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## CONTACT INFORMATION

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## EDUCATION

**The Pennsylvania State University**, State College, PA  
*Ph.D.*, Political Science (expected 2028)

**University of Essex**, Colchester, UK  
*Master of Research*, International Relations (*distinction*) 2023

- **Thesis:** “Why do peacebuilding actors cooperate? A study of the network of peacebuilding in Colombia” (*distinction*)

**University Carlos III**, Madrid, Spain  
*B.A.*, International Studies 2021  
*B.A.*, Political Science 2021

- **International Studies Thesis:** “Legitimacy in peacekeeping: Do regional peace missions mitigate violence against civilians?” (*honors*)
- **Political Science Thesis:** “Dynamism of the perpetual peace: How non-state actors contribute to the global peace order. Case study of the Spanish Civil War” (in Spanish, *nominated for honors*)
- **Maastricht University:** Erasmus+ Program (competitive), College of Arts & Sciences
- **University of California, Berkeley:** EAP Scholarship (competitive), College of Letters & Sciences

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Peacebuilding, Intrastate War, Civil Society, Terrorism, Causal Inference, Network Analysis

## RESEARCH & PUBLICATIONS

*General Audience Publications*

9. Discovery of speech crimes in Ukraine from open sources, *Digital Verification Unit* (under the supervision of Dr. Matthew Gillet), August 2023. Submitted to the UN Commission of Inquiry.

8. Mapping COVID-19: Spain. *Institute for Politics and Society*, May 2020.

7. The United States, “Olympic Games” and the future of offensive cyber operations, *Center for Security Analysis and Prevention (CBAP)*, April 2020.

6. Humanitarian narratives in Northeastern Nigeria, *PRISMA UC3M*, December 2019.

5. Multidimensional Peacekeeping: A New Tool for Democracy, *Berkeley Review of International Conflict and Security*, November 2019.

4. Smuggling, Prostitution, and How to Eradicate Female Exploitation, *Berkeley Review of International Conflict and Security*, October 2019.

3. Mali: Lessons of Culture and Humility, *Berkeley Review of International Conflict and Security*, May 2019.

2. Maritime Conflicts in Southeast Asia: a Case for Regionalism, *Berkeley Review of International Conflict and Security*, December 2018.

1. A Veil Over Iran's Nuclear Deal, *Berkeley Review of International Conflict and Security*, December 2018.

<b>RESEARCH EXPERIENCE</b>	<b>Research Assistant</b> <i>Women's Activities in Armed Rebellion project</i> Meredith Loken, University of Amsterdam	2022
	<b>Research Assistant</b> <i>Terrorist group proscription</i> Brian Phillips, University of Essex	2021
	<b>Research Assistant</b> <i>Transnational humanitarian medicine in spaces of confinement</i> Jon Arrizabalaga, Spanish National Research Council	2020 & 2021

<b>PRESENTATIONS</b>	<i>Workshops</i>	
	1. Why do peacebuilding actors cooperate? A study of the network of peacebuilding in Colombia, <i>Essex PhD Workshop on Political Challenges</i> .	2023

<b>PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT</b>	<b>Intelligence Analyst Intern</b> Deloitte CyberSOC Counter-Threat Intelligence Team	Madrid 2021
	<b>Co-Founder and Editor-in-Chief</b> PRISMA UC3M	Madrid 2019-2021
	<b>Congressional Leadership Intern</b> Speaker of the House of Representatives	Washington, D.C. 2019
	<b>Congressional Intern</b> District Office of Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi	San Francisco 2018 & 2019

<b>HONORS AND AWARDS</b>	<b>Bruce R. Miller and Dean D. Lavigne Distinguished Graduate Fellowship in the College of the Liberal Arts</b> The Pennsylvania State University (\$31,500 per year)	2023
	<b>Jesse M. MacKnight Memorial Graduate Scholarship</b> The Pennsylvania State University (\$1,500)	2023
	<b>La Caixa Postgraduate Studies Abroad Fellowship</b> La Caixa Foundation (£68,200 including tuition)	2021

	<b>Best International Relations Undergraduate Thesis</b> 2021 College of Political Science and Sociology of Madrid (€339)
	<b>Scholarship for the Second RECSM Winter Methods School</b> 2021 Universitat Pompeu Fabra (€250)
	<b>Excellence Scholarship</b> 2020 & 2021 Community of Madrid (€1,200 per year)
<b>AFFILIATIONS</b>	La Caixa Fellows, Women in Conflict Studies (WICS)
<b>ADDITIONAL METHODS TRAINING</b>	<b>Spatial Econometrics</b> 2022 <i>Martin Steinwand</i> , Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis
	<b>Advanced Machine Learning for Social Scientists</b> 2022 <i>Reto Wüest</i> , Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis
	<b>Experiments in the Study of Public Opinion</b> 2021 <i>Luis Miller, Amalia Álvarez &amp; Sofia Breitenstein</i> 2nd RECSM Winter Methods School (Universitat Pompeu Fabra)
<b>MEDIA COVERAGE</b>	“La violencia no es natural ni necesaria.” <i>El Mundo</i> . July 23, 2022.
<b>SKILLS</b>	R, Stata, SPSS, SAS, OSINT, GIS, Dark Web Research
<b>LANGUAGES</b>	Spanish (native), English (fluent), German (conversational), French (conversational)
<b>SERVICE</b>	<i>University</i>  <b>The Pennsylvania State University</b>  2023: Director of Local and National Affairs, (Graduate and Professional Student Association), Grant Evaluation Committee (Graduate Alliance for Diversity and Inclusion), Education Committee (Graduate Alliance for Diversity and Inclusion)  <i>Peer Review</i>  Essex Student Journal, PRISMA UC3M
<b>COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT</b>	Decolonising the curriculum at Essex, UC3M student government, Digital Verification Unit, Spanish Red Cross, Amnesty International Spain, CISV International, Berkeley Student Cooperative
<b>REFERENCES</b>	Upon request