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RESEARCH AREAS

Social history of planning; critical urban studies; urban commons & urban enclosure; territorial formations of capitalism; urban social movements.

EDUCATION

- PhD, Town Planning and Urban Studies, Universidad Politécnica de Madrid (2009)
- BA + MArch, Universidad Politécnica de Madrid (2003)

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

- Associate Professor of Town Planning and Urban Studies, Escuela Técnica Superior de Arquitectura de Madrid, 2013-present.
- Assistant Professor of Town Planning and Urban Studies, Escuela Técnica Superior de Arquitectura de Madrid, 2007-2013.

COURSES TAUGHT

- **Undergraduate courses:**
 - Urbanism and the City
 - Introduction to Urbanism
- **Postgraduate courses:**
 - Culture and History of Urbanism
 - Urban Structure and Design
 - Territory and Regional Planning
 - Urban Design Practice Seminar
 - Planning Practice Seminar
 - Urban Lives Research Seminar

VISITING APPOINTMENTS

- Visiting Scholar, Fulbright Fellow, Graduate School of Design, Harvard University, March-June 2016.
- Visiting Scholar, Graduate School of Design, Harvard University, April-May 2014.
- Visiting Scholar, Graduate School of Design, Harvard University, April-May 2013.

UNIVERSITY AND DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

- Academic Secretary, Regional and Town Planning Department (2013-present)
- Academic Secretary, PhD Program 'Peripheries, Sustainability and Urban Vitality', Regional and Town Planning Department (2013-present)
- Academic Secretary, Master Program 'Regional and Urban Planning', Regional and Town Planning Department (2013-present)
- Member of Academic Committee, PhD Program 'Peripheries, Sustainability and Urban Vitality', Regional and Town Planning Department (2009-2013)
- Member of Academic Committee, Master Program 'Regional and Urban Planning', Regional and Town Planning Department (2009-2013)

PUBLICATIONS

- **Books:**

- Sevilla Buitrago, A. (forthcoming 2016) *Neil Brenner: teoría urbana crítica y políticas de escala*, Barcelona: Icaria, colección Espacios Críticos.

- **Articles in refereed journals:**

- Sevilla-Buitrago, A. (2015) Capitalist formations of enclosure: space and the extinction of the commons, *Antipode* 47, pp. 999–1020.
- Sevilla-Buitrago, A. (2015) Outraged spatialities: the production of public space in the #spanishrevolution, *ACME: An International E-Journal for Critical Geographies* 18, pp. 90-103. Special section: Geographies of 15-M: crisis, austerity and social movements in Spain.
- Sevilla-Buitrago, A. (2015) Urbanismo, crisis y austeridad, *Ciudades* 18, pp. 31-48.
- Sevilla-Buitrago, A. (2014) Central Park y la producción del espacio público: el uso de la ciudad y la regulación del comportamiento urbano en la historia, *Revista EURE – Revista de Estudios Urbano Regionales* 40, pp. 55-74.
- Sevilla-Buitrago, A. (2014) Central Park against the streets: the enclosure of public space cultures in mid-nineteenth century New York, *Social & Cultural Geography* 15, pp. 151-171.
- Sevilla Buitrago, A. (2014) Para una historia social de la planificación. Cuestiones conceptuales y metodológicas, *Empiria. Revista de metodología de ciencias sociales* 27:49-72.
- Sevilla-Buitrago, A. (2013) Debating contemporary urban conflicts: A survey of selected scholars. *Cities* 31:454–468.
- Sevilla-Buitrago, A. (2013) ¿Planificar los comunes? Autogestión, regulación comunal del suelo y su eclipse en la Inglaterra precapitalista. *Scripta Nova. Revista de Geografía y Ciencias Sociales* XXII.
- Sevilla-Buitrago, A. (2012) Territory and the governmentalisation of social reproduction: parliamentary enclosure and spatial rationalities in the transition from feudalism to capitalism. *Journal of Historical Geography* 38: 209–219.
- Sevilla-Buitrago, A. (2012) Urbanismo y reproducción social. Una introducción a su historia. *Cuadernos de Investigación Urbanística* 80:1-61.
- Sevilla-Buitrago, A. (2012) Conflictos de la ciudad contemporánea: Un sondeo internacional. *Urban, nueva serie* 3:107-137.
- Elden, S., Gregory, D. & Sevilla-Buitrago, A. (2011) Spaces of the Past, Histories of the Present: An Interview with Stuart Elden and Derek Gregory. *ACME: An International E-Journal for Critical Geographies* 10:313-339.
- Sevilla-Buitrago, A. (2011) Cenizas de Gotha, espectros de Lefebvre: derecho a la ciudad y urbanismo alternativo en el ocaso del Estado Social. *Biblio 3W. Revista bibliográfica de geografía y ciencias sociales* XVI.
- Sevilla-Buitrago, A. (2010) Hacia el origen de la planificación: territorio, enclosure acts y cambio social en la transición del feudalismo al capitalismo, *Ciudades* 13:165-181.
- Sevilla-Buitrago, A. (2008) La ciudad y el eclipse de la experiencia. Notas para una historia crítica de la ordenación territorial, *Polis* 7:151-177.
- Sevilla-Buitrago, A. (2004) Großstadtkultur, el debate sobre la gran ciudad en la Alemania Guillermina, *Ciudades* 8:201-227.

- **Book chapters:**

- Sevilla-Buitrago, A. (2015) Crisis and the city: neoliberalism, austerity planning and the production of space, in F. Eckardt and J. Ruiz (eds.) *City of Crisis. The Multiple Contestation of Southern European Cities*, Bielefeld: Transcript, pp. 31-49.



- Sevilla-Buitrago, A. (2015) Urbanism and dictatorship: perspectives from the field of urban studies, in M. Welch Guerra, H. Bodenschatz and P. Sassi, P. (eds.) *Urbanism and Dictatorship. A European Perspective*, Basel: Birkhäuser, pp. 27-35.
- Sevilla-Buitrago, A. (2013) Urbs in Rure: Historical enclosure and the extended urbanization of the countryside, in Brenner, N. (ed.) *Implosions / Explosions. Towards an investigation of planetary urbanization*. Berlin: Jovis, pp. 236-259.
- Sevilla-Buitrago, A. (2013) Espacio público y protesta ciudadana: reflexiones sobre la espacialidad del 15M, en Club de Debates Urbanos (ed.), *Madrid. Materia de debate, vol. IV*, Madrid: Club de Debates Urbanos, pp. 208-218.
- Cifuentes, M., Córdoba, R., Gómez, G., Hernández Pezzi, C., Montes, M., Rodríguez, R. & Sevilla Buitrago, A. (2008) *Propuestas para mejorar la calidad de vida en las ciudades*. Madrid: Fundación Alternativas.
- Sevilla Buitrago, A. (2007) Ciudad-Postciudad: lugar, duración, memoria, experiencia. Una indagación crítica en los fundamentos del urbanismo contemporáneo. In Hernández Aja, A. (ed.) *Arquitectura del siglo XXI: Más allá de Kioto*. Madrid: IAU+S & Maireia Libros.
- Sevilla Buitrago, A. (2003) Manos sobre la ciudad: la construcción de la hegemonía. In Arenillas, T. (ed.) *Ecología y Ciudad: raíces de nuestros males y modos de tratarlas*. Madrid: El Viejo Topo.
- **Articles in other journals (selection):**
 - Sevilla-Buitrago, A. (2014) Spatial divisions of society, *Fulcrum* 97, p. 1.
 - Castrillo, M., Matesanz, A., Sánchez Fuentes D., and Sevilla Buitrago, A. (2014) ¿Regeneración urbana? Deconstrucción y reconstrucción de un concepto incuestionado, *Papeles* 126, pp. 129-139.
 - Sevilla-Buitrago, A. (2011) 'This Square is our Home!': The Organization of Urban Space in the Spanish 15-M Movement. *Progressive Planning* 189:42-49.
 - Sevilla Buitrago, A. (2010) Urbanismo, biopolítica, gubernamentalidad: vida y espacio en la renovación de los estudios urbanos. *Boletín CF+S* 44.
 - Sevilla Buitrago, A. (2002) El historiador como productor: proyectos históricos de Nietzsche a Tafuri. *Boletín CF+S* 21.
- **Review essays and book reviews:**
 - Sevilla Buitrago, A. (2013) Abriendo Espacios Críticos para el pensamiento socioespacial, *Urban*, nueva serie 3. Reviewing the books: Benach, Núria & Albet, Abel (2010) *Edward W. Soja. La perspectiva postmoderna de un geógrafo radical*, Barcelona: Icaria. Albet, Abel & Benach, Núria (2012) *Doreen Massey. Un sentido global del lugar*, Barcelona: Icaria. Benach, Núria (2012) *Richard Peet. Geografía contra el neoliberalismo*, Barcelona: Icaria. Nel-lo, Oriol (2012) *Francesco Indovina. Del análisis del territorio al gobierno de la ciudad*, Barcelona: Icaria.
 - Sevilla-Buitrago, A. (2012) Recuperando a Henri Lefebvre para la investigación urbanística y arquitectónica. *Biblio 3W. Revista bibliográfica de geografía y ciencias sociales*, XVII, n.p. Reviewing the book: Stanek, Łukasz (2011). *Henri Lefebvre on Space. Architecture, Urban Research, and the Production of Theory*. Minneapolis & London: University of Minnesota Press.
 - Sevilla-Buitrago, A. (2011) Escribiendo urbanismos sociales: a propósito del trabajo de Andy Merrifield. *Urban*, nueva serie 2, pp. 139-146. Reviewing the books: Merrifield, Andy (2002) *Dialectical Urbanism. Social Struggles in the Capitalist City*. New York: Monthly Review Press. Merrifield, Andy (2002) *Metromarxism: A Marxist Tale of the City*. New York: Routledge. Merrifield, Andy (2005) *Guy Debord*. London: Reaktion Books. Merrifield, Andy (2006) *Henri Lefebvre. A Critical Introduction*. New York: Routledge. Merrifield, Andy (2008) *The Wisdom of Donkeys: Finding Tranquility in a Chaotic World*, New York: Walker & Company. Merrifield, Andy (2011) *Magical Marxism. Subversive Politics and the Imagination*, London & New York: Pluto.



AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS

- Fulbright + MECD José Castillejo Fellow, Harvard University, 2016.
- Excellent Dissertation Award, Universidad Politécnica de Madrid, 2009.
- Selected Periodical for the Spanish Representation at the VIII Iberoamerican Biennial: Journal *URBAN* (2012) Special Issue: *Specters of Lefebvre*.

JOURNAL AND BOOKS SERIES EDITORIAL AND ADVISORY BOARDS

- Editor-in-Chief, *Urban* (main peer-reviewed journal in the field of Urban Studies in Spain), 2010-2015.
- Editorial Advisory Board, *Environment and Planning D: Society and Space*, 2016-present.
- International Advisory Board, *EURE, Revista de Estudios Urbano-Regionales*, 2012-2014.
- Advisory Board, 'Hispanic Urban Studies' Book Series, Palgrave Macmillan, 2014-present.
- Advisory Board, 'Strumenti Urbanistici' Book Series, Franco Angeli, 2012-2014.
- Editorial Board, *Ciudades para un Futuro más Sostenible*, 2010-present.

SERVICE AS REFEREE

- Reviewer of submissions to the following journals: *ACME: An International E-Journal for Critical Geographies*, *Ciudad y Territorio*, *Ciudades*, *Environment & Planning D: Society and Space*, *Espaces et Sociétés*, *EURE - Estudios Urbano-Regionales*, *Journal of Urban Research*, *Gaceta Técnica*, *Revista Internacional de Sociología*, *Scripta Nova*, *Urban Research and Practice*, *ZArch. Journal of Interdisciplinary Studies in Architecture and Urbanism*.

RESEARCH GROUPS AND SCIENTIFIC NETWORKS

- Researcher, Sustainable Architecture and Urbanism, Escuela Técnica Superior de Arquitectura de Madrid, Universidad Politécnica de Madrid, 2010-present.
- Advisory Board, Urban Theory Lab, Graduate School of Design, Harvard University, 2013-present.
- Advisory Board, Urbanism of 20th century European Dictatorships Scientific Network, 2013-present.
- Member, Association of European Schools of Planning, 2012-present.

EXPERIENCE AS PLANNING PRACTITIONER & ARCHITECT (selection)

- **Comprehensive Regional and Town Planning:**
 - Plan Especial del Parque Forestal del Sur (Madrid Region). Client: Madrid Regional Government – Environment and Regional Planning Council. Member of the Planning Office
 - Plan General de Móstoles. Client: Móstoles City Hall. Member of the Planning Office – Responsible for the design of interventions in the city centre.
 - Plan General de Coslada. Client: Coslada City Hall. Coordinator of the Planning Office.
- **Master Planning and Urban Design:**
 - Plan Parcial de Reforma Interior – Eco-Barrio del Aeropuerto (Madrid). Client: Madrid City Hall – Housing Public Company (Madrid City). Co-Director of the Planning Office
 - Plan Parcial – Sector 4 (Torrejón de Ardoz, Madrid). Client: Torrejón de Ardoz City Hall – Housing Public Company (Madrid Region) – Private sector. Co-Director of the Planning Office
- **Architecture:**
 - Extension of the Museo Nacional Centro de Arte Reina Sofía. Architect: Jean Nouvel. Client: Spanish Ministry of Civil Works.