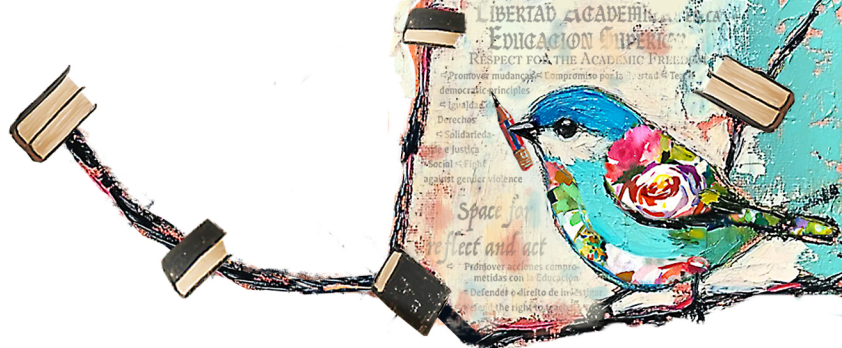




COALITION FOR ACADEMIC FREEDOM IN THE AMERICAS IV Conference

October 21, 2025

University of Monterrey (UEM), ESTOA Hall

Av. Ignacio Morones Prieto 4500-Pte, Zona Valle Poniente, 66238 San Pedro Garza García, N.L.
Mexico City Time Zone GMT-6

8:15-8:45

REGISTRATION

8:45-9:00

Institutional opening

[Rafael Ibarra Garza](#) | University of Monterrey (UEM), Mexico

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

9:00-9:45

Keynote address

[Margarita Ríos Farjat](#) | University of Monterrey (UEM), Mexico

10:00-11:30

1. Academic freedom under attack: repercussions and protection strategies

[Cristina Burneo Salazar](#) | Simón Bolívar Andean University, Ecuador

[Rosario Figari Layus](#) | University of Bonn, Germany/Argentina

[Eve Darian-Smith](#) | University of California, USA

[Estela Rivero](#) | Central American Academic Research Alliance (CARA)

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

11:30-12:00

COFFEE BREAK

12:00-13:00

2. Legislative overview of academic freedom in the Americas

[Fabian Salvioli](#) | National University of La Plata, Argentina

[Vannie Lau](#) | University of British Columbia (UBC), Canada

Moderator: [Salvador Herencia Carrasco](#) | Coalition for Academic Freedom in the Americas (CAFA)

13:00-14:30	LUNCH BREAK
14:30-16:00	3. Academic freedom and scientific denialism Fernando Romani Sales University of São Paulo (USP), Brazil Jose Bortoluci Maranta Inteligência Política, Brazil Rebecca Everly Executive Director of the International Human Rights Network of Academies and Scholarly Societies (IHRN) Moderator: Carolina Santacruz-Pérez International Science Council
16:00-16:15	COFFEE BREAK
16:15-17:30	4. Modes of resistance and change Elthon Rivera Bridges for Nicaraguan Students Initiative (IPEN) Amanda Mendonça Rio de Janeiro State University (UERJ), Brazil Gabriela Bonilla Education International for Latin America Moderator: Camilla Croso Coalition for Academic Freedom in the Americas (CLAA)
17:30-17:50	5. Presentation of the free to think report Jack Mayerhofer Scholars at Risk Presentation of the special edition on academic freedom of the revista brasileira de direito econômico e socioambiental Salvador Herencia Carrasco Coalition for Academic Freedom in the Americas (CAFA) Anna Luisa Walter de Santana Pontifical Catholic University of Paraná (PUC-PR) Rafael Ibarra Garza University of Monterrey (UDEM), Mexico
17:50-18:00	CLOSING SESSION Camilla Croso Coalition for Academic Freedom in the Americas (CAFA) Jack Mayerhofer Scholars at Risk
18:00-19:00	COCKTAIL RECEPTION

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