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**EDUCATION**

Ph.D. 1979. University of Florida; Entomology Major, Pest Management Minor.  
M.S. 1976. National University of Colombia; Agroecology Major.  
B.S. 1974. University of Chile; Agronomy Major.

**PRESENT POSITIONS**

9/80- Professor of Agroecology, Department of Environmental Science, Policy and present Management, University of California, Berkeley.

**PAST POSITIONS**

9/89- 12/00 Technical Advisor, Latin American Consortium on Agroecology and Development (CLADES). Santiago, Chile. Coordination of CLADES' information exchange, collaborative research and training programs in Latin America. Involved in teaching agroecology to NGO technicians, promoting NGO-University research efforts, production, editing and dissemination of technical books, manuals and CLADES journal

9/93- 12/00 General Coordinator, United Nations Development Program Sustainable Agriculture Networking and Extension Program (SANE) also funded by International Development and Research Center (IDRC-Canada). Coordination of SANE's capacity building program in sustainable agriculture which includes regional NGO activities in Africa, Asia and Latin America aimed at building a critical mass of human resources and at crystallizing sustainable agriculture experiences and concrete demonstration modules of integrated farming systems in specific rural communities in nine countries.

11/96- Chairman NGO Committee of the Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR). Chairman of the CGIAR-NGO committee promoting concrete collaborative research linkages between IARCs and NGOs, providing perspectives to CGIAR on research relevant to the rural poor and on future directions of biotechnology that serve the needs of sustainable agriculture. Now resource person for the NGOC in charge of fostering a dialogue between civil society and the CGIAR in order to arrive at a commonly agreed pro-poor research agenda.

From 2003-2007 Director of the US-Brazil Consortium on Agroecology and Sustainable Rural Development (CASRD) involving four Universities ( UC Berkeley, Nebraska, UNICAMP and UF Santa Catarina) engaged in student-faculty exchanges for research and training.

He is actually member of UN- FAO's Steering Committee of the Globally Ingenious Agricultural Heritage Systems (GIAHS) program with projects in Chile, Peru, Philippines, Kenya and other countries.

He is also the President of the Latin American Scientific Society of Agroecology (SOCLA), a scientific society of more than 360 members from dozens of Universities and research organization in the region promoting agroecologically based rural development programs for food sovereignty.

Member of the Board: Institute for Food and Development Policy (Food First) and Center for the Study of the Americas (CENSA)

## HONORARY POSITIONS

Honorary Ph.D. 1996 Universidad Nacional de Cajamarca, Peru. Honorary member of the Accademia Nazionale Italiana di Entomologia  
Invited Professor: Instituto de Sociología y de Estudios Campesinos. Universidad de Cordoba, Spain, Facultad de Agronomía, Universidad de la Plata, Argentina, Facultad de Ciencias Agrarias y Forestales, Universidad de Chile, Santiago, Universidad Iberoamericana de Andalucía, La Rabida-Baeza, Spain, Universidad de Barcelona, Spain, University of Gastronomic Sciences, Pollenzo-Italy, Insituto Agronomico Mediterraneo, Bari-Italy, Universidad de Antioquia-Colombia, Universidad Agraria, La Molina- Peru

## INTERNATIONAL VISITING POSITIONS

Visiting Scientist- Centro Agronomico Tropical de Investigacion y Ensenanza (CATIE) Turrialba, Costa Rica ( June-August 2001)  
Scientific Advisor- EPAGRI, Santa Catarina , Brazil ( September-December 2001)  
Visiting Professor , Faculty of Agricultural Sciences, University of British Columbia, Canada (September –December 2002)  
Fulbright Scholar- Universidad Austral de Chile, Valdivia. Jan-April 2003 and Universidad de Antioquia, Colombia, Jan-May 2006  
Visiting Scientist- Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), Rome. May-July 2003

## **TEACHING AND TRAINING ACTIVITIES**

Biological control of pests, insect ecology, plant-insect interactions, agricultural ecology, weed ecology and management, conversion to organic farming. Ecological and socioeconomic dimensions of small farm development. Agroecology of traditional farming systems. Sustainable rural development and food sovereignty in Latin America. Ecological risks of agricultural biotechnology and biofuels.

## **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Effects of vegetational diversity on insect pest populations and associated natural enemies in agroecosystems. Biological control of insects and weeds in agroecosystems through habitat management. Design of biodiversified pest stable agroecosystems. Studies on the ecological features and management of traditional and modern agroecosystems. Development of sustainable integrated farming systems for resource-poor farmers. In-situ conservation of crop genetic resources. Conservation and management of biodiversity in agroecosystems. Design of climate change resilient agroecosystems .Environmental impacts of transgenic crops and biofuels.

**RESEARCH FUNDING:** Since the beginning of his career as a Professor-Research Entomologist at UC Berkeley, M.A. Altieri has generated more than 1,5 million in research funds from several foundations, national, state and international donor organizations ( Jessie Smith Noyes Foundation, CSFUND, Kellogg Foundation, L. J. Skaggs and Mary Skaggs Foundation, National Science Foundation, UC MEXUS, World Resources Institute, ICFID, The Japan Foundation, USDA-National Biological Control Institute, California Department of Pesticide Regulation, California Energy Commission, Organic Farming Research Foundation (OFRF), USDA-SARE, EPA-PESP, Foundation for Deep Ecology, US Department of Education-FIPSE, California Department of Food and Agriculture, and others)

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