

## Eduardo Silva

Eduardo Silva is the Friezo Family Foundation Chair in Political Science and a Full Professor in the Department of Political Science at Tulane University since 2010. He is also a Core Faculty Member of the Stone Center for Latin American Studies and Senior Associate Research Fellow with the Center for Inter-American Policy and Research (CIPR). Prior to that he was Assistant, Associate, and Full Professor of Political Science at the University of Missouri-St. Louis. Along with Francisco Durand and Ben Ross Schneider he founded the “Business and Politics” section of LASA in the late 1990s, which lives on as the Economics and Politics Section. At Tulane, Prof. Silva led the effort to rebuild the Political Science Department’s PhD program after Hurricane Katrina and served as its first Graduate Director until 2017. He also founded the Department of Political Science’s speaker series, which has subsequently expanded and flourished under the guidance of successive coordinators. At CIPR, he has organized three major research projects involving CIPR Post-Doctoral Fellows (Federico Rossi, Maria Akchurin, Stephanie Israel de Souza, and Zará Toledo Orozco). The first one examined transnational social movements in Latin America; it was followed by an exploration into the second wave of popular sector incorporation after neoliberalism; a third project, analyzed the policy impacts of social movement resistance to extractive development. In addition to publications, a major purpose of those projects was to create a community of scholars that would continue researching these subjects after the official “project” and publications from it were over. In that too they were successful, especially Research Group MEGA (Mobilization, Extractives, and Government Action), founded in 2017 and publicly launched at LASA-Lima that same year. At the University of Missouri-St. Louis Prof. Silva served as Graduate Studies Director from 2002-2006 and Department Chair from 2007-2010.

He has published extensively in several countries on subjects including counter movements to neoliberalism in Latin America, the incorporation of popular sectors in the political field, the political and policy impact of social movement contention related to extractivism, transnational social movements, environmental politics, and business-state relations in Latin America. His research draws on political economy and sociological approaches to politics in order to understand the conditions that affect the likelihood that subordinate social groups might shift the balance of power, however slightly, in their favor. The exception here being business-state relations where the focus was understanding business power. He has co-guest edited special journal issues on the policy impact of social movements resisting extractives in *The Extractive Industries and Society* (forthcoming) and *European Review of Latin American and Caribbean Studies*, No. 106, (print, Winter) 2019. He also co-guest edited “Movilización Ciudadana Transnacional: Nuevas Formas de Activismo Político,” *Revista Cidob d’Afers Internacionals*, no. 105 (April) 2014. He is the author of *Challenging Neoliberalism in Latin America*, Cambridge University Press, 2009 and *The State and Capital in Chile: Business Elites, Technocrats, and Market Economics*, Westview Press, 1996, republished by Routledge, 2019. His edited volumes include *Reshaping the Political Arena in Latin America: From Resistance to Neoliberalism to the Second Wave of Incorporation*, co-edited with Federico M. Rossi, University of Pittsburgh Press, 2018; *Transnational Activism and National Movements in Latin America: Bridging the Divide*, editor, Routledge, 2013; *Organized Business, Economic Change, and Democracy in Latin America*, co-edited with Francisco Durand, North-South Center Press at the University of Miami, 1998; and *Elections and Democratization in Latin America, 1980-85*, co-edited with Paul W.

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