

The Heidelberg Graduate School for the Humanities and Social Sciences welcomes the new visiting scholars of the South-South-North Programme in 2024!



Sandra Marta Paul Díaz



My name is Sandra Marta Paul Díaz and I am a PhD candidate in Communication Sciences. I am from Cuba. I live in one of the largest and most beautiful cities in my country: Havana city, well known for its great tourist attractions and the friendliness of its people.

I am 38 years old. I have been working as a journalist and as a university professor since 2008, the year I graduated with a degree in journalism from the Faculty of Communication of the University of Havana.

I have two great passions. My two small kids and the radio. Perhaps that is why I am working on a doctoral thesis that seeks to design a theoretical methodological model to study radio and sound in virtual environments (internet radio, social networks, sound repositories).

I am sure that this summer scholarship at the Heidelberg University will be a great opportunity to fully develop the proposal I am working on. Under the supervision of professor Dr. Cástor David Mora I hope to design and implement solid research on my main area of academic interest: How have new technologies impacted communication practices and sound formats? And how to best use sound language in these new scenarios?

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Hello everyone!

My name is Guillermo . I´m from Havana, Cuba. I completed both my BA and MA studies at the University of Havana (UH) (2014). I currently work as a philosophy professor at the Faculty of Philosophy and History. My MA was completed in Interdisciplinary Studies on Latin America, the Caribbean and Cuba from the same institution (2017).

I have taught courses on Theory and history of Marxism and Cuban Marxist thought in the 1960s in relation to the process of the Cuban revolution. At this time, I am a PhD candidate in History from the University of Havana. My PhD topic deals with the teaching of Marxism in Cuba from a historical perspective, taking as a model of intellectual experience the work of the professors who founded the first department of philosophy and the magazine *Pensamiento Crítico* in the 1960s, for the sake of develop a theory from Marxism that would adjust to the needs of the Cuban revolution.

I consider it an excellent opportunity to participate in the PhD program of the HGGS due to the breadth and diversity of approaches to which it will allow me access. I hope to be able to share and exchange experiences that enrich my professional and personal training as well as learning about German culture and history and its people.

Sonia Zaldivar



Hello everyone,

My name is Sonia Zaldivar Marrón. I work as a researcher and professor at the Faculty of Law of the University of Havana.

I started my doctoral project in 2021, as a continuation of the bachelor's and master's research respectively. For my research I am trying to substantiate the theoretical-legal elements for the configuration of bio-law as a legal subsystem in Cuba.

I am very excited to be part of the HGGS and Heidelberg University. I hope it will be an experience that allows me to enrich myself professionally and personally through academic and cultural exchange.

Daniel Quintero



Hello dear friends,

My name is Daniel Quintero, I am from a beautiful city called Mérida in Venezuela. I am an exchange student at the Heidelberg Graduate School for the Humanities and Social Sciences (HGGS). My professions are Historian and Lawyer. I am a professor at the Faculty of Humanities and Education of the University of Los Andes (ULA) and coordinate the Contemporary Studies Group on Digitality and Disruptive Histories (GECDDH).

I am currently doing doctoral studies in Human Sciences at the ULA. For me it is very important to participate in the program at Heidelberg University because of the techno/social content of my doctoral work, which focuses on a proposal for an ethnography of the intangible that seeks to understand the being in the digitality. It will also be essential for me to be involved in seminars, courses and working groups in Heidelberg in order to exchange ideas with colleagues and thus theoretically enrich my study.

I am very excited to know a country like Germany, to learn about its culture, history and to make new friends. My hobbies are reading, writing stories, walking in the mountains, playing football, talking with my loved ones and friends.

Maxyeli Adrián



My name is Maxyeli Adrián and I am from Mérida, Venezuela. I am an Architect and I have a master's degree in Urban Planning. I am currently pursuing my PhD. in Human Sciences and I work as a Professor in the Architectural Design Workshop at the Universidad de Los Andes. I am developing my research focused on the Perception and Identity of Places and Non-places in urban environments, reviewing everything related to uncontrolled social settlements and theories on urbanism and social behavior, under the mentorship of Dr. Yanett Segovia from de ULA (Venezuela).

Thanks to the opportunity offered by the HGGS, I will be able to establish links of knowledge and interesting contrasts of knowledge, interact with other colleagues of different nationalities and enrich my ongoing research. In my free time I enjoy reading, listening music, exploring cities, photographing places and I am very excited to be part of this distinguished group.

Nidya Contreras



Hello everyone! My name is Nidya Contreras and I am from the Venezuelan Andes. Specifically from Mérida Venezuela. I am a professor at the University of Los Andes (ULA). I work as a teacher in the Research Department, the Teaching Update Program (PAD - ULA), the Master's Degree in Education at the Faculty of Education and Humanities. She collaborated with the Coordination of Interactive Distance Studies (CEIDIS – ULA) and in the Educational Innovations Master's Degree at the Libertador Experimental Pedagogical University (UPEL).

I completed my bachelor's degree in Education at the National Open University (UNA) and a Master's degree in Education with a mention in Computer Science and Instructional Design at the University of Los Andes. My doctorate proposes research on educational sciences. In my doctoral thesis I propose to work with neuroeducation as an emerging and transdisciplinary field that allows us to analyze the neuroscientific elements and foundations that constitute this discipline and what some authors propose from the countless publications on this topic and its effect on the educational process in the last three decades.

I hope to learn a lot from Heidelberg and from Germany all the rich knowledge that can be gained and the beautiful culture it has to offer. In addition to enjoying the enriching academic, research and cultural exchange that will occur during my stay at Heidelberg University.

Aneliz Cruz



Hello from Llallagua, a town located in the Bolivian highlands.

My name is Aneliz Solangela Cruz Alarcon. I completed my bachelor's degree in Economics, pursued a master's degree in corporate finance and obtained a diploma in higher education. Now, I am pursuing a doctorate at the National University Siglo XX.

During my professional career, I have been involved in local development projects within rural areas of my country. Lately, I have been working at a private bank in the credit sector.

My main objective upon entering the doctoral program is to establish a line of research on the access and connection between indigenous peoples and private banking, through responsible and contextualized financial education to reduce the gaps of financial exclusion, with a focus on the use of ICTs.

I would also like to explore interdisciplinary methods in the field of economic development of indigenous and native people.

Victor Hugo Roth Quisbert



Hello,

I am Victor Hugo Roth Quisbert and I come from La Paz, Bolivia. I did my bachelor's degree in Psychology and Business Administration. Later, I did an MBA specializing in Human Resource management.

I am currently pursuing a Doctorate in Financial Management and Administration at the Universidad Nacional Siglo XX. My research thesis is titled: "Analysis of informal employment in La Paz, Bolivia: A Proposal for the Implementation of more formal employment policies."

I am currently working at the Mayor's Office in La Paz, Bolivia. I am happy to spend a semester in the city of Heidelberg and enrich my experience with the knowledge of researchers from various parts of the world and areas of study.

Cristina Laura



Dear All,

I am Cristina Laura from La Paz, Bolivia. My profession is Systems Engineer and I have a master's degree in Psychopedagogy and Higher Education.

Currently, in the doctoral course, my thesis is titled: "The impact of technology on the brain and learning: an in-depth analysis of the neurocognitive and pedagogical effects."

In addition, I work in my area and at the same time I teach classes at the university.