

# Laura Michelle Saavedra-Lux

## EDUCATION

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- 2017 – 2021 **University of Essex**, *PhD in Government* (viva passed without corrections on 12.08.2020)  
“The Economics of Violence and Development in Post-Conflict Societies”  
Committee: Kristian Skrede Gleditsch, Florian Kern, Han Dorussen
- 2017 – 2021 **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*

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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- Since 04/2022 **UNU-WIDER**, Research Associate
- 08/2021 - 04/2022 **University of Arizona**, *Postdoctoral Fellow at the School of Public Policy & Government*
- 11/2020 - 05/2021 **University of Essex**, *Research Assistant to Dr. Carolina Garriga*
- 09/2020 - 01/2021 **University College London**, *Postgraduate Teaching Assistant*
- 09/2020 – 11/2021 **German Development Institute**, *Research Consultant*
- 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 Gleditsch*
- 07/2018-08/2018** **Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis** , *Graduate Teaching Assistant*

## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

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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. 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

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Saavedra-Lux, Laura. “Spatial Inequality and Conflict Recurrence”. Under review at *Journal of Peace Research*.

Saavedra-Lux, Laura. “Quid Pro Quo: Wartime Economies, Civilian Support, and the Persistence of Armed Violence”.

Saavedra-Lux, Laura. “Rebounding after Conflict: Patterns of Civilian Victimization and Trajectories of Development”.

Saavedra-Lux, Laura. “Water Scarcity, Inequality, and Communal Conflict”.

Saavedra-Lux, Laura and Lorenzo Crippa. “Double-Edged Sword: Understanding the Localized Effect of FDI Inflow in Conflict Settings”

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## ADVANCED METHODS TRAINING

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### *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

## SKILLS

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Languages	<b>German</b> , mother tongue <b>Spanish</b> , mother tongue <b>English</b> , fluent <b>French</b> , intermediate <b>Swedish</b> , basic <b>Portuguese</b> , basic	Computing	<b>MS Office</b> , proficient user <b>LaTeX</b> , proficient user <b>Stata</b> , proficient user <b>R</b> , proficient user
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## GRANTS AND AWARDS

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2021	<b>American Political Science Association Travel Grant</b>
2017 – 2021	<b>South East Network for Social Sciences Studentship Award</b>
2017 – 2021	<b>University of Essex Social Sciences Doctoral Stipend</b>
2017 – 2021	<b>Peace Research Institute Oslo Fellowship in the Peace and Conflict Research School</b>
2020	<b>South East Network for Social Sciences Overseas Fieldwork Grant</b>
2019	<b>South East Network for Social Sciences Methods Training Grant</b>
2018	<b>SAGE Publishing Methods Training Grant</b>
2019	<b>International Studies Association Travel Grant</b>
2018	<b>German Development Institute Travel Grant</b>
2017	<b>Hospitality Grant by the World Society Foundation</b>

## WORKSHOPS AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (selected)

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Latin American Peace Science Society Annual Meeting, 2022.

American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2020, 2021.

North American Meeting of the Peace Science Society (International), 2021.

International Studies Association Annual Meeting, 2019, 2020 (Cancelled).

Conflict Research Society Annual Meeting, 2019, 2020 (Cancelled).

German Development Institute Workshop, 2018.

European Political Science Association, 2018, 2019, 2020.