

Graciela Di Marco. Short bio

I am a Sociologist (Argentine Catholic University) and a Doctor in Social Sciences (University of Buenos Aires). In 2016 I was awarded with a Doctoral degree *Honoris Causa* by the University of Misiones, Argentina. I joined the National University of San Martin (UNSAM) in 1994, where I am Full Professor since 2006. At UNSAM, I founded and have been Director of the Center for Studies on Democratization and Human Rights (CEDEHU) since 2007, which has a long-standing history on teaching, research and extension activities on social movements and social policies from a feminist approach, and runs a Master's Degree programme in Human Rights and Social Policies, receiving students from all Latin America. I have also taught at the University of Buenos Aires and currently I also teach at the University of El Salvador (Argentina).

My activities comprise research, teaching, and militancy in the field of democratization, feminisms and human rights. I have been invited speaker in meetings held in Latin and Central America, USA and Canada, and I presented papers in conferences in North America, Europe, Asia and Africa.

One of my strongest convictions is considering that the formation of groups and networks extends our limits for research and political advocacy, by approaching diversities of regional, national, ethnic, religious, gender, sexuality, etc. origins. Consequently, I have been a member of the Global Network in Women's Studies and Gender Research (since 2005, conformed by Chairs from Universities' centers from several countries from Latin America, Caribbean, Africa, Asia and Australia) with the initial support from UNESCO. With other members of this network I collaborated in the book *Making globalization work for women. The Role of Social Rights and Trade Union Leadership*, edited by Valentine Moghadam. (SUNY Series) (2011), authoring a chapter on "Women's Rights in Trade Union Organizations in Argentina". With the joint support of the International Research Center of Canada -IDRC- and UNSAM, I co-edited *Feminisms, Democratization and Radical Democracy: Case studies in South and Central America, Middle East and North Africa* (2011) (in Spanish and English) and authored the chapter on "Claims for Legal Abortion in Argentina and the Construction of New Political Identities".

I co-coordinate the CLACSO Working Group Families and Genders in Transnational and Local Dynamics (2013-2016), one of the outcomes was the book *Family and gender policies in Argentina, Bolivia, Colombia, Chile, Cuba. 2000-2013*, edited by University of Caldas, Colombia, UNSAM and CLACSO (2015). Currently, I co-coordinate the CLACSO Working Group Families, Gender and Diversities (2016-2019) and I am also a member of CLACSO Working Group "Feminisms, resistances and emancipatory processes" (2016-2019). I was engaged in inter CLACSO Working

Groups meetings in Colombia and Argentina, in which we organized joint activities with academics and activists, with the purpose of enhancing dialogue of different ways of knowing. This has been a constant in my research and advocacy on social movements.

I published extensively on democratization, democracy and social movements. With a research grant of Ford Foundation I co-edited with Hector Palomino *Reflexiones sobre los movimientos sociales en la Argentina*. (comps.) (2004) and *Movimientos Sociales en la Argentina. Asambleas. La politización de la sociedad civil* (2003), both published by Ediciones Baudino. Particularly, on the topic of women's and feminist's movements, I authored *Democratización de las familias*, UNICEF (2005), "*El Pueblo feminista. Lucha de las mujeres en torno a la ciudadanía*" published by Biblos (2011), and several articles published in international and national social sciences journals, more recently "Las democracias, las democratizaciones y los desafíos en torno a la inclusión plena de las mujeres en las teorías y prácticas democráticas. Un estudio comparativo de las transiciones en América Latina y el norte de África desde una perspectiva sur-sur", *Revista LA ALJABA* (2016).

My participation in LASA since 1994 strongly contributed to build networks with my colleagues. I collaborated with other LASA's members in several books, for example, *De lo privado a lo público: 30 años de lucha ciudadana de las mujeres en América Latina*, compiled by Lebon, N., and Maier, E. UNIFEM-Lasa-Siglo XXI (2006), that was translated into English, with the title *Women's Activism in Latin America and the Caribbean*. Rutgers University Press (2010) and was selected for inclusion in CHOICE's annual Outstanding Academic Titles 2010 list. The collaborative research on Sidestreaming feminisms (University of Massachusetts-Amherst, Universidad de San Marcos, Perú, and UNSAM), led by Sonia E. Alvarez and Millie Thayer (2009-2012) has broaden my insights about activisms, social movements and feminists movements. I authored the chapter "Social Movement Demands in Argentina and the Constitution of a "Feminist People" in *Beyond Civil Society: Activism, Participation, and Protest in Latin America* edited by Alvarez,S., Baoiochi,G. Lao-Montes A., Rubin J., Thayer, M. Duke Press. Durham, North Carolina. USA (2017). I also authored a chapter "Agencia feminista y cambios culturales en América Latina en torno a las demandas por la ciudadanía sexual", in *Agencia Cultural, Arte, Educación y Prácticas Sociales en América Latina y La Frontera*, edited by Moret, Z. Escribana Books. New York (2017),

During the last 10 years I expanded my research into transnational perspectives on feminism, democracies, neoliberalism and populism in Argentina, other Latin American countries, North Africa and Eastern European countries. I am currently working on the project "*Women and 'The*

People'. Women's and feminist mobilization in the age of populisms and illiberal democracies'' in collaboration with Södertön University (Sweden).