Curriculum Vitae

Antoine Duranton

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Education

2025-2026 — Temporary teaching and research fellow (*Attaché temporaire d'enseignement et de recherche)* – Paris-Nanterre University

2021-2025 — PhD candidate in history – EHESS (Paris)
Title: "Between heaven and earth: the agricultural colonization of the West Indies and New Spain (1492-1598)", under the supervision of Pr. Jean-Paul Zuñiga. Thesis defended on October 17th 2025. Jury members: Samir Boumediene (CNRS), Guillaume Calafat (Université Panthéon-Sorbonne), Sergio Eduardo Carrera Quezada (Colegio de México), Rebecca Earle (University of Warwick), Karine Lefebvre (Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México), Aliocha Maldavsky (université Paris-Nanterre) and Florent Quellier (Université d'Angers).

- 2024-2025 — Fellow at the Quai Branly Museum
- March-June 2023 — Research residency in Mexico City (*Colegio de México*). Supervisor: Pr. Sergio Eduardo Carrera Quezada
- 2021-2024 — Doctoral contract provided by the French-German University (UFA-DFH)

2020-2021 — Pre-doctoral year
École des hautes études en sciences sociales.
Preliminary research to write a PhD project.

July 2020 — Laureate of the *agrégation d'histoire*
Rank: 14th

January-July 2018 — Academic and research exchange in Mexico
Centro de estudios históricos - Colegio de México (COLMEX)
Archival research at the *Archivo general de la Nación* (Mexico). Project financed by the center "Études Globales" of Paris Sciences et Lettres University.

2016-2018 — Master "Transnational history"
École Normale Supérieure – École nationale des Chartes

Dissertation: "Production, circulation and consumption of wine in New Spain, 16th-17th centuries", under the supervision of Rahul Markovits and Jean-Paul Zúñiga. High honors.

2016-2019 — Master "Public Policy-Culture"
Sciences Po Paris

2013-2016 — Dual degree in History and Social Sciences
Sciences Po Paris - Université Paris IV la Sorbonne
Bachelor of Sciences Po, *cum laude*. Bachelor of history, with honors.

Publications

- "Cultivating the Lord's Vineyard in New Spain in the Sixteenth Century. Conventual gardens, the Columbian Exchange and the Spiritual Conquest," *Renaissance Quarterly* (accepted, to be published).

- "The Transplantation of Wheat in Hispaniola in the Sixteenth Century. Royal Institutions, Colonization and Agronomic Testing", *Hispanic American Historical Review*, vol. 105 (3), 2025, p. 439-469.

- "A European rurality in the New World. Spanish farmers and wheat cultivation in colonial Mexico in the sixteenth century ", *Études rurales*, vol. 213, 2024, p. 24-50.

- "Consommation indienne de vin en Nouvelle-Espagne au XVIe siècle : monopole, conflits politiques et projets coloniaux concurrents" ["Indigenous Wine Consumption in New Spain in the Sixteenth Century: Monopoly, Political Conflicts and Competing Colonial Projects"], *L'Atelier du Centre de recherches historiques*, vol. 26, 2022.
Spanish translation : "Los inicios de la vitivinicultura colonial y el consumo indígena de vino en la Nueva España del siglo XVI", in Eunice Sueli Nodari, Facundo Rojas et Samira P. Moretto (dirs.), *Historia ambiental de la vitivinicultura americana. Cinco siglos de territorios y naturaleza en torno al vino*, Oikos, São Paolo, 2024.

- Jean-Pierre Bat, Antoine Duranton, Soheila El Ghaziri, Mathilde Sigalas et Margo Stemmelin, "Renseigner et administrer la terreur sous Hissein Habré : la Direction de la documentation et de la sécurité", *Champ Pénal*, vol. 17, 2019.

Presentations at conferences and seminars

17 April 2026 — « La fabrication de nouveaux savoirs agricoles en Amérique coloniale au XVIe siècle », seminar *Savoirs 1450-1850*, Paris-Cité University.

10 April 2026 — « La conquête et la colonisation du Mexique sous le prisme de l'histoire environnementale » (with Jerónimo Bermúdez), seminar

	La fabrique du Mexique : histoire et sciences sociales, EHESS-Université d'Angers, Paris.
13 March 2026	« "*Magueyes y algunos árboles de membrillos*". Appropriations autochtones de plantes européennes en Nouvelle-Espagne », séminaire de l'EREA (*Enseignement et recherche en ethnologie amérindienne*), Paris-Nanterre University.
14 January 2026	"Uprooting and rooting. The role of plants in the Conquest", conference *Nature(s) de la guerre. Appropriations, expropriations, restitutions dans les Amériques depuis le xvᵉ siècle*, ENS-Lyon and Clermont-Auvergne University, Lyon and Clermont-Ferrand (France).
10 December 2025	"Makeshift Practices: Plant Transportation in the Sixteenth-Century Spanish Atlantic," seminar *Emboîtements,* Musée des Civilisations de l'Europe et de la Méditerranée (MUCEM), Marseille (France).
23 June 2025	"Early modern treatises of zootechnics," summer school *Perspectives historiques et archéologiques sur les rapports entre populations humaines et animales à partir de l'exemple américain (XVIᵉ-XIXᵉ siècle)*, Casa de Velázquez, Madrid (Spain).
1 April 2025	"Agricultural work and colonial society. The case of the Mesoamerican countryside in the 16th century," seminar *Terre, travail, politique, environnement*, EHESS, Paris.
25 March 2025	"The tropical Mediterranean. The Spanish Caribbean in the 16th and 17th centuries", *Atelier du fait colonial et des empires*, Colegio de España, Paris.
21 February 2025	"'To cultivate the Lord's Vineyard.' Plants of Castile and Evangelization in New Spain in the Sixteenth Century," Seminar *Prosélytismes*, EHESS, Paris.
22 January 2025	"Plants "necessary to human life." Spanish food in the West Indies and New Spain in the Sixteenth century", workshop *Recipes and flavors on the move: the circulation of traditions and ingredients between the Mediterranean and the American Colonies*, INHA, Paris.
16 December 2024	"Los géneros de planta que trujeron vinieron perdidas y fuera de tiempo". Impedimentos a la movilidad de los vegetales en el imperio español (siglo XVI)", Congress of the *Red Columnaria*, Paris.

21 November 2024	"¿Más allá de la plantación? Miradas sobre las producciones agrícolas del Caribe español en el siglo XVI", Workshop of the International Research Network *Coping With Variation*, Federal Fluminense University (Niterói, Brazil).
3 October 2024	"Planter l'empire. Relire la colonisation espagnole par l'histoire des plantes", Seminar *Histoire des Amériques*, Toulouse-II University (Toulouse, France).
6 September 2024	"Las "plantas de Castilla" y las jerarquías alimentarias en la Nueva España del siglo XVI ", congress of the *Asociación de Historiadores Latinoamericanistas Europeos* (AHILA), Naples (Italy).
3 July 2024	"Mapping the land grants in colonial Mexico", conference of the *International Conference on the History of Cartography*, Lyon (France).
25 June 2024	"Los labradores de Nueva España: movilidad social y reproduccion de la cultura material iberica en la segunda mitad del siglo XVI" (with Jerónimo Bermúdez), congress of the *Asociación Latinoamericana de Historia Rural*, Mexico City.
22 April 2024	"Animaux de travail et travail des paysans en Nouvelle-Espagne", conference "La colonisation animale du Nouveau Monde : géohistoire et histoire environnementale (XVIe-début XIXe siècle)", Paris-Nanterre University, Nanterre (France).
12 December 2023	"Plantas y animales. Estudio de la irrupción europea a través de un códice mesoamericano", seminar *Histoire en espagnol*, Paris-Nanterre University (France).
25 October 2023	""Married Christian Farmers and Settlers" : European agriculture and colonization in the early Spanish empire (1493-1534)", Joint colloquim of the department of History of Münster University, Münster (Germany).
21-22 September 2023	"An 'Agricultural Revolution'? Social and environmental consequences of the Columbian Exchange: the case of wheat and cows in Early Colonial Mexico", Doctoral workshop *Present and Future of Social History*, Cambridge University-EHESS, Paris.
14 September 2023	"Paintings of resources. Rural practices and property rights in New Spain through pinturas for land grants", (with Jerónimo Bermúdez), conference of the European Rural History Organization, Cluj-Napoca (Romania).
11 September 2023	"A European Rurality in the New World? The Challenges of Wheat Cultivation and Cattle Herding in New Spain in the

	Sixteenth-century", (with Jerónimo Bermúdez) conference of the European Rural History Organization, Cluj-Napoca (Romania).
31 May 2023	"La colonización agrícola de las Antillas y de la Nueva España en el siglo XVI: representaciones, prácticas y consecuencias", Seminar *Diálogos interdisciplinarios*, CEMCA, Mexico City.
24 May 2023	"De Pánuco a México. Circulación de plantas de Castilla y colonización del espacio en Nueva España durante la primera mitad del siglo XVI", Seminar *Historia ambiental*, Colegio de México, Mexico City.
17 March 2023	"Une ruralité européenne en Amérique. Économie paysanne espagnole en Nouvelle-Espagne au XVI^{e} siècle", Workshop *Économies d'empire*, Paris.
23 January 2023	"Environmental history and colonial history: the example of Spanish America in early modern era", Seminar *Histoire environnementale*, master *Transition écologique*, Université de Saint-Quentin-en-Yvelines (France).
11 January 2023	"Circulation et mise en valeur des plantes européennes en Nouvelle-Espagne au XVIe siècle", Seminar *Gestion, usages, circulations des ressources dans les mondes ibériques modernes ((XVe-XIXe siècle),* EHESS, Paris.
15-16 December 2022	"From barren to fertile: soil descriptions and improvement of the land in early colonial Mexico", Workshop *Nature Before Resources: Evaluating Nature in Early Modern Empires*, Warwick University (United Kingdom).
6 December 2022	"To transplant, adapt and cultivate: material evidences of the Columbian Exchange in the 16th century", Seminar *Matérialités dans les mondes ibériques : cultures, pratiques, circulations (XVIe-XIXe siècle),* EHESS, Paris.
25 October 2022	"El "intercambio colombino" y el mestizaje: apropiación indígena de la agricultura europea en el siglo XVI", Seminar *Histoire en espagnol*, Paris-Nanterre University (France).
6 October 2022	"De la Méditerranée à l'Atlantique : techniques de transport et d'introduction de plantes européennes vers l'Amérique espagnole au XVIe siècle", *Rendez-vous de l'Histoire*, Blois (France).
9 September 2022	""Se ha hecho la esperiencia": policies of transplantation and private botanic experiments in Spanish America (1492-1555)",

	Conference of the *European society for the history of science*, Brussels (Belgium).
23-24 May 2022	"Peasants in New Spain? Spanish agricultural work in sixteenth-century New Spain", Doctoral Workshop *Present and Future of Social History*, Cambridge University (United Kingdom).
14 March 2022	"Bouleversements environnementaux et conquête spirituelle. Le cas des vergers conventuels franciscains de Nouvelle-Espagne au XVIe siècle", Workshop of *Mondes Américains* laboratory, Paris.
10 February 2022	"Les laboureurs espagnols de Nouvelle-Espagne, un cas de travail agricole en milieu colonial (XVIe siècle)", seminar *Espaces, acteurs et dynamiques du travail en milieu colonial*, EHESS, Paris.

Organization of academic events

13-14 February 2025	International Conference: "Resources and Empires. The Social Construction of Imperial Ecosystems," EHESS, Paris.
11-12 December 2024	International Doctoral Workshop: "Land and Land Use in the Iberian Empires (16th-17th centuries). Convergences in Rural History and Environmental History," Hanover (Germany).
12 October 2024	Panel "Urbanisme et environnement : le cas des villes coloniales d'Amérique (XVIe-XVIIIe siècles)," *Rendez-vous de l'Histoire*, Blois (France).
6 september 2024	Panel "Nuevas perspectivas sobre la Nueva España del siglo XVI," congress of the *Asociación de Historiadores Latinoamericanistas Europeo*s, Naples (Italy).
14 June 2023	Panel "Knowledge of plants in the Americas in the early modern era", Congrès de l'Institut des Amériques, Lyon (France).
15 February 2023	Annual workshop of the laboratory "Groupe d'Études Ibériques": the cartographic archives", Paris.
1 June 2022	Doctoral workshop "Shaping and Appropriation of Space in the Iberian Empires, 15th to 17th century", Paris.
20 January 2022	Annual workshop of the laboratory "Groupe d'Études Ibériques": "the ecclesiastical archives", Paris.

Scholarships

June 2023	Travel grant of the Science History Institute (Philadelphia): research at the Othmer Library.
March-June 2023	Scholarship of the Centro Francés de Estudios Mexicanos y Centroamericanos (Mexico City): research residency at Colmex and archival research at the *Archivo General de la Nación*, the *Archivo General de Notarías de la Ciudad de México*, the *Biblioteca Nacional de Antropología e Historia* and the *Biblioteca Nacional de México*.
July 2022	Scholarship of the French-German University (Berlin): research at the *Ibero-Amerikanisches Institut*.
March 2022	Short-term fellowship at the Casa de Velázquez (Madrid): archival research in the *Archivo Histórico Nacional*, the *Real Academia de la Historia* and the *Biblioteca Nacional de España*.

Teaching

2025-2026	"The Americas in the 16th century, between collapse and recomposition" (Paris-Nanterre University, 48h)
	"Histoire of globalization in the early modern era" (Paris-Nanterre University, 24h)
	"Political experiences and cultures in early modern Europe" (Paris-Nanterre University, 48h)
	"Renaissance and Humanism in Europe" (Paris-Nanterre University, 48h)
	"History of globalization" (Paris-Nanterre University, 24h)
2023-2024	"History of globalization" (Paris-Nanterre University, 24h)
	"Europe during the Reformation" (Paris-Nanterre University, 24h)
2022-2023	"The Iberian empires in the seventeenth century" (Paris-Nanterre University, 24h)
	"Methodology of inquiry in social sciences: historiography" (Paris-Nanterre University, 24h)
	"History of globalization" (Paris-Nanterre University, 12h)
2021-2022	"The Iberian empires in the seventeenth century" (Paris-Nanterre University, 24h)

"Urban societies from the sixteenth century to the eighteenth century" (Paris-Nanterre University, 24h)

"Methodology of academic work" (Paris-Nanterre University, 16h)

Outreach

2024	Participation to the podcast "La Panaméricaine", episode "la circulation des plantes vers les Amériques"
2024	Interview by the online media "Thès'en Images".
2022	Participation to the podcast "Des Colonisations", episode "Alcools et colonisation".
2021	Publication "Changer l'eau en vin ? Penser le catholicisme mexicain à partir d'un procès inquisitorial de la fin du XVIe siècle" in *Études ibériques* (blog of the Groupe d'Études Ibériques).

Languages

French	native speaker	English	C2 level
Spanish	C2 level	German	C1 level
Portuguese	A2/B1 level	Dutch	A2 level
Latin	Reading abilities		