

Arturo Chang

Curriculum Vitae

Academic Appointments

Assistant Professor Department of Political Science University of Toronto	2021-
Gaius Charles Bolin Fellow Department of Political Science Williams College	2020-2021
Franke Graduate Fellow Alice Kaplan Institute for the Humanities Northwestern University	2019-2020

Education

Northwestern University (Evanston, IL)	2021
Ph.D. in Political Science	
M.A. in Political Science	2017
DePaul University (Chicago, IL)	
B.A. in Political Science	2015

Research

Books

A New World of Revolutions: Popular Imaginations and Movements Across the Americas (forthcoming with Princeton University Press).

Articles

“Rousseau and Tlaxcala: Republican Freedom and the Trans-imperial Politics of the New World,” forthcoming at *Polity*. With David Lay Williams.

[“Negotiating Racial Subjection: Analyzing Black and Indigenous Resistance from within Colonial Orders.”](#) *International Theory*. Published online 2025: 1-24. With Owen R. Brown.

[“Factionalized Mobilization: Development Paradigm Shifts and Marginalization in Colombia.”](#) *Studies in Comparative International Development* (2025). With Laura García Montoya and Isabel Güiza Gómez.

[“Tradition and Disruption in Latinx and Latin American Political Thought.”](#) *American Political Science Review*. Published online 2024: 1-15. With Inés Valdez and Raymond Rocco.

[Restoring Anáhuac: Indigenous Genealogies and Hemispheric Republicanism in Postcolonial Mexico.](#) *American Journal of Political Science*, 67(3): 718-731 (2023).

[“Languages of Transnational Revolution: The ‘Republicans of Nacogdoches’ and Ideological Code-Switching in the U.S.-Mexico Borderlands.”](#) *Contemporary Political Theory*, 21(3): 373–96 (2022).

[“The Roots of Right-Wing Populism: Donald Trump in 2016.”](#) *International Journal of Political Economy*, 49(2): 102–23 (2020). With Thomas Ferguson, Benjamin I. Page, Jacob Rothschild, and Jie Chen.

Book Chapters and Edited Works

“Imperial Subjectivities: Indigenous Claims-Making as Intracolonial Agency” with Owen R. Brown in *Non-Western Agency and World Politics* (eds. Anahita Arian and John Hobson), forthcoming with Cambridge University Press.

“Transnational Indigenous Politics and American Political Thought as a Tradition of Encounter” in *Movements and American Political Thought* (eds. Alex Zamalin and Maxwell Burkey), forthcoming with SUNY University Press.

Special issue on “Rethinking Subjection: Alternate Imaginaries and Emancipatory Futures,” forthcoming in *Philosophy and Global Affairs*. Edited with Gabriel Salgado and Gauri Wagle.

Book Reviews

[“Solidarity and Place-Making in Supranational Politics: A review of Inés Valdez’s *Transnational Cosmopolitanism* and Paulina Ochoa Espejo’s *On Borders*.”](#) *Theory & Event*, 26(2): 393-400 (2023).

[“Remapping Sovereignty: Decolonization and Self-Determination in North American Indigenous Political Thought. By David Myer Temin \(University of Chicago Press, 2023\). *Indigenous Peoples and Borders*. Edited by Sheryl Lightfoot and Elsa Stamatopoulou. Durham: Duke University Press, 2024.”](#) *Perspectives on Politics*, published online 2024: 1-2.

Public-Facing Scholarship

[“Colombia’s ‘Progress’ Leaves Millions Behind”](#) in *Foreign Policy*, with Laura García Montoya (June 2021).

[“In Colombia’s mass protests, Indigenous and Black activists find echoes of colonial history”](#) in *Monkey Cage*, *The Washington Post*, with Catalina Rodriguez (2021).

[“Ambivalence About International Trade in Open- and Closed-ended Survey Responses”](#) in Institute for New Economic Thinking’s Working Paper Series, with Thomas Ferguson, Benjamin Page, and Jacob E. Rothschild (2021).

[“La Historia Del ‘Progreso’ Que Deja Atrás A Millones en Colombia: Algunas Lecciones de La Movilización Nacional”](#) in *La Silla Vacía* (Bogotá, Colombia) with Laura García Montoya (2021)

[“Anahuac & Rome: Converging Indigeneity and Religiosity in Mexico’s Republican Moment”](#) in *Age of Revolutions*, (2020).

[“The Economic and Social Roots of Populist Rebellion: Support for Donald Trump in 2016”](#) with Thomas Ferguson, Benjamin I. Page, Jacob Rothschild, and Jie Chen. Featured by the Institute for New Economic Thinking, (2018).

Working Projects

“Vernacularizing Decolonial Politics: Proposals from Puerto Rico and Colombia.”

“Sublime, Mortal, and Rare: Jean-Jacques Rousseau on Exceptional Authority and Republican Inequality.”

“Realist-Utopian Reflexivity in the Age of Power Politics: E.H. Carr and the Colonial Legacies of International Progress.”

“Naming *Negritudes*: Transnational Solidarity and Postcolonial Futures in the Colombian Pan-African Congress.”

“Frontiers of Emancipation: Legacies of Abolition in International Politics” with Owen R. Brown.

Fellowships, Grants, and Awards

Black, Indigenous, and Racialized Scholars/Scholarship Grant, University of Toronto (2022)

SSHRC SIG Grant Funding for Archival Research (2022)

Consortium for Faculty Diversity, Postdoctoral Fellowship (2021; Declined)

Diversity and Inclusion Research Advancement Grant in Indigenous Studies (2020)
American Political Science Association (APSA)

Gaius Charles Bolin Dissertation Fellowship (2020)
Williams College

Presidential Fellowship Nominee (2020; Declined)
Northwestern University

Franke Graduate Fellowship (2019)
Alice Kaplan Institute for the Humanities, Northwestern University

Graduate Research Grant (2018)
Northwestern University

Doctoral Research Award (2018)
Latin American and Caribbean Studies Program, Northwestern University

Minar Memorial Summer Research Award (2015-2017)
Northwestern University

Mellon Foundation Fellowship in Interdisciplinary Studies (2015)
Northwestern University

Recent Conference Presentations

“Abolition and International Order” with Owen R. Brown.
American Political Science Association Conference, September 2024

“Rousseau and Tlaxcala: Republican Freedom and Anti-Imperialism Beyond Europe” with David Lay Williams.
Association for Political Theory Conference, October 2022
American Political Science Association Conference, September 2022
Canadian Political Science Association Conference, May 2022

“Imperial Subjectivities: Indigenous Claims-Making as Intracolonial Agency”
International Studies Association, April 2022
European International Studies Association, September 2022

“Negotiating Racial Subjection: Linking Black and Indigenous Resistance through an Order-Centered Framework” with Owen Brown.
Association for Political Theory, November 2021
American Political Science Association, September 2021
International Studies Association, March 2021

“Which Oppression?” Narratives of National Progress and Popular Organizing in 1970’s Colombia” with Laura García Montoya and Diana Isabel Güiza Gómez.

Southwestern Mixed-Methods Research Conference, October 2021

“Finding the Republicans of Nacogdoches: Anti-Colonial and Neocolonial Simultaneity in the Nascent United States”

Latin American Studies Association, May 2022

American Political Science Association, September 2021

Association for Political Theory, November 2020

“Subverting Nature: Indigenous and Afro-Colombian Responses to Elite Republicanism in New Granada”

American Political Science Association, September 2020

Venice World Multidisciplinary Conference on Republics and Republicanism, June 2021

“Restoring Anáhuac: Indigenous Genealogies and Hemispheric Republicanism in Post-Colonial Mexico”

Latin American Studies Association, May 2021

International Studies Association, April 2021

American Political Science Association, September 2019

Invited Talks and Presentations

“Indigenous Sovereignty and the Construction of Postcolonial Citizenship in the Andes,” Royal Holloway, University of London (April 2025)

“Empire and Emancipation,” London Political Theory Network (April 2025).

“Indigenous Sovereignty and the Construction of Postcolonial Citizenship in the Andes” Political Theory Workshop, Johns Hopkins University (December 2024).

“Indigenous Sovereignty and the Construction of Postcolonial Citizenship in the Andes,” Political Theory Workshop, Boston University (October 2024).

“Rousseau and the ‘Republican’ Politics Behind Indigenous Tlaxcala,” Political Theory Workshop, the University of Florida (October 2022).

“Colonial Legacies and Structural Inequality in Contemporary Colombia,” Centro de Memoria Histórica, Bogotá, Colombia (July 2022).

“Negotiating Racial Subjection: Linking Black and Indigenous Resistance through an Order-Centered Framework.” Political Theory Research Workshop, University of Toronto (April 2022).

“Negotiating Racial Subjection: Linking Black and Indigenous Resistance through an Order-Centered Framework.” Latin American Research Group, University of Toronto (April 2022).

“Taxonomies of Citizenship: Mestizo Republicanism and Racial Subjection in Colonial New Granada.” Faculty Seminar Series, University of Toronto (March 2022).

Teaching

“Critical Approaches to American Political Thought” (Graduate Seminar) - University of Toronto

“Modern Political Thought” – University of Toronto

“American Political Thought in Hemispheric Context” – Williams College

“Insurgency and Nation-Building” – Northwestern University

“American Political Thought in Hemispheric Context” – Art Institute of Chicago

Service

University of Toronto

Undergraduate Student Awards Committee, University of Toronto Mississauga.

Northwestern University

Director of Academic Support Services & Academic Enrichment Northwestern Prison Education Program, 2019-2021.

Founder and Co-Chair, Latin American and Caribbean Studies Workshop.

Field Service

Division Co-Chair, North American Politics Section, Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA), 2021.

Co-organizer - Mini-conference on “Comparative Political Theory: Pluralizing a Global Field of Inquiry,” 2021 American Political Science Association (APSA) Conference. Seattle, Washington.

Co-organizer - Mini-conference on “Indigenous Studies in Political Science: Reconsidering Nation, Representation, and Citizenship,” 2020 American Political Science Association (APSA) Conference. San Francisco, California.

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