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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 (Highest Honors), Economics

Dissertation

“Consequences of political violence: the role of transitional justice” examines to what extent state transitional justice policies shape political behavior.
Committee: Alisha Holland, Jacob Shapiro (Chair), Brandon Stewart, and Deborah Yashar.

Working Papers and Publications

“Do Museums Persuade Visitors? A Field Experiment on Transitional Justice”
with Laia Balcells and Valeria Palanza. *Revise and resubmit, Journal of Politics.*

“What Difference Do Museums Make?” with Laia Balcells in *The Oxford Handbook of Transitional Justice*. Edited by Jens Meierhenrich, Alexander Laban Hinton and Lawrence Douglas. Oxford: Oxford University Press. *Under contract.*

“State Violence and Participation in Transitional Justice: Evidence from Colombia” with Ben Crisman. *Under review.*

“What can money buy? Material reparations and political behavior.” *Under review.*

Teaching & Advising

- Spring 2020** *Teaching Assistant.*
Politics 380. Human Rights, Princeton University.
Instructor: Gary Bass.
- Fall 2018** *Teaching Assistant.*
Politics 230. Introduction to Comparative Politics, Princeton University.
Instructor: Alisha Holland.
- Fall 2017** *Teaching Assistant.*
Politics 345/Sociology 305. Introduction to Quantitative Social Science, Princeton University.
Instructors: Marc Ratkovic and Matt Salganik.
- Spring 2018** *Graduate Coordinator.*
Senior Thesis Poster Session. Department of Politics, Princeton University.

Instructors: Joanne Gowa and Markus Prior.
2018-present *Research Consultant.*
Princeton Research in Experimental Social Science.
2016-2018 *Resident Graduate Student.*
Rockefeller College. Princeton University.

Field Research

2016-2020 Chile (1 year): Santiago
2017-2019 Colombia (3 months): Bogota, Medellin
2016 Ghana (1 month): Accra
2013 Uganda (consulting for AidData/Development Gateway)

Research Grants

2019 Folke Bernadotte Academy, \$35,000 (with Laia Balcells)
Princeton Multi-Center Graduate Grant in Politics, \$15,000
Project in Latin American Studies Grant
Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies Grant
2018 United States Institute of Peace Jennings Randolph Peace Dissertation Grant, \$20,000
Innovations for Poverty Action Peace and Recovery Exploration Grant, \$10,000
Georgetown Pilot Research Project Grant, \$20,000 (with Laia Balcells)
Columbia Institute for Social and Economic Research and Policy Seed Grant,
\$20,000 (with Sarah Z. Daly)
Project in Latin American Studies Grant
Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies Grant
2017 Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies Grant
Bobst Center for Peace and Justice Research Grant, \$10,000 (with Jake Shapiro)
2016 Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies Grant
Princeton Research in Experimental Social Sciences (PRESS) Grant

Awards

2019 George Kateb Precepting Award, Princeton University
2018 United States Institute of Peace Jennings Randolph Peace Scholar
2017 American Political Science Association (APSA) Travel Grant
2015 Fulbright English Teaching Award (declined)
2009-2013 Graduated *summa cum laude*
William & Mary Murray Scholarship (full tuition)
William & Mary International Relations Department Award for Academic Excellence
William & Mary Outstanding Greek Scholar Award

Talks & Presentations

2020 Political Economy of Latin America (scheduled)
"What can money buy? The political consequences of material reparations"
Yale Institution for Social and Policy Studies (scheduled)
"Memories in Conflict: A Field Experiment on Transitional Justice"
2019 Winter Experimental Social Science Institute
"Treating Victims with Transitional Justice" (with Sarah Daly)
University of Chicago Data and Policy Summer Scholars
"Memories in Conflict: A Field Experiment on Transitional Justice"
International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Conference
"Memories in Conflict" (with Laia Balcells)
Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Annual Conference

- “Failing to Protect: Civilian Victimization and State Legitimacy in Civil War” (with Ben Crisman)
 2018 Instituto de Ciencia Política Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile
 “Do Museums Promote Reconciliation? A Field Experiment on Transitional Justice”
 Brown University Experiments Summer Workshop
 “Conducting Field Experiments in Graduate School”
 Waseda University Organization for Regional and Inter-regional Studies (ORIS)
 “Do Museums Promote Reconciliation? A Field Experiment on Transitional Justice”
 ISA Annual Conference
 “Do Museums Promote Reconciliation? A Field Experiment on Transitional Justice”
 LASA Annual Conference
 “Do Museums Promote Reconciliation? A Field Experiment on Transitional Justice”
 2017 American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Conference
 “Do Museums Promote Reconciliation? A Field Experiment on Transitional Justice”
 2016 State, Economy, and Inequality University of Pennsylvania Graduate Student Conference
 “Development Assistance After Natural Disasters”
 2015 MPSA Annual Conference

Professional Service

Peace Science Pre-Conference Workshop Organizer (2019)
 Princeton Research in Experimental Social Sciences (PRESS) coordinator and consultant
 Princeton Women in Political Science (PWIPS) coordinator
 Northeast Workshop in Experimental Political Science co-convenor (2018, 2020)
 Referee: *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, *European Journal of International Relations*, *International Studies Review*

Non-Academic Employment

- 2013 - Booz Allen Hamilton, Washington, DC
 2015 *Senior Consultant*
- 2009 - AidData, Williamsburg, VA and Kampala, Uganda
 2013 *Senior Consultant*

Skills and Certifications

- **Teaching Transcript**
 McGraw Center for Teaching and Learning. Princeton University. Expected 2020.
- **Computing**
 ArcGIS, L^AT_EX, QGIS, Qualtrics, Python, R, RMarkdown, Stata, Qualtrics, SurveyToGo
- **Languages**
 Spanish

References

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