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## EDUCATION

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<b>Texas A&amp;M University</b> Ph.D. Student, Political Science	College Station, TX Present
<b>Universidad de los Andes</b> M.A., Public Policy	Bogotá, Colombia March 2019
<b>Universidad de los Andes</b> B.S., Political Science	Bogotá, Colombia March 2017

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Comparative Politics, Political Institutions and Representation, Urban and Local Politics.

## RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

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### Journal Articles

“Stick to Sports”: Evidence from Sports Media on the Origins and Consequences of Newly Politicized Attitudes.” *Political Communication*. 39(4): 454-474 (with Erik Peterson).

“The Burden of Election Logistics: Election Ballots and the Territorial Influence of Party Machines in Colombia.” 2021. *The Journal of Politics* 83(4): 1635-1651 (with Santiago Alles and Mónica Pachón).

“Paz sí, pero no así”? Voter Profiles and Attitudes Toward the 2016 Colombian Peace Agreement.” 2021. *Journal of Latin American Politics and Society* 63(1): 95-117 (with Mónica Pachón).

“COVID in Colombia: A Crisis of Governability and Response.” 2021. *Revista de Ciencia Política* 41(2): 291-320 (with Mónica Pachón).

### Book Chapters

“Policy Analysis and the Legislature in Colombia.” 2020. *Policy Analysis in Colombia*, eds. Pablo Sanabria-Pulido and Nadia Rubaíi. International Library of Policy Analysis. Bristol: Policy Press, 81-98 (with Mónica Pachón).

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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<b>Graduate Research Assistant</b> Texas A&M University	August 2019 – Present College Station, TX
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- Editorial Assistant at *Political Science Research and Methods (PSRM)*
- Literature Review on governance structure of HOAs, neighborhood resilience and adaptation towards natural disasters and climate change
- Performed statistical analysis on datasets from The Latin American Elites project of the University of Salamanca (PELA-USAL)
- Investigated and analyzed news media content on the effects of political polarization on sports media consumption
- Helped to design vignettes for a survey experiment on the effect of political polarization on sports media consumption

<b>Graduate Research Assistant</b> Universidad de los Andes	January 2019 – July 2019 Bogotá, Colombia
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- Collaborated on a research project for a book chapter about executive-legislative relationship in Colombia and the impact on the policy-making process
- Created and systematized a database on legislators terms of the Colombian Congress

- Collaborated on research for a policy paper on the General Elections in Guatemala in 2019 commissioned by the OAS

**Undergraduate Research Assistant**

January 2016 – December 2018

Universidad del Rosario

Bogotá, Colombia

- Conducted interviews with key political actors for research on electoral ballot reform and its effects on political dynamics in Colombia
- Designed and conducted survey experiments to explore voting behavior in the 2016 Colombian peace agreement plebiscite
- Performed statistical analysis on electoral data-sets using Stata and ArcGIS
- Collaborated for USIP Project on Improving Governance in Power-Sharing Cabinets
- Created and systematized a database on the use of Twitter by legislators in Colombia
- Collaborated on a research project for a book chapter on policy recommendations in the fight against corruption in Colombia

**Undergraduate Research Assistant**

June 2015 – May 2016

Universidad de los Andes

Bogotá, Colombia

- Investigated the evolution of structural factors in the development of press freedom in Colombia
- Collaborated on a research project for a book chapter about the history of the Colombian Congress
- Performed statistical analysis on datasets from local elections in Bogotá (2007-2011) using Stata

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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**Teaching Assistant**

August 2020 – May 2021

Texas A&M University

College Station, TX

- Polimetrics

**Teaching Assistant**

January 2019 – May 2019

Universidad del Rosario

Bogotá, Colombia

- Research Seminar
- Quantitative Methods for Social Sciences

**Teaching Assistant**

January 2015 – May 2019

Universidad de los Andes

Bogotá, Colombia

- Public Policy of Mobility
- Strategy in Public Policy Organizations
- Introduction to Public Policy

OTHER EXPERIENCE

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**Bogotá City Government**

January 2018 – July 2018

Staff Member, Office of Local Management

Bogotá, Colombia

- Developed an information system that employs current data sources to show the stakeholders a simplified version of data on Bogotá's City Council
- Elaborated strategies for the collection and systematization of information that allows strategic decision-making of stakeholders in the city (i.e. Secretary of Government, Mayor, City Council)
- Analyzed and compared staff functions to make recommendations for improving the preparation of reports for the strategic stakeholders of the city

SKILLS

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**Languages:** Spanish (native), English (highly proficient written and spoken)

**Software:** Stata, R, ArcGIS, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X

AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

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Summer 2020 MIRC Ph.D. Grant Recipient. Mays Innovation Research Center. Texas A&M University

Lechner Scholarship Fall 2019. College of Liberal Arts. Texas A&M University

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

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American Political Science Association (APSA)

Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA)

Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM)

Southern Political Science Association (SPSA)

## INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

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2022. How do Mega Cities Decentralize Local Accountability and Representation? Sub-Municipal Voting Behavior and Service Provision in Brazil and Colombia. Presented at the *Women in Legislative Studies Conference (WiLS)*, Houston, October 21-22.

2022. How do Mega Cities Decentralize Local Accountability and Representation? Sub-Municipal Voting Behavior and Service Provision in Brazil and Colombia. Presented at the *Subnational Elections Data Mini-Conference (APSA 2022)*, Montreal, September 14.

2022. Community-Based Organizations for Disaster Recovery and Hazard Mitigation Policy. Presented at the *Climate Pipeline Project Workshop (Harvard University)*, Boston, June 15-16.

2022. Men are from Mars and Women are from Venus? Career Paths and Ambition of Legislators in Latin America. Presented at the *Texas Comparative Circle*, Austin, February 19-20.

2020. Men are from Mars and Women are from Venus? Career Paths and Ambition of Legislators in Latin America. Presented at the 116th *American Political Science Association*, Virtual Panel, September 10-13.

2019. Can Information Change Views in Polarized Environment? A Survey Experiment on Support for the 2016 Colombian Peace Agreement. Presented at the 77th *Annual Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting (MPSA 2019)*, Chicago, April 4-7.

2018. Can Information Change Views in Polarized Environment? A Survey Experiment on Support for the 2016 Colombian Peace Agreement. Presented at the 114th *American Political Science Association*, Boston, August 30-September 2.

2018. The Burden of Election Logistics: Election Ballots and Party Machineries in Colombia, 1978-2002. Presented at the 76th *Annual Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting (MPSA 2018)*, Chicago, April 5-8.

2017. Twittear o no Twittear: Los Dilemas de la Representación y Comportamiento de los Legisladores en Colombia. Presented at the *IX Congreso Latinoamericano de Ciencia Política*, Montevideo, July 26-28.

2015. Press Freedom in Colombia, with Mónica Pachón. Presented at the *Workshop of Media Freedom*, CIDE, Mexico City, December 4-5.