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I

I am a punishment and society researcher. My current research focuses on prosecutorial decision-making. I have conducted fieldwork research on the prosecution of human trafficking, drug-related offences, and penal extractives in Peru.

Grants and Distinctions

2023 - Richard Ericson Paper Award 2023. "Penal Extractivism: A Qualitative Study on Punishment and Extractive Industries". Centre for Criminology and Sociolegal Studies. University of Toronto

2023 - Intersecting Institutions of Criminal Justice and Injustice Partnership Grant (IICJI) Emerging Scholar Grant. Centre for Criminological Research. University of Alberta. \$8,000 to conduct research on prosecutorial decision-making.

2022 - Mary H. Beatty Fellowship. School of Graduate Studies. University of Toronto.

2022 - Research Cluster for the Study of Race and Inequality. Centre for Criminology and Sociolegal Studies. University of Toronto. Funding to continue conducting research on the prosecution of environmental protests.

2020 - Richard Ericson Paper Award 2020. "Rethinking prosecutorial coordination: theoretical and empirical considerations", Centre for Criminology and Sociolegal Studies. University of Toronto.

2020 - Dean's International & Indigenous Initiatives Fund (DIIIF). University of Toronto. \$9,400 to conduct research on environmental protests

2018 - Finalist (ranked third) of the 5th Academic Thesis Award on Human Trafficking. Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México.

2014 - Best Undergraduate Thesis in Sociology. Departamento de Ciencias Sociales. Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú.

Education (2006-2017)

2019 - Ph.D. Student at the Centre for Criminology and Sociolegal Studies. University of Toronto.

2018 - Master in Sociology. Postgraduate School. Pontifical Catholic University of Peru (PUCP).

2012 - B.Sc [Licenciatura], Faculty of Social Sciences. Sociology. Pontifical Catholic University of Peru (PUCP).

Teaching experience (2013- 2020)

Teaching Assistant. Centre for Criminology and Sociolegal Studies. University of Toronto

- CRI380H1. Crime, Gender and Sex. Fall 2023
- CRI340H1. Punishment Theory and Practice. Fall 2023
- CRI322H1. Inequality and Criminal Justice. Summer 2023
- CRI3220HS. Organized Crime and Corruption. Winter 2023
- CRI425H1S. The Prosecution Process. Winter 2023
- CRI335H1F. Policing. Fall 2022
- CRI380H1S. Crime, Gender, and Sex, Winter 2022
- CRI340H1. Punishment: Theory and Practice. Fall 2021
- CRI210H1. Introduction to Criminal Justice, Summer 2021
- SOC379H5. Sociology of Crime, Winter 2021
- CRI365H1. Crime and Mind, Fall 2020
- CRI427H. Organized Crime and Corruption, Fall 2020
- CRI370H1. Youth Justice, Winter 2020
- CRI205H1. Introduction to Criminology, Fall 2019

Instructor at Universidad del Pacifico

- 150221. Crime, Punishment and Society. March - August 2019
- 5706. Contemporary Social Thought. March - August 2019

Instructor and teaching assistant at Pontifical Catholic University of Peru

- SOC280. Crime and Society. August 2018 - December 2018
- SOC289. Research methods. April 2015 - December 2015
- Research Workshop. March 2013 - August 2013

Work Experiences (2012-2020)

October 2023. Research Assistant of the organizing committee of the Conference “Situating the ‘Global East’ in Southernizing and Decolonizing Movements in Socio-Legal Studies”. Centre for Criminology and Sociolegal Studies.

September 2023. Expert Witness. Asylum Seeking cases in The United States Immigration Courts System

April 2020 - August 2020 - Research Assistant. SSHRC Ukraine Project (Fund No. 50442). Centre for Criminology and Sociolegal Studies

August 2018 - August 2019 - Public Policy Advisor for the Office of Strategic Planning at Peru’s Ministry of Internal Order

April 2016 - July 2017 - Researcher for The National Observatory of Criminal Policy at Peru’s Ministry of Justice and Human Rights (public policy-oriented research).

April 2015 -May 2016 - Public Policy Advisor for Peru's National Commission of Development and Life without Drugs - DEVIDA.

April 2014- April 2015 - Expert on Qualitative Methodologies for the Peruvian Drugs Observatory at The National Commission of Development and Life Without Drugs (DEVIDA). Presidency of the Council of Ministers.

November 2012 - July 2013 - Research Assistant for the Labour Program of Development (NGO dedicated to assess labor conflicts in Peru)

January 2012 - October 2012. Executive Analyst at Inmet Consultancy.

Publications (2012-2023)

Tuesta, D. (2023). Notes on the concept of vigilantism. In: Sozzo, M. & Dal Santo, L. Punishment in Latin America: Explorations from the Periphery. Emerald. Forthcoming

Tuesta, D., and Paredes, M (2023) Penal Extractivism: A Qualitative Study on Punishment and Extractive Industries. Forthcoming.

Tuesta, D (2021). "Rethinking Prosecutorial Discretion: Toward a Moral Cartography of Prosecutors", *British Journal of Criminology*, 61 (6), pp. 1486-1502.

Tuesta, D(2020). "Trata de personas y justicia penal selectiva. El caso Madre de Dios" In Sozzo, M. "Reformas de la justicia penal en América Latina. Promesas, prácticas y efectos". Buenos Aires: DIDOT.

Tuesta, D (2018). <<Son prácticamente casos perdidos>> Trata de personas y respuesta judicial contra la trata de personas en Madre de Dios, Peru. *Debates en Sociología*, 47, 73-99.

Mujica, J., Tuesta, D., and Prieto, B. (2017). Coal Production in the Peruvian Amazon: Dynamics of Hazardous Child Labour. *Impactos Sociais de Empreendimentos Econômico nas Condições de Vida e Direitos de Crianças e Jovens* (pp. 69-99). Belem do Pará: Ministerio dos Direitos Humanos.

Tuesta, D. (2016). Sociology of the Penal System and the Gender Issue. *Studies and Investigations in Peru and Ibero-America* (pp. 273-298). Lima: Centre for Constitutional Studies. Constitutional Court of Peru.

Tuesta, D., & Mujica, J. (2014). Procedural justice problems in femicide criminal investigations in Peru. *Urvio. Latin American Journal of Security Studies*, (17), 80-95.

López, N., & Tuesta, D. (2015). Illicit economies and social order: the border area of Peru, Brazil, and Colombia. *Revista CIDOB d'afers internacionals*, 79-104.

Tuesta, D y Mujica, J (2014). Femicide Penal Response in the Americas: Indicators and the Misuses of Crime Statistics, evidence from Peru. *International Journal of Criminology and Sociological Theory*, 7 (1), 1- 21.

Mujica, J., & Tuesta, D. (2012). Problems of Criminological Indicators and Comparative Situation of Femicide in Peru. *Anthropologica*, 30(30), 169–194.

Conferences (2014-2017)

2023. Rutgers. School of Criminal Justice. “Prosecution in the Americas”: Emerging studies, policies, and opportunities”. Rutgers, NJ, November 2-3rd. Presentation title: The Fieldwork Prosecutor in Peru: A Sociological Critique of the Focal Concerns Perspective

2023. Seminario Internacional de Criminología. “Uno contra todos o todos contra uno”. Universidad Surcolombiana. Bogotá, Colombia. October 20th. Presentation title: “Extractivismo penal: un estudio cualitativo sobre castigo e industrias extractivas”.

2023. European Society of Criminology Conference, Florence, Italy, September 6-9th. Presentation title: “Mapping the strategies of penal extractivism: Evidence from Espinar, Peru”

2023. Law and Society Association. San Juan, Puerto Rico, June 1-4th. Presentation title: “The Moral Cartography of Prosecutorial Decision-Making”.

2022, Law and Society Association. Lisbon, Portugal. July 13-16th. Presentation title: “Mapping the pains of penal extractivism”.

2022 - Western Criminology Conference, Honolulu, Hawaii, Feb 4rd-6th. Presentation title: “Rethinking Prosecutorial Discretion: Towards a Moral Cartography of Prosecutors”.

2018 - Justicia Penal en América Latina: Reformas, Prácticas y Efectos. Los aportes de la investigación Social. Universidad Nacional del Litoral. Santa Fe, Argentina, 8-9th March. Presentation title: “Trata de personas, burocracias y control del delito en Peru”

2017 - Latin American Studies Association (LASA). “Crime Control Tactics in Border Areas”. Lima, Peru. Presentation title: “Lógicas de control del delito en zonas de frontera”

2015 - Seminario Internacional sobre Política y penalidad. Debates y Perspectivas Contemporáneas. Universidad Nacional del Litoral. CLACSO. Santa Fe, Argentina. 13-14th May. Presentation title: “Feminismo punitivo y políticas penales contra el feminicidio en el Perú”

2015 - Seminario el Giro Punitivo en América Latina. Universidad de los Andes. Bogotá, Colombia, 9-10th March. Presentation title: “Feminicidio, poder punitivo y construcción de la prueba. Consideraciones desde los problemas de taxatividad en las nuevas figuras penales”.

2014 - XVII World Congress of Criminology (ISC). Presentation title: “Financial Crimes in Rural Illicit Economies: Analysis of Coca Enclaves at the Apurimac and Ene Rivers - Monterrey, México. August 10-14th.

Consultant work

2016 - British Embassy in Lima. Report on Human Trafficking in the Peruvian Amazon.

2014 - International Organization for Migration (IOM). Report on Internal Displaced Populations in Peru. Research assistant for the Interdisciplinary Group of Criminology at PUCP.

2014 - National Commission of Development and Life without Drugs. DEVIDA. Presidency of the Council of Ministers. Analysis On “Best Practices” on Public Policies for Drug Control.

2013 - National Commission of Development and Life without Drugs. DEVIDA. Presidency of the Council of Ministers. Analytical Framework On Data Collection For Monitor the Drug Policy.

2013 - Grupo Apoyo – World Bank. A Theoretical framework for the project “Criminality, Social Conflicts and Violence in Peru for the 2021” Research assistant for the Interdisciplinary Group of Criminology at PUCP.

Other Knowledge

English language. speaks understand and reads

French language: understand and reads (intermediate level) / speaks (basic level)

Qualitative processing software: NVIVO Version 12

Statistical programs: SPSS, R Project for Statistical Computing

Hobbies

Chess, coffee, music and tennis