

Drinot – LASA Treasurer Bio

I am a historian specialising in Latin America, with a primary focus on Peru in the twentieth century. My thematic interests include labour history and state formation, racism and exclusion, gender and sexuality, the social history of medicine and public health, and memory and historiography. More recently I have been exploring the fields of biography and disability studies.

Born in Lima, I lived in France and later the United Kingdom. I studied economic history at the London School of Economics, followed by a master's in Latin American studies and a PhD in modern history at the University of Oxford, where I worked with Alan Knight, a distinguished historian of Mexico. Before my appointment at University College London (UCL) in 2012, I held positions at several British universities, including Oxford, Leeds, Manchester, and the School of Advanced Studies at the University of London. At UCL, I am based at the Institute of the Americas, a multidisciplinary department that covers the entire Americas, offering undergraduate programs in the History and Politics of the Americas, multiple master's programs (I am convenor of the MA in Latin American Studies), and a PhD programme.

Since earning my PhD, I have built a robust international academic profile. I have published 20 books (both monographs and edited volumes), approximately 50 articles and book chapters, and around 50 book reviews. My work has been published in English, Spanish, Portuguese, French, and Mandarin, and has garnered prestigious awards, including an honourable mention from the LASA Bryce Wood Book Prize Committee for my monograph *The Sexual Question: A History of Prostitution in Peru, c.1850-1956* (Cambridge University Press). I have secured significant research grants, most notably a three-year Leverhulme Major Research Fellowship to support my current project: a biography of Peruvian Marxist intellectual José Carlos Mariátegui. I have delivered numerous keynote lectures and conference papers worldwide, been interviewed on radio and television about my research, and written op-eds for Peruvian newspapers as well as public-facing articles in magazines such as *History Today*.

I have also played a key role in initiatives that have significantly benefited Latin American studies and history. I helped establish the Institute of Historical Research Latin American History seminar, a successful initiative running for a decade, and co-founded the United Kingdom Latin American History Network, which has held three annual conferences and will host its fourth next year in Liverpool.

From 2014 to 2018, I served as co-editor of the *Journal of Latin American Studies*, one of the most prestigious journals in our field, and I continue to serve on its editorial board. I am also on the editorial boards of the *Canadian Journal of Latin American Studies*, the Peruvian history journal *Histórica*, and several other journals. In the past I have served as assistant editor of the Brazilian journal *História, Ciências, Saúde – Manguinhos* and on the international advisory board of *Estudios Sociales del Estado* (Argentina). My involvement in scholarly communities includes serving as chair of the Peru section and as a member of two book award committees for the Latin American Studies Association, participating in the executive committee of the UK Society for Latin American Studies, and co-chairing the Latin America network for the European Social Science History Conference for over a decade.