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**CURRENT APPOINTMENT**

Fall 2013 — present Adjunct Professor, Mexican American Studies Department, San Jose State University.

**EDUCATION**

Ph.D., History, University of Texas at Austin, August 2003  
M.A., History, University of Texas at Austin, August 1995  
Single Subject Credential, Social Science, San Jose State University, June 1986  
B.A., History and Political Science, Gonzaga University, August 1984

**TEACHING AND RESEARCH INTERESTS**

*United States History:* US-Mexico Borderlands, Chican@/Mexican American, American West; 19th Century Social History,

*Transdisciplinary:* Borderlands Studies, Chican@ Studies, Postcolonial Studies, Subaltern Studies, Cultural Studies, Autonomous Marxism;

*Native American Studies:* Zapatista Rebellion, Indigenous Autonomy, Mexican Revolution.

**PUBLICATIONS**

**Essays**

Manuel Callahan, "In defense of conviviality and the collective subject," *Polis* 33 (2012)  
URL: <http://polis.revues.org/8432>.

"Why Not Share a Dream: Zapatismo as Political and Cultural Practice," *Humboldt Journal of Social Relations* 29: 1 (2005): 6-37.

"Zapatismo and Global Struggle," in Eddie Yuen, Daniel Burton-Rose, and George Katsiaficas, eds., *Confronting Capitalism: Dispatches from a Global Movement* (New York: Soft Skull, Press, 2004).

"Zapatismo Beyond Chiapas," in David Solnit, ed., *Globalize Liberation: How to Uproot the System and Build a Better World* (San Francisco: City Lights, 2004).

"Zapatismo: an intuition, invitation and provocation for Global Action" in Eddie Yuen, Daniel Burton-Rose, George Katsiaficas, eds., *The Battle of Seattle: The New Challenge to Capitalist Globalization* (New York: Soft Skull Press, 2001).

Manuel Callahan, with Vik Bahl, "Minorities and Mentoring in the Postcolonial Borderlands" *Radical History Review* 72 (Fall 1998): 21-31.

### **Edited Volumes**

Manuel Callahan, Harry Cleaver, et. al., eds., *Conversations with Durito: Tales for a Suffocating Night* (New York: Autonomedia, 2005).

Manuel Callahan, ed. *Zapatismo as Critical Cultural and Political Practice*, Special issue *Humboldt State University Journal of Social Relations*, 29: 1 (2005).

### **Book Reviews**

"Vineyards & Vaqueros: Indian Labor and the Economic Expansion of Southern California, 1771-1877," (book review) *Labour. Le Travail* 72 (Fall 2013): 367-370.

"The Secret War in El Paso: Mexican Revolutionary Intrigue, 1906-1920," (book review) *Southwestern Historical Quarterly* 114:4 (April 2011): 456-457.

"Zapatismo Beyond Borders: New Imaginations of Political Possibility," (book review) *Times Higher Education* (April 2009): 53.

"Salt Warriors: Insurgency on the Rio Grande," (book review) *Southwestern Historical Quarterly* 112: 2 (October 2009).

"Homicide, Race, and Justice in the American West, 1880-1920" (book review) *Southwestern Historical Quarterly* 102 (April 1999): 531-32.

"LULAC: The Evolution of a Mexican-American Political Organization" (book review) *Southwestern Historical Quarterly* 98 (July 1994): 168.

### **MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS**

*Mexican Border Troubles: Social War and Biopower in the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands* (book manuscript).

*Nothing For Ourselves: War, Revolution, and Zapatista Civic Pedagogy* (book manuscript).

### **DISSERTATION**

"Mexican Border Troubles: Social War, Settler Colonialism and the Production of Frontier Discourses, 1848-1880."

The dissertation examines the multiple histories of violence along the US-Mexico Border during the late nineteenth century, paying special attention to the series of dramatic

“brushfire wars” such as the Merchants War, Cortina Wars, Las Cuevas War and the San Elizario Salt War. While not limited to the mobilizations of *Mexicano*-Anglo conflicts, “Mexico Border Troubles” interrogates the broader context of depredations and police actions as part of the social war of the US-Mexico Borderlands in which Indigenous peoples, *Mexicanos*, Anglos and, later, Buffalo Soldiers struggled as agents in a complex negotiation over “frontier defense.” Although material violence commonly associated with the region enabled Anglos to appropriate land, dominate the political process, and discipline a neighbor, it was the symbolic violence that allowed Anglos to claim the heroic exploits of frontier settlement as their exclusive legacy, making frontier defense a critical race project.

### **INVITED LECTURES**

“*Las zonas temporáneas autónomas de la producción de conocimiento: El aprendizaje convivencial en la coyuntura Zapatista*” (Temporary Autonomous Zones of Knowledge Production: Convivial Learning in the Zapatista Conjuncture), invited lecture at 23 Simposium Educación: *Educaciones alternativas y transformación social para cambiar el mundo*, ITESO Universidad Jesuita de Guadalajara, Tlaquepaque, Jalisco, México, February 19, 2016.

“Democratic Despotism and the Domestication of War: Border as Dispositif and the Community Safety Database,” invited lecture at Justice and Social Inquiry, School of Social Transformation, Arizona State University, November 23, 2015.

“A Critical Dialogue: Ayotzinapa, Mexican Politics, and Radical Indigenous Epistemologies” invited lecture at UC San Diego, February 26, 2015.

“Zapatista Civic Pedagogy and the Universidad de la Tierra” invited lecture at Humboldt State University, May 14, 2015.

“Chican@ Epistemology in the Age of Zapatismo,” invited lecture at “Humanities Behind the Walls,” Arizona State University, December 4, 2013.

“Applying the Lessons of a Zapatista Praxis to the Valley,” invited lecture at De Anza College, Cupertino, June 4, 2012.

“Decolonizing Methodologies and Epistemologies,” invited presentation, “Indigenous Symposium on Race and Racism,” University of California, Santa Barbara, November 13-14, 2009.

“Insurgent Learning: From Indigenous Autonomy to Chican@ Militancy,” invited lecture, “Celebrating Our Indigenous Legacy,” Latino Heritage Month guest speaker, San Jose City College, October 5, 2009.

“Derrumbando Fronteras: Colonial Occupation and Capitalist Crisis in the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands” invited lecture Chicana/o and Latina/o Graduate Student Association 2009 Borderlands Lecture, University of Texas at Austin, May 1, 2009.

“Zapatismo: Insurgent Learning Communities and Zapatista Civic Pedagogy,” invited lecture at University of California Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara, California, August 2008.

"Chican@ Studies and the Challenges of Community Research," invited lecture at College of the Redwoods, Arcata, California, May 2007;

"Provincializing the Frontier: Recovering Untamed Fragments on the US-Mexico Borderlands, 1859-1878," invited lecture at Chicano Studies Department, University of California Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara, California, March 2006.

"Three Countries, Three Revolutions, and Their Writers," featured speaker at "Global Connections," Third Annual International Literature Festival, Humboldt State University, November 2003.

"Zapatismo and the International of Hope," invited lecture at Mountain View College, Dallas, Texas, April 1996.

"Violence and the State," invited lecture for the Latino/a Leadership Opportunity Program, Austin, Texas, October 1993.

### **CONFERENCES**

"Circulating Struggle against Democratic Despotism: the Universidad de la Tierra Califas, Convivial Research, and the Community Safety Database," UCLA Raza Studies Journal Symposium: "Contesting Global Police Violence," Los Angeles, California, May 27, 2015.

"Beyond Civil: The Universidad de la Tierra Califas and a Zapatista Politics of Encounter," at National Association of Chicano/a Scholars, San Francisco, California, April 16, 2015.

"Beyond the Neoliberal University: Temporary Autonomous Zones of Knowledge Production," panel presentation at "Critical and Activist Scholarship," Society for the Study of Social Problems annual meeting, San Francisco, CA. August 18, 2014.

"Abolitionist Learning and Living Beyond and After the Academic Industrial Complex" invited panelist at "Academic Abolitionism: Native/Women of Color Feminist/Queer of Color Learning and Living Beyond the (Re)Production of Death — A Symposium in Memory of Rosemary Marangoly George," University of California San Diego, May 17 2014.

"Universidad de La Tierra Califas and the Politics of Insurgent Learning," panel presentation at "Education Without Fees and Degrees: Debt, Dispossession, De-occupation," American Studies Conference, Washington, D.C., November 23, 2013.

"*Abriendo Brecha* in the Temporary Autonomous Zones of Knowledge Production of Chicano and Latino Politics," paper delivered at *Abriendo Brecha X: Activism, Scholarship, and Justice*, University of Texas at Austin, February 14-16, 2013.

"In Defense of Conviviality," paper delivered at the *Coloquio Internacional: Hacia La Construcción De Un Nuevo Paradigma Social* at the Unidad Xochimilco, de la Universidad Autónoma Metropolitana, Distrito Federal, México, March 5-7, 2012.

*“La guerra permanente en la frontera de Estados Unidos y México,”* paper delivered at the Coloquio Internacional Migración y Revolución, Instituto Nacional de Antropología e Historia, INAH, Distrito Federal, México, June 7-11, 2010.

“40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of El Plan de Santa Barbara,” panel facilitator, “Critical Analysis: Where Do We Go from Here?,” University of California, Santa Barbara, May 22-24, 2009.

“Cibercultur@ and Coyuntur@,” invited lecture at the Seminario De Cibercultur@ Y Comunidades Emergentes De Conocimiento Local, Programa de Investigación Epistemología de la Ciencia y Sistemas de Información y Comunicación, Laboratorio de Comunicación Compleja (Labcomplex), Centro de Investigaciones Interdisciplinarias en Ciencias y Humanidades (CEIICH), Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México y Universidad Autónoma de Coahuila, México, April 2008;

“Zapatismo and the Politics of Insurgent Learning Communities,” paper presented at the National Association of Chicano Chicana Studies, Austin, Texas, March 2008;

“Cibercultur@ and the Decolonization of Knowledge Production,” paper presented at the Segundo Coloquio Internacional De Cibercultur@ Y Comunidades Emergentes De Conocimiento Local: Los Procesos Cognoscitivos, Programa de Investigación Epistemología de la Ciencia y Sistemas de Información y Comunicación, Laboratorio de Comunicación Compleja (Labcomplex), Centro de Investigaciones Interdisciplinarias en Ciencias y Humanidades (CEIICH), Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México y Universidad Autónoma de Coahuila, México, April 25-27, 2007;

“Zapatismo Beyond Solidarity,” panel presentation at “Political Action: Beyond Solidarity,” at El Kilombo community center, Durham, NC, March 2007;

“Writing Violence on the US-Mexico Borderlands,” paper presented at the XII Congress of Mexican, United States and Canadian Historians: Costas y Fronteras en la Historia de México, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, October 2006.

“Zapatismo Beyond Its Borders: The Convergence of Theory and Praxis, Social Change and New Cultural Formations,” panel presentation at the University of California, Berkeley, April 2006.

“Provincializing the Frontier: Social War on the United States-Mexico Borderlands, 1859-1878,” paper presented at the Texas State Historical Association, 110<sup>th</sup> annual meeting, Austin, Texas, March 2006.

“Recovering Situated Knowledges and Political Struggle on Campus,” panel facilitated at the Fall English Studies Conference 2005, Humboldt State University, Arcata, California, September 2005.

“What Bus Are You Waiting For: Interrogating the Politics of Activist Scholarship,” co-facilitated workshop at the “*Abriendo Brecha! Haciendo Camino: Activist Scholarship on Race, Identity, and Mestizaje in the Americas*,” University of Texas at Austin, Austin, Texas, February 24-26, 2005.

"Advanced Seminar in Chicano Research," paper presented at the American Historical Association-Pacific Coast Branch, San Jose, California, August 5, 2004.

"The Representational Machine of the 19<sup>th</sup> Century US-Mexico Borderlands," paper presented at the "Place, Space, and Identity in Chicano/a History," Mexican American History Workshop, University of Houston, May 2004.

"Zapatismo as Critical Cultural and Political Practice and the Challenge to Chican@ Studies," paper presented at the National Association of Chicano Chicana Studies, Albuquerque, New Mexico, March 2004.

"Dolores Huerta and the Legacy of the Chicano Movement," panel presentation, Chicano/Hispanic Law Student Association, University of Texas at Austin Law School, Austin, Texas, March 2003.

"Zapatista Rebellion," panel presentation at the "2<sup>nd</sup> International Black Panther Film Festival," film festival, New York, New York, May 2001.

"Zapatismo, Indigenous Autonomy, the Politics of Solidarity," panel presentation at the "Encuentro for Popular Education," conference, Austin, Texas, October 2000.

"Their Heads Will Have to Dance on the Sands: Towards a Diagnostic of Power of the 19c. US-Mexico Borderlands" paper presented at the "Bastards of Imperialism: Identity, Nation, and Citizenship in the Wake of Spanish and US Expansions" conference, Stanford, California, April 1998.

"A Diagnostic of Power of the Nineteenth Century US-Mexico Borderlands," paper presented at the "What's Goin' On: African and the African Diaspora at the University of Texas at Austin" conference, Austin, Texas, February 1998.

"San Elizario: The Salt War of 1877," paper presented at the San Elizario Genealogy and Historical Society conference, "San Elizario History: The Roots of El Paso," April 1997.

"Zapatismo: An Encounter with Critical Pedagogy," paper presented at University of Texas at Austin Department of Philosophy conference "Who's Next? Philosophy at the Close of the Millennium," March 1997.

"The El Paso Salt War of 1877," paper presented at the Texas State Historical Association, Houston, Texas, March 1993.

"Chicano Student Movement at the University of Texas," paper presented at the Latino/a Leadership Opportunity Program conference, Los Angeles, California, July 1991.

"The Salt War of 1877," paper presented at the "Mexican Americans in Texas History" conference, San Antonio, Texas, April 1991.

### **SEMINARS AND WORKSHOPS**

*"Del aprendizaje convivencial a la investigación convivencial,"* workshop at 23 Symposium Educación: *Educaciones alternativas y transformación social para cambiar el*

*mundo*, ITESO Universidad Jesuita de Guadalajara, Tlaquepaque, Jalisco, México, February 17-19, 2016.

“From Convivial Research and Collective Ethnography: UT Califas and Temporary Autonomous Zones of Knowledge Production,” workshop at Justice and Social Inquiry, School of Social Transformation, Arizona State University, November 20, 2015.

Coyuntura workshop series on autonomous learning, intergenerational family literacy, and community regeneration. Somos-Mayfair, East San Jose. June 2015 – present.

“Convivial Research” workshop at Free Minds, Free People Conference, Laney College, Oakland, July 10, 2015.

“Insurgent Militant Research: a workshop with Gustavo Esteva and Manuel Callahan,” invited lecture and workshop at UC Riverside, February 24, 2015.

“Tactical Cartography: Militarization Across the Bay,” workshop at San Jose Peace and Justice Center, San Jose in preparation for 2015 US Social Forum PMA on Militarization, January 28, 2015.

“Facilitating a People’s Investigation on Campus,” workshop for Student Coalition for San Jose State University Accountability (SCSA), San Jose, November 6, 2014.

“Conducting People’s Investigations: Police Violence,” workshop for Colectivo Justicia, San Jose, August 25, 2014.

“Investigative *testimonios* and People’s Investigations,” community workshop with Quad Productions and Universidad de la Tierra Califas, San Jose, May 31, 2014.

“Relational *testimonio* as Convivial Tool,” community workshop with Universidad de la Tierra Califas Thesis Clinic, San Jose, May 5, 2014.

“Politics of Assembly,” workshop with Ricardo Agredano, “Liberation by any Means Necessary,” M.E.Ch.A Statewide Conference, November 23, 2013.

“Santa Barbara and Isla Vista Encuentro: Reclaiming Learning and Strategies for Community Regeneration,” militant research workshop, Santa Barbara, May 11-13, 2012.

“Reading Critically: A Non-linear Approach to Organizing and Representing Knowledge,” Faculty Development workshop at San Jose City College, San Jose, Friday, May 4, 2012.

“Rebel Pedagogy: Zapatismo and Insurgent Learning Communities,” Second Annual History Workshop in Comparative and Traditional History, University of California San Diego, June 1, 2009.

“Comparative Community Research and Social Movements,” workshop at Duke University, Durham, NC, March 2007;

“Oral, Textual and Cibernetic Intercultural Dialogue,” advanced seminar convened at the Centro Encuentros y Dialogos Interculturales (CEDI), Universidad de la Tierra in Oaxaca, Mexico, July 2005.

“Temporary Autonomous Zones of Knowledge Production,” advanced seminar convened at the Laboratorio de Comunicación Compleja (LabCOMplex), Centro de Investigaciones Interdisciplinarias en Ciencias y Humanidades (CEIICH), Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM), July 2005.

“Zapatismo and the US Latino Struggle,” facilitated workshop during the Week of Dialogue on Race, Humboldt State University, November 2003.

“Nothing for Ourselves: War and Revolution in Chiapas,” workshop conducted at the *Hemispheres* Summer Institute, “On War & Peace: Teaching about World Conflict,” Austin, Texas, June 2002.

“Zapatismo and Critical Pedagogy: The Challenge of Leadership,” workshop for the Latino Leadership Opportunity Program at University of Texas at Austin, December 1996 and April 1997.

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Fall 2013 — Fall 2015 Associated Professor, Department of Anthropology and Social Change, California Institute Integral Studies.

Fall 2012 — Spring 2013 Adjunct Professor, Department of Anthropology and Social Change, California Institute Integral Studies.

Fall 2012 Adjunct Professor, Ethnic Studies, San Jose City College;

Fall 2011 Adjunct Professor, Latin American and Iberian Studies, University of California, Santa Barbara;

Winter 2009 to Fall 2011: Visiting Professor, Chican@ Studies Department, University of California, Santa Barbara;

Fall 2003 to Fall 2008: Assistant Professor, Ethnic Studies Program, Department of World Languages and Cultures, Humboldt State University, Arcata, California.

Fall 2002: Instructor, Introduction to Cultural Studies, University of Texas, Austin, Texas.

Spring 2002: Instructor, Violence in the American West, Southwestern University, Georgetown, Texas.

Summer 2001: Instructor, Zapatista Rebellion, Southwestern University, Georgetown, Texas.

Spring 2001: Instructor, Mexican American Social Movements, Southwestern University, Georgetown, Texas.



Fall 2000: Instructor, Texas and the Borderlands, Southwestern University, Georgetown, Texas.

Spring 2000: Instructor, United States History, Austin Community College, Austin, Texas.

Fall 1999: Instructor, Research Methods in Community Studies, Center for Mexican American Studies, University of Texas, Austin, Texas.

Fall 1998: Instructor, Mexican American Popular Culture, Center for Mexican American Studies, University of Texas, Austin, Texas.

Spring 1998: Coordinator for Austin Mexican American Oral History Project, Center for Mexican American Studies, University of Texas, Austin, Texas.

Fall 1993: Instructor for Texas History in the Multicultural Honors Program, Huston-Tillotson College, Austin, Texas.

Spring-Summer 1993: Instructor United States History, Austin Community College, Austin, Texas.

Spring 1989: Secondary substitute teacher, Austin Independent School District, Austin, Texas.

Fall 1986-Spring 1988: Instructor, Stanbridge Academy, Palo Alto, California.

### **RESEARCH POSITIONS**

Advanced Seminar in Chicano Research, University of Texas at Austin, 2000-2004.

Research Assistant, Center for Mexican American Studies, University of Texas at Austin, Fall 1996; Fall 1997; Spring 1999.

Advanced Seminar in Postcolonial Borderlands, University of Texas at Austin, 1996-1998.

Research Assistant, "Handbook of Texas Revision Project," Texas State Historical Association, University of Texas at Austin, Fall 1991-Summer 92.

### **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND SERVICE**

Advanced Seminar in Comparative Community Research (ASCCR): explores decentralized, collective, "grassroots" approaches to knowledge production that develops methodologies, strategies, and conceptual frameworks regarding community research and post political autonomy that regenerates culture, reclaims commons, and facilitates intercultural dialogue linking public intellectuals and community-based scholars with advanced students, staff, and faculty associated with a number of institutions of higher education, including Humboldt State University, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, Universidad de la Tierra, University of California Santa Barbara, and Greenriver Community College. June-July, 2006.

Committee member, "Race, Class, Gender Formation in the US-Mexico Borderlands" lecture series, University of Texas at Austin, April 2003.

Organizer for *Formación de las Ofertas Culturales y sus Públicos* (FOCYP) University of Texas at Austin Workshop, April 2003.

Committee member, "Race, Class, Gender Formation in the US-Mexico Borderlands" lecture series, University of Texas at Austin, March 2000.

Textbook Reviewer, *The American Promise: A History of the United States*, Bedford/St. Martin's Press, September 1999.

Conference organizer for "People's Power Then and Now, an *Encuentro*," Austin, Texas, April 1999.

Committee member, "Race, Class, Gender Formation in the US-Mexico Borderlands" lecture series, University of Texas at Austin, March 1999.

Contracted editor, *Call to Freedom (1865 to Present)*, Holt, Rinehart and Winston, February-August 1999.

Committee member Borderlands Studies Program Working Group, University of Texas at Austin, 1998.

Conference organizer for "Austin *Encuentro*," Austin, Texas, July 1997.

Committee member, "Race, Class, Gender Formation in the US-Mexico Borderlands" lecture series, University of Texas at Austin, April 1997.

Graduate Student Association, Chair, University of Texas at Austin, 1993-94.

Council of Graduate Students, President, University of Texas at Austin, 1992-93.

## **HONORS**

HSU Service Learning Fellow, 2005-2006.

HSU Community Based Action Research Grant, Spring 2005.

HSU Sponsored Programs Small Grant Competition, Spring 2005.

HSU Diversity Program Funding Award, Humboldt State University, Fall 2004.

HSU Diversity Program Funding Award, Humboldt State University, Spring and Fall 2003.

Greater Mexico Graduate Student Research Award, University of Texas at Austin, 2003.

Hogg Foundation Thematic Fellowship, University of Texas at Austin, 1997-1998.

Teaching Assistantship, University of Texas at Austin, 1993-94, 1995, summer 1998.

Graduate Opportunity Fellowship, University of Texas at Austin, 1989-90.

Teaching Assistantship at University of Texas at El Paso, 1988-1989.

### **REFERENCES**

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