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## **RESEARCH INTERESTS AND POSSIBLE THESIS TOPICS:**

- Territoriality (Colombian Amazon)
- Conflicts about eco/ethno-tourism (Colombian Amazon)
- People displaced by Army (Colombian Amazon)
- Climate change adaptation (Colombian Amazon)
- Intervention through rural development projects (Mexico; Colombian Amazon)
- Regaining the past, recovering the future: Terra Preta / Amazonian Dark Earths (Bolivian, Brazilian and Colombian Amazon)
- Controversies about genetically modified maize (Mexico)
- Inclusion or exclusion from food networks? The case of Geographic Indication (Mexico, Colombia)
- People displaced by Biosphere Reserve (Chiapas, Mexico)
- Battles around community-based conservation (Benin, Colombia, Mexico)