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Education

- 2017-** **Ph.D. in Politics & Social Policy. Princeton University/Woodrow Wilson School.**
Subfields: Comparative Politics, International Relations, Empirical Methods
- 2015-2017** **M.A. in Politics. Princeton University**
- 2009-2013** **B.A. College of William and Mary**
Major: International Relations (Honors)
Minor: Economics
GPA: 3.93/4.0, Summa cum Laude, 1693 Scholar

Dissertation

"Constructing and Reconstructing Memory: The Micro-Level Impacts of Transitional Justice" examines to what extent state transitional justice policies shape political behavior and reconciliation and whether effects vary by an individual's relationship to violence and the type of policy.

Working Papers

"Do Museums Promote Reconciliation? Evidence from Santiago Chile" with Laia Balcells and Valeria Palanza. *Under review.*

Teaching

- Fall 2017** *Teaching Assistant.*
Politics 345/Sociology 305. Introduction to Quantitative Social Science, Princeton University.
Instructors: Marc Ratkovic and Matt Salganik

Field Research

- 2017** Colombia (2 months): Bogota, Medellin
- 2016-2017** Chile (3 months): Santiago
- 2016** Ghana (1 month): Accra
- 2013** Uganda (consulting for AidData/Development Gateway)
- 2011** Argentina (6 months): Buenos Aires

Awards

- 2017** Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies Grant
Bobst Center for Peace and Justice Research Grant, \$10,000 (with Jake Shapiro)
American Political Science Association (APSA) Travel Grant
- 2016** Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies Grant
Princeton Research in Experimental Social Sciences (PRESS) Grant
- 2015** Fulbright English Teaching Award (declined)
- 2009-2013** William & Mary Murray Scholarship (full tuition)
William & Mary International Relations Department Award for Academic Excellence
William & Mary Outstanding Greek Scholar Award
William & Mary Reves Center Summer International Internship Scholarship
Lawrence and Jean Irwin Memorial Internship Scholarships

Talks & Presentations

- 2018** International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Conference
Latin American Studies Association (LASA) Annual Conference
Waseda University Organization for Regional and Inter-regional Studies (ORIS)
- 2017** American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Conference
- 2016** State, Economy, and Inequality University of Pennsylvania Graduate Student Conference
- 2015** Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Annual Conference

Professional Service

- 2017** Princeton Research in Experimental Social Sciences (PRESS) coordinator
Northeast Workshop in Experimental Political Science coordinator and discussant
Princeton Women in Political Science (PWIPS) co-coordinator
- 2016** Princeton Research in Experimental Social Sciences (PRESS) coordinator

Non-Academic Employment

Aug 2013 - Booz Allen Hamilton, Washington, DC

Aug 2015 *Senior Consultant*

Provided communications and management consulting services to federal government clients

Aug 2009 - AidData, Williamsburg, VA and Kampala, Uganda

Aug 2013 *Senior Consultant*

Encouraged use of AidData Center for Development Policy resources among Ugandan development finance community

Provided training to incoming interns

Directed projects analyzing AidData's database of almost one million active and past aid projects

Authored various blog posts featured on AidData's blog The First Tranche (<http://blog.aiddata.org/>)

May 2012 - US Mission to NATO, Brussels, Belgium

Aug 2012 *Communications and Armaments Division Intern*

Conducted research and authored reports presented to the US Ambassador to NATO

Skills

- **Programming Languages**

R, RMarkdown, Stata, ArcGIS, QGIS, LATEX, Qualtrics, SurveyToGo, Python

- **Languages**

Spanish

Interests

- **Running, Traveling, Yoga, Baking, Urban Studies**

References

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Name Deborah Yashar
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Name Laia Balcells
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