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**EDUCATION**

**2010-2015** PhD candidate in Political Science, Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois.

**Areas:** Comparative Politics, Methods, Political Economy of Development, Latin American Politics.

**Dissertation Title:** Subnational Inequality in Latin America´s Social Development.

**Committee:** James Mahoney, Ana Arjona and Edward Gibson

**2013**  Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois, Master of Arts in Political Science, 2013.

**2006** Universidad de los Andes, Bogota, Colombia, Department of Political Science, (Minor in History). B.A 2006.

**PUBLICATIONS**

**Peer reviewed journal articles**

"El abordaje forense del homicidio sexual en contexto de conflicto armado: el caso

de la masacre de El Salado" (with Viviana Quintero e Ingrid Bolívar). *Análisis*

*Político* 71 (2011): 109-128.  **(Forensic approach of sexual homicide in armed**

**conflict contexts.****The Salado Massacre case)**

“¿Qué esconde el asfalto? La política de los medios de transporte y el proceso de formación del estado”, *Revista Controversia* 192 (2009):163-211. **(What does the alphat hide? Transportation politics and state formation processes)**

"Emociones y movimientos sociales: algunas claves útiles para estudiar el conflicto armado." *Colombia Internacional* 63 (2006): 174-187. (**Emotions and Social Movements: Insights for Studying the Colombian Armed Conflict).**

**Other non peer reviewed articles in academic outlets**

Book review of Huber, Evelyne y John D. Stephens, 2012. Democracy and the Left: Social Policy and Inequality in Latin America. Chicago: University of Chicago Press. 368 pp, Revista Apuntes, Vol. 41, No 74 (2014), 238-241

“Las Barreras invisibles del registro de la violencia sexual en el conflicto armado colombiano” (with Viviana Quintero e Ingrid Bolívar), en *Revista Forensis, Datos para la Vida,* (2009): 335-349. (**Invisible Barriers in documenting sexual violence in the Colombian armed conflict).**

**Book Chapters**

“La presencia diferenciada del Estado: un desafío a los conceptos de gobernabilidad y gobernanza” (con Fernán González), in Claire Launay and Fernán González (eds), *Gobernanza y conflicto en Colombia: Interacción entre gobernantes y gobernados en un contexto violento,* Cinep, Instituto de Investigación y Debate sobre la Gobernanza, Pontificia Universidad Javeriana, Bogotá, 2010. (**Uneven state presence. A challenge to the concept of governance)**

“Hasta qué punto el clientelismo hace ilegitimo el sistema político colombiano?” (con Fernán González), in Claire Launay and Fernán González (eds), *Gobernanza y conflicto en Colombia: Interacción entre gobernantes y gobernados en un contexto violento,* Cinep, Instituto de Investigación y Debate sobre la Gobernanza, Pontificia Universidad Javeriana, Bogotá, 2010. **(To what extent does clientelism delegitimize the Colombian political system?)**

“Entre la autonomía y la integración. Dos nociones de gobernanza entre los indígenas y el estado”, in Claire Launay and Fernán González (eds), *Gobernanza y conflicto en Colombia: Interacción entre gobernantes y gobernados en un contexto violento,* Cinep, Instituto de Investigación y Debate sobre la Gobernanza, Pontificia Universidad Javeriana, Bogotá, 2010. **(Between autonomy and integration. Two notions of governance between indigenous communities and the state)**

**Working Papers**

-Conceptualizing subnational inequality in social development.

-Subnational Inequality in social development, the case of Colombia´s school attendance.

-Place matters. Subnational inequality in social development in Colombia and Peru.

-The geography of territorial dispute in civil war. Insights from the Colombian case.

**Journalistic Pieces**

-“Agro Ingreso Seguro. Una nueva versión del conflicto entre el hacha y el papel sellado” (con Victor Barrera), En *Revista Cien Días Vistos por Cinep* 68, noviembre 2009

-“Panfletos y Limpieza Social: efectos mortales y no mortales” (con Carlos H. Fernández) En *Revista Cien Días Vistos por Cinep* 67, agosto de 2009.

-“Superando la crisis con infraestructura ¿Promesas nuevas o promesas viejas?, en *Revista Cien Días Vistos por Cinep* 66, abril de 2009.

-“El oscuro camino de las carreteras”, en *El Espectador,* 22 de marzo de 2009, disponible en:

<http://www.elespectador.com/impreso/negocios/articuloimpreso129921-el-oscuro-camino-de-carreteras>

- Las carreteras en el gobierno Uribe. ¿Hecatombe o enredo?”, en *Revista Cien Días Vistos por Cinep* 64, agosto de 2008.

-“Política buena vs. política mala. Estado y sociedad civil moralizando la política en elecciones”, en *Revista Cien Días vistos por Cinep* 62, enero de 2008,

-“La tragedia en Chocó: ¿Sólo un problema de corrupción?”, en *Actualidad Colombiana* 450, Abril de 2007.

-“Mujeres en armas: lo femenino de las FARC y de las AUC”, en *Actualidad Colombiana* 425, Marzo de 2006.

- “Niños vinculados al conflicto armado: ¿víctimas y victimarios?”, en *Actualidad Colombiana* No. 427, Mayo de 2006.

-“Los jóvenes se movilizan: una mirada a los movimientos estudiantiles en Francia y Chile”, en *Actualidad Colombiana* 432, Julio de 2006.

**Editorial Pieces**

-Falsos Positivos, ¿cosas del pasado?, El Espectador, 26/04/2009.

<http://elespectador.com/articulo138003-falsos-positivos-cosas-del-pasado>

-Hacia una nueva seguridad democrática, El Espectador, 03/05/2009.

<http://www.elespectador.com/articulo139116-una-nueva-seguridad-democratica>

-Ley de víctimas… para los victimarios. El Espectador, 11/05/2009

<http://www.elespectador.com/opinion/editorial/articulo140408-ley-de-victimas-los-victimarios>

-Los nuevos alientos de la parapolítica. El Espectador, 21/05/2009.

<http://www.elespectador.com/articulo141963-los-nuevos-alientos-de-parapolitica>

-Los retos de una justicia bajo fuego. El Espectador, 04/06/2009.

<http://www.elespectador.com/opinion/editorial/articulo144121-los-retos-de-una-justicia-bajo-fuego>

-Los panfletos y la zozobra. El Espectador, 22/06/2009.

<http://www.elespectador.com/articulo147082-los-panfletos-y-zozobra>

-La trascendencia del catastro nacional, El Espectador, 09/07/2009.

<http://www.elespectador.com/articulo149868-trascendencia-del-catastro-nacional>

**AWARDS AND GRANTS**

**2015**  Buffet Center Dissertation Research Grant. Northwestern University, US$5000.

The Graduate School Research Grant, Northwestern University, US$3000

American Political Science Association (APSA) Travel Grant to attend annual conference.

Grant to attend the Institute for Qualitative and Multi-method Research, Syracuse, New York, June 2015.

Latin American Studies Association (LASA) Travel Grant to attend annual conference.

**2014** Latin American and Caribbean Research Grant. Northwestern University, US$1000.

**2013** EDGS Fellow, Northwestern University, US$2500

Buffet Center Dissertation Research Grant. Northwestern University, US$2500.

The Graduate School Summer Language Grant. Northwestern University, US$2000.

**2010** Fellow of the Latin American & Caribbean Studies Program, Northwestern University, 2010.

Francisco José de Caldas scholarship to pursue doctoral studies, Colciencias.

**2007** Research Grant (with Viviana Quintero and Maria Emma Wills), from COLCIENCIAS (USD$25,000) to sponsor a research project called “Do we see what their corpses say? Undocumented barriers for sexual violence awareness in the Colombian armed conflict”.

**ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS**

**2015** Institute for Qualitative and Multi-method Research, Syracuse, New York, June 2015.

American Political Studies Association, San Francisco, California, September 2015. (virtual participation)

Latin American Studies Association Conference, San Juan, Puerto Rico, May 2015.

**2014** Red para el Estudio de la Economía Política de América Latina, Santiago de Chile, June 2014.

Latin American Studies Association Conference, Chicago, May 2014.

**2013** Sala Verde, Instituto de Estudios Peruanos, August 2013.

Comparative Historical Social Sciences Workshop, Northwestern University, Evanston, October 2013

European Conference in Democracy and Society, European University Institute, Florence, Italy, July 2013

Latin American Studies Association Conference, Washington, May 2013

**2011** Lova Conference “Ethnographies of Gender and Conflict”, Amsterdam, July 6-8, 2011.

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**2013** Teaching Assistant, Drugs and Politics, Professor Ana Arjona, Northwestern University

**2012-2013** Teaching Assistant, Politics of Latin America, Professor Edward Gibson

**2012** Teaching Assistant, International Development, Professor Brian Hanson

Teaching Assistant, Methods of Political Inference, Professor Yanna Krupnikov, Northwestern University

**2011** Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Comparative Politics, Professor Rachel Riedl, Northwestern University

**PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS**

**2005-2010** Researcher, Cinep (Center of Research and Popular Education), Bogota, Colombia.

I participated in multiple research projects of the Political Violence and State Formation Research Team.

* “Power, Citizenship and Institutions in regions strongly affected by armed conflict”
* “Sexual Violence in women murdered in armed conflict contexts, and factors influencing the registration of that kind of violence by medical examiners of Instituto Nacional de Medicina Legal y Ciencias Forenses (National Legal Medicine and Forensic Sciences Institute)”
* “Clientelism in Cordoba and Sucre Departments”.
* Emotional discourses and political experiences. FARC and AUC armed groups in negotiation processes”; “Intercultural discussion on governance

**ACADEMIC SERVICE**

**2011-2013** Coordinator of the Latin American and Caribbean Graduate Student Group, Northwestern, 2011-2013

**2011-2012** Coordinator of the Comparative Historical Social Sciences Workshop, Northwestern University, 2011-2012.

**CONTINUING EDUCATION**

**2015** Institute for Qualitative and Multi-method Research, Syracuse University, Syracuse, New York, July 2015.

**2013** Portuguese language course, Carioca Languages, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, July 2013.

**2011** Conflict and Identity summer course, Olympia Summer Academy, Olympia, Greece, July 7-18, 2011.

**2004** French language advance level course, IFALPES y Université Catholique de Lyon, Chambery, Francia, July-December 2004.

**LANGUAGES**

English (Fluent)

French (intermediate)

Spanish (mother tongue)

Portuguese (intermediate)

**REFERENCES**

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