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POSITIONS

- 2024 - **Visiting Assistant Professor**
Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT
College of Social Studies, Department of Economics
Courses: Introduction to Income and Wealth Inequality, History of Economic Thought, Economic History of Latin America Since Bretton Woods
- 2021 - 2023 **Graduate Teaching Fellow (Instructor of Note)**
Eugene Lang College of Liberal Arts, New York, NY
Courses: An Intellectual History of Neoliberalism (1938-1990), Introduction to Machine Learning with Python, Quantitative Reasoning I & II
- Fall 2021 **Graduate Teaching Assistant**
The New School for Social Research, New York, NY
Course: Historical Foundations of Political Economy I
- 2018-2019 **Lecturer**
Universidad Nacional de Ingeniería - Graduate School, Lima, Peru
Course: General Economics
- 2018-2019 **Lecturer**
Universidad del Pacífico, Lima, Peru
Courses: Applied Statistics, Economic History, Economy, Distributive Justice and Democracy

EDUCATION

- 2024 **The New School for Social Research**, New York, NY
PhD, Economics
Dissertation: "Essays on Historical Political Economy and Economic Inequality"
Committee: Clara Mattei (Primary Advisor), Duncan K. Foley, Mark Setterfield, Branko Milanovic
- 2021 **The New School for Social Research**, New York, NY
MA, Economics
- 2019 **Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú**, Lima, Peru
Graduate Studies, Philosophy (non degree)
- 2016 **Universidad del Pacífico**, Lima, Peru
Master, Economics
- 2014 **Universidad del Pacífico**, Lima, Peru
BA, Economics

VISITING SCHOLARSHIPS

- Spring 2024 **Harvard University**, [Weatherhead Research Cluster on Global History](#), Cambridge, MA
Supervisor: Sven Beckert
- Fall 2023 **Paris School of Economics**, Centre François Simiand, Paris, France
Supervisor: Thomas Piketty
- 2022 **Paris School of Economics**, World Inequality Lab, Paris, France
Supervisor: Thomas Piketty

TEACHING INTERESTS

- Inequality and Wealth
- Political Economy of Capitalism
- Heterodox Economics
- History of Global Capitalism
- International Political Economy
- Quantitative Methods
- Growth, Distribution and Politics

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Income and Wealth Inequality
- Economic History and History of Economics
- Political Economy
- History of Economic Thought
- Labor and Development Economics
- Economic Growth
- Latin American Studies

PRIZES, FELLOWSHIPS, RESEARCH AWARDS

Warren J. and Sylvia J. Samuels Young Scholar Prize, The History of Economics Society, 2023
Student Research Award, The New School for Social Research, 2023
Warren J. and Sylvia J. Samuels Young Scholar Prize, The History of Economics Society, 2022
Summer Research Grant, [History and Political Economy Project](#), Arrighi Center for Global Studies, 2022
Student Research Award, The New School for Social Research, 2022
Harry Magdoff and Paul Sweezy Fellowship, The New School for Social Research, 2021

PUBLICATIONS

Working Papers

- 2025 César Castillo-García. “It Happened Before: The American Experience as a Confluence of Peruvian Neo-Populism.”
- 2025 César Castillo-García. “Conflicting Claims and Taxation: A Distributive History of 20th Century Peru.” *WIL Working Paper Series*.
- 2024 César Castillo-García. “Statistical Mechanics of Income in Peripheral Capitalism: Peru, 2004-2022”
- 2023 César Castillo-García and Luan Sánchez-Pérez. “How Was the Neoliberal Hegemony Constructed? Policy Networks and Free Market Institutions in 20th Century Peru.”

Books

- 2022 Germán Alarco and César Castillo García. *Covid-19: desempleo, desigualdad y precarización en el Perú 2020-2030* [Covid-19: Unemployment, Inequality, and Precarization in Peru]. Lima: Oxfam.
- 2019 Germán Alarco, César Castillo García and Favio Leiva. *Riqueza y desigualdad en el Perú. Una visión panorámica* [Wealth and Inequality in Peru. An Integral Vision], co-authored with Germán Alarco and Favio Leiva. Lima: Oxfam.

Book Chapters

- 2025 César Castillo García. “Neoliberalizaciones en el Perú Post-1930: Una Historia Alternativa del Neoliberalismo Sudamericano” [“Neoliberalizations in Post-1930 Peru: An Alternative History of South American Neoliberalism”]. In *Emprendedores de la Libertad: Hacia una Nueva Comprensión del Neoliberalismo en América Latina*. [Forthcoming]
- 2025 César Castillo-García. “Development.” In *Routledge Encyclopedia of Neoliberalism*. [Forthcoming]
- 2025 César Castillo-García. “Champions of Free Trade: The Peruvian Proposal for a Conference on Commercial Policy at Bretton Woods”. In *Bretton Woods at 80: Exposing the Crossroads of the International Economic and Monetary Architecture*. [Forthcoming]

Articles

- 2025 César Castillo-García. “The Rule of Private Initiative in Neoliberal Development: An Institutional

Legacy of Peruvian Neoliberalism (1960-70)". *Global Perspectives*. [Forthcoming]

- 2025 César Castillo-García. "Waves of Neoliberalism: Revisiting the Authoritarian Patterns of Capitalism in South America (1930-60)". *History of Political Economy*. [Forthcoming]
- 2024 César Castillo García. "Vida y legado del fascismo peruano: de la Gran Depresión a la Posguerra". [Life and legacy of Peruvian Fascism: from the Great Depression to the Post-War Period.] *Revista Indoamérica. Cuadernos del CEPA*, num. 6, 25-37.
- 2022 Germán Alarco and César Castillo García. "Elevada desigualdad, pandemias, cambio tecnológico y desempleo: una reseña en tiempos del covid-19". [High inequality, pandemics, technological change and unemployment: a review in times of covid-19]. *Revista Economía UNAM*, 19, 55, enero-abril, 143-173.
- 2020 Germán Alarco and César Castillo García. "Índice de desigualdad y desaceleración económica en América Latina" [Inequality Index and Economic Slowdown in Latin America]. *Revista Investigación Económica, UNAM*, 314, 79, 106-134.
- 2020 Germán Alarco and César Castillo García. "Concentración de la riqueza en América Latina en el siglo XXI" [Wealth Concentration in Latin America in the 21st Century]. *Revista Problemas del Desarrollo*, 203, 51, 111-136.
- 2019 Germán Alarco, César Castillo and Favio Leiva. "Desigualdad factorial, personal y de la riqueza en Perú, 1950-2016" [Factor Income Distribution, Personal Income Distribution and Wealth Distribution in Peru]. *Revista Problemas del Desarrollo*, 197, 50, April-June, 31-58.
- 2018 Germán Alarco and César Castillo García. "Functional Income Distribution and Economic Growth Regime in Peru, 1942-2013." *CEPAL Review*, 125, August, 226-243.
- 2018 Germán Alarco Tosoni and César Castillo García. "¿América Latina en la trampa de los ingresos medios o del lento crecimiento?" [Is Latin America in the Middle Income or Slow Growth Trap?], *Revista Análisis Económico de la Universidad Autónoma Metropolitana – Unidad Azcapotzalco*, 82, 33, 5-29.

Reports

- 2019 Germán Alarco and César Castillo García. [Nota de política N°9: Recomendaciones estratégicas sobre la política comercial entre Perú y la UE](#) [Policy Note N°9: Strategic Recommendations on the Trade Policy between Peru and the EU]. Lima: Universidad del Pacífico.
- 2018 Germán Alarco and César Castillo García. [¿Dónde estamos y hacia dónde vamos? Reflexiones a partir del TLC con la Unión Europea](#) [Where are We and Where Do We Go? Reflections On the FTA With the European Union]. Lima: Red Peruana por una Globalización con Equidad.
- 2018 Germán Alarco and César Castillo García. Estudio de Caso "Inversión extranjera directa y solución de controversias" [Case Study: Foreign Direct Investment and Dispute Resolution]. Lima: Friedrich Ebert Stiftung.

Work in Progress

- 2025 South American Economic Thought.
- 2025 Gaming the Great Depression: Peru's Junta Pro-Desocupados as a Policy Response [with Mark Rice].
- 2025 From Marginality to Capitalism: The Rise of Informals as a Business Class in Neoliberal Development.
- 2025 The Forgotten Peruvian Foundation of the Paradox of Thrift: Pedro Larrañaga and the

“Discretionary Gold Mine” Design.

- 2025 The Resilience of the American Household: A Joint Income-Wealth Distribution Analysis of US Redistributive Policies During Covid-19, co-authored with Andreas Lichtenberger.
- 2025 South-American Brahmins: Top Personal Wealth in 20th Century Peruvian Capitalism.
- 2025 Shaping Colonial Imaginary: Louis Baudin, *L’Empire* and the Neoliberal Critique to Land Reform.

PUBLIC SCHOLARSHIP

- 2024 [New Latin American Perspectives on the History of Neoliberalism.](#), *History & Political Economy Project*, December 19th, 2024.
- 2022 [Interview: Desigualdad en la distribución de riqueza y el crecimiento económico post-pandemia](#) [Wealth Inequality and Post-Pandemic Economic Growth], *Revista Económica*, Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú, December 17th, 2022.
- 2021 [How the Left Took Power in Peru? Castillo imagines a new politics.](#), *Public Seminar*, The New School, June 23rd, 2021.
- 2020 [Los límites de la reactivación económica y del plan REACTIVA PERÚ](#) [Limits for Economic Reactivation and the REACTIVA PERU plan], *La Izquierda Diario*, August 19th, 2020.
- 2020 [Redistribución en tiempos de pandemia: pertinencia de un impuesto solidario \(a la riqueza\)](#) [Redistribution during Pandemic: Is it Possible to Enact a (Wealth) Solidarity Tax?], *Noticias de América Latina* and *Otra Mirada* [with Luan Sánchez-Pérez], May 13th, 2020.

CONFERENCES, PRESENTATIONS, AND INVITED LECTURES

- 2025 “Neoliberalism and the Capitalists.” University of Lausanne, Switzerland. (Paper to Present)
- 2025 2025 Analytical Political Economy Workshop. University of Massachusetts, Boston, USA. (Paper to Present)
- 2025 “Infiltrators: The Mainstreaming of the Far Right in the Americas.” McGill University, Montreal, Canada. (Paper to Present)
- 2025 “Conflicting Claims and Taxation: A Distributive History of 20th Century Peru.” 51th Annual Conference – Eastern Economics Association, New York, USA. (Paper to Present)
- 2024 “Statistical Mechanics of Income in Peripheral Capitalism: Peru, 2004-2022” Fall 2024 Workshop Information, Value, Modeling, and Inference – American University, Washington D.C., USA. (Paper Presented)
- 2024 “Olas de Neoliberalismo: Una Revisión del Capitalismo Autoritario en Sudamérica (1940-1990)” Asociación Peruana de Historia Económica, Lima, Peru. (Paper Presented)
- 2024 “Waves of Neoliberalism, II: Reexamining the Rule of Private Initiative (1960-1970)” 51th Annual Meeting of the History of Economics Society, Santiago, Chile. (Paper Presented) [Also at LASA 2024. Reaction and Resistance: Imagining Possible Futures in the Americas, Bogotá, Colombia]
- 2024 “The Statistical Mechanics of Income in the Peripheral Capitalism: Peru 2004-2022” 50th Annual Conference – Eastern Economics Association, Boston, USA. (Paper Presented)
- 2023 “How Was Neoliberal Hegemony Constructed? Policy Networks and Free-Market Institutions in Peru (1930-1990)” (with Luan Sánchez-Pérez) Economic History Seminar - Paris School of Economics, Paris, France. (Paper Presented) [Also at the Peruvian Association of Economic History]

- 2023 “Shaping Colonial Imaginary: Louis Baudin, *L’Empire* and the Critique to the Peruvian Land Reform” 50th Annual Meeting of the History of Economics Society, Vancouver, Canada. (Paper Presented)
- 2023 “Factor Income Shares and Capital Accumulation in Peru, 1940-2019” Multidisciplinary Seminar Series - The Stone Center on Socio-Economic Inequality at The City University of New York, USA. (Paper Presented) [Also at Paris School of Economics, ASSA Annual Meeting in 2022]
- 2023 “Three Visions About the Crisis of the Peruvian Democracy” How Did We Get to This Point? The Peruvian Political Crisis from a Latin American Perspective - Center for Latin American Studies, University of Florida, Gainesville, USA. (Invited Talk)
- 2023 Atelier Simiand N°04 - January 11th. [English and French]. Centre François Simiand d’histoire économique et sociale (EHESS) - Paris School of Economics, Paris, France. (Workshop Organizer)
- 2022 “Waves of Neoliberalism: Revisiting the Authoritarian Patterns of Capitalism in South America (1940-1990)” Conference The Many Births and Foretold Deaths of Neoliberalism, History and Political Economy Project - John Hopkins University, Baltimore, USA. (Paper Presented) [Also at University of Geneva, Georgetown University, Paris School of Economics, The History of Economics Society, The Latin American Society for the History of Economic Thought]
- 2022 Response to Richard Wolff’s “Marxist Methodology for Economics” Lecture Series in Advance Political Economy, SOAS-The New School for Social Research, New York, USA. (Invited Talk)
- 2022 “Waves of Neoliberalism: Revisiting the Authoritarian patterns of capitalism in South America (1940-1990)” 11th Conference of the Iberian Association of the History of Economic Thought (AIHPE) - Universitat de Barcelona, Spain. (Paper Presented and Panel Organizer)
- 2021 “Revisiting the Birth of Neoliberalism in South America: Pedro G. Beltrán, Rómulo Ferrero and the Conservative Economic Development in Peru” 24th Annual Conference of the European Society of the History of Economic Thought, Sofia, Bulgaria. (Paper Presented)
- 2021 “Household Income Distribution in a Peripheral Economy: Peru 2004-2019” [Spanish] 3rd Post-Keynesian Economics Workshop, Universidad Nacional Mayor de San Marcos, Lima, Peru. (Paper Presented)
- 2019 “Methodology: Wealth and Inequality in Peru” [Spanish] Universidad Nacional Mayor de San Marcos, Lima, Peru. (Invited Lecture)
- 2019 “The Authoritarian Component of the Peruvian Neoliberalism: An Alternative Interpretation of the Papers of Pedro Beltrán and Carlos Boloña” [Spanish] 4th Conference of Economic History - Peruvian Association of Economic History, Universidad de Piura, Piura, Peru. (Paper Presented)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2022-2023 **Research Assistant**
 The New School for Social Research, New York, NY
 Institute on Race, Power, and Political Economy
 - Gathered statistical data on income and wealth for American households
 - Written brief data reports to analyse racial disparities among American households
- Summer 2020 **Research Intern**
 Human Development Report Office, UNDP, New York, NY
 - Written a survey on composite indices of sustainable development and worked on statistics for the *Human Development Report 2020*
 - Worked in calculations to adjust the Human Development Index to natural wealth estimations reported by UNEP’s *Inclusive Wealth Report 2018*

- Spring 2018 **Research Consultant**
 Centro Nacional de Planeamiento Estratégico (CEPLAN), Lima, Peru
 • Provided macroeconomic and socio-economic forecasts for 2020-2030 Peru according to *The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development*
- 2014-2017 **Research Assistant**
 Pacífico Business School, Lima, Peru
 Professor Germán Alarco
 • Analyzed macroeconomic statistics (national accounts, income and wealth distribution, labor market, Peruvian industries, input-output tables) and constructed bibliography
 • Analyzed and processed qualitative data (economic sociology, political economy, financial and business history) for Latin America and the US

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

- 2017 Course - Latin America and Its Modernization. A Comparative View. 19th and 20th Centuries [Spanish,] Instituto Seminario de Historia Rural Andina, Lima, Peru
- 2013 Course - A Radiography of Neoliberalism [Spanish,] Universidad Antonio Ruiz de Montoya, Lima, Peru

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Journal Referee: Revista de Historia Universidad de Concepción; Fascism. Journal of Comparative Fascist Studies; CEPAL Review.

SCHOLARLY OR PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIPS

World Inequality Lab (WIL)
 Economics History Association (EHA)
 The History of Economics Society (HES)
 Union of Radical Political Economics (URPE)
 The Latin American Society for the History of Economic Thought (ALAHPE)
 Latin American Studies Association (LASA)
 Grupo de Investigación en Filosofía Social-PUCP (GIFS)

SKILLS

Languages: Spanish (native), English (fluent), French (competent), Italian (reading), German (reading)
 Technical: Stata, RStudio, Python-Anaconda, Matlab, Eviews, SPSS, Minitab, Mathematica, MS Office, G-suite

REFERENCES

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