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Curriculum Vitae

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Education

2010–2013 **Masters of Government and International Affairs**, *Virginia Tech*, Alexandria, VA.

Masters Thesis: *Hugo Chavez's Regime Endurance and the Constitution and Reconstitution of Political Identities: The 2012 Presidential Reelection in Venezuela*

Committee: Giselle Datz, Gerard Toal and Joel Peters

2001–2005 **Bachelor of Architecture**, *University of Zulia*, Venezuela.

Publications

2015 "Populist Discourse and the Remaking of the Political Opposition in Venezuela." *Uruguayan Journal of Political Science*. Vol. 24(2)

Conferences

2015 "Populist Discourse and the Remaking of the Opposition in Venezuela." Paper presented at the XXXIII International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association. San Juan, Puerto Rico.

2014 "The endurance of populism: Hugo Chavez's Regime in Venezuela." Paper presented at the XXXII International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association. Chicago, Illinois.

2013 "Hugo Chavez's Regime Endurance and the Constitution and Reconstitution of Political Identities: The 2012 Presidential Reelections in Venezuela." Paper presented at the Annual American Political Science Association. Chicago, Illinois.

Awards

2015 Pardee Center Graduate Summer Fellowship. Boston University

2014 Dean's Fellowship. Boston University

2013 GIA Founding Faculty Award for Outstanding Graduating Student. Virginia Tech

2005 Distinguished Academic Achievement Award. University of Zulia

Research & Teaching Experience

2015 **Teaching Fellow**, *Introduction to Comparative Politics*, Professor Timothy Longman, Boston University.

- 2004 **Research Assistant**, *Project: "Inventory and characterization of the forms of spatial organization of railway settlements near urban areas in Anzoátegui state"*, School of Architecture and Graphic Design, University of Zulia, Venezuela.
- 2002–2003 **Research Assistant**, *Project: "Urban studies for the rescue and renovation of the building complex Carlos Raul Villanueva, School of Petroleum Engineering at University of Zulia."*, School of Architecture and Graphic Design, University of Zulia, Venezuela.

Professional Experience

- 2014 **Writing Intern**, *Political and Educational Section*, The Borgen Project, Seattle, WA.
- 2011–2012 **Project Manager**, Keystone Plus Corporation, Washington, DC.
- 2006–2011 **Project Manager**, Dynamic Corporation, Hyattsville, MD.
- 2005–2006 **Staff Architect**, Nomadas Architectural Studio, Venezuela.

Computer skills

- Statistics R, RStudio, STATA, SPSS
- Programming PYTHON, HTML, L^AT_EX, OpenOffice, Linux, Microsoft Windows
- Graphics Photoshop, AUTOCAD, 3D Studio Max

Languages

- Spanish **Native Language**
- English **Highly Proficient**
- Arabic **Limited Working Proficiency**