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## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

### Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas (CIDE)

Mexico City, Mexico  
*Assistant Professor* in International Studies 2019–

### University of Notre Dame

Indiana, USA  
*Research Affiliate* Violence and Transitional Justice Lab 2020–

### National Council of Science and Technology (CONACYT)

Mexico  
*Junior Fellow* 2022–2025

## EDUCATION

### University of Notre Dame

Indiana, USA  
*PhD* Political Science 2019  
*MA* Political Science 2014  
*MA* Peace Studies 2012

### Universidad de la República

Montevideo, Uruguay  
*Graduate Diploma* International Studies 2009  
*BA* Political Science 2008

## PUBLICATIONS

### Articles in Peer-Reviewed Journals

“Police Reform in the Aftermath of Armed Conflict: How Militarization and Accountability Affect Police Violence,” *accepted, Journal of Peace Research*

“How Climate Change Affects Organized Criminal Group Behavior,” *accepted, Studies in Comparative International Development*

“Iteration in Mixed-methods Research Designs Combining Experiments and Fieldwork,” with Veronica Perez Bentancur, *OnlineFirst Sociological Methods and Research*, 2022

“Breaking State Impunity in Post-Authoritarian Regimes: Why Transitional Justice Processes Deter Criminal Violence in New Democracies,” with Guillermo Trejo and Juan Albarracin, *Journal of Peace Research*, 55(6):787–809, 2018

### Chapters in Edited Volumes

“International Factors,” with Michael Coppedge, Ben Denison, Paul Friesen and Yang Xu. In Michael Coppedge, Amanda B. Edgell, Carl Henrik Knutsen and Staffan I. Lindberg (eds.), *Why Democracies Develop and Decline*, Cambridge University Press, 2022

“Political Culture of Elite and Public Opinion in Uruguay in 2001 – 2004: Behavioral Patterns?” with Daniela Vairo. In María Braun and Cecilia Straw (eds) *Public*

Opinion: A View From Latin America. Buenos Aires: Emecé, 2009

**Editor Reviewed**

“[Transparency and Replicability in Mixed-Methods Designs Using Experiments](#),” with Veronica Perez Bentancur (*Qualitative & Multi-Method Research*, Fall 2021 - Spring 2022, Vol. 19.2 / 20.1

“[Authoritarian Police in Democracy](#),” *Perspectives on Politics*, 19(3):1028-1029, 2021.

**Not peer-reviewed**

“[International Influence: The Hidden Dimension](#),” with Michael Coppedge, Benjamin Denison, Paul Friesen and Yang Xu, Varieties of Democracy Institute: Working Paper No. 119. May 2021

“[Varieties of Democratic Diffusion: Colonial and Neighbor Networks](#),” with Michael Coppedge, Benjamin Denison and Staffan I. Lindberg, Varieties of Democracy Institute: Working Paper No. 2. March 2015

**REVISE &  
RESUBMIT**

“Policing the Urban Poor: Support for Punitiveness and Police Violence in a Latin American City,” with Veronica Perez Bentancur *Revise and Resubmit, Journal of Urban Affairs*

**UNDER  
REVIEW**

“Gendarmes and Soldiers: Exploring Drivers of Police and Military Specialization during Civil Wars,” with Peter White

“Mall Cop or Robocop? Political Determinants of Police Militarization in Brazil,” with Juan Albarracin

“Supporting Mano Dura: Police Reform and Public Opinion Perceptions of Deservingness” with Veronica Perez Bentancur, Juan Albarracin and Leslie MacColman

“Criminal Market Expansion” with Chelsea Estancona

**BOOK  
MANUSCRIPTS**

“Why Transitional Justice Deters Criminal Violence in New Democracies: Truth, Justice and the Construction of Peaceful Societies,” with Guillermo Trejo and Juan Ablarracin (in progress)

**WORK IN  
PROGRESS**

“Post-conflict Police Reform and Criminal Violence: Lessons from South Africa”

“Mano Dura: Conceptualizing Public Security Policy,” with Veronica Perez Bentancur

“Attitudes Towards Police Militarization in Latin America,” with Abby Cordova

“Organized Criminal Violence in Uruguay” with Veronica Perez Bentancur, Ines Fynn and Tiago Ventura

“Criminal Governance in Mexico amid the Covid-19 pandemic” with Sandra Ley and Tiago Ventura

**POLICY  
REPORTS**

“Opportunities and Challenges in Civil and Political Rights in El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras and Nicaragua, 30 years after Esquipulas II, using VDem data,” white paper, University of Notre Dame–Keough School of Global Affairs–USAID, 2017

“On Corruption in South Africa: an Alternative Interpretation for the Case of the Police Service.” Occasional Papers Series, Institute for Justice and Reconciliation, Cape Town, South Africa, 2011

*2011 South Africa Reconciliation Barometer Report.* With Kate Lefko-Everett and Ayanda Nyoka, Institute for Justice and Reconciliation, Cape Town, South Africa, 2011

“Economic Security in a Time of Uncertainty: A South African Public Opinion Perspective.” with Jan Hofmeyr. In Transformation Audit 2011, Institute for Justice and Reconciliation, Cape Town, South Africa, 2011

## GRANTS

“Small Grants to Develop Studies on Hard to Reach Populations,” WZB Berlin Social Science Center, 2022 (Co-PI, \$ 2,600)

“Attitudinal Change and Support for the Militarization of Public Security: Evidence from a Panle Study in Mexico,” Notre Dame International Mexico Grant, University of Notre Dame, 2021 (Co-PI, \$ 10,000)

“Organized Crime Presence in Montevideo, Uruguay,” National Research and Innovation Agency (ANII) of Uruguay, 2021 (Co-PI, \$ 25,000)

“Criminal governance amid the COVID-19 pandemic: Explaining violence and goods provision as public health responses by organized crime groups in Mexico,” Evidence in Governance and Politics (EGAP), 2021 (Co-PI, \$ 10,000)

“Police Capacity, Practices and Citizen’s Perceptions,” National Research and Innovation Agency (ANII) of Uruguay, 2019 (Co-PI, \$ 25,000)

Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts, Department of Political Science, Keough School of Global Affairs, Gender Studies Program, Kellogg Institute for International Studies, Grant to organize the conference New Research by Women Studying Violence, 2019 (\$ 15,000)

Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts, Department of Political Science, Keough School of Global Affairs, Gender Studies Program, Kellogg Institute for International Studies, Grant to organize the conference New Research by Women Studying Violence, 2018 (\$ 10,000)

Kellogg Institute for International Studies, Graduate Student Research Grant, 2016 (\$ 7,000)

Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts, Graduate Student Research Grant, 2016 (\$ 3,000)

## FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

Mexican National Council of Science and Technology (CONACYT) Fellowship, 2022–2025

Kellogg Institute for International Studies, Dissertation Year Fellowship, 2018–2019

Outstanding Doctoral Student Contributions Award, Kellogg Institute for International Studies, 2018

Outstanding Graduate Instructor Award, Graduate Student Union Honorable Mention, 2017

Department of Political Science, Professional Development Award, 2017

USAID–Notre Dame Initiative for Global Development, Research Fellowship, Spring and Summer 2017

Kellogg Institute for International Studies, University of Notre Dame, PhD Fellowship, 2012–2017

USAID, Research and Innovation Fellowship, Fall 2015

Varieties of Democracy Project, University of Notre Dame, Research Fellowship, 2014–2015

Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, University of Notre Dame, MA Full scholarship, 2010–2012

Kellogg Institute for International Studies, Professional Development Award, 2014, 2017

University of Notre Dame, Professional Development Award, 2013, 2014

**INVITED  
SEMINARS &  
TALKS**

United Nations Office on Drug and Crime (UNODC), Regional Meeting on Strategies to Combat Organized Crime, Panama, March 28-31, 2022

University of Konstanz, June 22, 2021

Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México, May 5, 2021

The University of Utah, April 23, 2021

Programa para el Estudio de la Violencia, CIDE, June 18, 2021

["Police Militarization: Notes for Debate,"](#) Kellogg Institute for International Studies, University of Notre Dame, May 26, 2021.

Kellogg Institute for International Studies, University of Notre Dame, May 8, 2021.

["Violence and Security Sector Reform: Elements for Debate,"](#) Universidad ICESI, September 23, 2020.

Emory University, September 22, 2020

Ministry of Interior – National Agency for Research and Innovation, Montevideo – Uruguay, July 2020

Folke Bernadotte Academy, New York, September 4-6, 2019

Klau Center for Civil and Human Rights, University of Notre Dame, October 23, 2018

Notre Dame Initiative for Global Development–USAID, San Salvador, El Salvador,

2017

University of Cape Town, South Africa, 2017

The Notre Dame International Security Center, University of Notre Dame, 2017

Varieties of Democracy Launch Workshop, Kellogg Institute for International Studies, 2016

**WORKSHOPS,  
CONFERENCE  
PRESENTA-  
TIONS**

“Hard-to-reach Populations in Political Science Research,” WZB Berlin Social Science Center, March 10–11, 2022

“Facebook as a Research Tool,” Demed, University of Glasgow, November 2021

“From Cocaine to Avocados: Criminal Market Expansion and Violence,” with Chelsea Estancona, CIDE Politics Workshop, November 3, 2021, Carolinas’ Conflict Workshop, January 29, 2021

“Policing the urban poor: support for punitiveness and police violence in a Latin American City,” Global Law and Politics Workshop, April 7, 2021

“Criminality and Conflict,” with Chelsea Estancona, Peace Science Society workshop 2020 (organizers)

“Gendarmes and Soldiers: Exploring Drivers of Police and Military Specialization During Civil Wars,” with Peter White, Peace Science Society workshop 2020, ISA 2019

“Supporting Mano Dura: Policing Practices and Public Opinion in Uruguay,” University of Notre Dame, Kellogg-Kroc Workshop on Crime and Violence, August 17, 2020

“Security Sector Reform and Its Consequences: Police Militarization and Violence in the Aftermath of Armed Conflict,” Folke Bernadotte Academy Research Working Group Meeting, New York, September 2019

“Supporting Mano Dura: Police Practices and Citizen’s Perceptions of Deservingness,” with Verónica Pérez, Juan Albarracin, and Leslie MacColman, APSA 2019, Southwest Workshop on Mixed Methods Research 2019, ISA 2020 (cancelled), Oxford University Security and Criminality in the Americas Conference (postponed).

“Varieties of democracy, International Factors,” with Michael Coppedge, Ben Denison and Paul Friesen, V-Dem Academic Conference, University of Gothenburg, 2019

“Climate Change and Organized Crime,” with Patrick Regan, APSA 2018

“Mall Cop or Robocop? Political Determinants of Police Militarization,” with Juan Albarracin, WPSA 2018 and LASA 2018

“Lethal Weapons: Police Reform and Criminal Violence in Post-conflict contexts 1989-2014,” Peace Science Society, 2016; LASA 2017; ISA 2018

“Securing the Peace? Police Reform and Police Violence in South Africa and Brazil,” LASA 2016

“Violent Legacies: Police Reform and Transition to Peace in South Africa,” ISA, Junior Scholars Symposium, 2016

“Varieties of Democratic Diffusion: Neighbors, Trade, and Alliance Networks,” with Michael Coppedge, Ben Denison and Staffan I. Lindberg, V-Dem Research Conference University of Gothenburg 2016; APSA 2015, 2016.

“At Home or Abroad? Explaining the Choice Between Domestic and International Terrorism,” ISA, Junior Scholars Symposium, 2015

“Transitional Justice Mechanisms and Criminal Violence in New Democracies: Evidence from Latin America,” with Guillermo Trejo and Juan Albarracin, ACPOL and LASA, 2014

## TEACHING

Division of International Studies, CIDE

*Undergraduate:*

“**Visualizing Politics**”

Spring 2020, 2021

“**International Security**”

Fall 2020, 2021

*Graduate:*

“**Crime and Violence in Mexico and Latin America**”

Spring 2020, 2021,

(short course, graduate diploma)

Fall 2021

“**International Organization**”

Spring 2021

(short course, graduate seminar)

Department of Political Science, University of Notre Dame

**Instructor of Record “Causes and Consequences of Terrorism”**

Fall 2016

**Teaching Assistant “Introduction to International Relations”**

Fall 2013

Department of Political Science, Universidad de la República, Uruguay

**Co-Instructor “Introduction to Public Policy”**

Spring 2010

## ADVISING

Division of International Studies, CIDE

*Undergraduate Thesis Direction*

Camila Rodriguez, “Policing Protest in Mexico”

2021–2022

Pablo Paras, “State Responses to the COVID-19 Pandemic”

2020–2021

Natalia Sanchez, “Municipal Police Militarization in Mexico”

2020–2021

Maria Fernanda Mercado, “Public Opinion and Violence in Mexico”

2019–2020

## MEDIA

“[Colombia: Derecho a la Protesta y Violencia Policial](#)”, *CIPER Académico*, May 12, 2021

“[Crime and Conflict: Where we are and Where we are Headed in Research](#)”, *PEV-CIDE*, November 23, 2020, with Chelsea Estancona

“[¿Por qué persiste la violencia policial?](#)”, *CIPER Académico*, October 3, 2020

“[Sobre los Costos del Punitivismo](#)”, *La Diaria*, June 25, 2020, with Veronica Perez

[Live Interview on Police Violence in the USA](#), France 24, June 16, 2020 (in Spanish)

“[Para Vivir Sin Miedo](#)”, *La Diaria*, October 23, 2019, with Veronica Perez

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE** Notre Dame Initiative for Global Development

USA

	Technical Assistance, Fundación Myrna Mack, Guatemala	2018–2019
	<b>Institute for Justice and Reconciliation</b>	<b>Cape Town, South Africa</b>
	Research Fellow, USAID	Fall 2015
	Research Fellow, Kroc Institute	Fall 2011
	<b>United Nations Resident Coordinator’s Office</b>	<b>Montevideo, Uruguay</b>
	Specialist	2007 – 2010
<b>OTHER</b>	ICPSR Bayesian Statistics	2020
<b>TRAINING &amp; SKILLS</b>	EGAP Experimental Research Training	2019
	ICPSR Bayesian Multi-Level Modeling	2017
	IQMR Summer Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research	2015
	ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods	2013
	<b>Technology:</b> STATA, R, LaTeX, ArcGIS	
	<b>Languages:</b> Spanish (fluent), English (fluent), French (basic)	
<b>FIELDWORK</b>	Uruguay 2019, 2021, interviews and observation	
	South Africa 2011, 2015, 2017, interviews and observation	
<b>SERVICE</b>	<b>To the discipline:</b>	
	Reviewer, National Academies of Science, Engineering and Medicine	2022
	Organizing Committee, Latin American Peace Science Annual Conference	2022
	Section Chair, MPSA Annual Conference	2021
	Organizer, Women Studying Violence Workshop	2018, 2019
	Search Committee Member, Keough School for Global Affairs	2016
	Reviewer: <i>American Political Science Review</i> , <i>Comparative Political Studies</i> , <i>Conflict Management and Peace Science</i> , <i>European Journal of International Relations</i> , <i>International Studies Quarterly</i> , <i>Journal of Conflict Resolution</i> , <i>Journal of Illicit Economies and Development</i> , <i>Journal of Peace Research</i> , <i>Journal of Politics</i> , <i>Latin American Politics and Society</i> , <i>Latin American Research Review</i> , <i>Political Behavior</i> , <i>Politica y Gobierno</i> , <i>Political Science Research and Methods</i> , <i>World Development</i> , <i>FONDECYT (Chilean fund for science and technology)</i>	
	<b>To the University:</b>	
	Institutional Review Board (IRB) Member	2020 –
	Undergraduate Studies Committee	2020 –
	Library Committee	2019 –
	Undergraduate Methods Curriculum Implementation Committee	2021 –
<b>PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS</b>	Evidence in Governance and Politics (EGAP), American Political Science Association, International Studies Association, Peace Science Society, Latin American Studies Association, Uruguayan Political Science Association	
<b>REFERENCES</b>	<b>Guillermo Trejo</b> Professor of Political Science University of Notre Dame gtrejo@nd.edu	<b>Michael Coppedge</b> Professor of Political Science University of Notre Dame mcoppedg@nd.edu

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Columbia University  
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