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## **Education**

University of Essex, United Kingdom (2000-2004)

PhD in Government (Contemporary Political Theory, particularly, Ideology and Discourse Analysis). Awarded on 11 March 2004.

Thesis title: 'Insurgencies and National Security in Mexico (1993-2003): Political Frontiers, Myth and Hegemony, the Role of the EZLN'  
Abstract attached.

Universidad Iberoamericana, UIA (1998-2000)

MA in Political Communication

Dissertation title: 'EPR: Stigma and Silence' on moral panic, the politics of exclusion and guerrilla movements

Honorific Mention

Grade: A

National Institute of Public Administration INAP (1999)

Attendant at the nine-month course on National Security and Contemporary Vulnerabilities

Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico UNAM (BA awarded in 1996)

BA in Communication Studies

Dissertation title: 'Colosio: the solitary conspiracy' (media, public opinion and magnicide)

Grade: A

## **Work Experience**

1999-2000

Lecturer at UIA (Iberoamerican University) Department of Communication

Subject: Media and Investigative Journalism

Duties: Preparation and delivery of classes for undergraduates, essay and exam marking.

March 1989-August 2000

Journalist in La Jornada (political paper in Mexico City).

Duties: Research, Interviews and Writing of all the genres of journalism, especially on social movements and politics.

March 1984-February 1989 TV and Radio Journalist and commentator.

## **Publications**

Book Chapters (titles translated from Spanish)

‘Bush and Bin Laden: terror and the constitution of new political frontiers’ in *Islam and the New Jihad* (Mexico: Academic Journal for the Study of Religions, 2002).

‘Media and the Light of the World: contrasts and ideology between religious organisations’, in *The Light of the World, religion, ideology, a multidisciplinary study* (Mexico: Academic Journal for the Study of Religions, 1999).

## **Conference Papers**

‘Myth and hegemony in the constitution of national security and insurgencies in Mexico’, Conference of Mexican PhD Students in the UK, University of Oxford, June 14-15, 2003.

‘The absence and construction of the indigenous in the guerrilla discourse’, Fourth Essex Conference in Political Theory, University of Essex, May 7-8, 2003.

‘Unexpected and unwilling contributions to national security from insurgent movements: a frontier of national security and insurgency in Mexico’, ECPR Joint Sessions Conference, University of Edinburgh, 28 March-2 April, 2003.

‘Absence and reorganisation of the indigenous in the Chiapas’ guerrilla’, Third Essex Conference in Political Theory, University of Essex, May 17-18, 2002.

## **Research Interests**

Interaction between national security and insurgencies; ideology, political theory and electoral behaviour, political identities and the media.

## **Acknowledgements**

National Prize of Journalism in 1997 handed in by the President of the Mexican Republic.

Recognition by the 74<sup>th</sup> House of Representatives of Texas, in 1995, as invitee of the American Council of Young Political Leaders (ACYPL), for the developing of a network of information on attacks on and killings of journalists and contributoir to professional vindications during 1986-1995 (existing the following years).