis: Causes, Consequences, Challenges and Possibilities. Special issue of *Latin American Perspectives* 50(4).

Other Publications & Featured Interviews for Latin American Perspectives:

Crowder-Taraborrelli, Tomás F. Scott, Alexander. 2023. "Interview with Daniel Feierstein." *Latin American Perspectives*, 50(4).

Podcasts for Latin American Perspectives:

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“Reform and Political Crisis in Brazil w/ Armando Boito” *LAP Editors’ Choice*. September 13, 2024.

“The Labor of Extraction in Latin America w/ Kristin Ciupa & Jeffery Webber” *Latin American Perspectives Podcast*. May 3, 2024.

“Music, Politics, and Social Movements in Latin America w/ Jonathan Ritter.” *Latin American Perspectives Podcast*. December 22, 2023.

“Cannibal Capitalism w/ Nancy Fraser.” *LAP Editors’ Choice*. October 31, 2023.

“The Condor Trials: Transnational Repression and Human Rights in South America w/ Francesca Lessa.” *LAP Editors’ Choice*. September 20, 2023.

“La Violencia en El Espacio con Carlos Salamanca Villamizar y Pamela Colombo.” *LAP Editors’ Choice*. August 31, 2023.

“El Estado y la Acumulación de Capital en México con Verónica Silva.” *Latin American Perspectives Podcast*. May 25, 2023.

“Pandemia: Un balance social y político de la crisis del Covid-19 con Daniel Feierstein.” *LAP Editors’ Choice*. March 1, 2023.

“Brazil under Bolsonaro w/ James N. Green & Tulio Vargas.” *Latin American Perspectives Podcast*. March 11, 2023.

“Coup: A Story of Violence and Resistance in Bolivia w/ Linda Farthing and Thomas Becker.” *LAP Editors’ Choice*. January 26, 2023.

“Social Struggle in Neoliberal Central America w/ Adrienne Pine.” *Latin American Perspectives Podcast*. November 30, 2022.

Complete list of podcast episodes: <https://bit.ly/latamperspectivespod>

Newspaper Articles:

Scott, Alexander. Spady, James. 2015. “Scott & Spady: OC Gang Injunctions are Over Hyped.” *The Voice of OC*. December 28, 2015. <http://voiceofoc.org/2015/12/scott-spady-oc-gang-injunctions-are-overhyped/>

Guest Lectures :

2024 “Neoliberalism and Far-right Latinx politics” Presented to undergraduate *Chicanx Politics* class at California State University, Northridge.

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- 2024 “Historical Materialism, capital accumulation, and social reproduction” Presented to undergraduate *Social Theory* and *Modes of Inquiry* seminars at Soka University of America.
- 2024 “The Crisis of Capital Accumulation and Social Reproduction” Presented to undergraduate *Latin American Studies* and *Enduring Questions in the Humanities* seminars at Soka University of America.
- 2023 “The Crisis of Neoliberalism and Far-Right, Authoritarian Politics in the Inland Empire.” Presented to undergraduate “Chicano Studies” course at the University of California Riverside.
- 2022 “Capital Accumulation, Gentrification, and Internal Colonialism.” Presented to undergraduate “Culture and Imperialism” seminar at Soka University of America.
- 2019 “Critical Race Theory and organizing against civil gang injunctions.” Presented to undergraduate Critical Race Theory seminar at Soka University of America.
- 2016 “Grassroots organizing in Orange County.” Presented to High School Ethnic studies course at La Vista Continuation High School, Fullerton CA.
- 2016 “Luis J. Rodriguez’s *Always Running* and Chicano Identity.” Presented to undergraduate seminar “The Configuration of a Chicano and Latino Community” at Soka University of America.

Professional Paper Presentations

- 2024 “Neoliberalism and Far-right Latinx politics: A case study from Southern California’s Inland Empire.” Presentation at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association. Montreal, Canada.
- 2024 “The growing crisis of far-right, authoritarian politics among Latino communities in Southern California” Presentation at the annual meeting of the Latin American Studies Association. Bogotá, Colombia.
- 2024 “The Crises of Neoliberal Capital Accumulation and Far-Right, Authoritarian Politics in Southern California.” Presentation at Historical Materialism and Institute for Radical Imagination Conference. New York, NY.
- 2023 “The crisis of neoliberal capital accumulation and far-right politics in Southern California.” Presentation at the Twentieth Annual Historical Materialism Conference. London, UK.
- 2023 “The crisis of far right, authoritarian politics in Southern California’s Inland Empire.” Presentation at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Association. Philadelphia, CA.

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- 2023 “The crisis of neoliberal capital accumulation and far-right politics in the Inland Empire.” Presentation at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association. San Francisco, CA.
- 2022 “Capital accumulation and Rightwing Authoritarianism in Southern California’s Inland Empire.” Presentation at the annual meeting of the California Sociological Association. Riverside, CA.
- 2022 “La Crisis del Neoliberalismo y el Autoritarismo Derechista en el Sur de California.” Paper presented at the Institute of Economic Research at the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México in Mexico City.
- 2021 “The Crisis of Far-Right Politics and Authoritarianism in the United States.” Virtual Presentation for the “Capitalist Crisis, White Nationalism, and Left Social Movements in Latin America” panel event hosted by the UC Riverside Latino and Latino American Studies Research Center.
- 2020 “Threat, Racialization, and Mobilization: Lessons from Southern California’s Anti-Gang Injunction Movement.” Virtual presentation at annual meeting of the American Sociological Association. San Francisco, CA.
- 2020 "Black Workers in the Inland Empire: "Black Workers' Experiences in the Inland Empire." Presentation to the Future Inland Empire Black Worker Center Project (IEBWCP) Advisory Group at the UDW/AFSCME 3930 union hall in Riverside, CA on March 11, 2020. (Non-presenting author) With Luis Higinio, April Celeste Leviton, Sara Bruene, Matthew Byrne, Christian Guerra, Bernabe Rodriguez, Ardcha Premruedeelert, Ellen Reese, and Alexander Scott.
- 2020 "Black Workers' Experiences in the Inland Empire." Webinar presentation for the public release of the report, *Ending Modern Day Slavery: A Brief on the State of Black Workers and a Demand for a Brighter Future for the Inland Empire (provisional title)*, June 19, 2020. (Non-presenting author) With Luis Higinio, April Celeste Leviton, Sara Bruene, Matthew Byrne, Christian Guerra, Bernabe Rodriguez, Ardcha Premruedeelert, Ellen Reese, and Alexander Scott.
- 2020 “Warehouse Employment as a Driver of Inequality in the Inland Empire: The Experiences of Young Amazon Warehouse Workers.” Research and policy brief for UC Berkeley Haas Institute for a Fair and Inclusive Society. Inland Empire Justice Hub. January 16.
- 2019 “Grassroots Community Movements and Civil Gang Injunctions in Orange County, California.” Paper presented at the Third SDSU Conference on Nonviolence and Social Change: Illiberal Democracies East and West. San Diego State University. May 5.

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2018 “Grassroots Organizing Against Civil Gang Injunctions in Orange County, California.” Presentation at the annual meeting of the California Sociological Association in Riverside, CA. November 9.

2016 “Chicanx Histories of the Present: Grassroots Organizing against Gang Injunctions in Orange County.” Presentation at the annual meeting of the Cultural Studies Association: Policing the Crisis Now. Philadelphia, PA.

2014 “Reimagining Power in a Colonial Project: Administering the Federal Indian Boarding School at Perris CA, 1882.” Co-authored with Spady, James. Torbert, Devan. Snell, Jamila. Kawasaki, Marissa. Presentation at the annual meeting of the Western Social Science Association. Albuquerque, NM.

Grants:

2021 Latino and Latin American Studies Research Center of the University of California Riverside. “Latino Labor Working Group.” (Co-PI) \$7500.

2014 Pacific Basin Research Center Undergraduate Research Grant. “Archive Preservation at the Sherman Indian High School.” \$1500.

Professional Service:

2024 Session Chair, “Dependency Theory Revisited.” Historical Materialism and Institute for Radical Imagination Conference. New York, NY.

2022- Co-Coordinator, “Theory and Philosophy Workshop.” Weekly Critical Theory and Philosophy workshop organized by the UC Riverside Latino and Latin American Studies Research Center.

2022- Co-Coordinator, Weekly Writing group of the UC Riverside Latino and Latin American Studies Research Center.

2022 Session Organizer, “Crisis of Authoritarian and Far Right Politics.” 2022 annual meeting of the California Sociological Association in Riverside, CA.

2022 Session Presider, “How and Why Does Context Matter for Mobilization and Institutional Change? Analyzing Activist-Authority Relations Across Time, Space, and Place.” 2022 annual meeting of the American Sociological Association in Los Angeles, CA.

2019- Coordinating Editor, *Latin American Perspectives*.

2020- Latinx Political Economy and Critical Thought working group. Coordinator.

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- 2020 “Authoritarianism and Resistance in the Age of Covid-19”
UC Riverside Latin American Studies Program, Panel Event. Organizer.
- 2020 “Pandemics and the Crisis of Global Capitalism in the Americas”
UC Riverside Latin American Studies Program, Panel Event. Organizer.
- 2015 Soka Education Conference. Reviewer.
- 2014 “Social Mobilization and Direct Democracy” Pacific Basin Research
Center Conference, Panelist.

Community Service:

- 2021 “Gang Injunctions and the Neoliberal restructuring of Southern
California” virtual presentation at the “Decriminalizing Neighborhoods”
conference convened by The Earl B. Gilliam Bar Association, Pillars of
the Community, Community Advocates for Just and Moral Governance
(MoGo), The UC Irvine Law School Criminal Justice Clinic, and Detours
Mentoring Group, Inc., San Diegans for Justice, and the Peace and Justice
Law Center.
- 2019 Intern Advisor, *Chicanxs Unidxs of Orange County*. Advised
undergraduate and graduate student interns in a community research
project on gentrification, displacement, and development in Santa Ana,
California; Assigned and reviewed weekly research assignments;
Facilitated fieldwork and data collection.
- 2017 “Protege Santa Ana: Building a Movement to End Displacement.”
Community forum and conference in Santa Ana, California. Co-organizer.
- 2016 Intern Advisor, *Chicanxs Unidxs of Orange County*. Advised
undergraduate interns in a community research project on gentrification
and policing in Santa Ana, California; Assigned and reviewed weekly
research assignments; facilitated fieldwork and data collection; and
provided verbal and written feedback on research and presentations.
- 2016 “Organizing against civil gang injunctions.” Presentation at annual youth
empowerment conference by el Movimiento Estudiantil Chicanx de
Aztlán organization of UC Irvine.
- 2016 “Grassroots organizing in Orange County.” Presented to el Movimiento
Estudiantil Chicanx de Aztlán organization of California State University
Fullerton.
- 2013 “Negative Impacts of Gang Injunctions: Vasquez v. Rackauckas.”
Presented at “Justice for Our Communities! Families Organizing to Resist
Police Brutality and Abuse” conference held at Oxnard College.

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Relevant Skills:

Bilingual English & Spanish

Professional Memberships:

Latin American Studies Association

American Sociological Association

California Sociological Association

Pacific Sociological Association

International Studies Association