

## Byron Antonio Villacís Cruz

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RESEARCH INTERESTS	Economic Sociology, Development, Labor Markets, Inequality, Statistical Methodology.	
EDUCATION	<b>University of California, Berkeley, CA</b> Ph.D. Student, Sociology & Demography <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Qualifying Exams</i>: Economic Sociology (Marion Fourcade), Theory (Michael Burawoy), Development (Laura Enriquez), Demography (Jennifer Johnson-Hanks).</li></ul> M.S., Demography, Aug 2014 <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Advisor: Jennifer Johnson-Hanks, Ph.D</li></ul> <b>University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI</b> Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), Quantitative Methods, Summer 2014. <b>Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales, Ecuador</b> M.S., Economics, Aug 2004 <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Advisor: Fander Falconí, Ph.D</li></ul> <b>Universidad San Francisco de Quito, Ecuador</b> B.A., Economics & Marketing (Double Major), May 2001 <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Summa Cum Laude</i></li><li>• <i>2001 Cohort Representative</i></li></ul>	
RESEARCH EXPERIENCE	<b>Graduate Student Researcher</b> Haas School of Business, University of California, Berkeley Supervisor: Kristiana Raube, Ph.D	Aug 2017 to present
	<b>Graduate Student Researcher</b> Sociology Department, University of California, Berkeley Supervisor: Cristina G. Mora, Ph.D	Jan 2016 to May 2017
	<b>Visiting Scholar</b> Carolina Population Center, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill Supervisors: Ronald Rindfuss, Ph.D	Aug 2012 to Jun 2013
	<b>National - General Director</b> National Institute of Statistics and Censuses, Ecuador <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Design, execution, and enumeration of the 2010 Population &amp; Household Census Official Coverage: 97 %. Official Recognition from the President of the Republic.</li><li>• Direction and execution of 43 national official surveys.</li></ul>	Jan 2007 to Aug 2012

- Design, execution, and enumeration of the 2010 Economic Census (*after 30 years of absence*).
- Increased the number of average users per month from 300 in 2006 to 76,000 in 2011.
- Creation of 3 new departments: Methodology, Cartography, and Environmental Statistics.
- Creation and administration of 24 statistical national commissions for statistical interinstitutional regulation.
- Creation of *Analytica* the first indexed scientific journal of statistics in Ecuador.

PROFESSIONAL  
EXPERIENCE

**National - General Director**

Jan 2007 to Aug 2012

National Institute of Statistics and Censuses,  
Ecuador

- Administrative responsible for the day-today activities of 530 professional staff and 200 contract workers.
- Responsible for the short, medium, and long-term management, direction and strategic planning.
- Responsible for an annual average budget of USD \$13MM.
- Administration and modernization of four regional-administrative subdivisions.
- Design and execution of institutional rebranding.

**Principal Researcher**

Aug 2005 to Dec 2006

Refreshment Product Services Ecuador (RPSE) Ecuador,  
Quito-Ecuador

**General Director**

Apr 2001 to Aug 2005

Spectrum, Market and Public Opinion

- Administrative responsible for quantitative and qualitative studies with national coverage.
- Administrative responsible of national research team (20 workers plus fieldwork teams).
- Conceptual design, execution and data analysis of surveys (around 31 national projects).
- Conceptual desing, execution and analysis of focus groups and in-depth interviews (around 23 national projects).
- Personal relation and contact with public leaders, media, policy makers and businessmen.

PUBLICATIONS

1. **Villacís B.**, “Inquietudes sobre el Índice de Transparencia Internacional”, chapter in “Transparencia y Control Social en Ecuador: Reflexiones y Avances”, *Función de Transparencia y Control Social*, 25–49, 2016.
2. **Villacís B.**, Carrillo D. “The Socioeconomic Paradox of Galapagos: An analysis of socioeconomic scenarios in Galapagos.” In Walsh S., Mena C., “Social and Ecological Interactions in the Galapagos Islands.” *Springer*: 69–86, 2012.
3. **Villacís B.**, Carrillo D. “País Atrevido: La Nueva Cara Socio-Demográfica del Ecuador”. *INEC*. Quito-Ecuador, 2012.
4. **Villacís B.**, Carrillo D. “Estadística Demográfica en el Ecuador: Diagnóstico y Propuestas”. *INEC*. Quito-Ecuador, 2012.

Diario El Telégrafo - [www.eltelegrafo.com.ec](http://www.eltelegrafo.com.ec)

- “7 Centavos”, Dec 15, 2017.
- “Quién mueve la economía?”, Dec 29, 2017.
- “Un Error de El Telégrafo”, Dec 1, 2017.

OTHER PRESS AND  
MEDIA ARTICLES

1. **Villacís B.** “Dejemos de evadir los Censos de Derecho”, *Observatorio Latinoamericano de Censos de Población, OLAC*. Oct 18, 2017.
2. **Villacís B.** “Corrupción: Daños Colaterales”, *Diario El Universo*. Jun 7, 2017.
3. **Villacís B.** “Números Sucios: transparencia en las encuestas electorales en Ecuador”, *Revista GK*. May 2, 2017.
4. **Villacís B.** “La Década Perdida”, *Observatorio Latinoamericano de Censos de Población, OLAC*. March 11, 2017.
5. **Villacís B.** “Trudeau no es Turnbull: Fracasos Censales y Legitimidad Política,” *Observatorio Latinoamericano de Censos de Población, OLAC*. Sep 16, 2016.
6. **Villacís B.** “Tecnocensos, o censos para humanos,” *Observatorio Latinoamericano de Censos de Población, OLAC*. March 15, 2016.
7. **Villacís B.** “De la dependencia a la interdependencia estadística,” *Observatorio Latinoamericano de Censos de Población, OLAC*. Nov 19, 2015.
8. **Villacís B.** “Una historia sin urgencia para los estudiantes de Yachay” *GkillCity*. Oct 19, 2015.
9. **Villacís B.** “Una Hillary ecuatoriana II ” *GkillCity*. Jun 1, 2015.
10. **Villacís B.** “Una Hillary ecuatoriana I ” *GkillCity*. Apr 27, 2015.
11. **Villacís B.** “Un Sur para UNASUR ” *Diario El Telégrafo*. Jan 22, 2015.
12. **Villacís B.** “El antimarketing político de Alianza País ” *GkillCity*. Dec 29, 2014.
13. **Villacís B.** “F de Fernanda, F de Festejo ” *GkillCity*. Feb 10, 2014.
14. **Villacís B.** “13 Consejos para Jóvenes Burócratas ” *GkillCity*. Sep 23, 2013.

MEDIA  
INTERVIEWS

1. **Villacís Byron.** “El remezón de la mujer en Ecuador, ” *Diario El Comercio*. Jan 8, 2014.
2. **Villacís Byron.** “Economía del hogar, una década después ” *Revista Vistazo*. Oct 19, 2013.

[Other frequent presence in Ecuadorian and Colombian press, radio and TV opinion spaces enlisted in [www.byronvillacis.org](http://www.byronvillacis.org)]

ACADEMIC HONORS AND AWARDS	• Graduate Scholarship UC–Berkeley: Social Cohesion Experiment in Ecuador.	Summer 2015
	• Graduate Scholarship UC-Berkeley Funding	Aug 2014
	• National Secretary of Science and Technology Ecuador: Scholarship for Doctoral Studies - “Excellence Scholarship”.	Jan 2013-2017
	• Fulbright Scholarship, Fulbright Commission Ecuador (Declined in order to complete the 2010 Population Census).	Aug 2010
	• Alumnus Award, Universidad San Francisco de Quito (USFQ) Received in “Recognition of Excellence in Public Service in Ecuador”.	May 2010
	• Thesis Research Award, (FLACSO)	Aug 2004
	• Elected Class Representative, USFQ	Jun 2001
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	Principal Instructor	Jun 2017
	Course: “Métodos de Investigación Social” (Methods of Social Research) Open Course - Graduate Level, Universidad San Francisco de Quito Evaluation: 83/100, <a href="#">Survey available here</a>	
	Principal Instructor	Dec 2016
	Course: “Construcción de Indicadores de Desarrollo” Master level: “Maestría en Investigación y Desarrollo Local”, Universidad de Cuenca, Ecuador Evaluation: 9.8/10	
	Principal Instructor	Aug 2014
	Course: “Investigación Cuantitativa” Master level: “Maestría en Comunicación”, Universidad del Azuay, Ecuador Evaluation: 9.7/10	
	Graduate Student Instructor	Spring 2014
	Course: “Social Consequences of Population Dynamics” Undergrad level, University of California, Berkeley Evaluation: 6.6/7 Student’s Comments	
Principal Instructor	Aug 2009	
Course: “Advanced Market Research” Master level: “Maestría en Investigación de Mercado”, Escuela Superior Politécnica del Litoral, Ecuador Evaluation: 9.1/10		
Principal Instructor	Aug 2006, 2007, 2008	
Course: “Market and Social Research” Master level: “Maestría en Investigación de Mercado”, Escuela Superior Politécnica del Litoral, Ecuador Evaluation: (2006) 9.1/10, (2007) 9.6/10, (2008) 8.9/10		
Teaching Assistant	Aug 2008	
Principal Instructor: Gonzalo Mendieta, Ph.D		

Course: “Marketing Research”  
 Master level: “Maester in Business Administration”,  
 Universidad San Francisco de Quito, Ecuador

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS & ASSOCIATIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>Co-Founder:</b> Aug 2015-present            “Latin American Observatory of Population Censuses – OLAC”,  <a href="http://www.observatoriocensal.org">www.observatoriocensal.org</a></li> <li>● Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics            SASE 2015-present</li> <li>● Latin American Association of Population            ALAP 2015-present</li> <li>● American Sociology Association            ASA 2014-present</li> <li>● Population Association of America            PAA. 2013-present</li> <li>● Executive Commission 2012-2013            American Conference of Statistics            Economic Commission for Latin America of United Nations.            ECLAC.</li> <li>● Interamerican Institute of Statistic 2008-2010            IASI.</li> </ul>
PRESENTATIONS & WORKSHOPS PARTICIPATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Presentation: Sep 2017            “La Ronda de los Censos de Población 2020:            Retos Administrativos, Técnicos y Políticos”,            Washington DC, USA            Banco Interamericano de Desarrollo - BID  <a href="#">Summary of Presentation (Spanish)</a></li> <li>● Presentation: Jun 2017            “Economía Sociológica:            Los Retos frente al economicismos del mundo contemporáneo”,            Quito, Ecuador            Pontificia Universidad Católica del Ecuador - PUCE            Revista de Ciencias Sociales Theorein            Federación de Estudiantes de la PUCE</li> <li>● <b>Organizer and Presentation:</b> Jan 2017            “Retos del Nuevo Gobierno: Análisis del Mercado Laboral Ecuatoriano”,            Quito, Ecuador            Universidad San Francisco De Quito,            Co-organized with the Dean of Economics Pablo Lucio Paredes.  <a href="#">Event Memory</a>  <a href="#">Photographic Memory</a></li> </ul>

- Presentation: Dec 2016  
 “Desigualdad en Latinoamérica 1990-2013: Un análisis causal”,  
 Cuenca, Ecuador  
 Universidad de Cuenca, Facultad de Economía.
- Presentation: Dec 2016  
 “Inquietudes sobre el Índice de Transparencia Internacional”  
 Guayaquil, Ecuador  
 National Encounter for the International Anticorruption Day,  
 Organized by the Ecuadorian Official Office of Transparency and Anticorruption –  
 FTCS.
- Presentation: Oct 2016  
 “Estado de Avance de los Censos de 2020 e Identificación de  
 las Necesidades Nacionales”  
 Foz de Iguazú, Brasil  
 VII Congreso de la Asociación Latinoamericana de Población (ALAP)  
 XX Encontro Nacional de Estudos Populacionais (ABEP)
- Presentation: Jun 2016  
 “Was it worth it? The Causes of the Reduction of Inequality  
 in Latin America in the 1990-2013 period.”  
 Berkeley, California  
 28th Annual Conference  
 SASE, Society for the Advancement of SocioEconomics.
- Presentation: Jun 2016  
 “The Transparency of Transparency International”  
 Berkeley, California  
 28th Annual Conference  
 SASE, Society for the Advancement of SocioEconomics.
- Presentation: May 2016  
 “A Bourdieusian Perspective:  
 The Transparency of Transparency International”  
 Berkeley, California  
 GEMS Meeting, Organized by Marion Fourcade.
- Presentation: May 2016  
 “The Causes of the Reduction of Inequality  
 in Latin America (1990-2013 period).”  
 New York, NY  
 XXXIV International Congress  
 LASA, Latinamerican Studies Association
- Participation: Dec 2015  
 “National Transfers Account Workshop”  
 Berkeley, CA  
 Sponsored by NIA
- Poster: Apr 2015  
 “Leaving Home Age: A comparative analysis of 31 countries”  
 San Diego, CA  
 Population Association of America, Annual Meeting.

- Participation: Apr 2014  
 “Population Association of America (PAA)”  
 Boston, MA
- Participation: Apr 2013  
 “Population Association of America (PAA)”  
 New Orleans, LA
- Ecuadorian Official Delegate: Feb 2012  
 “43rd session of the Statistical Commission of United Nations”  
 United Nations  
 New York, NY
- Presentation: Apr 2012  
 “Use of census data for analysis on migration using 2010 population censuses”  
 INEGI  
 Mexico DF, Mexico
- Presentation (Invited Keynote Speaker): May 2012  
 “The system of public security and victimization statistics of Ecuador”  
 First International Conference of Public Security,  
 Victimization and Justice Statistics  
 INEGI  
 Aguas Calientes, Mexico
- Presentation: Jun 2012  
 “The new system of official statistics based in Administrative Records in Ecuador.”  
 INEGI  
 High Level Training in Official Statistics based in Administrative Records  
 Mexico DF, Mexico
- Ecuadorian Official Delegate: Feb 2011  
 “42nd session of the Statistical Commission of United Nations”  
 Participation in workshops:  
 -Shifting Paradigms: Innovate Statistical Frameworks to meet Global Challenges in Statistics.  
 -Population and Housing Census Data Dissemination including CensusInfo.  
 -Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics: Threats and Responses.  
 -New technologies in Population and Housing Censuses  
 United Nations  
 New York, NY
- Participation: Apr 2011  
 “High Level Training in Demography and Social Indicators.”  
 AECID-INE  
 Montevideo, Uruguay.
- Presentation (Keynote Speaker): Oct 2011  
 “Surveys and Methodology for Elderly Populations in Ecuador.”  
 The situation of Elderly Populations in Latin-American  
 Ministry of Social and Economic Inclusion  
 Quito, Ecuador.

- Presentation (Invited Speaker): Nov 2011  
 “Environmental Statistics in Official Statistical Institutes”  
 Sixth Meeting of the Statistical Conference of Americas  
 High Level Seminar  
 CEPAL–United Nations  
 Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic.
- Ecuadorian Official Delegate: Feb 2010  
 “41rd session of the Statistical Commission of United Nations”  
 Participation in workshops:  
 -High Level Forum on Official Statistics:  
 Are National Statistical Systems Effective?  
 -Modernization of Statistical Production Process  
 -Population Censuses in Post-Conflict Countries  
 -Environment Statistics and Environmental Accounting  
 -Country Practices in SDMX  
 United Nations  
 New York, NY
- Presentation (Invited Speaker): Jun 2010  
 “New ideas for measuring social cohesion in Latin-America”  
 International Workshop of Social Cohesion and Taxation  
 Program Eurosocial-Fiscalidad  
 Madrid, Spain.
- Presentation: Oct 2010  
 “International Workshop of Governance and Statistical Systems”  
 IAOS  
 Santiago, Chile.
- Presentation & Participation: Jan 2009  
 “Products, Process and Statistical Infrastructure”  
 IAOS  
 International Course for Directors of Official Statistical Offices  
 FIIAP-INE  
 Madrid-Spain.
- Presentation (Invited Speaker): March 2009  
 “New indicators of well-being: Ecuador”  
 11th International Meeting of Economists:  
 Globalization and Development Problems  
 AEC  
 La Habana, Cuba.
- Presentation: March 2009  
 “Indicators of Social and Territorial Cohesion”  
 International Workshop  
 CEPAL-ONU  
 Santiago, Chile.
- Presentation (Invited Speaker): Sep 2009  
 “Strategy for diffusion and communication official statistics:  
 The case of Ecuadorian segments.”  
 9th Official Meeting of Inter-American Statistical Institute

IASI-INEI  
Lima, Perú.

- Presentation (Invited Speaker): Oct 2009  
“New development indicators and happiness in Ecuador.”  
World Forum of Statistics, knowledge, politics, progress and new ways of measure development.  
OECD  
Busan, South Korea
- Presentation (Invited Speaker): Nov 2009  
“The transformation of diffusion and communication of statistics in Ecuador.”  
Consortium Meeting and the 5th African Symposium on Statistical Development  
Paris 21  
Dakar-Senegal
- Participation & Presentation: Dec 2009  
Official Visit to European Statistical System and International  
Forum of Good Practice in Public Statistics  
EUROSTAT-CAN  
Luxemburg-Luxemburg.
- Presentation: Jan 2008  
High Level Seminar: Strengthening of Official Offices of Statistics,  
FIIAP-INE  
Santo Domingo-Dominican Republic.
- Presentation & Participation: Jun 2008  
25th Meeting of the Andean Committee of Statistics and  
Consulted Committee of Antestat  
Andean Community of Nations  
Bogota-Colombia.
- Participation: July 2008  
High Level Meeting for Best Practices in Measuring Democracy  
Human Rights and Governance  
Paris 21-Metagora Project  
Paris-France.
- Participation: Oct 2008  
Official Meeting of the Executive Committee  
of Conference of American Statistics  
United Nations and  
High Level Seminar: Regional Strategy for Measuring Millennium Development  
Goals  
United Nations  
Santo Domingo-Dominican Republic.
- Ecuadorian Official Delegate: Feb 2007  
“38th session of the Statistical Commission of United Nations”  
United Nations  
New York,NY
- Participation: March 2007

- International Workshop-Seminar: Modernization of Public Statistics,  
FIIAP  
Buenos Aires, Argentina.
- Participation: Jun 2007  
International Workshop: Harmonized Vision of Censuses 2010,  
BID-CEPAL  
Santiago-Chile.
  - Participation: hfill Jun 2007  
International Workshop: Measuring Human Rights and Governance,  
OECD-Paris 21–Metagora Project  
Sao Paulo-Brazil.
  - Participation July 2007  
Official Visit to IBGE  
Experiences in Brazilian Censuses  
BID-IBGE  
Rio de Janeiro-Brazil.
  - Presentation & Participation Sep 2007  
High Level Workshop: How to design a successful 2010 population census  
UNPFA–United Nations  
Panama-Panama.
  - Presentation (Invited Speaker) Oct 2007  
High Level International Forum:  
Governance and Democracy Statistics  
Metagora Project, Paris 21  
Amman-Jordan.
  - Participation: Nov-Dec 2007  
International High Level Training:  
Population Census and Analysis  
JICA  
Tokyo-Japan.