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PUBLICATIONS, ESSAYS, ARTICLES, AND BOOK CHAPTERS

- Victoria Lawson, Sarah Elwood, Santiago Canevaro and Nicolas Viotti, “The Poor are us”: middle class poverty politics in Buenos Aires and Seattle. Environment and Planning A Vol. 47

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- GEOG 497 A: Tutorial in Geography
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**AUTUMN 2016**
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