

# ACADEMIC FREEDOM IN THE AMERICAS

Third conference of the Coalition for Academic Freedom in the Americas (CAFA)

University of Notre Dame - Keough School of Global Affairs

1400 16th St NW, Suite 120, Washington, DC 20036

20 & 21 November 2024



## WEDNESDAY | NOV 20

\*\*Please note that times in the program are set to Washington, D.C. Standard Time.\*\*

8:30–9:00 am

**REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS  
COFFEE STATION**

9:00 –9:15am

**WELCOME REMARKS:**

[Viviana Fernandez](#) | Human Rights Research & Education Centre (HRREC), University of Ottawa, Canada

[Camilla Croso](#) | Coalition for Academic Freedom in the Americas (CAFA)

[Estela Rivero](#) | University of Notre Dame (UND), USA

9:15–10:00 am

**KEYNOTE ADDRESS:**

[Fabián Salvioli](#) | Universidad de La Plata, Argentina

10:00–10:30 am

**COFFEE BREAK**

10:30–12:00

**Norms, Policies and challenges for Academic Freedom Implementation**

[Danielle Pamplona](#) | Pontificia Universidade Católica do Paraná (PUCPR), Brazil

[Esteban Gomez](#) | Círculo de Estudios de Derecho Internacional de los Derechos Humanos, Chile

[Ramona Hernandez](#) | City University of New York (CUNY), USA

MODERATOR: [Karina Batthyany](#) | Consejo Latinoamericano de Ciencias Sociales (CLACSO)

12:00–1:30 pm

**LUNCH**

1:30–3:00 pm

**The Shrinking of Academic Spaces**

[Mayda Gonzalez](#) | Observatorio de Derechos Humanos de la Universidad de Los Andes | Venezuela

[Renata da Silva](#) | Observatório Nacional da Violência contra Educadoras/es| Brazil

[Alexander Guevara](#) | Observatorio para la Participación e Incidencia Nacional (OPINA) |Nicaragua

MODERATOR: [Jesse Levine](#) | Scholars at Risk (SAR)

3:00 – 3:30 pm

**COFFEE BREAK**

3:30 – 5:00 pm

**Free Speech and Academic Freedom**

Eve Darian-Smith | University of California, USA

Isaac Nahon-Serfaty | University of Ottawa, Canada

Anna Luisa Walter de Santana | Pontificia Universidade Católica do Paraná (PUCPR), Brazil

MODERATOR: Salvador Herencia-Carrasco | Human Rights Research & Education Centre, uOttawa

5:00–6:00 pm

**DEFENDING ACADEMIC FREEDOM AS A PILLAR OF DEMOCRACY: A PRESENTATION OF THE SCHOLARS AT RISK 2024 REPORT 'FREE TO THINK'.**

Jack Mayerhofer and Clare Robinson | Scholars at Risk (SAR)

6:00–7:30 pm

**RECEPTION**

Tracy Kijewski Correa | Pulte Institute, Univeristy of Notre Dame USA

Jesse Levine | Scholars at Risk

## THURSDAY | NOV 21

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8:30–9:00 am

**COFFEE STATION**

9:00–10:30 am

**Student Organization and Mobilization**

Anna Cláudia Belli | Pontificia Universidade Católica do Paraná (PUC-PR), Brazil

Madeline Rowe | University of Minnesota, USA

Elthon Rivera | Iniciativa Puentes por los Estudiantes de Nicaragua (IPEN)

Ricardo Villalobos | Aula Abierta, Venezuela

Libby Harrity | Hampshire College, USA

MODERATOR: João Velloso | University of Ottawa, Canada

10:30–11:00 am

**COFFEE BREAK**

11:00 – 12:30 pm

**Perspectives from Latin America on Academic Freedom**

Miguel Ángel Barboza López | Fundación Konrad Adenauer

Amanda Mendonça | Universidade Estadual do Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Nelson Rivas | Observatorio de Derechos Humanos de la Universidad de Los Andes, Venezuela

Guadalupe Yapud | Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales (FLACSO), Ecuador

MODERATOR: Rafael Ibarra Garza | Universidad de Monterrey (UDEM), Mexico

12:30–2:00 pm

**LUNCH**

2:00–3:30 pm

**Gender-Based Violence Protocols**

Agustina Benítez, | Universidad de Buenos Aires, Argentina

Liliana López Forero | Universidad Simón Bolívar de Barranquilla, Colombia

Holaya Peña | Comisión de la Mujer de la Universidad de Los Andes (ULA Mujer), Venezuela

Elizabeth Hutchinson | University of New Mexico, Estados Unidos

MODERATOR: Camilla Croso | Coalition for Academic Freedom in the Americas (CAFA)

3:30–4:00 pm

**COFFEE BREAK**

4:00–5:30 pm

**Gender violence and Sexual Harassment**

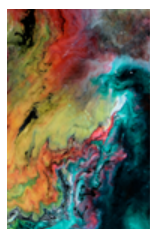
Frazier Benya | The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine (NASEM), USA  
Kait Spear | The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine (NASEM), USA  
Terri Frasca | The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine (NASEM), USA  
MODERATOR: Tracy Kijewski Correa | Pulte Institute, University of Notre Dame, USA

5:30–6:00 pm

**Closure of Event and Call for Action**

Rafael Ibarra Garza | Universidad de Monterrey (UEM)  
Salvador Herencia-Carrasco | Human Rights Research & Education Centre, uOttawa

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