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EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley MA, PhD, Political Science	2021-
London School of Economics and Political Science MSc, Applied Development Economics <i>- earned as a Chevening Scholar with distinction</i>	2020
University of Southern California BA, International Relations and the Global Economy, French <i>- magna cum laude with highest honors</i>	2017
Sciences Po, Paris Intensive French language study-abroad program	2015

WORKING PAPERS AND PROJECTS

“Women in Transition: The Revolution Effect on Gender (In)equality.” (Dissertation Project)	
“Gender-Based Violence and Access to Justice: Evidence from Specialized Clinics in Guatemala.”	
“Rights Talk: Constrained Activists at the UN Human Rights Council” (with Leonardo R. Arriola and Fiona Shen-Bayh).	
“The Paradox of Protection: Examining Patterns of Sexual Violence in Gang-Controlled Areas” (with Isabella C. Montini)	
“Rights Rhetoric: How Political Realignments Trigger Linguistic Adaptation” (with Leonardo R. Arriola, Jaimie Bleck, Alyssa Heinz, and Moumouni Soumano).	
“The Gendered Process of Migration: Labor-Market Behavior of Left-Behind Wives in Mexico”.	
“Inter-Institutional Coordination: Tackling Secondary Victimization in Cases of Sexual Violence Against Women and Girls in Guatemala” (with Alexia Koch, Andriana Stampoli and Cheryl Wijaya). Report prepared for the UNODC. April 2020.	
“Ideological Commitment and Distributive Decision-Making in Communist Countries”. Honors Senior Thesis. May 2017.	
“Here’s what it will take to reunify Cyprus” with Kristy Buzzard and Benjamin A.T. Graham, Washington Post, January 4th, 2017.	

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Berkeley Empirical Legal Studies (BELS) Graduate Fellowship Center for the Study of Law & Society, UC Berkeley, (\$2,000, declined)	2024
Simpson Research Fellowship in International Studies for ABDs Institute of International Studies, UC Berkeley, (\$15,000)	2024
CRG Student Grant Center for Race and Gender, UC Berkeley, (\$500)	2024
Tinker Field Research Grant Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, UC Berkeley, (\$2,000)	2024
Development Economics Challenge Grant (Guatemala) Center for Effective Global Action (CEGA), UC Berkeley, (\$5,000)	2023
Pre-Dissertation Simpson Fellowship	2023

Institute of International Studies, UC Berkeley, (\$4,050)	
Tinker Field Research Grant Center for Latin American Studies, UC Berkeley, (\$3,000)	2023
Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship U.S. Department of Education, (\$4,609)	2022
Chancellor’s Fellowship for Graduate Study UC Berkeley, (\$68,000)	2021
Chevening Award Full scholarship awarded by the U.K. Foreign and Commonwealth Office to emerging global leaders from developing nations for the pursuit of a master’s degree in the U.K.	2019-2020
Discover China Fellowship Scholarship awarded to attend the 2015 Federation of Hong Kong Business Associations Forum, University of Southern California (\$5,000)	2015
USC Presidential Scholarship Half-tuition scholarship awarded based on academic excellence, leadership, service, and talent University of Southern California, (\$100,000)	2013-2017
USC Dornsife William and Sue Gross Scholarship half-tuition scholarship awarded to students who demonstrate academic achievement and a proven commitment to the betterment of the community, University of Southern California, (\$100,000)	2013-2017
Foreign Language Achievement Award University of Southern California (\$5,000)	2016
Student Undergraduate Research Fund University of Southern California (\$7,500)	2015-2017
HONORS AND AWARDS	
Visions in Methodology Conference Best Poster Award “Gender-Based Violence and Access to Justice: Evidence from Specialized Clinics in Guatemala.”	2024
Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award UC Berkeley	2023
Chevening Scholar (Mexico)	2019-2020
Order of the Laurel and Palm Highest honor bestowed on less than 1% of graduating seniors for exemplary leadership and notable contributions that leave a lasting impact on the university community and the world at large through their commitment to service University of Southern California	2017
Renaissance Scholar Distinction Recognizes students who excel in varied areas of study University of Southern California	2017
Discovery Scholar Distinction Recognizes students who excel in the classroom and demonstrate the ability to create exceptional new scholarship or artistic work University of Southern California	2017
School of International Relations Director’s Award Awarded to graduating seniors who demonstrate impeccable leadership and scholarship University of Southern California	2017
USC Latino Honor Society	2016

recognizes scholastic excellence and dedication to the Latino community
University of Southern California

RESEARCH
EXPERIENCE

Research Coordinator 2023-
The World Bank through the Berkeley Center for Effective Global Action (CEGA)
Impact Data and Evidence Aggregation Library (IDEAL), Forced Displacement Team

Research Associate 2021-
Center on the Politics of Development

Research Assistant for Professor Leonardo Arriola 2022-
RightAct project across Côte d'Ivoire, Mali, Nigeria, and Zimbabwe

Graduate Consultant November 2019 - April 2020
United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime

Data Analysis Intern June-August 2017
Talus Analytics

Research Assistant August 2015 - May 2017
USC Security and Political Economy Lab

Research Assistant August 2015 - May 2017
USC US-Mexico Network

TEACHING

GSI for Math Camp (Graduate): Summer 2024
Review of key mathematical concepts

GSI for Political Science 231b (Graduate): Spring 2024
Quantitative Analysis and Causal Inference

GSI for Political Science 109/166 (Undergraduate): Spring and Fall 2023
Latino/x/a Politics

GSI for Political Science 5 (Undergraduate): Fall 2022
Introduction to International Relations

PROFESSIONAL
EXPERIENCE

Advisor to the Consul General of Mexico in Los Angeles January - August 2021
Mexican Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Program Manager February - September 2019
Water Education for Latino Leaders (WELL)

Advisor to the Undersecretary for North America August 2017- January 2019
Mexican Ministry of Foreign Affairs

PROFESSIONAL
SERVICE

Graduate Student Mentor for Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship Program 2022-
UC Berkeley

Social Sciences Research Pathways (SSRP) Mentor 2023-2024
UC Berkeley

Women in Political Science (WIPS) Graduate Student Coordinator 2023-2024
UC Berkeley Department of Political Science

Comparative Politics Colloquium Graduate Student Coordinator
UC Berkeley Department of Political Science

2022-2023

Diversity and Inclusion Recruiter
UC Berkeley Department of Political Science

Spring 2023

CONFERENCE	Visions in Methodology Conference	2024
PRESENTA-	Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference	2024
TIONS	Southern Political Science Association Annual Conference	2024
	African Studies Association Annual Conference	2023

LANGUAGES

Spanish: native
English: native
French: fluent
Portuguese: fluent

CODE

Statistical: R, Stata
Typesetting: Markdown, L^AT_EX
General: Git

ACADEMIC
AND
PROFESSIONAL
REFERENCES

Available upon request