

# Biography of Pascual Yépez

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I am an indigenous Kichwa Puruwa, academic and scientific researcher, currently work as a guest teacher in Ancestral Knowledge, Biocultural and Tourist Heritage at the *Andean University Simón Bolívar* (UASB), Sucre Headquarters, Bolivia. Additionally, work as a specialist in the Directorate of Non-Governmental Cooperation and Humanitarian Assistance of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Human Mobility (Ecuador).

In addition, I have worked as a research teacher at the *Higher Technological Institute “Los Andes” of Social Studies* (ILADES) - Quito (Ecuador); of the *Higher Technological Institute “Jatun Yachay Wasi”* (ISTJYW) - Colta (Ecuador); *Salesian Polytechnic University* (UPS) - Quito (Ecuador); and *Major Seminar Christ Good Shepherd* (CBP) - Chambo (Ecuador). In four academic institutions I have dedicated myself to research and chairs in ancestral sciences and knowledge, as well as the awakening of collective human consciousness.

The areas of interest lies in investigating, writing and teaching the oralities of ancestral knowledge, traditional knowledge with the intercultural and multinational approach from the Latin American holistic worldview, consultancies, social development projects and programs to take advantage of opportunities for the added value of the original discipline against conventional scientific and technological advances. In addition, I carry out the research on the oral historical memory of indigenous indoamericanos peoples that allow implementing in university education with identity belonging, which could be adjusted in the sustainable development of peoples.

During my 30 years of community work, I have been able to lead and establish different social, cultural, patrimonial, tourist and academic groups. The last is the *Runa Sumak Mikuy Entrepreneurship*, an unique indigenous ecosystem project in the capital of Ecuador.

Take my studies in theology at the *Pontifical Catholic University of Ecuador* (PUCE); I studied English as a second language at the *George Brown College*, in Toronto, Canada; then I study the Master in Anthropology at the *Latin American Faculty of Social Sciences* (FLACSO), Ecuador; another Master in International Cooperation for Social Development at the *International University of La Rioja* (UNIR), Spain.

I enjoy giving talks, conferences, workshops, seminars, courses and classes in world spaces. I have published several books and articles in indexed magazines of national and international universities.

## **Scholarships:**

- 2023-2024: Master's Scholarship, *International University of La Rioja*, Spain
- 2012: Scholarship Scholarsis Master, FLACSO Ecuador.
- 2010-2012: Beca Maestría, FLACSO Ecuador.
- 2010-2012: Scholarship Master, FLACSO Ecuador.
- 2009: Scholars of *Scarboro Foreing Mission* to study academic English in the *International Students Program* at George Brown College, Toronto, Canada.
- 2004-2008: Undergraduate scholarship of Theology of the *Pontifical Catholic University of Ecuador*, Quito.

## **Memberships:**

- Member of the *National Academy of History* of Ecuador.
- Member of the Scientific Arbitration Committee of the “*Chakiñan*” Magazine, of the *National University of Chimborazo*, UNACH.