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Q University of Washington, 101 Gowen Hall, Seattle, WA 98195-3530.

EDUCATION

University of Washington, Seattle Ph.D. Student Political Science	2027 (expected)
University of Washington, Seattle M.A. Political Science	2024
University College London UCL M.Sc. Public Policy	2019
Universidad Nacional de Colombia B.A. Political Science	2014

CURRENT PROJECTS

Echavarria, Elizabeth, Joannie Tremblay-Boire, Nives Dolsak, and Aseem Prakash.

The impact of the Black Lives Matter movement on missions and activities of environmental NGOs, 2011-2023. Under Review.

Echavarria, Elizabeth.

Economic networks and the diffusion of voluntary governance initiatives: Evidence from the Peruvian copper mining sector.

Accepted for presentation at the Environmental Governance and Politics EPG 2025 Annual Conference in Sachseln, Switzerland.

Echavarria, Elizabeth.

Explaining Community Solar Delays: the Role of Rurality and Infrastructure Economics.

Presented at the Western Political Science Association WPSA 2025 Annual Conference in Seattle, WA.

Echavarria, Elizabeth and Kayla Morton.

Navigating the Deep-Sea Mining Debate: Domestic Determinants for Moratorium Support.

Presented at the International Studies Association ISA 2025 Annual Conference in Chicago, IL.

Echavarria, Elizabeth, Joannie Tremblay-Boire, Nives Dolsak and Aseem Prakash.

Has the Climate Crisis Motivated Environmental NGOs to Embrace Nuclear Energy?

Presented at the Association of Voluntary Action Scholars ARNOVA 2023 Annual Conference in Orlando, FL.

POLICY PAPERS

2020. Artisanal and small-scale miners facing Covid-19. Preliminary study on impact perceptions.

- Commissioned by: Solidaridad Network / Alliance for Responsible Mining.

2018. Understanding the economic contribution of Small-scale Mining in East Africa (Kenya, Uganda and Rwanda).

- Commissioned by: Department for International Development, DFID, UK.

2016. Evaluation of a proposed "closed pipe" system for sourcing conflict-free tantalum from Colombia.

- Commissioned by: AVX Corporation.

2015. Evaluation of mining formalization policies' implementation in Colombia (gold and coal case studies).

- Commissioned by: US Department of Labor.

2014. Addressing Forced Labor in Artisanal and Small-scale Mining.

- Commissioned by: Humanity United.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Policy Data Analyst, Coalition for Community Solar Access, Seattle, WA.

June - August 2024

Main Project

- Analysis of publicly available interconnection queue data to obtain insights about timelines and challenges in the deployment of community solar projects.

Program Manager, Solidaridad Network. South America.

March 2020 - September 2022

Main Projects

- Technical Support Program + Alternative Livelihoods in Suriname. Client: Newmont Corporation.
- Practice for Change "Good practices in Peru and Colombia through private sector and small-scale producers' collaboration". Donor: Netherlands Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Strategic Coordinator, CI ANEXPO SAS. Colombia.

July 2019 - March 2020

Main Project

- Access to responsible markets, good practices, and territorial governance in artisanal mining in Choco, Colombia. Donor: European Partnership for Responsible Minerals EPRM.

Head of Governance, Alliance for Responsible Mining. South America.

October 2015 - November 2018

Main Projects

- Responsible Mining Labs: from dialogue to action. Donor: Ford Foundation / Colombia and Peru.
- Scoping Study in Colombia to assess viability of the Fairmined / Fairtrade Standard. Donor: Swiss Better Gold Initiative / Switzerland State Secretariat for Economic Affairs SECO.

Policy Analyst, Alliance for Responsible Mining. South America.

March 2014 - October 2015

Main Project

- Scoping Study in Ecuador and Brazil to assess viability of the Fairmined / Fairtrade Initiative. Donor: Inter-American Development Bank.

SERVICE

2016-2018. Civil society representation before the Colombian National Committee of the Extractives Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI).

- Oversaw accountability of participant companies; promoted inclusion of sub-national data and non-fiscal costs and payments in country reports

VOLUNTEERING

2024. Development of accessible infographic materials on renewable energy subsidies for rural non-English speakers in WA state.

- In collaboration with Spark Northwest, Front and Centered, and the Latino Educational Training Institute (Washington-based non-profits).

2023. Just Hack: A Just Transition Challenge — Mentor.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

- Oxford's Gradel Institute Social Impact Doctoral Fellowship 2024.
- Renewable Energy Scholarship Foundation Award 2024.
- Fund for Latino Scholarship Award American Political Science Association APSA. 2023.
- Clean Energy Institute CEI Fellowship and Tuition Waiver University of Washington Seattle. 2023-2024.
- Department of Political Science Fellowship and Graduate School Top Scholar Tuition Waiver. University of Washington Seattle. 2022-2023
- Chevening Award to study MSc in Public Policy. Foreign and Commonwealth Office UK. 2018
- Best Undergraduate Dissertation Award. Universidad Nacional de Colombia. 2014
- Undergraduate tuition exemption for top 5 percent students in the Department of Human and Economic Sciences. Universidad Nacional de Colombia 2012-2013

TECHNICAL SKILLS