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## PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

2018 – Assistant Professor of Sociology, University of South Carolina.

## EDUCATION

- 2018 Ph.D., Sociology, University of Massachusetts.  
Committee: James A. Kitts (Chair), Joya Misra, Mark C. Pachucki, Justin H. Gross.
- 2012 M.A., Political Science (*cum laude*), Universidad de los Andes.  
Committee: Mónica Pachón Buitrago (Chair), Miguel García Sánchez, Juan Camilo Cárdenas.
- 2010 B.A., Political Science, Universidad Nacional de Colombia.  
Honors thesis director: Miguel Ángel Herrera Zgaib.

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Social Networks, International Migration, Minority Health, Computational Social Science.

## PUBLICATIONS (\*indicates graduate student co-author)

### BOOK

- Roll, David, María C. Robayo, **Diego F. Leal**, Enrique Serrano, Jessika Gómez, Juan C. Escamilla. 2014. *The Latin American Diaspora in Spain, 1997–2007*. Bogotá: Editorial Universidad del Rosario. (In Spanish). [\[citation info in jstor\]](#)

### ARTICLES

- **Leal, Diego F.** Forthcoming. “Network Inequalities and International Migration in the Americas,” *American Journal of Sociology* [\[pdf\]](#)
- Kitts, James A. and **Diego F. Leal**. 2021. “What is(n’t) a Friend? Dimensions of the Friendship Concept among Adolescents,” *Social Networks* 66: 161-170. [\[pdf\]](#)
- **Leal, Diego F.** and Nicolas L. Harder.\* 2021. “Global Dynamics of International Migration Systems across South-South, North-North, and North-South Flows, 1990-2015,” *Applied Network Science* 6(8): 1-27. [\[pdf\]](#) [\[appendix & code\]](#)
- Pachucki, Mark C. and **Diego F. Leal**. 2020. “Is Having an Educationally Diverse Social Network Good for Health?” *Network Science* 8(3): 418-444. [\[pdf\]](#) [\[appendix & code\]](#)
- **Leal, Diego F.** 2020. “Mass Transit Shutdowns as a Tactical Innovation in Bogotá, Colombia,” *Social Currents* 7(4): 299-309. [\[pdf\]](#) [\[code\]](#) [\[appendix\]](#)
- **Leal, Diego F.**, Anthony Paik and Steven A. Boutcher. 2019. “Status and Collaboration: The Case of Pro Bono Network Inequalities in Corporate Law,” *Social Science Research* 84: 102325. [\[pdf\]](#) [\[data & code\]](#)
- **Leal, Diego F.**, Ragini S. Malhotra and Joya Misra. 2019 “Visualizing Feminized International Migration Flows in the 1990s,” *Socius* 5: 1-3. [\[pdf\]](#) [\[data & code\]](#)
- Kitts, James A., **Diego F. Leal**, Will Felps, Thomas M. Jones and Shawn L. Berman. 2016. “Greed and Fear in Network Reciprocity: Implications for Cooperation among Organizations,” *PLoS ONE* 11(2): e0147264. [\[pdf\]](#) [\[data & code\]](#)

- Malhotra, Ragini S., Joya Misra and **Diego F. Leal**. 2016. “Gender and Reproductive Labor Migration in Asia, 1960-2000,” *International Journal of Sociology* 46(2): 114-140. [[pdf](#)]
- **Leal, Diego F.** 2014. “Well-Being, Social Capital, and International Migration: An Exploration of a Latin American and Andean Spain,” *Migraciones* 36: 369-401. (In Spanish). [[pdf](#)]
- **Leal, Diego F.** and David Roll. 2013. “Think Tanks and Political Parties in Colombia: The Constitutional Reforms of 2003 and 2009,” *Ciencia Política* 16: 89-112. (In Spanish). [[pdf](#)]
- Roll, David and **Diego F. Leal**. 2010. “Migration, Co-Development and Social Capital: Guidelines for an Integration Strategy of Two Worlds,” *Colombia Internacional* 72: 89-110. (In Spanish). [[pdf](#)]
- Roll, David and **Diego F. Leal**. 2010. “How did a Latin-American and Andean Spain Emerge after Eleven Years of Immigration?” *Ciencia Política* 9: 35-61. (In Spanish). [[pdf](#)]

### BOOK CHAPTERS & PAPERS IN WORKING PAPER SERIES

- **Leal, Diego F.** 2013. “The Dual Infrastructure of Protest Behavior in Bogotá: Transmilenio, Social Capital, and Collective Dissent in the Colombian Capital,” *Documentos de Política* No. 22, Universidad de los Andes (Bogotá). (In Spanish). [[pdf](#)]
- **Leal, Diego F.**, Camilo Camacho, Ángela Bohórquez and Steffany López. 2012. “The Return Migration of Colombians from Spain: A Social Capital Approach,” In *Research Results: Unal Researchers 2009-2010*, pp. 41-81. Bogotá: Unibiblos. (In Spanish). [[pdf](#)]

### PAPERS UNDER REVIEW

- **Leal, Diego F.** and Nicolas L. Harder.\* Titled redacted. Invitation to revise and resubmit at *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*.

### OTHER PUBLICATIONS & POLICY REPORTS

- Afrodescendant Resistance to Deracination in Colombia: A Review. 2019. *Mobilizing Ideas*, The Center for the Study of Social Movements, University of Notre Dame. [[see review](#)]
- Becoming Black Political Subjects: A Review. 2017. *Mobilizing Ideas*, The Center for the Study of Social Movements, University of Notre Dame. Summer 2018 [[see review](#)]
- Congreso Visible. Quarterly Policy Brief of Colombia’s Congressional Activities. Report # 24. (In Spanish). [[pdf](#)]
- Congreso Visible. Quarterly Policy Brief of Colombia’s Congressional Activities. Report # 23. (In Spanish). [[pdf](#)]
- Congreso Visible. Quarterly Policy Report of Colombia’s Congressional Activities. Report # 22. (In Spanish). [[pdf](#)]
- **Leal, Diego F.** 2009. “From Dictatorship to Democracy: The Peruvian Case,” *Revista Surmanía* 2: 91-103. (In Spanish). [[pdf](#)]

### GRANTS

- 2020 – 2021 NIH/NCI (R01 CA215466-S1 – Administrative Supplement. PI: Jim Thrasher)  
 “Evaluation of Cigarette Package Inserts for Enhanced Communication with Smokers” \$199,913.  
**Role:** Co-Investigator.

- 2020 – 2021 American Cancer Society (ACS) Institutional Research Grant through the University of South Carolina’s College of Pharmacy.  
“Communication Interventions and Social Networks for Enhanced Communication with Latino Smokers.” \$19,773.  
**Role:** Principal Investigator.
- 2013 – 2012 Colombian Agency of Science (Colciencias), Virginia Gutiérrez Research Grant  
“Social Networks, Social Capital, and Return Migration in Colombia.” \$9,500.  
**Role:** Principal Investigator.
- 2010 – 2011 Universidad Nacional de Colombia, Institute for Socio-Legal Research (Unijus)  
“Dynamics of Political Participation in the 2011 Colombian Elections.” \$7,700.  
**Role:** Co-Principal Investigator (with David Roll).
- 2009 Universidad Nacional de Colombia, Institute for Socio-Legal Research (Unijus)  
“Return Migration Dynamics in Bogotá.” \$ 2,050.  
**Role:** Co-Principal Investigator (with Camilo Camacho, Ángela Bohórquez and Stefanny López).

## HONORS & FELLOWSHIPS

- 2020 Fellowship to participate in the Summer Institute in Computational Social Science, Duke University.
- 2019 Fellowship to participate in the BIGSSS Summer School in Computational Social Science and Migration, Bremen University and Jacobs University.
- 2017 Young Scholar in Social Movements, Center for The Study of Social Movements, University of Notre Dame.
- 2017 Competitive Summer Dissertation Fellowship, University of Massachusetts, Sociology Department.
- 2016 Competitive Summer Fellowship, University of Massachusetts, Sociology Department.
- 2015 Clifford C. Clogg Scholar in Sociology, ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research, University of Michigan.
- 2014 Competitive Summer Fellowship, University of Massachusetts, Sociology Department.
- 2012 Graduated *cum laude*, M.A. in Political Science, Universidad de los Andes.
- 2010 – 2012 “Academic Excellence” Scholarship. College of Social Sciences, Universidad de los Andes.

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS & INVITED TALKS

- 2021 “Diffusion as the Bridging of Cultural Holes,” **University of Arizona, School of Sociology Brown Bag Series** (invited talk).
- 2020 “The Dual Infrastructure of Protest Behavior in Bogotá,” **Universidad de los Andes, Department of Sociology Colloquium on Research Design** (invited talk).  
“Diffusion as the Bridging of Cultural Holes,” **American Sociological Association 115th Annual Meeting**, San Francisco, USA.

- 2019 “What is(n’t) a Friend? Dimensions of the Friendship Concept among Adolescents,” (with James A. Kitts).  
 – **American Sociological Association 114th Annual Meeting**, New York, USA.  
 – **International Network for Social Network Analysis XXXIX Annual Conference**, Montreal, Canada.
- 2018 “Status and Collaboration: The Case of Pro Bono Network in Corporate Law,” (with Anthony Paik and Steven B. Boutcher) **American Sociological Association 113th Annual Meeting**, Philadelphia, USA.
- 2017 “Mapping Feminized Migration Globally: 1960-2000,” (with Joya Misra) **American Sociological Association 112th Annual Meeting**, Montreal, Canada.  
 “Liminality and the Diffusion of Beliefs and Behaviors in Social Networks: An Agent-Based Model,” **10<sup>th</sup> Conference for the International Network of Analytical Sociologists**, Oslo, Norway.  
 “Shut the Damn Thing Down!” Mass Transit Shutdowns in Bogotá,” **2017 Young Scholars in Social Movements Conference**, University of Notre Dame, South Bend, USA.
- 2016 “Gender and Reproductive Labor Migration in Asia, 1960-2000,” **American Sociological Association 111th Annual Meeting**, Seattle, USA.
- 2015 “Linking Subjective and Objective Political Opportunities. The Case of Transmilenio,” **American Sociological Association 110th Annual Meeting**, Chicago, USA.  
 “Developing Hands-on Computer Tools to Explore Social Theories using Dynamic Computer Simulations,” (with James A. Kitts) *Carla B. Hovary Teaching Enhancement Grant Award*, **American Sociological Association 110th Annual Meeting**, Chicago, USA.
- 2014 “Well-Being, Social Capital, and International Migration: Latin Americans in Spain,” **Eastern Sociological Society 84th Annual Meeting**, Baltimore, USA.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

*Instructor*, University of South Carolina.

Statistical Analysis in Sociology (Ph.D. class). F18, F19, F20 [[syllabus](#)].

Race & Ethnic Relations. S19. [[syllabus](#)].

Introduction to Social Problems. S19. [[syllabus](#)].

Elementary Statistics for Sociologists. F19, S20, F20 [[syllabus](#)]

*Instructor*, University of Massachusetts.

Race & Society (undergraduate class). S18.

*Teaching Associate*, University of Massachusetts.

Social Simulation (graduate class). [[see materials](#)]

*Social Science (AP) Teacher*, Reuven Feuerstein High School.

Politics, Economics & Society, 2008 – 2010.

## ADVISING

### GRADUATE

Dissertation committee: Zackery Butler, current (Member).  
 Victoria Lambert, current (Member).  
 Jingwen (Zoe) Zhong, current (Member).

Independent study: Inferential Network Analysis: Nicolas Harder (F19).  
 Networks & Health: Victoria Lambert (F19), Victoria Money (S20).

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## UNDERGRADUATE

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Honors thesis: Virginia Eith, 2019 (Reader), Buffy Duncan, 2020 (Reader)  
 Independent study: Race Relations: Lissa Labiche (F19).

## SERVICE

2020 **Session Organizer**, Open-theme regular session in Mathematical Sociology, American Sociological Association 115<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting, San Francisco, USA.

2020 – **Faculty Liaison**, Ibero-American Graduate Student Association, University of South Carolina.

2019 – **Faculty Liaison**, Sociology Graduate Student Association, University of South Carolina.

2018 – **Member at large**, Latino Faculty Caucus, University of South Carolina.

2018 – **Member**, Colloquium Committee, Sociology, University of South Carolina.

2018 – **Member**, Undergraduate Committee, Sociology, University of South Carolina.

2017 – **Co-editor**, the Mathematical Sociologist, Newsletter of the Mathematical Sociology Section at ASA.

2017 – 2018 **Council Member**, Mathematical Sociology Section at ASA, Graduate Student Representative, elected.

2015 – 2017 **Graduate Program Committee Student Representative**, UMass Sociology Graduate Student Association (SGSA), elected.

2013 – 2015 **Co-Chair**, UMass Association of Latin American and Caribbean Students, elected.

2013 – 2014 **Social Committee Representative**, UMass Sociology Graduate Student Association (SGSA), elected.

## MISCELLANEOUS

**Languages:** Spanish (native), English (fluent).

**Ad-Hoc Reviewer:** Advances in Group Processes | American Journal of Sociology | American Sociological Review | Globalisation, Societies, and Education | Historical Methods | National Science Foundation | Research in Social Movements, Conflicts, and Change | Social Forces | Social Psychology Quarterly | Springer Books | Youth & Society

**Software and programming:** R, NetLogo, Stata, CSS, HTML5, STELLA.

**Affiliations:**

American Sociological Association:

Global and Transnational Sociology

International migration,

Latina/o sociology,

Mathematical sociology,

Medical Sociology,

Racial and Ethnic Minorities

Sociology of Population.

International Network for Social Network Analysis.