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EDUCATION

He has studied law from Rafael Landívar University –Guatemala- and a Master's Degree in Leadership and Innovation from York St. John University -United Kingdom-.

He also has degrees in strategic studies, democratic security, international politics and current studies at the Center for Strategic Studies ESTNA, IGEDEP & FOSS Guatemala; and in the Society of High International Studies in Madrid, Spain.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2020 - Permanent Representative to the United Nations Rome based Agencies
- 2019 - Ambassador of Guatemala to Italy
- 2018- 2019: Vice Minister of Foreign Affairs – Bilateral, multilateral and political affairs at the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Guatemala -MFA-.
- 2018 - Director General of Bilateral International Relations –MFA-.
- 2015-2018: Ambassador of Guatemala to the Swiss Confederation and the Principality of Liechtenstein.
- 2012-2015: Alternate Permanent Representative of Guatemala to the Organization of American States (OAS) in Washington. Facilitator of the negotiations of the Antigua Declaration on the world drug problem in 2014.
- 2010-2012: Permanent Representative of Guatemala and Central America, to the Council of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO), Montreal, Canada. Chairman of the Cooperation Committee of the International Civil Aviation Organization.
- 2006-2010: Director of Multilateral Policy –MFA-.
- 2009-2010: Deputy Chief Negotiator for Guatemala of the Association Agreement between Central America and the European Union - political and cooperation pillars-.
- 2003-2006: Deputy Director of Multilateral Policy for the United Nations –MFA-.
- 2001-2002: Minister Counselor, Embassy of Guatemala in Sweden and Finland.
- 1995-2001: Minister Counselor, Permanent Mission Guatemala to the United Nations in New York. Vice president of the Third Committee of the General Assembly (1998). Vice President of the Commission for Social Development at its 38th. Session (2000).
- 1993-1995: Second Secretary , Embassy of Guatemala in Spain.

In other facets, Ambassador Carranza has taught Guatemalan foreign policy at Universidad Rafael Landívar (Guatemala) and speaks fluently English and intermediate Italian.