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## EDUCATION

**Ph.D. Latin American History, University of Texas at Austin** Anticipated Summer 2023

Advisor: Jonathan Brown

Dissertation title: The Price of Doing Business: Foreign Capital and the Venezuelan Oil Industry (1939-1976)

**M.A. Latin American Studies, Georgetown University, Washington D.C.** May 2016

**Diploma. Venezuelan Modern History, Universidad Pedagógica Libertador, Caracas, VEN** July 2014

**B.A. Liberal Studies, Universidad Metropolitana, Caracas, VEN** June 2013

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## FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS & AWARDS

**Grants in History, Strategy and Statecraft** Spring 2022  
**Clements Center for National Security**

**Adam Smith Fellowship** Spring 2022  
**Mercatus Center.**

**History Department Research Fellowship** Fall 2021-Spring 2022  
History Graduate Program Committee. University of Texas

**Funding Initiative Patrimonies Grant** April 2021  
**Gerda Henkel Stiftung. Germany**

**Don Lavoie Fellowship** Spring 2021  
**Mercatus Center.**

**Tinker Field Research Grant** Spring 2021  
**Teresa Lozano Long Institute of Latin American Studies. University of Texas**

**The James R. Scobie Award** Spring 2021  
The Conference on Latin American History

**Institute for Humane Studies Fellowship** Springs 2019,2020, Fall 2021  
Institute for Humane Studies.

**Professional Development Award Certificate, Graduate School** December 2020  
**University of Texas at Austin**

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## RESEARCH

### Publications

- Golding, Marcus. “Creole’s Nation: Oil, Investments and National Development in Venezuela (1939-1960).” In *Oil-Industry History Journal*; Vol. 22, n.1 (129-146). Pennsylvania: Petroleum History Institute, 2021.
- Golding, Marcus; Yang, Kaiwen; Widmyer, Nick. “México: Democracia electoral con narco-violencia y desigualdad en el análisis.” In *Encrucijada Americana*; Vol.8, n.1 (p.144). Santiago de Chile: Universidad Alberto Hurtado, September 2016.
- Golding, Marcus. “Institutional reminiscences of Ancient Rome in the political ideas of Simón Bolívar.” *Revista Anales* Vol. 15 n.1 (pp. 155). Caracas: UNIMET, 2015.
- Golding, Marcus. “La influencia política romana en los proyectos constitucionales de Simón Bolívar (1819-1826).” In *Estrategias para el Estudio y la Enseñanza de la Historia de la Cultura*. IX Congress of research and intellectual creativity (Comp.)(pp. 116). Caracas: UNIMET, 2014.

## Research Experience

**PhD student**, History Department, University of Texas at Austin, TX September 2017-Present

- Carried out research for my dissertation project in archives located in the United States and Venezuela.
- Analyzed corporate social responsibility models and best practices in the Venezuelan petroleum industry.
- Summarized and organized volumes of documents into coherent and clear narratives.
- Generated new content on the history of American oil companies and community investment in Venezuela.

**Content creator**, Texas State Historical Association, Austin, TX September 2022-Present  
June-August 2019/2020

- Researched digital archives to write short bios about important women and African Americans in Texas.
- Wrote eight short entries about the life of [Texas women](#) in politics, social activism and the oil industry.

## Digital Humanities Experience

**Content curator**, LLILAS Benson Latin American Collection, Austin, TX February-June 2019

- Co-created World History lesson plan centered on Latin America for high school teachers.
- Provided content knowledge to student teachers in the Urban Teachers Program at the College of Education.
- Developed an overview of the “Cold War in Latin America, (1945-1991) and country-specific introductions with a focus on vulnerable social groups and resistance movements to dictatorships.
- Curated a selection of primary sources from the Benson Latin American Collection.
- Created contextual labels for primary sources including translations into English.

**Special Digital Collections volunteer**, LLILAS Benson Latin American Collection, Austin, TX Fall 2018

- Created a digital collection and a social network visualization of photographed 19th century Mexican politicians.
- Digitized a large subset of photographs using in-house digitization standards and procedures.
- Produced image derivatives and generated item-level metadata.
- Developed the underlying datasets needed to create a social network visualization map.
- Researched manuscript and printed holdings created by or about photographed individuals to link collection materials.

**Research Assistant Intern**, Museum of Memory and Human Rights, Santiago, CL June-August 2015

- Edited transcripts of oral testimonies from Chilean exiles for the documentary “Paths of exile”.
- Selected the content of the documentary based on the work done with the oral testimonies.

## Book reviews

- Golding, Marcus. [Review of the book [The Oil Wars Myth: Petroleum and the Causes of International Conflict](#), by Emily Meierding]. *H-Net*, November 2021.
- Golding, Marcus. [Review of the book [Spectacular Modernity: Dictatorship, Space, and Visuality in Venezuela, 1948-1958](#), by Lisa Blackmore]. *H-Net*, May 2020.
- Golding, Marcus. [Review of the book [Exporting Revolution: Cuba’s Global Solidarity](#), by Margaret Randall].

- *H-Net*, November 2019.
- Fursenko, Aleksandr and Naftali, Timothy. [\*Khrushchev's Cold War: The Inside Story of an American Adversary\*](#). New York: W. W. Norton & Company, 2007. Not Even Past, March, 2019.
- Brown, Archie. [\*The Gorbachev Factor\*](#). Oxford University Press, 1997. Not Even Past, January 2019.
- Cañeque, Alejandro. [\*The King's Living Image: The Culture and Politics of Viceregal Power in Colonial Mexico\*](#). Routledge, 2013. Not Even Past, November 2018.
- Fischer, Brodwyn. [\*A Poverty of Rights. Citizenship and Inequality in Twentieth-Century Rio de Janeiro\*](#). Stanford University Press, 2010. Not Even Past, October 2018.
- Weld, Kirsten. [\*Paper Cadavers: The Archives of Dictatorship in Guatemala\*](#). Duke University Press, 2014. Not Even Past, September 2018.
- Miller, Aragon Storm. [\*Precarious Paths to Freedom: The United States, Venezuela, and the Latin American Cold War\*](#). University of New Mexico Press, 2016. Not Even Past, September 2018.

### Biographical entries

- Borglum Kennedy, Robin, and Golding, Marcus. "[Alexander, Kathleen Jones \(1885–1979\)](#)." Texas State Historical Association, October 31, 2020.
- Golding, Marcus, and Wheeler, Whitney. "[Perkins, Karen Sue Holmes \(1939-2017\)](#)." Texas State Historical Association, January 20, 2022.
- Golding, Marcus. "[Bradford, Daisy Miller \(1868-1934\)](#)." Texas State Historical Association, January 28, 2022.
- Golding, Marcus, and Stites, Russell. "[Adams, Ernestine \(1902-1989\)](#)." Texas State Historical Association, August 22, 2022.

### Conference, lecture and workshop presentations

- Golding, Marcus. *Oil, Modernity and National Development in Venezuela, 1939-1960*. Paper presented at the Southeastern Council of Latin American Studies, Austin, TX, March 2020.
- Golding, Marcus. *Creole's Nation: Oil, National Development and Welfare Capitalism in Venezuela (1939-1960)*. Paper presented at the Latin American Studies Association, held virtually, May 2021.
- Golding, Marcus. *Creole's Nation: Oil, National Development and Social Responsibility in Venezuela (1939-1960)*. Paper presented at the Venezuelan Chapter of the Latin American Studies Association, held virtually, June 2021
- Golding, Marcus. *Welfare Capitalism and Corporate ideology in the Venezuelan Oil Camps, 1939-1945*. Paper presented at a doctoral workshop hosted by the Business History Conference on June 2021.
- Golding, Marcus. *Creole's Nation: Oil, National Development and Social Responsibility in Venezuela (1939-1961)*. Lecture delivered as part of the doctoral program on Venezuelan history of the Universidad Católica Andrés Bello in Caracas on June 28, 2021.

### Media appearances/interviews

- Golding, Marcus. "[A Very Venezuelan Connexion: Cold War, Foreign Investment, and Oil Culture](#)". Interviewed for The Slavic Connexion. Center for Russian, East European, and Eurasian Studies. The University of Texas at Austin. Interviewed on November 22nd, 2019.
- Golding, Marcus. "[Del Acuerdo de Ginebra a la Rebelión del Rupununi](#)." As host of the New Books Network ES podcast. New Books Network. September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2021.
- Golding, Marcus. "[La Gran República de Colombia, 1819-1831: La estrategia para estructurar un estado y consolidar una nueva nación](#)." As host of the New Books Network ES podcast. New Books Network. January 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022.
- Golding, Marcus. "[Acervo Histórico del estado Zulia](#)." As host of the New Books Network ES podcast. New Books Network. March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2022.
- Golding, Marcus. "[Unlocking the Colonial Archive in Latin America](#)." As a host of the New Books Network EN podcast. New Books Network. March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2022.
- Golding, Marcus. [Interview with Rafael Arraiz Lucca](#). Onda La Superestación. 107.9 FM. Caracas, Venezuela. May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022.
- Golding, Marcus. "[Rescuing the Historical Memory of the Afro-Venezuelan Slaves](#)." Mentioned in a press release of the Gerda Henkel Stiftung for his leading involvement in the design and completion of a digitization project about the history of Afro-Venezuelan slaves. Mentioned on September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

## Digital Projects and Technical Skills

Marcus Golding ([marcusgolding.com](http://marcusgolding.com))

- Personal website dedicated to digital humanities, digitization projects, podcast episodes on book interviews with authors and other related initiatives.
- *Languages:* Spanish (native); English (fluent); Portuguese (intermediate); German (basic).
- *Quantitative/Qualitative Software:* GIMP (basic), Carto (basic), HistoryPin (basic), and Scalar (intermediate), Microsoft Office Suite.

## RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

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*Founder*

**[The Network of Venezuelan Digital History Foundation](#)**

Caracas, VEN  
January 2021-Current

- Created an organization dedicated to the digitization of historical archives in Venezuela.
- Secured grant funding from international donors for first digitization project of the organization.
- Implemented digitization initiative on the history of enslaved Afro-Venezuelan in the colonial period.
- Prepared project reports and managed budgets for the international donor.
- Organized public events with academic institutions to promote digitized Afro-Venezuelan archive.
- Identified and connected with potential collaborators and donor organizations.
- Assisted our digitization team in creating metadata sheets for the digitization project.
- Researched archival platforms systems to determine best options to host our website and digital collections.
- Coordinated first meetings to get our team familiarized with digitization workflows and best practices.

**Podcaster**, New Books Network (En/Es)

September 2021-Present

- Carried out interviews with [book authors](#) and [archivists](#) about endangered historical archives.
- Created scripts for the episodes and scheduled times for the interviews.

*Teaching Assistant*

**University of Texas, Department of History**

Austin, TX  
September 2018-June 2021/July 2022

- Served as teaching assistant for several undergraduate courses in U.S. and Environmental History.
- Created rubric models and graded assignments for the course.
- Held discussion sessions in class for small groups of students.
- Provided guidance to over 70 my students through office hours.
- Met regularly with colleagues to discuss grading methodologies and agree on similar grading parameters.

*Journal Editor and Coordinator Graduate Affiliate Group*

**University of Texas, Rapoport Center for Human Rights and Justice.**

Austin, TX  
September 2019-July 2020

- Organized workshops for student fellows to present work in progress supported by the Center.
- Edited manuscripts submitted by scholars for publication by the Center's Working Paper Series.

*Program Associate*

**Pan American Development Foundation**

Washington, DC  
August 2016-June 2017

- Developed methodology and program for the 2016 *Mexico Without Child Labor Campaign*.
- Prepared the Final Report highlighting the achievements of the 2016 *Mexico Without Child Labor Campaign*.
- Held weekly meetings and managed communications between our staff and the project's stakeholders.
- Translated PADF Quarterly reports (2) produced by our office in Colombia from Spanish to English.
- Created weekly bulletins about citizen security in the Americas for our Resistance and Prevention Program.
- Drafted scripts and agendas for our Women's Initiative for Non-Violence and Development (WIND) Conferences held in the Bahamas.

*Intern at the Secretariat for the Strengthening of Democracy*  
**Organization of American States**

Washington, DC  
January-May 2016

- Updated a database of 274 political parties of the Americas and more than 6000 parliamentarians of the region.
- Managed communications with international allies such as the Inter-Parliamentary Union or ParlAmericas.
- Drafted cooperation agreements with countries such as Chile and Argentina to strengthen parliamentary institutions.

*Coordinator of the Unit of Political Analysis*  
**Mesa de la Unidad Democrática**

Caracas, VEN  
May 2013 – April 2014

- Supervised the drafting of the political bulletins known as “Bitácora” and “Movilización social”.
- Distributed online bulletins to the political parties of the coalition (MUD).
- Offered support and guidance to the staff (2) under my supervision.
- Monitored important policy issues and political trends in local and national newspapers.
- Prepared special reports and articles related to significant national events (elections, human rights violations).
- Provided the organization with a thorough analysis and a set of suggestions on how to react to these events.

## **OTHER EXPERIENCES**

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*Monthly Newsletter Contributor*  
**International Federation for Public History**

Austin, TX  
June 2019- March 2020

- Searched the web for news related to public history in Latin America.
- Wrote brief summaries of each news and translated them to English.
- Shared them with the Newsletter coordinator for publishing.

*Student Employee Excellence Certification*  
**University of Texas, Student Employee Excellence Development Program**

Austin, TX  
September-December 2018

- Attended a six-month employee program oriented towards the improvement of oratory skills as a public speaker, and the development of strategies to create gender and sexuality affirming classrooms.

*Intern at the RAPP and Latin American programs*  
**Pan American Development Foundation**

Washington, DC  
June-August 2016

- Drafted one-page format summaries of the most relevant work done by PADF in four areas: Women, Environment, Vulnerable minorities and Youth to be published in their webpage.
- Prepared and submitted to the Finance department financial reports known as Travel Expense Reports (TER), Petty Cash Reports and Request for Disbursement Reports (RFD).

*Webpage editor of history content*  
**Venezuelatuya.com**

Caracas, VEN  
Dec. 2013 – June 2014

- Created and edited the historical and biographical content of the site every week.

*Political Analyst*  
**Mesa de la Unidad Democrática**

Caracas, VEN  
Jul. 2012 – April 2013

- Identified and analyzed the major political trends in the local and national newspapers.
- Summarized the content of those trends in the “Bitácora” daily bulletin.