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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Postdoctoral Fellow 2025 – Current
Department of Social Policy
London School of Economics and Political Science (UK)

EDUCATION

King's College London (UK) 2026
PhD in Political Economy (Passed with no corrections)
Dissertation: The Bureaucratic Politics of Environmental Governance

London School of Economics and Political Science (UK) 2021
MSc in Social Research Methods (Best dissertation prize)

EAFIT University (Colombia) 2019
MSc in Applied Economics (Best dissertation prize)

Exchange Semester - Georg-August-Universität Göttingen (Germany) Winter 2018 – 2019
MSc in Development Economics

EAFIT University (Colombia) 2017
BA in Political Science (Minor in Government and Public Policy)

RESEARCH VISITS

Fellow - Cañada-Blanch Centre, Department of Geography and Environment 2025
London School of Economics and Political Science (UK)

Visiting Scholar - Center for Environmental Policy and Behavior 2023
University of California, Davis (US)

PUBLICATIONS AND WORK IN PROGRESS

PEER-REVIEWED

- **Quintero, S.** (2025). Short-term Patronage: Job Uncertainty and Temporary Employment in Politicized Bureaucracies. *Public Performance & Management Review*, 1-35. <https://doi.org/10.1080/15309576.2024.2445615>

WORKING PAPERS

- “Rules Across Boundaries: A framework to link Decentralization and Cross-Boundary Collaboration Rulemaking in Latin America” – *Revise and Resubmit*
(with Jose Sanchez and Alejandra Medina)
- “The Bureaucratic Politics of Networks: How Patronage Shapes Intergovernmental Collaboration” *Under Review*
- “The Bureaucratic Politics of Polycentric Governance: Bringing the Bureaucracy Back In” *Under Review*
- “The Nonlinear Effects of Polycentric Coordination on Drinking Water Quality”
- “Bureaucratic Politicisation Conditions Decentralisation Effects on Ecosystems and Climate: Evidence from 91 Countries”

WORK IN PROGRESS

- “How Bureaucratic Autonomy Reduces Vulnerability to Deforestation in the Tropics”
- “Information Provision and Preferences for Local Flood Risk Management Policies”
(with Francesca Vantaggiato and James Porter)
- “When AI Talks Politics: Does ChatGPT Influence Climate Policy Preferences?”
(with Lina Kramer and Laura Montecchio)
- “Estimating Heterogeneity in Political Networks: A Random Effects Approach for Exponential Random Graph Models”

BOOK CHAPTERS

- “Advancing municipalisation in Colombia toward new forms of territorial association”, In *Territorial association, multi-level governance and decentralisation*, Sanabria-Pulido, P., Rodríguez-Caporalli, E., Leyva, S. (eds.). World Bank and Icesi University, Cali (with Santiago Leyva and Pablo Zapata, in Spanish)
- “Metropolitan Governments: A Historical Approach”, In *Citizen Security form a Metropolitan Governance Perspective*, Gallego, L., Leyva, S. & Mesa, J. (eds.). Medellin: EAFIT University, 2018 (with Santiago Leyva and Laura Gallego, in Spanish)
- “Citizen Security Policies in the Valle de Aburrá. Coordination Problems for the Implementation of Government Tools”, In *Citizen Security form a Metropolitan Governance Perspective*, Gallego, L., Leyva, S. & Mesa, J. (eds.). Medellin: EAFIT University, 2018 (with Juan Mesa, Andrea Arango and Luis Arbeláez, in Spanish)

TEACHING AND MENTORING

London School of Economics, Department of Social Policy (UK) | Teaching Fellow

- *Master’s Dissertation advisor*, (2025-26)
- *Understanding Public Policy Research*, Master’s Module (Term 1, 25-26)
- *Politics of Social Policy Making*, 1st-year UG Module (Term 1-2, 25-26)

LISS Doctoral Training Partnership - ESRC (UK) | Convenor

- *Statistical Inference for Social Network Analysis*, Advanced Doctoral Methods Module (Term 2, 24-25)

King’s College London (UK) | Graduate Teaching Assistant

- *Comparative Public Policy*, Master’s Module (Term 2, 24-25)
- *Environmental Governance*, 3rd-year UG Module (Term 2, 23-24; 24-25)
- *Statistics for Political Science 2*, 3rd-year UG Module (Term 1, 23-24)
- *The Politics of Policy Making*, 3rd-year UG Module (Term 2, 22-23)

London School of Economics, School of Public Policy (UK) | Teaching Assistant

- *Public Management*, Master’s Module (Term 1, 24-25)

University of California, Berkeley (London Program UK) | Teaching Assistant

- *Comparative Politics*, UG Module (Term 1, 22-23; 24-25; 25-26)

Autonomous Latin American University (Colombia) | Teaching Fellow

- *Latin America: History, Politics and Economy*, Module convenor, 2st-year UG Module (2019-2020)
- *Theories of Democracy and the State*, Module convenor, 3rd-year UG Module (2019-2020)

EAFIT University (Colombia) | Instructor

- *Dissertation advisor*, (2022 and 2023)
- *Governing Large Cities*, Professional Diploma in Metropolitan Management (2019)
- *The Metropolitan Management of Public Safety*, Professional Diploma in Metropolitan Safety Management (2019)

National Police of Colombia | Instructor

- *Intervention Toolkit for Police Service*, Promotion Course for Police Officers (2019)
- *Territorial Management of Citizen Security*, Promotion Course for Police Officers (2019)

PROFESSIONAL POLICY EXPERIENCE

Research Associate | World Bank and Colombia’s National Planning Department (Colombia) 2020

Researcher and policy analyst for the project: Colombia Territorial Development for Post-Conflict Stabilization and Balanced Sustainable Growth

Researcher and Consultant | EAFIT University and Metropolitan Area of Medellin (Colombia) 2018–2021

Researcher and policy analyst for the project: Design and Implementation of the Metropolitan Plan and the Public Policy of Citizen Security for Medellin and its Metropolitan Area

AWARDS

GRANTS (SELECTED)

Global South Research Group Grant <i>King's College London (UK)</i> PhD Small Grants competition – £500	2024
LISS-DTP Overseas Fieldwork Grant <i>Economic and Social Research Council (UK)</i> Grant to carry on fieldwork in Colombia, June to Sept. 2023 – £1,900	2023
LISS-DTP Overseas Institutional Visit Grant <i>Economic and Social Research Council (UK)</i> Grant to pursue a research visit at the Center for Environmental Policy and Behavior, University of California–Davis, Oct. to Dec. 2023 – £5,900	2023
Global Research Grant <i>King's College London (UK)</i> Grant to carry on research at the Center for Environmental Policy and Behavior, University of California–Davis, Oct. to Dec. – £2,000	2023

SCHOLARSHIPS

LISS DTP 1+3 Scholarship <i>Economic and Social Research Council (UK)</i> Full award and International Doctoral Scholar Award – £128,400	2021
Colfuturo Scholarship <i>Colfuturo Foundation and Colombia National Government (Colombia)</i> Scholarship to fund Master's studies abroad, awarded based on merit – £40,000	2020
Master's Exchange Student Scholarship <i>German Academic Exchange Service–DAAD (Germany)</i> Scholarship to study one semester at the Georg-August-Universität Göttingen (Germany), enrolled in the MSc in Development Economics – £4,200	2018
Best Undergraduate Researcher Scholarship <i>EAFIT University (Colombia)</i> Scholarship to fund postgraduate studies, awarded annually by EAFIT University to one undergraduate student for their outstanding participation in research activities – £9,000	2017

PRIZES

Postgraduate Research Award <i>King's College London (UK)</i> PGR student who has shown research excellence and impact through their work – £100	2025
Best Lightning Presentation Prize <i>LISS Doctoral Training Partnership - ESRC (UK)</i> Best Lightning Presentation Prize at the LISS-DTP Summer Research Symposium – £200	2024
Prize for Best MSc Dissertation <i>London School of Economics and Political Science (UK)</i> Best Dissertation MSc in Social Research Methods – £100	2021
Prize for Best MSc Dissertation <i>EAFIT University (Colombia)</i> Best Dissertation MSc in Applied Economics	2019
Best Undergraduate Researcher <i>City of Medellin (Colombia)</i> Prize awarded by the Mayor of Medellin, Colombia, to the best 10 undergraduate researchers in the city – £2,000	2018

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Environmental Politics and Governance Network Conference (EPG)	2025
Oxford - London Environment and Public Policy Workshop (OxLEAPP), LSE	2024, 2025
Rising Scholars Workshop on Comparative Politics in Latin America, University of Oxford	2025
Annual Conference European Political Science Association (EPSA)	2025
British Network Science Symposium (BritishNetSCI24)	2024
Conference on Policy Process Research (COPPR)	2024
International Research Society for Public Management Conference (IRSPM)	2021, 2024
European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR)	2022
Colombian Association of Political Science Annual Conference (ACCPOL)	2017, 2021
Latin American Association of Political Science Annual Conference (ALACIP)	2016

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Bayesian Statistics for Social Scientists <i>LISS-DTP Economic and Social Research Council</i>	2025
Machine Learning For Estimating Treatment Effects <i>Essex Summer School in Data Analysis</i>	2024
Machine Learning Methods for Political Science <i>ECPR Methods Schools</i>	2024
Statistical Analysis for Social Network Analysis <i>Essex Summer School in Data Analysis</i>	2023
Introduction to Agent-Based Modelling <i>Essex Summer School in Data Analysis</i>	2023
Quantitative Text Analysis <i>Oxford Spring School of Advanced Research Methods</i>	2022
Collective Learning and Economic Complexity <i>Center for Collective Learning, University of Toulouse</i>	2022
Introduction to Handling Missing Data Using R <i>King's College London</i>	2022
Introduction to Programming Using Python <i>LISS-DTP Economic and Social Research Council</i>	2022
Teaching Training for Seminar Leaders <i>King's College London</i>	2021

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Reviewer | *Environmental Politics, Journal of Public Policy, International Journal of Public Administration*

Executive Committee Member | *Sustainable Social Policy and Welfare States Research Hub, LSE*

LANGUAGES

English (Proficient), Spanish (Native), Portuguese (Reading - Intermediate), French (Beginner)

PROGRAMMING SKILLS

R (Advanced), Stata (Advanced), Python (Beginner), NetLogo (Beginner)

REFERENCES

Dr Francesca Vantaggiato

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