

# PAOLA GALANO TORO

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## EMPLOYMENT

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### Visiting Professor

Social Sciences Department, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid

Madrid, Spain

01/2025 - Present

### Postdoctoral Fellow

Department of Humanities, Social and Political Sciences, ETH Zurich

Zurich, Switzerland

04/2024 - 12/2024

## EDUCATION

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### PhD in Political Science

Department of Humanities, Social and Political Sciences, ETH Zurich

Zurich, Switzerland

10/2019 - 03/2024

- Thesis title: Whose state, whose nation? Explaining Uneven State Capacity in Latin America
- Committee: Prof. Lars-Erik Cederman (ETH), Dr. Manuel Vogt (UCL), Prof. Miguel Angel Centeno (Princeton)

### Visiting Scholar

Department of Political Science, University College London

London, UK

04/2022 - 07/2022

### MA Comparative and International Studies

Department of Humanities, Social and Political Sciences, ETH Zurich

Zurich, Switzerland

09/2017 - 09/2019

### BA Philosophy, Politics and Economics

Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Lucerne

Lucerne, Switzerland

09/2014 - 06/2017

## PUBLICATIONS

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- **War Did Make States: Revisiting the Bellicist Paradigm in Early Modern Europe.** *International Organisation*, Spring 2023, 77(2): 324-362 (with Lars-Erik Cederman, Guy Schvitz and Luc Girardin.)

## WORK IN PROGRESS

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- **Engines of Progress: Nation-building and Railroad Construction in Latin America**
  - Presented at APSA 2023 (potential outlets: *IO*, *AJPS*, *LAPS*, *ISQ*)
- **Remnants of the Colonial Past: Ethnic Mobilization and Nation-Building in Latin America** (with Raul L. Madrid, Luis Schenoni and Guillermo Kreiman)
  - Presented at EPSA 2023 and APSA 2024 (potential outlets: *JPR*, *JCR*, *LAPS*)
- **The Return of Nationalist Geopolitics: Liberal Backsliding and Conflict** (with Lars-Erik Cederman, Luc Girardin, Andreas Juon, and Julian Wucherpennig)
  - Presented at APSA 2024 (potential outlets: *APSA*, *IS*)
- **Book manuscript: Whose state, whose nation? Explaining Uneven State Capacity in Latin America** (potential outlets: *CUP*, *OUP*)
- **Indigenous Plunder Raids and Local State Capacity in Argentina** (with Jorge Mangonnet, Christopher L. Carter and Federico Lombisano) (data collection stage)
- **Rethinking Rebellion: A Conceptual Introduction to the Latin American Revolts Dataset** (with Raul L. Madrid, Luis Schenoni and Guillermo Kreiman) (potential outlets: *JPR*, *ISQ*)

## CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS

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- **2025:** SPSA
- **2024:** APSA, Legacies Workshop (NTNU)
- **2023:** Annual Conflict and Change Conference (UCL), EPSA, APSA
- **2022:** American Historical Association (AHA), APSA
- **2021:** Poster session at APSA
- **2020:** Annual Conflict and Change Conference (UCL)

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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<b>Undergraduate Lecture and Seminar: World Politics</b> Universidad Carlos III de Madrid	Madrid, Spain Spring Term 2025
<b>Guest lecture: Ethnic conflict and state development in Latin America (in Spanish)</b> Pontificia Universidad Católica del Peru	Lima, Peru (online) March 2024
<b>Guest lecture: War in Chile and its internal consequences (in Spanish)</b> Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile	Santiago, Chile (online) May 2022
<b>BA Seminar: Political Violence: Concepts, Causes and Consequences</b> Department of Political Science, University of Zurich	Zurich, Switzerland Fall Term 2021
<b>Tutorial: Political Economy (in German)</b> Department of Political Science, University of Zurich	Zurich, Switzerland Spring Term 2018 and 2019

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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<b>Research Assistant at Latin American Revolts Database</b> University of Texas at Austin, University College London	Remote 07/2022-07/2023
<b>Research Assistant at International Conflict Research Group</b> Department of Humanities, Social and Political Sciences, ETH Zurich	Zurich, Switzerland 05/2018 - 09/2019
<b>Research Assistant at Chair of Political Economy and Development</b> Department of Political Science, University of Zurich	Zurich, Switzerland 09/2017 - 06/2019

## SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

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- Reviewer at the *Journal of Peace Research*, the *Journal of Politics*, *Stosunki Międzynarodowe – International Relations*, and the *British Journal of Political Science*
- Discussant and Chair at EPSA 2023, discussant at the Zurich Political Economy Seminar Series

## SKILLS

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- **Languages**
  - Spanish (native): fluent in speaking, reading and writing
  - English (C1): fluent in speaking, reading and writing
  - German (C1): fluent in speaking, reading and writing
- **Software:** R, QGIS, LaTeX, Python, STATA