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## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

*University of Arizona – James E. Rogers College of Law*

-Professor of Law 7/19 – Present

-Associate Professor of Law 7/14 – 6/19

- Director: International Economic Law and Policy Program
- Teaching: International Trade, Business, and Investment Law. Public International Law.
- Service: LLM-Admissions (2015-21), Global Programs (2014-21), On-Line Education (2015-16), Hiring (2016-17, 2019-20) and Future of Law (2020-21) Committees.
- Excellence in Research and Scholarship Award (2015-16).

*University of Colorado Boulder – School of Law*

-Visiting Professor 1/18 – 6/18

- Teaching: International Trade Law.

*University of Sydney – Faculty of Law*

-Visiting Professor 3/17 – 4/17

- Teaching: International Investment Law.

*Stanford University – School of Law*

-Lecturer in Law and Teaching Fellow in International Legal Studies 7/11 – 6/14

- Teaching: International Trade Law, Research Methods for Empirical Legal Studies, and Stanford Program in International Legal Studies (SPILS) Thesis Seminar.
- Responsible for all aspects of SPILS, including teaching, advising, and admissions.

*Duke University – School of Law*

-Lecturing Fellow 1/11 – 6/11

- Teaching: International Trade Law and International Investment Law.

## EDUCATION

*Stanford Law School*

-Doctor of the Science of Law (*JSD*) 9/05 – 5/09

- [Dissertation](#): The Law and Politics of NAFTA: The Sweeteners Sector.
- Teaching Assistant, International Conflict Resolution (Holloway, Ross, and Weiner).
- CONACYT, Mexico's Ministry of Education, and Stanford Law School Scholarships.

-Master of the Science of Law (*JSM*) 9/03 – 4/04

- [Thesis](#): Is Investment Arbitration in the Best Interest of Mexico? (published)
- Fellow, Center on Conflict and Negotiation.
- Hewlett Foundation Full Tuition Scholarship.

*Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México – ITAM (México)*

-Law Degree (*LLB*) 9/97 – 5/02

- *summa cum laude*. Scholarship for Academic Merit. [Honors Thesis](#) (published in Spanish).
- [Semi-finalist](#): Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition (with UNAM).

## PUBLICATIONS

*Books:*

- INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC LAW AND INSTITUTIONS FOR AN AGE OF CLIMATE JUSTICE (in progress).
- LATIN AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL LAW: REGIONAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO A GLOBAL PROJECT, OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS (CHEHTMAN, HUNEEUS & PUIG EDS., in progress).
- AT THE MARGINS OF GLOBALIZATION: INDIGENOUS PEOPLES UNDER INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC LAW, CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY PRESS ([2021](#)).

Articles (\* indicates peer-reviewed journals):

- *How International Organizations Achieve Diversity?* (in progress, with Anton Strezhnev).
- *The Cost of International Precedent* (in progress).
- \* *Legalization and Cooperation in the Global Trade Regime* (resubmitted, with J. Kucik and L. Peritz).
- *Extending Trade Law Precedent*, 52 VAND. J. TRANSNAT'L L. (forthcoming [2021](#) with J. Kucik).
- \* *Indemnifying Precaution: Economic Insights for Regulation of a Highly Infectious Disease*, 7 J. LAW BIOSC. 1 ([2020](#)) (with C. Robertson *et. al.*).
- *Contextualizing Cost Shifting in Investment Treaty Arbitration*, 58 VA. J. INT'L L. 261 ([2019](#)).
- *International Indigenous Economic Law*, 52 U.C. DAVIS L. REV. 1243 ([2019](#)).
  - o Featured in [JOTWELL](#) (Journal of Things We Like (Lots)).
- \* *Imperfect Alternatives: Institutional Choices and the Reform of Investment Law*, 112 AM. J. INT'L L. 361 ([2018](#)) (with Gregory Shaffer).
  - o Selected Article for [AJIL Unbound](#) Symposium.
- \* *Affiliation Bias in Arbitration: An Experimental Approach*, 46 J. LEGAL STUD. 371 ([2017](#)) (with Anton Strezhnev).
- *Against Secrecy: The Social Cost of International Dispute Settlements*, 42 YALE J. INT'L L. 339 ([2017](#)) (with Emilie Hafner-Burton and David G. Victor).
- \* *The David Effect in ISDS*, 28 EUR. J. INT'L L. 731 ([2017](#)) (with Anton Strezhnev).
  - o [First](#) Experimental Study in [EJIL](#).
- *Tobacco Litigation in International Courts*, 57 HARV. INT'L L.J. 383 ([2016](#)).
  - o [Response](#) by Professor Harold H. Koh in Volume.
- *Blinding International Justice*, 56 VA. J. INT'L L. 647 ([2016](#)).
- *The Merging of International Trade & Investment Law*, 33 BERKELEY J. INT'L L. 1 ([2015](#)).
  - o Selected for [Travaux](#) (Berkeley's IL Blog) — Engaging with Author Series.
- \* *International Regime Complexity & Economic Law Enforcement*, 17 J. INT'L ECO. L. 491 ([2014](#)).
- \* *Social Capital in the Arbitration Market*, 25 EUR. J. INT'L L. 387 ([2014](#)).
  - o Selected for [EJIL - Talk!](#) (EJIL's Blog). [First](#) Network Analysis Study in [EJIL](#). [Translated](#) into Spanish in [LADI](#) — Latin American Journal of International Law.
- *Emergence & Dynamism in International Organizations*, 44 GEO. J. INT'L L. 531 ([2013](#)).
  - o Selected for The Inaugural Junior Faculty Forum in International Law ([2012](#)).
- \* *Investor-State Tribunals & Constitutional Courts: The Sweeteners Saga*, 5 ME. L. REV. 199 ([2013](#)).
- *Recasting ICSID'S Legitimacy Debate*, 36 FORDHAM INT'L L.J. 465 ([2013](#)).
- \* *The Secretary-General's Power to Refuse to Register a Request for Arbitration Under the ICSID Convention*, 27 ICSID REV.—F.I.L.J. 172 ([2012](#)) (with Chester Brown).
- \* *The Power of ICSID Tribunals to Dismiss Proceedings Summarily: An Analysis of Arbitration Rule 41(5)*, 10 J. L. & PRAC. INT'L CTS. & TRIBUNALS, 227 ([2011](#)) (with Chester Brown).
- \* *NAFTA Chapter Eleven at Fifteen: Contributions to a Systemic Approach in Investment Arbitration*, 25 ICSID REV.—F.I.L.J. 225 ([2010](#)) (with Meg Kinnear).

*Symposium Articles, Essays, Book Reviews, and Commentaries* (\* indicates peer-reviewed journals):

- \* *Symposium, Debiasing International Economic Law*, 30 EUR. J. INT'L L. 1339 (2020).
- \* *Comment, The Scorecard of the Phase One Trade Agreement*, EJIL - TALK! (FEB. 14, 2020) (with D. Gantz and J. Zhou).
- \* *Comment, The Scorecard of the USMCA Amendment*, EJIL - TALK! (DEC. 23, 2019) (with D. Gantz).
- \* *Essay, The United States-Mexico-Canada Agreement: A Glimpse into The Geoeconomic World Order*, 113 AM. J. INT'L L. UNBOUND 56 (2019).
- \* *Essay, Investor Responsibility: The Next Frontier in International Investment Law*, 113 AM. J. INT'L L. UNBOUND 1 (2019) (with James Gathii, [symposium](#) editors).
- \* *Symposium, Model Green Investment Treaty: International Investment and Climate Change*, 36 J. INT'L ARB. 95 (2019) (with Daniel B. Magraw *et al.*).
- *Symposium, Greening Investor-State Dispute Settlement*, 59 B. C. L. REV. 2717 (2018) (with Daniel B. Magraw).
- *Symposium, The Internationalization of Tobacco Tactics*, 29 DUKE J. COMP. & INT'L L. 495 (2018).
- \* *Book Review, Non-Discrimination and the Role of Regulatory Purpose in International Trade and Investment Law*, 18(2) MELB. J. INT'L L. 480 (2017) (with Andrew Shepherd).
- \* *Commentary, Experimentalism, Destabilization and Control in International Law: Afterword to [Laurence Boisson de Chazournes'](#) Foreword*, 28 EUR. J. INT'L L. 1267 (2017).
- \* *Commentary, The Data-Driven Future of International Economic Law*, 20 J. INT'L ECO. L. 217 (2017) (with Wolfgang Alschner and Joost Pauwelyn, [special volume](#) editors).
- \* *Symposium, Mitigating State Sovereignty: The Duty to Consult with Indigenous Peoples*, 67 U. TORONTO L.J. 435 (FALL 2017) (with S. James Anaya).
- \* *Commentary, A Breakthrough with the TPP: The Tobacco Carve-Out*, 16 YALE J. HEALTH POL'Y L. & ETHICS 327 (2016) (with Gregory Shaffer).
- \* *Book Review, Sugar and the Making of International Trade Law*, 110 AM. J. INT'L L. 415 (2016).
- \* *Symposium, The Extensive (but Fragile) Authority of the WTO Appellate Body*, 79 LAW & CONTEMP. PROBS. 237 (2016) (with Gregory Shaffer and Manfred Elsig).
- *Essay, Labor Protection & Investment Regulation: Promoting A Virtuous Circle*, 51 STAN. J. INT'L L. 105 (2015) (with Jordi Agusti-Panareda).
- *Essay, No Right Without a Remedy: Foundations of Investor-State Arbitration*, 35 U. PA. J. INT'L L. 829 (2014) reprinted in THE FOUNDATIONS OF INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT LAW: BRINGING THEORY INTO PRACTICE, Z. DOUGLAS, J. PAUWELYN AND J. E. VIÑUALES (EDS.), OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS, (2014) pp. 235-256.
- *Commentary, How Inertia Matters in Treaty Bargaining? — A Response to [J. W. Yackee](#)*, 12 SANTA CLARA J. INT'L L. 317 (2013).
- \* *Commentary, *Parkerings-Compagniet AS v. Republic of Lithuania* (ICSID Case No. ARB/05/8)* 22 ICSID REV.—F.I.L.J. 446 (2008) (with Martina Polasek).
- *Symposium, NAFTA & Political Behavior in Mexico*, 5 SANTA CLARA J. INT'L L. 363 (2008).

*Chapters in Edited Volumes:*

- *Testing Cognitive Bias in Investment Arbitration* (with Strezhnev) in THE LEGITIMACY OF INVESTMENT ARBITRATION: EMPIRICAL PERSPECTIVES, DANIEL BEHN, OLE KRISTIAN FAUCHALD & MALCOLM LANGFORD, CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY PRESS, [2021](#).
- *The World Trade Organization's Dispute Settlement Body* (with Shaffer & Elsig) in INTERNATIONAL COURT AUTHORITY, KAREN ALTER, LAURENCE HELFER & MIKAEL MADSEN, OXFORD UNIVERSITY PRESS, [2018](#).
- *Network Analysis and the Sociology of International Law* in RESEARCH HANDBOOK ON THE SOCIOLOGY OF INTERNATIONAL LAW, ANDREW LANG & MOSHE HIRSCH, EDWARD ELGAR PUBLISHING, [2018](#).
- *The Law and Politics of WTO Dispute Settlement* (with Shaffer & Elsig) in RESEARCH HANDBOOK ON THE POLITICS OF INTERNATIONAL LAW, WAYNE SANDHOLTZ & CHRISTOPHER A. WHYTOCK, EDWARD ELGAR PUBLISHING, [2017](#).
- *Blind Appointments in Arbitration* in BLINDING AS A SOLUTION TO BIAS: STRENGTHENING BIOMEDICAL SCIENCE, FORENSIC SCIENCE, AND LAW, CHRISTOPHER. T. ROBERTSON & AARON. S. KESSELHEIM, ACADEMIC PRESS, [2015](#).
- *Responsibility of International Organizations and Justiciability of Disputes* in RESPONSIBILITY OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS: ESSAYS IN MEMORY OF SIR IAN BROWNLIE, MAURIZIO RAGAZZI, MARTINUS NIJHOFF PUBLISHERS, [2013](#).
- *The Role of Procedure in the Development of Substantive Law: The Case of Chapter 11 of NAFTA* in EVOLUTION IN INVESTMENT TREATY LAW AND ARBITRATION, CHESTER BROWN & KATE MILES, CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY PRESS, [2011](#).
- *The Future of NAFTA Investment Arbitration: A Mexican Perspective* (with L. Pereznieto) in NAFTA INVESTMENT LAW AND ARBITRATION: PAST ISSUES, CURRENT PRACTICE, FUTURE PROSPECTS, TODD WEILER, BRILL, [2004](#).

**TEACHING INTERESTS**

*Core:* Public International Law, International Trade Law and Policy, International Investment Law and Arbitration, International Dispute Settlement, International Organizations, International Business Transactions, Business and Human Rights, and International Economic Law and Indigenous Peoples.

*Other:* Multinational Corporations, International Courts and Tribunals, Regional Free Trade Agreements Law and Policy, Latin American Law, Politics and Society, Research Methods for Empirical Legal Studies, Globalization and Climate Justice, and Evaluation of International Organizations.

**LAW PRACTICE**

<i>The World Bank Group, Washington, D.C.</i>	
-Counsel. Legal Vice-Presidency Unit & ICSID.	9/07 – 12/10
<i>UN-International Law Commission, Geneva, Switzerland.</i>	
-Assistant to ILC Member, Eduardo Valencia-Óspina.	6/07 – 8/07
<i>Miller &amp; Chevalier Chartered, Washington, D.C.</i>	
-Foreign Associate. International Trade and Investment Group.	5/04 – 8/05
<i>Von Wobeser &amp; Sierra, S.C., Mexico City, Mexico</i>	
-Associate & Trainee ( <i>Pasante</i> ). Tax, Trade & Arbitration Groups.	5/00 – 8/03

## **INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION APPOINTMENTS**

*International Centre for Settlement of Investment Disputes (ICSID)*

-Legacy Vulcan, LLC v. United Mexican States (Case No. [ARB/19/1](#)). 4/19 – Present

*Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA)*

-Not public (Case No. AA/544). 2/15 – 5/17

## **OTHER**

*Journals:* Co-Editor in Chief, JOURNAL OF INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC LAW (2021-2025); Associate Editor, AJIL-Unbound (2018-21). Faculty Advisor, ARIZ. J. INT'L & COMP. L. (2014-2021). Peer reviewer, WORLD TRADE REVIEW, EUR. J. INT'L L, AM. J. INT'L L and ICSID REV.—F.I.L.J. Contributor [Kluwer Arbitration Blog](#).

*Co-founder* [TradeLab.org](#) (with J. Pauwelyn): Organization to facilitate legal assistance and *pro bono* services related to international economic law matters by fifteen law school clinics around the world (trained more than 450 students). Recipient of US\$1,000,000.00 grant by the QNRF. Vice-President and Executive Committee Member.

*Task Forces:* Member, [The Hague Rules on Business and Human Rights Arbitration](#) (Drafting Team). Member, [Expert Committee for Mexico's Legal and Constitutional Reform Regarding Indigenous and Afromexican Peoples' Rights](#). Member, [Academic Forum on ISDS \(WG-III\)](#).

*Professional Associations:* American Society of International Law (Executive Council, Honors Committee, and Strategic Planning Task Force), International Studies Association, Law and Society Association and Institute for Transnational Arbitration (Academic Council 2016-20).

*Engagements:* Presenter, speaker, panelist, and commentator in multiple conferences, academic events, workshops, and seminars. Complete list upon request.

*Languages:* Spanish (native), English (fluent), French (advanced), and Italian (knowledge).

*Athletics:* Twice Water-Polo Junior National Champion (with UNAM). Member of the Mexican Junior National Team (1996-97).