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## Education

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*University College Dublin*, PhD IN POLITICS AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS 2018 - TO DATE

- Project title: “Repost and like: Securitization Theory in the Digital Age”
- Recipient of SPIRe Continuation Scholarship
- Supervisor: Dr. James Cross

*Institut Barcelona d'Estudis Internacionals*, MSc INTERNATIONAL SECURITY 2015 - 2016

- Study emphases: Quantitative methods, International Security Theory, Terrorism
- Thesis: The Effects of Terrorist Attacks on the Securitization of Migration: a Case Study of the UK and Spain (Supervisor: Dr. Margarita Petrova).

Thesis received qualification of distinction and Honor degree. Selected second best dissertation in the Master's in International Security 2015-16.

*Universidad Torcuato Di Tella*, B.A. INTERNATIONAL STUDIES 2010 - 2014

- Study emphases: International Security, International Relations
- Thesis: The Effects of the Intervention in Libya on the R2P Paradigm (Supervisor: Prof. Juan Gabriel Tokatlian).

## Research

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### WORKING PAPERS

- Repost and Like: Securitization Theory in the Digital Age.
- Talk the Talk: Exploring conflict in European Central Bank Governing Council speeches using speaker-topic networks (with James P. Cross and Derek Greene).
- Now you are speaking my language: Exploring the links between resources, negotiations, and language-specific transparency in the Council of Ministers of the European Union (with James P. Cross).
- How general is the general punctuation hypothesis? A comparison of the policy agendas of the European Union and IMF (with Michael Breen, James P. Cross, and Derek Greene).

## WORK IN PROGRESS

- Alternative Sites of Securitization: Women and the #NiUnaMenos Movement (with Emma Murphy).
- Skill-Biased Technological Change and its Drivers (with Nils Lehr).

## NON-PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- N. Umansky Casapa. What is the Effect of Terrorist Attacks on the Securitization of Migration? Case Studies from the UK and Spain. Institut Barcelona d'Estudis Internacionals, Student Paper Series, 2015-2016.
- Elena Reinaga. If I were born again I would still be a sex worker. P. Purdy and N. Umansky Casapa. OpenDemocracy. 2016, October.

## Academic Positions

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- *The Connected\_Politics Lab* Lab Manager September 2019 - To date
- *University College Dublin* Research Assistant 2018 - To date
- *University College Dublin* Teaching Assistant 2018 - To date

## Visiting Positions

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- Visiting Researcher, Institut Barcelona d'Estudis Internacionals. 2019

## Teaching

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### TEACHING ASSISTANT

- *University College Dublin* 2018 - To date
  - EU Politics
  - Foundations of Political Theory and International Relations
  - Foundations of Contemporary Politics
  - Research Methods in Political Science

### WORKSHOP INSTRUCTOR

- *Creating and Hosting an Academic Personal Website Using Hugo and GitHub* 2020  
The Connected\_Politics Lab (with Stefan Müller)

## Awards and Scholarships

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- *University College Dublin SPIRe Continuation Scholarship.* 2020 - 2023  
The overall aim of the SPIRe Continuation Scholarship is to support students who have performed exceptionally well in the first stage of the doctoral programme
- *University College Dublin SPIRe Graduate Scholarship.* 2018 - 2020
- *Institut Barcelona d'Estudis Internacionals* 2015-2016  
Final research project awarded with diploma and qualification of Honor and Distinction.  
Second best dissertation in the Master's in International Security.
- *Universidad Torcuato Di Tella Merit scholarship.* 2010-2014

## Conference Presentations

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- 2020 European Political Science Association General Conference (cancelled due to Covid-19).
- 2020 COMPTExT Conference, Innsbruck (cancelled due to Covid-19).
- 2019 Political Science Association of Ireland General Conference.
- 2019 ECPR Joint Sessions, Mons.

## Invited Talks

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- 2020 The Connected\_Politics Lab Spring Seminar Series 2020.

## Other Professional Activities

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- Co-organizer, Quantitative Text Analysis Dublin (QTA-DUB) Workshop 2019.

## Continuing Professional Development

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- *University of Exeter Longitudinal Network Analysis Workshop* August 2020
- *ECPR Summer School Quantitative Text Analysis* July - August 2019
- *Barcelona Summer School of Demography R Programming* June - July 2018
- *Institut Barcelona d'Estudis Internacionals Data Analysis* April - June 2018

## Skills

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### Computer Knowledge

- SPSS, R, R Markdown, Python, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X.

### Languages

- Spanish Native speaker
- English Bilingual level (TOEFL iBT: 109)

- German

Basic comprehension, reading, speaking and writing (CEFR: B1)

## References

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