

# Johanna Reyes Ortega

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RESEARCH INTERESTS	Social movements and contentious politics; repression and political violence; political economy and redistribution; gender and gender-based violence; Latin America and the Global South; mixed methods and causal inference	
EDUCATION	<b>University of California, Berkeley</b> MA, PhD, Political Science	2021-
	<b>London School of Economics and Political Science</b> MSc, Applied Development Economics - <i>earned as a Chevening Scholar with distinction</i>	2020
	<b>University of Southern California</b> BA, International Relations and the Global Economy, French - <i>magna cum laude with highest honors</i>	2017
	<b>Sciences Po, Paris</b> Intensive French language study-abroad program	2015
WORKING PAPERS AND PROJECTS	<p>“Promises and Perils: Determinants of Gender Inequality in Revolutionary Regimes” (dissertation project).</p> <p>“Reducing Violence Against Women: Evidence from Specialized Services in Guatemala” (under review). – <i>Winner of the Best Poster Award from the Visions in Methodology Conferece, 2024</i></p> <p>“Rights Talk: Constrained Activists at the UN Human Rights Council” (with Leonardo R. Arriola and Fiona Shen-Bayh).</p> <p>“Marching for Change: Quantifying the Effects of Women’s Rights Protests on Legislation and Femicide in Latin America” (with Lily Medina Jara).</p> <p>“The Paradox of Protection: Gender-based Violence and Claim-making Under Criminal Rule ” (with Isabella C. Montini).</p> <p>“Rights Rhetoric: How Political Realignments Trigger Linguistic Adaptation” (with Leonardo R. Arriola, Jaimie Bleck, Alyssa Heinz, and Moumouni Soumano).</p> <p>“The Gendered Process of Migration: Labor-Market Behavior of Left-Behind Wives in Mexico.”</p>	
MEDIA PUBLICATIONS AND REPORTS	<p>“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.</p> <p>“Here’s what it will take to reunify Cyprus” with Kristy Buzzard and Benjamin A.T. Graham, Washington Post, January 4th, 2017.</p>	
GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS	<b>REPAL Dissertation Workshop Grant</b> David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies (DRCLAS), Harvard University, (\$500)	2025
	<b>Development Economics Challenge Grant</b> Center for Effective Global Action (CEGA), UC Berkeley, (\$5,000, co-awarded with Isabella C. Montini)	2024

	<b>Dissertation Workshop Travel Grant</b> American Political Science Association, (\$200)	2024
	<b>Berkeley Empirical Legal Studies (BELS) Graduate Fellowship</b> Center for the Study of Law & Society, UC Berkeley, (\$2,000, declined)	2024
	<b>Simpson Research Fellowship in International Studies for ABDs</b> Institute of International Studies, UC Berkeley, (\$15,000)	2024
	<b>CRG Student Grant</b> Center for Race and Gender, UC Berkeley, (\$500)	2024
	<b>Tinker Field Research Grant</b> Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, UC Berkeley, (\$2,000)	2024
	<b>Development Economics Challenge Grant</b> Center for Effective Global Action (CEGA), UC Berkeley, (\$5,000)	2023
	<b>Pre-Dissertation Simpson Fellowship</b> Institute of International Studies, UC Berkeley, (\$4,050)	2023
	<b>Tinker Field Research Grant</b> Center for Latin American Studies, UC Berkeley, (\$3,000)	2023
	<b>Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship</b> U.S. Department of Education, (\$4,609)	2022
	<b>Chancellor's Fellowship for Graduate Study</b> UC Berkeley, (\$68,000)	2021
	<b>Chevening Scholarship</b> U.K. Foreign and Commonwealth Office	2019-2020
	<b>Discover China Fellowship</b> University of Southern California (\$5,000)	2015
	<b>USC Presidential Scholarship</b> University of Southern California, (\$100,000)	2013-2017
	<b>USC Dornsife William and Sue Gross Scholarship</b> University of Southern California, (\$100,000)	2013-2017
	<b>Foreign Language Achievement Award</b> University of Southern California (\$5,000)	2016
	<b>Student Undergraduate Research Fund</b> University of Southern California (\$7,500)	2015-2017
HONORS AND AWARDS	<b>Visions in Methodology Conference Best Poster Award</b> "Gender-Based Violence and Access to Justice: Evidence from Specialized Clinics in Guatemala."	2024
	<b>Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award</b> UC Berkeley	2024
	<b>Chevening Scholar</b> UK Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office	2019-2020
	<b>Order of the Laurel and Palm</b> 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

	<b>Renaissance Scholar Distinction</b>	2017
	Recognizes students who excel in varied areas of study University of Southern California	
	<b>Discovery Scholar Distinction</b>	2017
	Recognizes students who excel in the classroom and demonstrate the ability to create exceptional new scholarship or artistic work University of Southern California	
	<b>School of International Relations Director's Award</b>	2017
	Awarded to graduating seniors who demonstrate impeccable leadership and scholarship University of Southern California	
	<b>USC Latino Honor Society</b>	2016
	recognizes scholastic excellence and dedication to the Latino community University of Southern California	
FIELD RESEARCH	Cuba, field research February-March 2025 Guatemala, field research Côte d'Ivoire, field research	June-August 2015, June-July 2023, May 2024, October-December 2024, July 2024 June 2022
OTHER RESEARCH EXPERIENCE	<b>Research Coordinator</b> The World Bank through the Berkeley Center for Effective Global Action (CEGA) Impact Data and Evidence Aggregation Library (IDEAL), Forced Displacement Team	2023-
	<b>Research Associate</b> Center on the Politics of Development	2021-
	<b>Research Assistant for Professor Leonardo Arriola</b> <i>RightAct</i> project across Côte d'Ivoire, Mali, Nigeria, and Zimbabwe	2022-
	<b>Graduate Consultant</b> United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime	November 2019 - April 2020
	<b>Data Analysis Intern</b> Talus Analytics	June-August 2017
	<b>Research Assistant</b> USC Security and Political Economy Lab	August 2015 - May 2017
	<b>Research Assistant</b> USC US-Mexico Network	August 2015 - May 2017
TEACHING	<b>Graduate Student Instructor for Math Camp (Graduate):</b> Review of key mathematical concepts for political science research	Summer 2024
	<b>Graduate Student Instructor for Political Science 231b (Graduate):</b> Quantitative Analysis and Causal Inference	Spring 2024
	<b>Graduate Student Instructor for Political Science 109/166 (Undergraduate):</b> Latino/x/a Politics	Spring and Fall 2023
	<b>Graduate Student Instructor for Political Science 5 (Undergraduate):</b> Introduction to International Relations	Fall 2022

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE	<b>Advisor to the Consul General of Mexico in Los Angeles</b>	January - August 2021
	Mexican Ministry of Foreign Affairs	
	<b>Program Manager</b> Water Education for Latino Leaders (WELL)	February - September 2019
PROFESSIONAL SERVICE	<b>Advisor to the Undersecretary for North America</b>	August 2017- January 2019
	Mexican Ministry of Foreign Affairs	
	<b>Social Sciences Research Pathways (SSRP) Mentor</b>	2023-2025
	UC Berkeley	
	<b>Graduate Student Mentor for Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship Program</b>	2022-2023
CONFERENCE PRESENTA- TIONS	UC Berkeley	
	<b>Women in Political Science (WIPS) Graduate Student Coordinator</b>	2023-2024
	UC Berkeley Department of Political Science	
	<b>Comparative Politics Colloquium Graduate Student Coordinator</b>	2022-2023
	UC Berkeley Department of Political Science	
LANGUAGES	<b>Diversity and Inclusion Recruiter</b>	Spring 2023, 2024
	UC Berkeley Department of Political Science	
	American Political Science Association Annual Conference	2024
	Visions in Methodology Conference	2024
	Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference	2024
CODE	Southern Political Science Association Annual Conference	2024
	African Studies Association Annual Conference	2023
ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES	Spanish: native	
	English: native	
	French: professional fluency	
	Portuguese: professional fluency	
CODE	Statistical: R, Stata	
	Typesetting: Markdown, L <sup>A</sup> T <sub>E</sub> X	
	General: Git, Python	
ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES	Available upon request	