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CONTACT INFORMATION

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EDUCATION

Pennsylvania State University, State College, PA
Ph.D., Political Science (expected 2028)
First field: International Relations

Pennsylvania State University, State College, PA
M.A., Political Science 4.0
Field: International Relations (expected 2025)

University of Essex, Colchester, UK *Distinction*
Master of Research, International Relations 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. A 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, Civil Conflict, Civil Society, Human Security, Causal Inference, Network Analysis

RESEARCH & PUBLICATIONS

Works In Progress

2. Does Civil Society Engagement Improve the Quality of Peace?

1. The Long-Term Effects of Armed Conflict on Voter Choices: Evidence From Colombia (with Giancarlo Visconti)

Policy 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.

**RESEARCH
EXPERIENCE**

- Research Assistant**
Rebel Courts Dataset 2024
Cyanne E. Loyle, Pennsylvania State University
- Research Assistant**
Terrorism in Non-State, Intercommunal, and Interethnic conflicts 2022
Sara Polo, University of Essex
- Research Assistant**
Women's Activities in Armed Rebellion 2022
Meredith Loken, University of Amsterdam
- Research Assistant**
Terrorist Group Proscription 2021
Brian Phillips, University of Essex
- Research Assistant**
Transnational Humanitarian Medicine in Spaces of Confinement 2020 & 2021
Jon Arrizabalaga, Spanish National Research Council

**CONFERENCES
& SYMPOSIA**

- Conferences*
1. Cavero-Sanchez, Cecilia and Giancarlo Visconti. "The Long-Term Effects of Armed Conflict on Voter Choices: Evidence from Colombia", *Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association in Philadelphia, PA.* 2024
- Workshops*
3. Cavero-Sanchez, Cecilia. "Does Civil Society Engagement Improve the Quality of Peace?", *Third Penn State-Pittsburgh Joint IR Workshop, Pennsylvania State University.* 2024
 2. Cavero-Sanchez, Cecilia. "Does Civil Society Engagement Improve the Quality of Peace?", *Judith Reppy Institute's Interdisciplinary Graduate Conference on Peace and Conflict, Cornell University.* 2024

	1. Cavero-Sanchez, Cecilia. “Why do Peacebuilding Actors Cooperate? A Study of the Network of Peacebuilding in Colombia”, <i>Ph.D. Workshop on Political Challenges, the University of Essex</i> .	2023
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	<i>Teaching</i>	
	Instructional Aide <i>Regression Analysis II: Linear Models (with Robert Cooper)</i> University of Michigan, ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods	2024
	<i>Mentoring</i>	
	Fellowship Mentor Accedeabecas	2022 & 2023
PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT	Intelligence Analysis Intern Deloitte CyberSOC Counter-Threat Intelligence Team	Madrid 2021
	Co-Founder and Editor-in-Chief PRISMA UC3M	Madrid 2019-2021
	Congressional Leadership Intern Speaker of the House of Representatives	Washington, D.C. 2019
	Congressional Intern District Office of Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi	San Francisco 2018 & 2019
	<i>External</i>	
HONORS AND AWARDS	Conference Travel Grant Judith Reppy Institute of Peace and Conflict Studies, Cornell University (\$500)	2024
	La Caixa Postgraduate Studies Abroad Fellowship La Caixa Foundation (£68,200 including tuition)	2021
	Best International Relations Undergraduate Thesis College of Political Science and Sociology of Madrid (€339)	2021
	Scholarship for the Second RECSM Winter Methods School Universitat Pompeu Fabra (€250)	2021
	Excellence Scholarship Community of Madrid (€1,200 per year)	2020 & 2021
	<i>Internal</i>	
	APSA Conference Travel Grant Department of Political Science, Pennsylvania State University (\$1,250)	2024
	Bruce R. Miller and Dean D. Lavigne Distinguished Graduate Fellowship in the College of the Liberal Arts The Graduate School, Pennsylvania State University (\$15,750)	2024
	Summer Graduate Research Award (with Cyanne E. Loyle) Department of Political Science, Pennsylvania State University (\$2,364.75)	2024

	Summer Graduate Research Award (with Giancarlo Visconti) Department of Political Science, Pennsylvania State University (\$4,729.5)	2024
	Department Research Funding (pre-dissertation fieldwork) Department of Political Science, Pennsylvania State University (\$1,480)	2024
	Bruce R. Miller and Dean D. Lavigne Distinguished Graduate Fellowship in the College of the Liberal Arts The Graduate School, Pennsylvania State University (\$31,500)	2023
	Jesse M. MacKnight Memorial Graduate Scholarship Department of Political Science, Pennsylvania State University (\$1,500)	2023
	YUFE Academy Ph.D. Workshop Travel Grant Young Universities for the Future of Europe (€200)	2022
FIELDWORK	Colombia (pre-dissertation)	2024
AFFILIATIONS	American Political Science Association La Caixa Fellows Women in Conflict Studies (WICS) College of Political Science and Sociology of Madrid Statistics Without Borders Graduate Association of Political Science (<i>Pennsylvania State University</i>) Graduate Alliance for Diversity and Inclusion (<i>Pennsylvania State University</i>) Graduate and Professional Student Association (<i>Pennsylvania State University</i>)	
ADDITIONAL TRAINING	Research Data & Security <i>Office of Research Protection</i> , Pennsylvania State University	2023
	Research, Ethics, Compliance, and Safety Training <i>CITI Program</i> , Pennsylvania State University	2023
	Spatial Econometrics <i>Martin Steinwand</i> , Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis	2022
	Advanced Machine Learning for Social Scientists <i>Reto Wüest</i> , Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis	2022
	Experiments in the Study of Public Opinion <i>Luis Miller, Amalia Álvarez & Sofia Breitenstein</i> 2nd RECSM Winter Methods School (Universitat Pompeu Fabra)	2021
SERVICE	<i>Organized panels, talks, and workshops</i>	
	Panel co-organizer, “Political Violence in Latin America” <i>American Political Science Association Annual Meeting in Philadelphia, PA</i>	2024
	<i>Discussant</i>	
	Midwest Workshop in Empirical Political Science (MWEPS XI)	2024
	<i>Peer reviewer</i>	
	Essex Student Journal PRISMA UC3M	

University

Pennsylvania State University

Graduate Alliance for Diversity and Inclusion: Service Award, Research Award, and Grant Evaluation Committees 2024

Community engagement

North American Students of Cooperation Organization (NASCO)
Decolonising the curriculum at Essex
Digital Verification Unit
Spanish Red Cross
Amnesty International Spain
UC3M student government
Berkeley Student Cooperative
CISV International

**MEDIA
COVERAGE**

“La violencia no es natural ni necesaria.” *El Mundo*. July 23, 2022.

SKILLS

R, Stata, SPSS, SAS, OSINT, GIS, Dark Web Research

LANGUAGES

Spanish (native), English (fluent), German (conversational), French (conversational)

REFERENCES

Upon request