

JONAH WALTERS

Curriculum Vitae

APPOINTMENTS

Postdoctoral Fellow

Institute for Society and Genetics, University of California - Los Angeles
BioCritical Studies Lab

Visiting Scholar

Department of Geography, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Geography (2021)

Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey

Subfields - Critical economic geography; development; the state and social movements

Dissertation - *The Popular Economy and Its Protagonists: Community, Cooperation, and Development in Nicaragua*

M.A. Geography (2018)

Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey

B.A. Political Economy and Postcolonial Literature (2015)

New York University (Gallatin School of Individualized Study)

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

2020. "Students of Revolution: Youth, Protest, and Coalition-Building in Somoza-Era Nicaragua, by Claudia Rueda (review)" in *Journal of Iberian and Latin American Research* 26(1), pp. 137-140.

2019. "The Sandinista Labor Paradox," in *NACLA Report on the Americas* 51(3), pp. 276-283.

2019 (with Balakrishnan, R., Elson, D. and Heintz, J.). *Auditing Economic Policy for Human Rights: A Guide for Activists and Advocates*, New Brunswick, NJ: Rutgers Center for Women's Global Leadership.

2017. "Capitalism a la Sandinista: Deciphering Nicaragua's 'Market Economy with a Preferential Option for the Poor,'" in *NACLA Report on the Americas* 49(1), pp. 7-10.

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Rutgers University Department of Geography Graduate Student Excellence Fellowship, 2020-2021

American Association of Geographers, Middle States Division: Outstanding Graduate Student Paper Award (3rd Place), 2019

Rutgers University Department of Geography Pre-Dissertation Travel Award, 2016

TEACHING

Teaching Assistant, Spring 2019: Women's Global Advocacy at the UN
Women and Gender Studies & Center for Women's Global Leadership - Rutgers
Grading Instructor: Radhika Balakrishnan

Teaching Assistant, Spring 2018: Space, Place, Location
Geography - Rutgers
Grading Instructor: Carrie Mott

Teaching Assistant, Fall 2017, Fall 2016: Transforming the Global Environment
Geography - Rutgers
Grading Instructor: Paul O'Keefe

Teaching Assistant, Spring 2017: Cities
Geography - Rutgers
Grading Instructor: D. Asher Ghertner

KEYNOTES AND INVITED LECTURES

2021. "Beyond Sandinista Developmentalism: Nicaragua's Popular Economy and Its Protagonists," Fall Lecture Series, Tamiment Library and Robert F. Wagner Labor Archive, New York University

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2020. "Class War at the End of History: Civil Society and Socialist Development in Neoliberal Nicaragua," cancelled due to covid. 2020 Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers (Denver, CO)

2019. "Deciphering Nicaragua's Popular Economy and its Protagonists," presented at the 2019 Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers, Middle States Division (Kutztown University of Pennsylvania)

2019. "State Agencies and Cooperatives in Nicaragua's 'New Welfare State,'" presented at the 2019 Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers (Washington, D.C)

2019. "Confronting the Contradictions in 'Critical Geography' and GIS Pedagogy" (panel presentation), presented at the 2019 Annual Meeting of the American Association of Geographers (Washington, D.C)

2018. “Demilitarizing Higher Education” (panel organizer), at Historical Materialism: Socialism in Our Time (New York City)

2018. “Against Military Collaboration: Questions for GIS Pedagogy,” presented at the 2018 Nature-Society Geography Workshop (Pennsylvania State University)

POPULAR WRITING AND PUBLIC SCHOLARSHIP

Freelance Writer and Reporter, various outlets (ongoing).

Recent publications include:

“Fair Play on the Marcellus Shale,” *L.A Review of Books*, 9.13.2021

“The End of the Road,” *Full Stop*, 3.5.2021

“People with convictions cast ballots in New Jersey,” *Guardian*, 7.7.2020

“Cause of Death: Passive Hanging,” *The Outline*, 2.5.2020

Researcher, Jacobin Magazine (2015 - 2020)

Selected contributions:

“We Must Get COVID-19 Vaccines to Prisoners Immediately,” 1.15.2021

“We Can’t Fight the Far Right in Military Court,” 1.13.2021

“El Salvador’s Neoliberal Populism Runs Into Coronavirus,” 5.20.2020

“Incarcerated People Must Be Heard,” 3.23.2020

“Battling Neoliberalism Through Anti-Autocracy in Nicaragua,” 9.27.2019

“War Is a Racket: The Life and Times of Smedley Butler,” Summer 2019

“A Hero and a Priest,” 6.23.2017

Republished, *NACLA*, 6.23.2017

Republished, *Third World Network*, Summer 2017

“‘Just Cause’ and Its Aftermath,” 5.31.2017

“Remembering Sandino,” 3.07.2017

“Revolt of the Elites” (with René Rojas), 9.11.2016

“Ortega’s Next Term,” 8.22.2016