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Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

PhD.	Department of Anthropology, Washington University in St. Louis, 2025
M.A.	Department of Anthropology, Washington University in St. Louis, 2021
M.A.	Cultural Studies, FLACSO-Guatemala, 2017
Licenciatura	(B.A. Equivalent) Escuela de Historia, Universidad de San Carlos de Guatemala, (USAC), 2012

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2025 – present	Assistant Professor, Department of Anthropology and Languages, Idaho State University

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

2020 Kurschner, S., **Madrigal, L.**, Chacon, V., Barnoya, J. and Rohloff, P. "Impact of school and work status on diet and physical activity in rural Guatemalan adolescent girls: a qualitative study." *Ann. N.Y. Acad. Sci* 1468(1):16-24 doi:10.1111/nyas.14183

2017 **Madrigal, L.**, Adams, I., Chacon, V., & Barnoya, J. "Perceived barriers to achieving a healthy weight: a qualitative study using focus groups at public and private schools in Guatemala City." *BMC Public Health* 17: 16. doi: 10.1186/s12889-016-3978-9

Other Publications

2021 Madrigal Marroquín, L. "*Centavitos* Against Food Insecurity: Structural Violence, Charity, and Technical Fixes in Guatemala." Platypus, the CASTAC Blog, June 1. (Available here).

2021 Madrigal, L. "Caring for home: The failures of vaccine nationalism, or, Why the pandemic will not be over soon." Somatosphere, May 18 (Available here).

2020 Madrigal, L. "Contagio, movimiento y contención: deportaciones en tiempos del COVID19." Plaza Pública, August 29 (Available here).

2017 Madrigal Marroquín, L. G. "Sujetos en la construcción de teoría: memorias de los participantes del estudio longitudinal de oriente." Universidad de San Carlos de Guatemala. https://digi.usac.edu.gt/bvirtual/resumenes2017/inf1729.html

GRANTS AND AWARDS

Research

External

2022-2023 Dissertation Fieldwork Grant, Wenner-Gren Foundation Gr. 10324
2021-2023 Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant, National Science Foundation (NSF). Award Number: 2115268
2017-2018 Financiamiento de Investigación, Universidad de San Carlos de Guatemala Dirección General de Investigación (DIGI- USAC).

Internal

2026 Support Program for Advancing Research and Creativity (SPARC) Grant, Idaho State University

Travel

2025 Faculty Travel Grant, Idaho State University
2024 Student Travel Grant, Society for Medical Anthropology
2021 Student Travel Grant, Society for Medical Anthropology (declined)
2021 Conference Travel Grant, Latin American Studies Association (LASA)

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

Organized Panels

2024 Empowerment and Social Capital, Latin American Studies Association Annual Meeting, Bogotá, Colombia, June 12-15.
2021 Embodying "Development": Growing Bodies in the Global South (Co-organized with Eliza Williamson), American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting. Baltimore, MD/Online panel, November 17-21.

Papers (selected)

2025 The Role of Urban Legend Among Women Conducting Fieldwork, World Anthropological Union Congress, Antigua Guatemala, Guatemala, November 3-8
2024 Monitoras, free labor of care for future economic growth and development, American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting, Tampa, FL, November 20-23
2024 Empoderar a las mujeres para hacer crecer a los niños, Latin American Studies Association Annual Meeting, Bogotá, Colombia. June 12-15.
2022 Encuentro de sistemas de conocimiento: Atoles nutricionalmente mejorados en Guatemala. 10ª Jornada de investigación sobre atoles y tamales, Online conference, November 24.
2022 Otros modelos de desarrollo y la prevención de la desnutrición crónica, Latin American Studies Association Annual Meeting, Online conference, May 4-8.

2021 Human Capital: Growing Development in Guatemala, American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting. Baltimore, MD/Online panel, November 17-21.
2021 Measuring normalcy: childhood stunting prevention in Guatemala, Society for Social Studies of Science (4S) Annual Meeting, Online conference, October 6-9.
2021 Haciendo crecer el desarrollo en Guatemala. Latin American Studies Association Annual Meeting. Online conference, May 25-29.
2021 Reproduciendo el desarrollo en Guatemala, Critical Conversations on Reproductive Health/Care: Past, Present, and Future, Online conference, February 1-7.
2019 Tesoritos del país, feeding the future by caring for mothers, American Anthropological Association Annual Meeting. Vancouver, Canada, November 20-24.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Idaho State University, Instructor of Record

Cultural Anthropology (Fall 202, Spring 2026)
Anthropology of Reproduction (Spring 2026)
Anthropology of Global Health (Fall 2025)

Washington University in St. Louis, Instructor of Record

Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (Summer 2021)

Washington University in St. Louis, Assistant to the Instructor
Human Growth and Development (Fall 2023)
Issues in Food Systems (Spring 2023)
Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (Fall 2020 / Spring 2021)
Global Energy and the American Dream (Fall 2029)

RESEARCH AND FIELD EXPERIENCE

2021-2023 Dissertation Research. Department of Anthropology, Washington University in St Louis.
Advisor: Bret Gustafson.

Conducted ethnographic research through participant observation and interviews in corporate-funded programs aimed at preventing chronic malnutrition across different sites in Guatemala.

2017 Research Coordinator, DIGI-USAC.

Conducted research on the experiences of women involved in a study on the effects of maternal and child nutrition supplements in Guatemala during the 1960s and 1970s.

2016-2018 Qualitative Research Assistant, Cardiovascular Surgery Unit of Guatemala (UNICAR).

Recruited participants, conducted interviews with adolescent girls, and analyzed qualitative data for various multidisciplinary health research projects in rural Guatemala.

2014-2015 Qualitative Research Assistant, Tobacco Control Fellowship. Institute of Nutrition of Central America (INCAP).

Recruited participants, conducted focus groups with adolescent girls, and analyzed data regarding healthy eating and physical activity in schools in Guatemala.

SERVICE

Academic

Student Travel Award Evaluation Committee, Society for Medical Anthropology (SMA), 2025
Co-Organizer, Latin American Social Theory Reading Group, Washington University in St. Louis, 2020-2021
Co-Organizer, Culture Club, Washington University in St. Louis, 2019-2020

LANGUAGES

Spanish	Native
English	Fluency in reading, writing, speaking

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Latin American Studies Association, 2020-current
American Anthropological Association, 2019-current
Guatemala Scholars Network 2015-current
Guatemalan Professional College of Humanities 2013-current