

Curriculum Vitae
Laura Mendez

Education

Ph.D. Political Science (2024)

Kent State University, Kent, OH, United States

Areas of emphasis: transnational comparative politics and conflict management and analysis

Dissertation title: Phantom Bootstraps: Self-Help Discourse in Development Aid

Committee Chair: Julie Mazzei, Kent State University

Master of Public Administration (2016)

New Mexico State University, Las Cruces, NM, United States

Minor in Government.

Thesis title: Does Foreign Aid Influence Trade? An Examination of the Relationship between the U.S. Aid and Trade, Using a Panel Data Approach

Committee Chair: Daniel Chand, New Mexico State University

Visiting Postgraduate Student, University of Birmingham (2015)

Department of Political Science and International Studies

Birmingham, United Kingdom

B.S in Economics (2013)

Universidad de La Salle, Bogota, Colombia

Thesis title: Analysis of the impact of the presence of people with disabilities on the labor participation of the family using the perspective of the New Economics of the Family. Case study 2007 – 2010

Research funds in support for dissertation work. Research examines the relationship between foreign aid policies and decision-

