

Laura Michelle Saavedra-Lux

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EDUCATION

- 2017 – **University of Essex**, *PhD candidate in Government*
“Marginalization and Trajectories between Violence and Peace in Post-Conflict Societies”
Committee: Kristian Skrede Gleditsch, Florian Kern, Han Dorussen
- 2017 – **Peace Research Institute Oslo**, Research School on Peace and Conflict Fellow
- 2020 **Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú**, *Visiting Fellow*
- 2016 **Uppsala University**, *M.A. Peace and Conflict Studies*
“Troubled Waters?: Explaining The Role of Water Scarcity in Communal Conflict”
- 2014 **University of Mannheim**, *B.A. Political Science, minor in Economics*
“Which factors influence the duration of civil war?”
- 2012 **University of Florida**, *Exchange semester*

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Rebecca Cordell, Kristian Skrede Gleditsch, Florian G. Kern and Laura Saavedra-Lux. 2020. “Measuring Institutional Variation Across American Indian Constitutions Using Automated Content Analysis.” *Journal of Peace Research*.

Saavedra-Lux, Laura. “Water Scarcity and Communal Conflict”. Invited to Revise and Resubmit.

Saavedra-Lux, Laura. 2013. Review: *Leaving Without Losing- The War on Terror After Iraq and Afghanistan*, by Mark N. Katz. *Orient VI* 2013, pp. 84-86.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Laura Saavedra-Lux. “Time for Change: Inequality and the Risk of Conflict Recurrence.”

Laura Saavedra-Lux. “Civilian Support and the Economy of Armed Violence in Post-Conflict Countries: Evidence from Peru”

Laura Saavedra-Lux. “The Effects of Armed Conflict on Local Development and Inequality: The Case of Peru”

Laura Saavedra-Lux and Florian Kern. “Matters of Jurisdiction? Understanding Violence against Women in American Indian Reservation”

Lorenzo Crippa and Laura Saavedra-Lux. “Foreign Direct Investment and the Displacement of Conflict in Sub-Saharan Africa”

ADDITIONAL METHODS TRAINING

Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis

Quantitative Methods for Causal Inference and Policy Evaluation, August 2020

Advanced Methods for Social Media & Textual Data, August 2020

Spatial Econometrics, August 2019

Causal Inference and Experiments in the Social Sciences, August 2019

Designing your own models using Maximum Likelihood Estimation, August 2018

Advanced Quantitative Data Analysis, August 2018

PRIO Peace and Conflict Research School

Advanced Qualitative Methods, August 2019

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GRANTS AND AWARDS

- 2017 – **South East Network for Social Sciences Studentship Award** for PhD in the Politics and International Studies Pathway at the University of Essex
- 2017 – **University of Essex Social Sciences Doctoral Stipend** for PhD in Government
- 2017 – **Peace Research Institute Oslo Fellowship in the Peace and Conflict Research School**
- 2020 **South East Network for Social Sciences Overseas Fieldwork Grant** for conducting field work in Peru
- 2019 **South East Network for Social Sciences Methods Training Grant**
- 2018 **SAGE Publishing Methods Training Grant** for Essex Summer School
- 2019 **International Studies Association Travel Grant** for ISA 2019
- 2018 **German Development Institute Travel Grant** for workshop presentation
- 2017 **Hospitality Grant by the World Society Foundation** for conference presentation

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Since 11/2020 **University of Essex**, *Research Assistant to Dr. Carolina Garriga*
- Since 09/2020 **German Development Institute**, *Research Consultant*
- Since 09/2020 **University College London**, *Postgraduate Teaching Assistant*
- 06/2019-12/2019 **University of Essex**, *Research Assistant to Dr. Florian Kern*
- 01/2019-06/2019 **University of Essex**, *Graduate Teaching Assistant*
- 09/2017-12/2018 **University of Essex**, *Research Assistant to Dr. Florian Kern and Prof. Kristian Skrede Gleditsch*
- 07/2018-08/2018 **Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis**, *Graduate Teaching Assistant*

WORKSHOPS AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- Machine learning and conflict prediction workshop, 2020.
- American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2020.
- Network of European Peace Scientists Annual Conference, 2020 (Cancelled).
- Oxford Security and Criminality in the Americas Conference, 2020 (Postponed).
- International Studies Association Annual Meeting, 2019, 2020 (Cancelled).
- Conflict Research Society Annual Meeting, 2019, 2020 (Cancelled).
- Oxford-LSE Graduate Student Conference, 2019.
- German Development Institute Workshop, 2018.
- European Political Science Association, 2018, 2019, 2020.
- World Society Foundation Conference, 2017.

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SKILLS

Languages

German, mother tongue
Spanish, mother tongue
English, fluent
French, intermediate
Swedish, basic
Portuguese, basic

Computing

MS Office, proficient user
LaTeX, proficient user
Stata, proficient user
R, proficient user

REFERENCES

Kristian Skrede Gleditsch, University of Essex: ksg@essex.ac.uk

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Brian Phillips, University of Essex: brian.phillips@essex.ac.uk