The Latin American Studies Association held its annual international conference in Boston during May 23th to 28th. Professors Rajca, Lopez-Rodriguez and Janzen, alumni Edgar Larrea and Juan Cruz, and graduate students Andres Arroyave, David Beek and Fritz Culp presented advances of their research.

Dr. Rajca is associate professor of Portuguese and Spanish, and author of *Dissensual Subjects: Memory, Human Rights, and Postdictatorship in Argentina, Brazil, and Uruguay* (2018).

Dr. Lopez Rodriguez is associate professor of Spanish, and author of *Blancura y otras ficciones raciales en los Andes Colombianos* (2019) and *Tiempos para rezar y tiempos para trabajar* (2001).

Welcome to our new graduate students in Spanish:

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David Beek

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David Beek, Ph. D. student in Comparative Literature—Spanish Fulbright US Student Program Research Grant - Brazil, Spring 2020.

David Mesa, Ph.D. student in Spanish DLLC Graduate Assistant Outstanding Teaching Award, 2019.


Julia Lujan, Ph. D. student in Comparative Literature—Spanish CAS Incubator Graduate Leadership Team.

Benjamin Driscoll, Ph. D. student in Comparative Literature—Spanish Maxcy College Assistant.

Our presence in the Carolina Community

Our sincere congratulations to our alumni from the Ph.D. in Spanish

Dr. Jinmei Chen (Beijing Language and Culture University)

and

Dr. Stephanie Orozco (University of South Carolina in Aiken)

for their positions as Assistant Professor.

We are so proud of your achievements!!

Thank you, Dr. Eric Holt for your service as Spanish Graduate Advisor for the last three years!!

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• What is your dissertation about? Our students’ responses to the “scariest” question.

• Who are the LLCGSA’s new president, vice president and Spanish representative?