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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2016- ASSISTANT PROFESSOR, Sociology and Latin American and Caribbean Studies,
University of Georgia

2020-2021 MEMBER, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, NJ

EDUCATION

2017 PhD BROWN UNIVERSITY, Sociology

2010 MA THE NEW SCHOOL, International Affairs & Development

2002 BA SARAH LAWRENCE COLLEGE, Liberal Arts

PUBLICATIONS

Book (in Progress)

Graizbord, Diana. *Indications of Democracy: The Politics & Promise of Evaluation Expertise*.

Edited Volumes

van Wichelen, Sonja, J. Rohde, J. Barkan, C. Sims, D. Graizbord. 2023. "Science and the State." *Public Culture*

Baiocchi, Gianpaolo, D. Graizbord, M. Rodríguez-Muñiz. 2013. "Reassembling Ethnography: Actor-Network Theory and Sociology." *Qualitative Sociology* 36(4).

Journal Articles

Graizbord, Diana. Forthcoming. "State Calculations, Expert Allies, and the Political Promise of Replication." *Public Culture*.

Nelson, Alondra, C. Thompson, S. van Wichelen, J. Rohde, J. Barkan, C. Sims, Graizbord, Forthcoming. "Introduction: Science and the State" Forthcoming. *Public Culture*

Graizbord, Diana and L. de Souza Leão. 2022. "The Political Work of 'Culture' in Struggles to Reform the Mexican State." *Politics & Society*.

Graizbord, Diana and J. McPike. 2020. "Features and form: Appropriating digital storytelling for public ethnography." *Ethnography*.

Bohrt, Marcelo, D. Graizbord, and P. Heller. 2020. "Toward a Spatial Measure of Twenty-First-Century Developmental State Capacity." *Sociology of Development* 6(2):250-274.

Graizbord, Diana. 2019. "Toward an organic policy sociology." *Sociology Compass* 13(11):1-14.

Vithayathil, Trina, D. Graizbord, and C. de Leon. 2019. "The Retreat to Method: The Aftermath of Elite Concession to Civil Society in India and Mexico." *Studies in Comparative International Development* 54(1):19-39.

Graizbord, Diana, M. Rodríguez-Muñiz, and G. Baiocchi. 2017. "Expert for a Day: Theory and the tailored craft of ethnography." *Ethnography* 18(3):322-344.

Baiocchi, Gianpaolo, D. Graizbord, and M. Rodríguez-Muñiz. 2013. "Actor-Network Theory and the ethnographic imagination: An exercise in translation." *Qualitative Sociology* 36(4):323-341.

Book Chapters & Proceedings

Graizbord, Diana. 2020. "U.S.-Mexico Relations in the Trump Era." in *The Future of U.S. Empire in the Americas: The Trump Administration and Beyond*, edited by Timothy Gill. Routledge.

McPike, Jamie, D. Graizbord, and A. LeBer. 2019. "[The Ethno-Graphic Sensibility](#)". *EPIC2019: AGENCY Ethnographic Praxis in Industry Conference Proceedings*. Issue 1:19-21.

Works in Progress / Under Review

Graizbord, Diana and J. Lotesta. "Knowledge and Knowledge-Actors in Comparative Historical Political Sociology." *The Oxford Handbook of Comparative Historical Sociology*, edited by Rebecca Emigh and David McCourt (Invited submission under review)

Projects (a list of collaborators and partners available upon request)

Qualitative Impact Evaluation Initiative & Incubator. National Council for the Evaluation of Social Development Policy ([CONEVAL](#)), Mexico DF, Mexico. (2018; 2022; 2023)

Office of Institutional Diversity, University of Georgia. "[Diversity and Inclusion at UGA: Stories of Campus Life](#)". Athens, GA. (2018)

Department of Innovation, City of Providence. [MetroLab Project: Collaborative Ethnography & Applied Research & Storytelling Lab](#). Providence, RI. (2015-2016)

Bloomberg Philanthropies/Living Cities: Government Innovation Teams Initiative. Ethnography for Policy & Innovation Workshop. New York, NY. (2015)

US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Sustainable Communities Initiative: Southern Nevada Strong, Ethnography for Policy Research Workshop. Las Vegas, NV. (2013)

- Winner of the [2016 National Planning Excellence Award for Public Outreach](#).

Public Writing / Presentations

["Communicating Innovation: Why Cities and Universities Need a New Kind of Dialogue"](#). *The Huffington Post*. August 14, 2016. (w/ J. McPike and N. Pollock).

["Little Data, Big Solutions: How Cities and Universities Can Create More Meaningful and Equitable Policy"](#). *The Huffington Post*. September 5, 2016. (w/ J. McPike and N. Pollock).

["Engaging Students, Engaging Communities: How Students Enhance City-University Collaborations"](#). *The Huffington Post*. November 20, 2016. (w/ J. McPike and N. Pollock).

["Inequality in Latin America: Drivers, Dimensions & New Directions" Decreasing Inequality in Latin America: Are the Good Times Over?](#) Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs & The Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, Brown University.

"Resilient Communities and Distressed Neighborhoods". 2015. Final Report for the Department of Housing and Urban Development, Southern Nevada Strong Initiative. "Executive Summary" in [Southern Nevada Strong Regional Plan](#). (w/ G. Baiocchi, J. Lotesta and M. Rodríguez-Muñiz).

["Providence Itineraries"](#). 2015. Multi-media public art installation. For Rock the Block, The Avenue Concept. Providence, RI. (w/ O. Sosa López)

["A Cartography of the 21st Century Developmental State"](#). 2012. Video Poster. Presented to

NSF-IGERT [Video & Poster Competition](#) To Promote the Understanding and Dissemination of Scientific Ideas. (w/ M. Bohrt).

- NSF-IGERT Research Poster & Video Competition, Judges Choice Award Winner.
- Featured in "[Sharing Science Research in the Age of Social Media](#)", *Scientific American*. May 20, 2013.

AWARDS, GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS

- 2023 Service Learning Teaching Fellowship, University of Georgia
- 2022 Sandy Beaver Excellence in Teaching Award, University of Georgia
- 2021 Faculty Research Seminar Program Grant, Willson Center for Humanities and Arts, University of Georgia
- 2020 Member, School of Social Sciences, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, NJ
LACSI Ambassador Faculty Travel Award, Latin American and Caribbean Studies Institute, University of Georgia
- 2019 Digital Studies Initiative Start-Up Grant, Latin American and Caribbean Studies Institute, University of Georgia
- 2018 Faculty Research Grant, Office of Research and the Willson Center for Humanities and Arts, University of Georgia
LACSI Ambassador Faculty Travel Award, Latin American and Caribbean Studies Institute, University of Georgia
Building a Digital Humanities Course Award, DIGILab, Willson Center for Humanities and Arts, University of Georgia
- 2017 Lilly Teaching Fellow, Center for Teaching and Learning, University of Georgia
Faculty Seminar Program Grant, Willson Center for Humanities and Arts, University of Georgia
LACSI Ambassador Faculty Travel Award, Latin American and Caribbean Studies Institute, University of Georgia
- 2016 Teaching Academy Fellow, University of Georgia
Engaged Scholarship Course Development Grant, Brown University
- 2015 Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs, Interdisciplinary Opportunity, Dissertation Completion Fellowship, Brown University
Sheridan Center for Teaching & Learning, Interdisciplinary Opportunity, Dissertation Completion Fellowship, Brown University (declined)
- 2014 Dissertation Completion Fellowship, Brown University
Graduate School International Travel Award, Brown University
- 2013 NSF Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant
Dissertation Fieldwork Fellowship, Brown University
Spatial Structures in the Social Sciences Senior Fellow, Brown University
Feinberg Family Award for Graduate Student Education, Brown University
Spatial Structures in the Social Science Travel Award, Brown University
- 2012 NSF-IGERT Research Poster & Video Competition Judges Choice Award Winner
- 2010 NSF-IGERT Doctoral Fellow, Program in Development & Inequality in the Global South
- 2009 Graduate Student Fellowship, Brown University
- 2006 International Affairs' Chair Tuition Scholarship, New School University

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

Invited Talks / Workshops

- 2022 “The Political Work of 'Culture' in Struggles to Reform the Mexican State”. Presidential Panel on Bureaucracy, Development and Policy, American Sociological Association Annual Meeting: Los Angeles, CA.
- 2021 “Creating "External" Experts: Coordination, Cultivation, and the Civic Value of Policy Evaluation”
- Ethnography Workshop, Department of Sociology, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL.
- Ethnography Workshop, Department of Sociology, NYU, New York, NY.
- “Indications of Democracy: Evaluation Expertise and the Politics of Accountability” Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, NY.
- 2020 “External Evaluators, State Reformers and the Values of Policy Evaluation” Taller de Etnografía, Mexico City, Mexico.
- “On how a state agency builds allies and we might, too!” Problem-Solving Sociology Workshop, Singapore Management University.
- 2018 “Qualitative Methods for Policy Evaluation” Inter-American Conference on Social Security (CISS) and National Council for the Evaluation of Social Development Policy (CONEVAL): Impact Evaluation Incubator, Mexico City, Mexico.
- 2017 “Ethnography of Expertise and Infrastructures as a Tool for the Analysis of Public Policy” Universidad de los Andes, Bogotá Colombia.

Conference Participation

- 2023 “Teaching Social Justice”
- 2022 “Rigor and Reproducibility as State Transparency”, Social Science History Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL.
- “The Political Work of "Culture" in Struggles to Reform the Mexican State”. American Sociological Association Annual Meeting: Los Angeles, CA.
- 2019 “The Ethno-Graphic Sensibility” EPIC2019. Providence, RI.
- “Making Data Public: A Generosity Model” Social Science History Association Annual Meeting: Chicago, IL.

- “A Taste for Change: Evaluation ‘Culture’ and the Struggle to Reform the Mexican State”
American Sociological Association Annual Meeting: New York, New York.
- “Generosity and the Public Effect: State Performances of Transparency in Contemporary Mexico” Latin American and Caribbean Studies Institute. University of Georgia.
- 2018 “The Cultural Work of Experts” Social Science History Association Annual Meeting: Phoenix, Arizona.
- “The Cultural Work of Experts” Workshop on Science, Knowledge and Technology, Columbia University, New York, NY.
- “The Cultural Work of Experts” Latin American Studies Association Annual Meeting: Barcelona, Spain.
- 2017 “Making Data Public” American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting: Washington D.C.
- “Making Data Public” Lessons from the Field, Data & Society Institute: New York, NY.
- “Digital Devices, Representational Affordances, and Sociological Knowledge-Making” Media Sociology Preconference: Montreal, Canada.
- “Retreat to Method: The Aftermath of Elite Concession to Civil Society in India and Mexico” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting: Montreal, Canada.
- “How RCTs Became Best Practice” Development in the Face of Global Inequalities, Institut Barcelona D’Estudis Internacionals, Spain.
- “Doing Digital Ethnography: Sociological Accounts, Reflexivity and Public Intervention” Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting: Philadelphia, PA.
- 2016 “Infrastructures of Social Development”, Going Beyond Governance: New Research Directions on States and Citizens in the Global South, Brown University, Providence, RI.
- “Engaged Research/Engaged Publics: New Approaches to Teaching Applied Policy Research” Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting: Boston, MA.
- 2015 “Rigor, Rights and the Real World: Poverty Indicators as Composite and Compromise” Science History Association Annual Meeting: Baltimore, MD.
- “Experiment as Statecraft” Workshop on Science, Knowledge and Technology, Columbia University, New York, NY.
- “Experiment as Statecraft: Poverty Policy Experiments and the Democratization of the Mexican State” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting: Chicago, IL.

- “Retrofitting & Repair: Everyday Practices of Technical Policymaking” Latin American Studies Association Annual Meeting: San Juan, Puerto Rico.
- 2014 “Proof & Promise of Democracy: The Making of Poverty & Policy Expertise in Mexico” Social Science History Association Annual Meeting: Toronto, Canada.
- “Expert for a Day: Toward an Ethnography of Interventions” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting: San Francisco, CA.
- “Policy Devices & State Infrastructuring” 10th Annual Stony Brook Ethnography Conference: Stony Brook, NY.
- “Equitable Development and Urban Ethnography” American Planning Association National Planning Conference: Atlanta, GA.
- 2013 “Drafting Experts: State Reform, Social Policy and the Promise of Democratization in Mexico” The Society for the Advancement of Socio Economics, Regional Conference: Mexico City.
- “Informing Development & Imagining Democracy: Policy Evaluation Expertise in Mexico” Social Science History Association Annual Meeting: Chicago, IL.
- “The Art of Attraction: Toward a Sociology of Knowledge-in-Action” Social Science History Association Annual Meeting: Chicago, IL.
- “Inscriptions-in-Action: Materiality, Politics and Knowledge” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting: New York, NY.
- “*Lo que se mide se puede mejorar*: The Politics of Mexico’s Official Poverty Measure” Latin American Studies Association Annual Meeting: Washington DC.
- “State Capacity & Transformation in Post-Apartheid South Africa: Toward a Middle Class Developmental State”. American Association of Geographers Annual Meeting: Los Angeles, CA.
- “Representatives and their Publics: Revisiting the Knowledge-Politics Link” Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting: Boston, MA.
- 2012 “A Cartography of the 21st Century Developmental State” NSF-IGERT 2012 Poster Competition: Washington DC.
- “Enhancing Capabilities in Post-Apartheid South Africa: Toward a Spatial Measure of State Impact” Eastern Sociological Society Annual Meeting: New York, NY.

Conference Organization & Related Service

- 2022 Session Organizer: “SKAT in and for Policy”, American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, CA.
- Session Organizer: “Policy Knowledge & Expertise” Regular Session on “Knowledge”, American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, CA.
- Session Organizer: “Sociology of Social Scientific Knowledge” Regular Session on “Knowledge”, American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Los Angeles, CA.
- 2021 Organizing committee: Science and the State Workshop, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, NJ.
- Panel Chair and Discussant: “STS Lessons for Policy Impact” Social Science History Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.
- Discussant and Participant: Workshop on Trust and Doubt in Public Sector Data, Data & Society, New York, New York.
- 2020 Panel Chair and Discussant: “STS Lessons for Policy Impact” Social Science History Association Annual Meeting, Washington D.C. (canceled due to Covid-19)
- 2019 Co-organizer and Moderator: Resiliency in Practice: Confronting Climate Disaster in Puerto Rico and New York. Urban Democracy Lab, New York University.
- 2018 Mini-Conference Co-organizer: “The How and Why of Policymaking in Latin America”; Discussant for “Global Ethnographic Perspectives”, Latin American Studies Association, Barcelona, Spain.
- 2017 Discussant: “Politics and Power in Latin America” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Montreal, Canada.
- Mini-Conference Co-organizer: “Circulating and Contesting Latin American Policy Knowledge”; Panel Organizer for “Policy Learning and Policy Narratives” and “Institutions and Urban Policy Models” Latin American Studies Association, Lima, Peru.
- 2015 Discussant: “The Materiality of Culture?” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.
- Mini-Conference Co-organizer: “Ethnography of Contemporary Latin American States”; Panel Chair “Between Rights & Regulation: Birth, Borders, Bodies and Biotech” Latin American Studies Association, Puerto Rico.
- Workshop Organizer: “Dissertations in Progress” Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, Brown University.
- 2013 Panel Chair & Organizer: “Expertise and Statecraft in the Americas: Comparative Perspectives on Policymaking and Politics” Latin American Studies Association, Washington D.C.

2012 Conference Convener: “New Approaches to Poverty Inequality Alleviation in the Global South” Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs, Brown University.

Workshop Co-convener: “Mellon Graduate Workshop in Sociology of Expertise” Brown University.

TEACHING

Awards & Competitive Grants

- 2023 Service Learning Teaching Fellowship, University of Georgia
- 2022 Sandy Beaver Excellence in Teaching Award, University of Georgia
- 2018 Build a Digital Course Grant, University of Georgia
- 2017 Lilly Teaching Fellow, Center for Teaching and Learning, University of Georgia
- 2016 Engaged Scholarship Course Development Grant, Brown University

Courses Taught

University of Georgia

- Social Theory Now (graduate seminar)
- Political Sociology (graduate seminar)
- Sociological Theory (undergraduate, writing intensive)
- Political Sociology: Politics & Anti-Politics (undergraduate seminar)
- Introduction to Latin American & Caribbean Studies (undergraduate)
- Introduction to Latin American & Caribbean Studies (online)
- Digital Storytelling for Social Policy (undergraduate and graduate seminar)

Brown University

- Engaging Research / Engaging Publics: The Science and Craft of Applied Policy Research
*Selected as a City of Providence-Brown University MetroLab Program Project
Featured by the Sunlight Foundation/What Works Cities blog: [“Engagement 101: Providence and Brown University showcase a data-driven partnership”](#) August 15, 2016.*
- Global Development
- Thesis Writing in Development Studies
- Food Fights: The Global Politics of Food
- Graduate Seminar in Political Ethnography & Qualitative Methods

Invited Short Courses & Workshops

- Qualitative Methods for Impact Evaluation. CONEVAL, Mexico DF (October 2018; March 2022; April 2023)
- Ethnography of and for Public Policy. Universidad de los Andes (July 2017)
- Ethnography of the State. Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú (August 2015).
- Research & Field Work in Action. El Colegio de México (March 2013).
- Research Ethics and Social Responsibility. El Colegio de México (May 2013).
- Urban Ethnography Research Clinic. University of Nevada (June 2013).

- Qualitative Methods for Urban Research. Universidad Iberoamericana (October 2013).
- Measuring Inequality Spatially: GIS in Research and Policy. Brown University (January 2012).

Pedagogical Training & Certification

- 2023-2024 Service Learning Fellow, University of Georgia
- 2018 Digital Pedagogy Lab (Digital Storytelling Track), University of Mary Washington
- 2016-2017 Teaching Academy Fellow, University of Georgia
Teaching and Learning with Digital Humanities, Faculty Learning Community, Center for Teaching and Learning, University of Georgia
- 2014-2015 Certificate Program in Reflexive Teaching Practice, Sheridan Center for Teaching and Learning at Brown University
Teaching & Technology Winter Institute, Brown University

ACADEMIC ADVISING

University of Georgia

*Master's Thesis Committee Member or Chair**

- Erin Carpinter*
- Jasmine Underwood

Dissertation Committee Member or Chair

- Phattra Marbang
- Emily Tingle

Completed

- Alonso Burgos Cisneros (MA, 2023)
- Rebekah Groth (MA, 2022)
- Ashley Meadow (MA, 2018)
- Jeffrey Patterson (PhD, 2022)

Brown University

Undergraduate Honors Thesis Advisor

- Merone Tadesse (Development Studies & Sociology, 2016)
- Austin K. Cole (Development Studies & Latin American Studies, 2015)
- Brienne Ellis (Development Studies, 2015)
- Annie Sholar (Development Studies & Latin American Studies, 2015)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Service to the Discipline

- Nominations Committee, ASA Theory Section (2022-2023)
- Council Member, ASA Science, Knowledge, and Technology Section (2020-2023)
- Chair, Anti-Racist Task Force, ASA Science, Knowledge, and Technology Section (2021-2022)
- Chair, Emancipatory Practice in SKAT Award, ASA Science, Knowledge, and Technology Section (2022)

Chair, Wells-Duster Anti-Racist Scholarship Award, ASA Science, Knowledge, and Technology Section (2022)
Member, Anti-Racist Task Force, ASA Science, Knowledge, and Technology Section (2020-2021)
Chair, Hacker-Mullins Graduate Student Paper Award, ASA Science, Knowledge, and Technology Section (2021)
Member, Emancipatory Practice in SKAT Award, ASA Science, Knowledge, and Technology Section (2021)
Member, Wells-Duster Anti-Racist Scholarship Award, ASA Science, Knowledge, and Technology Section (2021)
Co-editor of the ASA Culture Section Newsletter (2017-2020)
Star-Nelkin Paper Award Committee, ASA Science, Knowledge, and Technology Section (2019)

Reviewer: Journals: *American Journal of Sociology*; *American Sociological Review*; *Debates en Sociología*; *Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Anthropology*; *Journal of Latin American Studies*; *Journal of Public Policy*; *Qualitative Sociology*; *Social Problems*; *Sociology Compass*; *Teaching Sociology*; *Theory and Society*. Books: Oxford University Press.

The University of Georgia
Department of Sociology

Executive Committee (2022-2023)
DEI Theory Curriculum Committee (2021-)
Undergraduate Program Committee (2019-2020)
Faculty Evaluation Committee (2018-2019)
Coordinator, "Culture, Power, History" Workshop (2016-2018; 2021-2022)
Colloquium Committee Chair (2016-2018)

Latin American and Caribbean Studies Institute

Curriculum Committee (2019-)
Executive Committee (2016-)
Coordinator, Digital Studies Initiative (2018)
Faculty Evaluation Committee (2017)

The University

Digital Humanities Advisory Board, UGA Libraries, UGA Press, & Willson Center (2019-2021)
Faculty Advisory Board Member, Willson Center for Arts and Humanities (2018-2021)
Young Dawgs Mentor (2017-2018)

Service to Brown University

Sociology Department Committee on Diversity Member (2014-2016)
Graduate Assistant: Brown International Advanced Research Institute on Climate Change. (2011)
Sociology Department Committee on Professional Development Member (2010-2011)
Center for Latin American & Caribbean Studies, Sociology Department Liaison (2009-2011)

PROFESSIONAL RESEARCH & CONSULTING

- 2008-2010 Population Council: Poverty, Gender and Youth Program, Research Assistant & Consultant. New York, NY.
- 2008 African Services Committee: Monitoring & Evaluation Assistant. Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.
- 2004-2008 CASA at Columbia University: Health & Treatment Research Division, Research Coordinator. New York, NY.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

American Sociological Association
Corruption in the Global South Research Consortium
Latin American Studies Association
Social Science History Association

LANGUAGE

English & Spanish: Native Fluency