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EDUCATION

- 2026 **Ph.D. in Comparative Politics**
University of Bergen, Norway
- 2022 **M.Res. in Comparative Politics**
Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales, Ecuador
Highest Distinction, Overall score: 9.5/10
- 2018 **M.A. in Political Analysis and Institutional Assessment**
Universidad de Barcelona, Spain
With Merits, Overall score: 8.8/10
- 2016 **B.A. in Political Science and International Relations**
Universidad de los Hemisferios, Ecuador
With Honors, Overall score: 9/10

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- From March 2020 **Lecturer in Political Science** (part-time)
Universidad de los Hemisferios, Ecuador

PUBLICATIONS

- Alvarez Barreno, Erick. 2023. “[Executive Constraints and Economic Growth](#).” *Working Paper*.
- Alvarez Barreno, Erick. 2021. “[Political Budget Cycles in Latin America: A Dynamic Panel Analysis](#).” (in Spanish) In *Estudios Políticos*, 62, pp. 267-292.
- Alvarez Barreno, Erick. 2021. “[Institutional Conditions for the Endurance of Democracy](#).” (in Spanish) In *Colloquia, Academic Journal of Culture and Thought*, 8, pp. 37-48.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- From April 2023 **Ph.D. Research Fellow**
University of Bergen, Norway
Project: “To Enfranchise or to Legislate? The Economic Effects of the Presence and Sequence of Limited Government Institutions”
- Oct. – Dic. 2022 **Research Assistant**
Instituto de Altos Estudios Nacionales, IAEN
Supervisor: Gabriel Cevallos, email: gabriel.cevallos@iaen.edu.ec
- Data mining: extraction and structuring; statistical and inferential analysis with R coding (Project: “Public Management Education in a Graduate Level University”)
- Jan. – Jul. 2022 **Adjunct Researcher**
Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales
Supervisor: Carolina Curvale, email: ccurvale@flacso.edu.ec
- Case study data gathering, systematic literature review, and data processing (Project: “Political Economy of Dollarization: The Case of Ecuador”)
- Data processing (Project: “Political Studies in the Andean Countries”)
- Jan. – May. 2018 **Adjunct Researcher** (in professional practices)
Association of Professionals in Political Science and Sociology of Catalonia
Supervisor: Antoni Biarnés, email: direccio@colpis.cat
- Documentary, legal, and media data gathering. Coauthor of the project (Project: “Report on Democratic Quality of Spanish Institutions”)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- From March 2020 **Lecturer (Undergraduate Level)** at Universidad de los Hemisferios
Courses taught as main instructor: Applied Research Methods; Democracy Studies; Theory of IR; Public Adm.; Political Parties; Oral and Writing Skills
- Aug. – Oct. 2021 **Teaching Assistant (Graduate Level)** at FLACSO, Ecuador
Supervisor: Carolina Curvale
Duties: I led section discussions for 16 students, delivered key information to the instructor and presented a lecture on “The Politics of Economic Growth”
- Apr. – Jul. 2019 **Teacher (Secondary Education)** at ANAN High School
Courses taught as main instructor: History; Philosophy; Civics

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

- 2022 **Junior researcher prize** (\$250)
Awarded by the Ecuadorian Political Science Association. First place award for the project: “How do Participatory Institutions affect Public Goods Provision?”
- 2022 **Master’s Thesis Excellence Distinction**
Awarded by the Thesis Evaluating Committee at the Department of Political Studies, Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales
- 2019 – 2021 **Academic Merit Scholarship** (\$23,400)
Awarded by Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales
Full M.A. tuition and living stipend (2 years)

SKILLS

- Software* Stata (intermediate proficiency, [sample](#)), LATEX, Overleaf Editor, UCINET (basic proficiency), Microsoft Office
- Prog. Languages* R (intermediate-advanced proficiency, [sample](#))
- Econometrics* Linear regressions; discrete choice and panel data models; instrumental variables regression; matching. Theoretical proficiency in RCTs, DiD, and RDD

LANGUAGES

- English Excellent: TOEFL iBT Certificate
- Spanish Native speaker
- French Basic proficiency
- Norwegian Beginner/learning

ACADEMIC SERVICE

- Nov. 2021 Journal Reviewer
Area of Economics and Political Science
Journal: Estudios Políticos, University of Antioquia
- 2020 Content Coordinator and Editor
Newsletter “Clivajes” N°5 and N°6
Ecuadorian Political Science Association

FURTHER TRAINING

- Data Science Ecuador Ecuadorian Society of Statistics
Introduction to Data Analysis with R **Data Wrangling and Reporting with R**
Ecuador. 40 hours, February - March 2021 Ecuador. 40 hours, January 2021
- Ecuadorian Political Science Association Econ. Comm. for LA and the Caribbean
School of Methods and Data Analysis **International Workshop of Digital Gov.**
Ecuador. 40 hours, October 2019 Chile. 60 hours, May 2016

AFFILIATIONS

AECIP (Ecuadorian Political Science Association)

LASA (Latin American Studies Association)

REFERENCES

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