

# CURRICULUM VITAE

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### EDUCATION

Ph.D. Political Science, Yale University (2011)

M.A. and M.Phil. Political Science, Yale University (2006 and 2007)

B.A. and M.A. Economics, Universidad de los Andes, Colombia (2002 and 2003)

### ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Assistant Professor of Political Science, New York University Abu Dhabi, 2011-present

Faculty Fellow/Assistant Professor, New York University Abu Dhabi and New York University (Politics Department), 2010-2011

Pre-doctoral Fellow, Institute for Quantitative Social Science, Harvard University, 2007-2008

### GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

NYUAD REF Grant. Project: “Political Institutions and Armed Conflict: A Micro-level Dataset on the Nepalese War”, Co-investigator, 2014-2015 (30k USD)

NYUAD REF Grant. Project: “The Impact of Local Institutions in the Brazilian Amazon,” Principal Investigator, 2013-2014 (40k USD)

University Dissertation Fellowship, Yale University, 2008-2009

Pre-doctoral Fellowship, Institute for Quantitative Social Science, Harvard University, 2007-2008

University Dissertation Teaching Fellowship, Yale University, 2006-2007

The MacMillan Center Pre-Dissertation Grant and the Georg Walter Leitner Program Grant, Yale University, 2007

## **PUBLICATIONS AND WORKING PAPERS**

“When is Democracy an Equilibrium? Theory and Evidence from Colombia’s *La Violencia*,” (joint with James Robinson and Ragnar Torvik), *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, 2011, 55(3): 366-96

“The Institutional Causes of Southern Secession,” (with Jeff Jensen) (*under review*)

“In the Line of Fire: Political Violence and Decentralization in Colombia,” (*under review*)

“A Theory of Competitive Authoritarian Elections”

## **RESEARCH IN PROGRESS**

“The Long-term Impact of War on the Quality of Local Governance in Colombia” (with Ana M. Arjona, Northwestern)

“Why Do Communist Parties Rebel? Electoral Competition and Insurgency in Nepal” (with Christopher Paik, NYUAD)

“The Political Consequences of *de facto* and *de jure* Disfranchisement in the US” (with Sidak Yntiso, NYU; Jeff Jensen NYUAD)

“The Long-term Legacy of Competitive Authoritarian Elections in Mexico” (with Omar Garcia-Ponze, UC Davis)

## **NON-ENGLISH PUBLICATIONS and BOOK CHAPTERS**

“Polarizacion Politica y Violencia en Colombia,” 2007, (with Fabio Sánchez, Universidad de los Andes) in *Las Cuentas de la Violencia* edited by F. Sánchez. Bogotá; Norma.

“Belief Systems, Economic Incentives and Inequality, an Experimental Investigation,” 2007, (with Santiago Suárez) in *New Directions in Political-Economic Experiments and Behavioral Research* edited by Kohno Masaru and Tatsuyoshi Saijo. Keisoshobo; Tokio.

“Conflict, State and Decentralization: from social progress to armed dispute for control local, 1974-2002,” 2006, (with Fabio Sánchez, Universidad de los Andes) in *Nuestra guerra sin nombre. Transformaciones del conflicto en Colombia* edited by F. Gutierrez. Bogotá; Norma.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

*New York University Abu Dhabi (Division of Social Sciences)*

Foundations of Peace: Economic and Political Perspectives (Spring 2015, Spring 2016, Spring 2017-planned)

Advanced Game Theory (Spring 2012)

Introduction to Game Theory (Fall 2013)

Wealth of Nations (Fall 2011, Spring 2013, Spring 2014, Fall 2015, Fall 2016)

Introduction to Comparative Politics (Fall 2011, Fall 2012, Fall 2013, Fall 2015, Fall 2016)

Introduction to Political Thinking (Summer 2016)

*New York University (Politics Department)*

The Politics of Latin America (Spring 2011)

Political Economy of Development (Spring 2011)

*Yale University (TA, Political Science Department)*

Fundamentals of Modeling II (graduate, Spring 2009)

Advanced Quantitative Methods (graduate, Fall 2008 and Fall 2009)

Quantitative Methods (graduate, Spring 2007 and Spring 2010)

The Comparative Politics of Latin American (undergraduate, Fall 2006)

*Universidad de Los Andes (Economics Dept.) and Universidad del Rosario (Political Science, Government and International Relations Dept.)*

The Economics of Crime and Conflict (graduate, Spring 2004)

Game Theory (undergraduate, summer 2011)

Foundations of Peace (undergraduate and undergraduate, summer 2016)

## **UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

Global Education and Community Based Learning Committee (2013-present)

Peace Studies and Peace Institute Committee (2014-present)

Faculty Judge, Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed Scholars Program (Summer 2013-)

Organizer, Politics Seminar, NYUAD Social Science Division (Fall 2011-Spring 2014)

## **CONFERENCES**

**(P=Presenter, D=Discussant, O=Panel/Conference organizer)**

American Political Science Association Annual Meeting: San Francisco, 2017 (P&D, planned); Washington, 2014 (P); Chicago, 2013 (P); New Orleans, 2012 (P & D) -cancelled; Washington, Sept 2010 (P, O)

Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago: 2017 (P, planned) 2015 (P&D); 2014 (P & D), 2013 (P, D), 2012 (P, D)

European Political Association Annual Conference: Brussels 2016 (P), Vienna, 2015 (P); Edinburg, 2014 (P)

NYUAD Summer Conference on Social Conflict, Abu Dhabi, June 2013 (O & D)

## **INVITED TALKS**

Empirical Studies of Conflict Project (ESOC) Meeting, Washington, May 2017 (planed)

University of Amsterdam Workshop, March 2017 (planed)

Political Science Department Seminar, Universidad del Rosario, Bogotá, June 2016

Peace Research Institute Oslo-PRIO, Oslo, October 2014

American Politics Seminar, Northwestern University, March 2014

Economics Seminar, Universidad Pontificia Javeriana, Bogotá, August 2014

Economics Department Seminar, Universidad del Rosario, Bogota, August 2014

Comparative Politics Workshop, Northwestern University, April 2014

School of Government Seminar, Maastricht University, November 2013

Politics Seminar, University of Virginia, May 2013

Social Science Workshop, NYUAD, April 2013

Public Lecture, Embassy of Colombia, Madrid, Spain, December 2012

Seminar Juan March Institute, Madrid, December 2012

Carnegie Mellon University Workshop, Qatar, November 2012

Conference on Paramilitaries, Militias and Defense Forces, Yale, October 2012

IMT Institute for Advanced Studies, Lucca, June 2012

Institut d'Anàlisi Econòmica, Barcelona, May 2012

School of Economics Seminar, University of Nairobi, March 2012

Political Science Department Seminar, Universidad de los Andes, Bogotá, August 2011

Center for Emerging Democracies Conference, University of Michigan, April 2011  
Comparative Politics Workshop, Columbia, February 2011  
Conference on Nondemocratic Regimes, Yale, June 2010  
Econnet Seminar, Inter-American Development Bank, Washington D.C., February 2010  
Political Economy Conference, Duke, September 2009  
Political Economy Breakfast, MIT, March 2008  
Microeconomics Seminar, Universidad de San Andres, Buenos Aires, June 2007  
Global Political Economy Conference, University of Amsterdam, October 2006  
Leitner Political Economy Seminar, Yale, Oct 2005 and October 2009  
Comparative Politics Workshop, Yale, September 2004  
LACEA Political Economy Network Meeting, Cartagena Colombia, September 2003

## **REFEREE REPORTS**

*American Political Science Review, American Journal of Political Science, Economics & Politics, World Politics; Perspectives on Politics; European Journal of Political Research; Conflict Management and Peace Science; Peace Economics, Peace Science and Public Policy; Perfiles Latinoamericanos.*

Cambridge University Press, Oxford University Press, University of Chicago Press

## **PROFESIONAL MEMBERSHIP**

American Political Science Association (APSA)  
Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA)  
Latin American Studies Association (LASA)

## **OTHER PROFESIONAL EXPERIENCE**

*Universidad de Los Andes*  
Research Fellow, Centro de Estudios sobre el Desarrollo Económico-CEDE (2003-2004)

## **LANGUAGES**

Spanish (native speaker)