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EDUCATION

2012 – Up to Date: San Diego State University (SDSU) / University of California, San Diego (UCSD).

- Joint Doctoral Program in Public Health with concentration on Global Health.

2010– 2012 University of California, San Diego (UCSD). Center for Iberian and Latin American Studies (CILAS).

- Master of Arts in Latin American Studies.
- Thesis: “Mapping Violence: Homicides Trends in Mexico and Brazil 1990-2010”.

1997–2010 Autonomus Technological Institute of Mexico (ITAM), Mexico – D.F.

- BA in Political Science.
- Thesis: “The Municipal Subsidy for Public Safety: An analysis of the Eligibility Formula”.

1997–2004 Autonomus Technological Institute of Mexico (ITAM), Mexico – D.F.

- BA in Economics (abd).

2002–2003 Paris Institute of Political Studies. (Sci - Po Paris), Paris – France.

- Academic Exchange through ITAM.

WORKING EXPERIENCE

2012 – Up to Date: San Diego State University (SDSU) / University of California, San Diego (UCSD).

Graduate Research Assistant for Professor in the Department of Political Science at UCSD, David Mares, and distinguished Professor in the Department of Political Science at SDSU, Dipak Gupta.

- Subgroup coordinator, EMBERS project, developing early warnings for social, economic, and public health events for Latin American Countries, funded by IARPA, 2012.

Graduate Research Assistant for UCSD professor in the Department of Global Health, Steffanie Strathdee.

- Part of the NIH research “El Cuete phase IV”, the project’s objective is to identify how formal policies can affect HIV risk behaviors among the injection drug users (IDU) in Tijuana, Mexico.

2010– 2012 University of California, San Diego (UCSD). Center for Iberian and Latin American Studies (CILAS).

Graduate Research Assistant.

- Worked for CILAS Director, Professor David Mares. Research topics included economic, energy and electoral data of Latin American countries.
- Tinker Foundation, Field Research Grant in Brazil, through the Center for Iberian and Latin American Studies at UCSD (CILAS), July - September 2011.

2005 – 2009 Quintana Roo, State Government. Mexico.

Executive Secretary of the State's Public Security System. Chief of Staff.

- Coordinating twenty people that formed the staff and different areas of the office. Represent the Executive Secretary at meetings with national representatives and other secretaries at the state level. Design and management of the annual state's budget with federal funds, congresses, legal agreements, and federal programs.

Secretary of State. Undersecretary for Legal Affairs. Advisor

- Design of the state's 2005 – 2008 Legislative Agenda. Creation of mental maps, speeches, and technical reports on public policies. Legalization of land owned by Guatemalan refugees on the state.

2004 - 2005 Center of Research and Economic Teaching (CIDE) México D.F.

Research Assistant for Economics professor, Gustavo del Angel Mobarak.

- Analysis and creation of statistical data for research working documents. Use of social network analysis programs to graph data relating to the idiosyncratic risks in the boards of Mexican Banks.

2001 - 2000 National Bank of Exterior Commerce (BANCOMEXT) México D.F.

Professional Practicum.

- Assistant in the Technical Secretary of the Bank. Aiding in the processing of the agreements taken by the board of directors.

1998 – 2000 National Congress, LVII legislature, México D.F.

Parliamentary Assistant

- Assistant to Congressman Francisco Arroyo Vieyra of the state of Guanajuato, PRI party. Providing technical assistance for the legislative process.

HONORS

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- Graduated 2010 with Special Mention, B.A. Political Science, Autonomus Technological Institute of Mexico (ITAM), Mexico.

PUBLICATIONS

Beletsky, L., R. Lozada, T. Gaines, D. Abramovitz, H. Staines, A. Vera, G. Rangel, J. Arredondo, and S. A. Strathdee. "Syringe Confiscation as an HIV Risk Factor: The Public Health Implications of Arbitrary Policing in Tijuana and Ciudad Juarez, Mexico." *Journal of Urban Health* (2012): 1-15.