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Education

2022-Present **PhD Student Sociology**
University of California, Berkeley

2024 **MA Sociology**
University of California, Berkeley

Thesis: “The Social Origins of State Discipline: A Case Study of Twentieth-Century Spain.”

- Advisors: John Lie, Dylan Riley

2022 **AB History**
Princeton University
Summa Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa

Thesis: “The Franco Regime and the Spanish Road: Agrarian Origins of the ‘Spanish Miracle,’ 1930-1970.”

- Advisor: Miguel Centeno (Sociology)
- Winner, Walter Phelps Hall Prize in European History (May 2022)
- Winner, Stone/Davis History Senior Thesis Prize (April 2021)

Publications

Book

Ayala, Diego C. *Political Economy of the Spanish Miracle: State, Labor and Capital, 1931-1973*. Abingdon and New York: Routledge, 2024.

Refereed Journal Articles

Ayala, Diego C. “The Transition to Free Labour in Puerto Rico: Class, Race and Politics in a Nineteenth-Century Colony.” *Journal of Latin American Studies* 55, no. 2 (May 2023): 191–214.

Ayala-McCormick, Diego. “The Myth of the Latin American Race Monolith: Notes for Future Comparative Research on Racial Inequality in the Americas.” *Review of Black Political Economy* 48, no. 4 (December 2021): 381–409.

Ayala-McCormick, Diego. "Colonialism, 'Efficiency' and Development: Re-examining Puerto Rico's Land Reform, 1935–1945." *Journal of Agrarian Change* 21, no. 2 (April 2021): 396–416.

Book Chapters

Maldonado, John, Diego Ayala-McCormick, Miguel A. Centeno, and Agustin E. Ferraro. "The Neoliberal State in Latin America." In *State and Nation Making in Latin America and Spain: The Neoliberal State and Beyond*, edited by Miguel A. Centeno and Agustin E. Ferraro, 3-64. Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press, 2023.

Articles Under Review

Ayala-McCormick, Diego. "The Paradox of Puerto Rican Development: Theoretical Implications of a Negative Case." Submitted to: *Sociology of Development*.

Conference Papers

Ayala, Diego. "The Spanish Colonial Census and Multiracial Middle Classes in Mid Nineteenth-Century Cuba and Puerto Rico." Latin American Studies Association Conference, Bogotá, Colombia, June 2024. (Accepted).

Ayala, Diego. "Desigualdad racial en Cuba y Puerto Rico: una mirada histórica y comparada." Asociación de Historia Económica del Caribe, VI Congreso, Carolina, Puerto Rico, November 2, 2022.

Honors, Fellowships and Awards

May 2022	Laurence Hutton Prize in History History Department, Princeton University
April 2020-May 2022	Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship Princeton University
April 2021	Stone/Davis History Senior Thesis Prize Shelby Cullom Davis Center for Historical Studies Princeton University
September 2019	Shapiro Award for Academic Excellence Princeton University

Languages

Spanish: Native Speaker

Mandarin: Advanced Proficiency
Portuguese: Intermediate Proficiency
French: Reading Proficiency
Japanese: Beginner-level

Technical Skills

Software: Stata, R