

# Alejandro I. Paz

## ACADEMIC POSITION

- ◇ University of Toronto  
2018 - Present Associate Professor of Anthropology
- ◇ 2010 – 2018 Assistant Professor of Anthropology
- ◇ 2009 – 2010 Assistant Professor of Linguistics and Humanities

## EDUCATION

- ◇ 2010 University of Chicago PhD in Anthropology and Linguistics (conferred with Distinction)
- ◇ 2000 Tel Aviv University MA in Middle East History (*summa cum laude*)
- ◇ 1995 Queen's University BA(Honours) in History and Economics (First Class)

## PUBLICATIONS

### Monograph

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- ◇ 2018 *Latinos in Israel: Language and Unexpected Citizenship*. Bloomington: Indiana University Press.

### Articles

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- ◇ 2016 "Introduction to "Teleologies of Structuralism"," *HAU: Journal of Ethnographic Theory*, 6(3), pp. 29-31.
- ◇ 2016 "Speaking like a Citizen: Public Opinion and the Biopolitics of Recognizing Noncitizen Children in Israel." *Language and Communication*, 48, pp. 18-27.
- ◇ 2015 "Stranger Sociality in the Home: Register of the Israeli "Street" in Latino Domestic Interaction," for Asif Agha and Mister Frog (eds.), *Registers of Communication*, Helsinki, Finnish Literature Society, pp. 150-164.
- ◇ 2015 "The Deterritorialization of Latino Educación: Noncitizen Latinos in Israel and the Everyday Diasporic Subject," in Rosina Márquez Reiter and Luisa Martín Rojo (eds.) *A Sociolinguistics of Diaspora: Latino Practices, Identities and Ideologies*, Routledge (Critical Studies in Multilingualism), pp. 151-165.

- ◇ 2014 “Guiding Settler Jerusalem: Voice and the Transpositions of History in Religious Zionist Pilgrimage,” Special Section on Pilgrimage to Holy Lands, *Religion & Society*, 5, pp. 128-142.
- ◇ 2013 “Discourse Theory,” for R. Jon McGee and Richard L. Warms (eds.) *Theory in Social and Cultural Anthropology: An Encyclopedia*. Sage, pp. 191-196.
- ◇ 2012 “The Shifting Genres of Middle Eastern Registers of Political Communication: A Review Article,” *Journal of Linguistic Anthropology*, 12/1: 109-119.
- ◇ 2009 “The Circulation of *Chisme* and *Rumor*: Gossip, Evidentiality and Authority in the Perspective of Latino Labor Migrants in Israel.” Winner of Sapir Graduate Student Prize, *Journal of Linguistic Anthropology*, 19/1: 117-143.

## DIGITAL SCHOLARSHIP

- ◇ 2016 Initial launch of *MediaCAT*, web application that tracks digital dissemination of news, developed collaboratively. See [mediacat.utsc.utoronto.ca](http://mediacat.utsc.utoronto.ca).

## MAJOR FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

- ◇ 2017 Co-investigator on Ivan Kalmar’s Social Science and Humanities Research Council of Canada Insight Grant for Research on Islamophobia, Populism, and Media in Eastern EU Countries, with Nicholas Worby (2017-2022)
- ◇ 2016 Centre for Teaching and Learning, UTSC, Teaching Enhancement Grant (2017)
- ◇ 2015 Vice-Principal Research, Research Competitiveness Fund (2015-2016)
- ◇ 2011 Connaught New Researcher Grant, University of Toronto (2011-2013)
- ◇ 2009 New Faculty Research Grant, University of Toronto Scarborough (2009-2011)
- ◇ 2006 AICE Schusterman Award in Israel Studies (2006-2007)
- ◇ 2004 Fulbright-Hayes Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Grant for Israel
- ◇ 2004 National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant in Anthropology and Linguistics
- ◇ 2004 Wenner-Gren Foundation for Anthropological Research Dissertation Fieldwork Grant
- ◇ 2004 Lady Davis Doctoral Fellowship, Hebrew University (declined)
- ◇ 2002 Social Science and Humanities Research Council of Canada Dissertation Fellowship
- ◇ 2000 Phoenix Scholarship, University of Chicago (2000-2002)

## HONORS AND AWARDS

- ◇ 2010 PhD Awarded with Distinction.
- ◇ 2008 Graduate Student Paper Prize from the Society for Linguistic Anthropology.
- ◇ 1999 MA Thesis Prize, Herzog Centre for Middle East Studies, Ben Gurion University.

## PRESENTATIONS SINCE 2010

### *Seminars, Lectures, and Invited Papers*

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- ◇ 2018 "The Global Dissemination of Online News," Global Explorations Speakers Series, University of Toronto Scarborough, April (Public Talk).
- ◇ 2016 "*El Sapo* Speaks: Police Informers and the Voice of the State," Centre for Research on Latin America and the Caribbean, York University, November (Invited Paper).
- ◇ 2016 "Settling History in the City of David: Biblical Historicism in Settler Tours of Occupied East Jerusalem," Ryerson Middle East and North Africa Studies Center, Ryerson University, October (Invited Paper).
- ◇ 2015 "Emigrés and Globalizing Israeli Journalism: Preliminary Notes on Israeli English Online News," *Israeli Emigres, Human Rights, and the Israel-Palestine Conflict Workshop*, Balsillie School for International Affairs, University of Waterloo, June (Invited Paper).
- ◇ 2012 "Settling Histories in the City of David: The Chronotopes of Settler Pilgrimage to an East Jerusalem Archaeological Site," Department of Sociology and Social Anthropology, Central European University, May (Invited Paper).
- ◇ 2011 "Memories of Diaspora: Publics, Ethnicity and the Process of Recognizing Children of Undocumented Labor Migrants in Israel," *Workshop on Language, Interaction, and Social Relations*, University of Toronto Mississauga, April.
- ◇ 2011 "New Anthropology of Palestine/Israel," *Crossing Boundaries: Reading North Africa and the Middle East in Comparative Perspective*, the University of Toronto, March.
- ◇ 2011 "Settling Histories in the City of David: Archaeological Guides and Territoriality in East Jerusalem." *Centre for Ethnography Speakers Series on Pilgrimage*, University of Toronto Scarborough, March (Invited Paper).
- ◇ 2011 "More Israeli or More Arab? Publics, Ethnicity and the Process of Recognizing Children of Undocumented Labor Migrants in Israel" *National University of Singapore Workshop on Transnational Engagements*, February (Invited Paper).
- ◇ 2010 "Enregistering Ethnic Difference: Latino Labor Migrants' Bilingual Discourse in Israel." *Department of Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics Speaker Series*, York University, October (Invited Paper).
- ◇ 2010 "The Registers of Ethnolinguistic Belonging: A Latino Diaspora of Discourse in Israel." *Newberry Library Seminar in Borderlands and Latino Studies*, Chicago, April.

### *Conference Papers*

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- ◇ 2018 "Trump's Message in Israel: Mediatization and Cultivating Publics Abroad," Society for Linguistic Anthropology Spring Meeting, Philadelphia, March.
- ◇ 2016 "Binding Citizenship: Complicity and Publicness among Latino Unauthorized Immigrants in Israel," *Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association*, Minneapolis, November.

- ◇ 2016 “*El Sapo* Speaks: Collaboration, Complicity and Citizenship among Non-Citizen Latinos in Israel,” *Society for Cultural Anthropology Meetings*, Ithaca, May.
- ◇ 2016 “Curate my web crawl: Building a multiprocessing web crawler for ethnographic research,” presented by Kim Pham, Code 4 Lib, Philadelphia, March.
- ◇ 2016 “Curated scrapes: Designing a web crawler for ethnographic research data,” poster presentation co-prepared with Kim Pham, final participation declined, 11th International Digital Curation Conference, Amsterdam, February.
- ◇ 2016 MediCAT, co-authored with Kim Pham, *Archives Unleashed: Web Archive Hackathon*, University of Toronto, February.
- ◇ 2015 “Buying Houses in Silwan: El-Ad and the Historicity of Colonialism,” *Middle East Studies Association Annual Meeting*, Denver, November.
- ◇ 2015 “The Strange Familiarity of Publicity: Latino Labor Migrant Youth and the Campaign for Israeli Citizenship,” *Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association*, Denver, November.
- ◇ 2015 “*El Sapo* Speaks: Police Informers, State Voice and Latino Labor Migrants in Israel,” “Cosmologies of the Collective,” University of Notre Dame, April.
- ◇ 2015 “*El Sapo* Speaks: Police Informers, State Voice and Latino Labor Migrants in Israel,” *Semiotic Anthropology Conference*, University of Pennsylvania, May.
- ◇ 2015 “The Dialectics of Genre and Register in Bilingual Communication: The Case of Latino Labor Migrants in Israel,” Georgetown University Roundtable, March.
- ◇ 2014 “The People Speak Through (Foreign) Children: Noncitizen Youth, “Native” Hebrew, and Immigration Policy in Israel,” *Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association*, Washington, December.
- ◇ 2014 “The Liberal Pact of Publicity: Voices, Voicing, and the Recognition of Undocumented Labor Migrant Children by the Israeli State,” *The Ethnographic Pact*, UTSC, November.
- ◇ 2013 Invited participation in “Presidential Panel on Language and Mobility,” *Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association*, Chicago, November.
- ◇ 2013 “Speaking like a Future Citizen: Noncitizen Youth Address the Israeli Public,” *Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association*, Chicago, November.
- ◇ 2012 “Introducing the Circulation of Politics,” with Jessica Greenberg, *Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association*, San Francisco, November.
- ◇ 2012 “Educación in Diaspora: Registers of Modernity and Tradition among Urban Latino Labor Migrants in Israel” *Sociolinguistics Symposium 19*, Berlin, Panel on *Latino Social Networks in the City*, August.
- ◇ 2012 “The Dialectics of Genre and Register in Bilingual Communication: The Case of Latino Labor Migrants in Israel,” *Register: Intersections of Language, Context and Communication*, University of Helsinki, May.
- ◇ 2011 “Tracing the Entry to Diaspora: The Chronotopes of Third World Border-Crossers,” *Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association*, Montreal, November.

- ◇ 2010 “Unpacking the Imagined Power of Publicity: Public Discourses among Latino Labor Migrants in Israel,” *Annual Meeting of the American Anthropological Association*, New Orleans, November.

## COURSES AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

### *Courses Taught*

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#### ***Undergraduate***

- ◇ Introduction to Linguistic Anthropology
- ◇ Anthropology of the Middle East
- ◇ Anthropology of Media and Publics
- ◇ Global Politics of Language
- ◇ Language and Culture (Interdisciplinary Humanities)
- ◇ Spacetime, Perspective, Narrative (Interdisciplinary Humanities)
- ◇ Human, Inhuman, Nonhuman (Interdisciplinary Humanities)
- ◇ Language and Ethnicity (Linguistics)

#### ***Graduate***

- ◇ Language and Communication in Trans/Nationalism (Anthropology)
- ◇ Foundations of Linguistic Anthropology (Anthropology)
- ◇ Media and Mediation (Anthropology)

### *Professional Service*

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- ◇ Book Review Editor for the *Journal of Linguistic Anthropology* (2008-2010)
- ◇ Program Reviewer for Association of Political and Legal Anthropologists (2017-2018)
- ◇ Member of Committee for Social Justice of the Society for Linguistic Anthropology
- ◇ Reviewed articles for *American Anthropologist*, *American Ethnologist*, *Comparative Studies in Society and History*, *Cultural Anthropology*, *Ethnography*, *HAU: Journal of Ethnographic Theory*, *Journal of Linguistic Anthropology*, *Spanish in Context*.