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EDUCATION

The London School of Economics & Political Science (LSE)

London, United Kingdom

PhD in International Relations

Sept 2020 – Jan 2025

- Subfields: Comparative Politics, Migration, & International Development
- Defended Successfully in December 2024 | Viva Result: *No corrections*
- Degree Conferred January 31, 2025
- Dissertation: [“Sleight of State: How Host Governments Influence International Humanitarian Aid”](#)

UK Professional Standards Framework for Teaching in Higher Education

London, United Kingdom

Postgraduate Teaching Certificate – Associate Fellow (AFHEA)

Sept 2021 – Mar 2023

Fellowship Reference: PR259110

Institute for Qualitative and Mixed Methods Research (IQMR)

Syracuse, New York

Select Courses: Natural & Randomized Experiments, Multi-method Research,
Ethnographic Methods, Re-Thinking Small-N Comparisons

June/July 2023

Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR)

Online/Virtual/Remote

Select courses: Spatial Econometrics, Mixed Methods, Causal Inference,
Social Science Data Visualization

June/July 2022

University of Essex Summer Methods School

Online/Virtual/Remote

Select Courses: Intro to R, GIS & Spatial Methods,
Math Primer, Regression Analysis

June/July 2021

Georgetown University, Walsh School of Foreign Service

Washington, D.C., USA

Master of Science in Foreign Service (MSFS)

Aug 2017 - May 2019

- Graduate Certificate in Refugees and Humanitarian Emergencies
- Concentration in International Development, Democratization & Substate Conflict
- Awarded the Certificate of Academic Excellence

Concordia University, Geography Department

Montréal, Québec, Canada

Bachelor of Arts in Human Environment, Honours

Sept 2005 - June 2009

Honours Thesis: Community Managed Water Projects in Bolivia

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Authoritarian Politics

Climate Migration

Comparative Politics

Conflict & Democracy

Conflict & Security

Corruption & Governance

Development in Fragile States

Distributive Politics

Economic Development

Field Research & History of Research

Global Governance

Human Security, Rights and Development

Humanitarian Emergencies & Displacement

Intergovernmental & Non-Governmental Actors

Migration & Displacement

Qualitative & Mixed Methods

The Politics of Aid

Substate Conflict & Political Violence

PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles

Della Guardia, A. (2023). Rethinking Displacement: A Book Review of Irfan, A. (2023) Refuge and Resistance: Palestinians and the International Refugee System; Laker, F. (2021) Rethinking Internal Displacement: Geo-political Games, Fragile States, and the Relief Industry; and Carney, M. (2021) Island of Hope: Migration and Solidarity in the Mediterranean. *Transformations, Special Issue: Displacement, volume 1(2)*, 143-149. <https://gfpttransformations.org/issues/transformation-volume-1-issue-2/>

Della Guardia, A., Lake, M., & Schnitzer, P. (2022). Selective inclusion in cash transfer programs: Unintended consequences for social cohesion. *World Development*, 157, 105922. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.worlddev.2022.105922>

Works in Progress

Della Guardia, A. Smokescreens and Strangleholds: How Host Governments Obstruct Humanitarian Response. (Under review)

Della Guardia, A. [Current Working Title] Horizontal Inequalities of Response to Environmental and Conflict Displacement: Evidence from International Organization Engagement. (In progress.)

Della Guardia, A. [Current Working Title] Orchestrating Migration: A Typology of Interventions Toward Migration & Displacement. (In progress)

Della Guardia, A. & Lake, M. [Current Working Title] Safety Nets in Contexts of Violence, Fragility and Forced Displacement (In progress.)

Scholastic & Reference Publications

Della Guardia, A. (Forthcoming in 2025). *Extraordinary Expeditions: The Voyages and People That Changed History*. Bloomsbury, ABC-CLIO. (Reference Book).

Della Guardia, A. (2023). "Landscape, Settlement and Trade." Geography AP Curriculum. Bloomsbury, ABC-CLIO.

Della Guardia, A. (2023). "Climate, Settlement and Trade." Geography AP Curriculum. Bloomsbury, ABC-CLIO.

Policy Papers

Conway, M., A. Khandros, A. Della Guardia, M. Wai-Poi, and G. Seshan. (Forthcoming). Forced Displacement Impact on Household Welfare. Washington, DC: World Bank.

Della Guardia, Anne Chartron & Lake, Milli May & Saidi, Mira. (2024). "Safety Nets in Contexts of Violence, Fragility and Forced Displacement: The Case of Burkina Faso and Cameroon," Social Protection Discussion Papers and Notes 192987, The World Bank. <https://ideas.repec.org/p/wbk/hdnspu/192987.html>

Schnitzer, P., Della Guardia, A. & Lake, M. (2023). *Targeting in Ultra-Poor Settings : Evidence from Six Countries in Rural Sabal (English)*, World Bank Group. United States of America. <https://coillink.org/20.500.12592/hg1t6x>

Publications Supported

Conducted the literature review for:

Moore, Matt. (2019). *The Hidden War: Legal Responses to Intimate Partner Violence in Fragility and Conflict*. Washington, D.C.: Georgetown Institute for Women, Peace and Security.

<https://giwps.georgetown.edu/wp-content/uploads/2019/12/The-Hidden-War.pdf>

AWARDS & FUNDING

Political Geography Travel Grant (\$225)	2025
LSE Postgraduate Travel Grant (£1000/year)	2022-2024
Sir Patrick Gillam Scholarship Fund for fieldwork (£5000)	2023
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LSE International Relations Department IQMR Funding (fully-funded place)	2023
LSE International Relations Department Summer Methods School Funding (£1,500)	2022
LSE International Relations Department Summer Methods School Funding (£2,000)	2021
LSE International Relations Department Studentship: funded PhD position (~£18,000/year)	2020-24
Oxford-Radcliffe Scholarship – funded DPhil at University of Oxford (~£18,000/year, declined)	2020
Georgetown MSFS Academic Excellence Award	2019
Georgetown Walsh School Graduate Student Travel Grant (\$5000)	2018

CONFERENCE PAPERS & PRESENTATIONS

“Orchestrating Migration: A Typology of Interventions Toward Migration & Displacement.” Presented at the *Midwestern Political Science Association Annual Conference*, Chicago, USA, 2025.

“Orchestrating Migration: A Typology of Interventions Toward Migration & Displacement.” Presented at the *American Association of Geographers Annual Conference*, Detroit, USA, 2025.

“Smokescreens and Strangleholds: How Host Governments Obstruct Humanitarian Response.” Presented at the *Political Geography Annual Pre-Conference*, Detroit, USA, 2025.

“Disparities in Humanitarian Response & Host Government Influence.” Presented at the *American Political Science Association Annual Conference*, Philadelphia, USA, 2024.

“Humanitarian Priorities and Inequalities of Displacement Response.” Presented at the *American Association of Geographers Annual Conference*, Honolulu, USA, 2024.

“Navigating Humanitarian Response & The Deprioritization of the Internally Displaced.” Presented at the *Conflict & Change Workshop*, University College London (UCL), London, UK, 2024.

“Conflict, Stability and Social Protection: Poverty Reduction Programming in War.” Slated to present at APSA, Los Angeles, USA, 2023, but panel withdrawn due to strikes.

“The Most Vulnerable of the Vulnerable: Horizontal Inequalities Between Refugees and IDPs.” Presented at the *American Association of Geographers Annual Conference*, Denver, USA, 2023.

“Geographies of Displacement, Horizontal Inequalities and Communal Conflict.” Presented at the *International Studies Association Annual Conference*, Nashville, USA, 2022.

“Geographies of Displacement, Horizontal Inequalities and Communal Conflict.” Presented at the London School of Economics and Political Science’s *Security and Statecraft Workshop*, London, UK, 2022.

“Targeting and Intra-Communal Relations in Chad’s National Safety Net Program.” Presented at the London School of Economics and Political Science’s *African Political Economy Group Workshop*, London, UK, 2020.

INVITED TALKS & EVENTS

Invitation to participate as a jurist (declined due to conflict), *Crisis Simulation Event*, War Studies Society, London School of Economics, October 2024.

“Development and Humanitarian Aid”, *Public Health Symposium at the University of Yaoundé*, Oct 2023.

“The Economics of Aid”, *Faculty of Economic Sciences at the University of Yaoundé*, Feb 2023.

Invitation to participate as panelist (declined due to conflict), “Displacement, Covid-19 Pandemic and Conflict Panel”, *London Conflict Review*, November 2021.

“Geographies of Displacement, Horizontal Inequalities, and Communal Conflict.” *CIVICA PhD Panel on Civil Wars and International Security*, April 2021.

Speaker at Welcome Week event for incoming PhDs to IR Department, September 2021

Panelist at departmental event for interested applicants to PhD programme, November 2020

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

The World Bank Group	Remote
Research Consultant (STC)	Mar 2024 - Present
Conducting qualitative study on climate resilience in Fragile, Conflict and Violence Affected (FCV) contexts.	

The London School of Economics & Political Science	London, United Kingdom
International Relations Department Fellow	Sept 2024 – Present

The World Bank Group	Remote
Research Consultant (STC)	Jan 2021 – Feb 2024
Conducted qualitative study on cash transfer programming in conflict settings in the Sahel region. Conducted Literature Review on social protection programs and social cohesion in Fragile, Conflict and Violence Affected (FCV) contexts.	

The London School of Economics & Political Science	London, United Kingdom
Research Assistant to Dr. Milli Lake	Sept – Dec 2020
Assisted Dr. Lake with background research, literature reviews, data management and administrative tasks for a project on women’s political leadership participation in Sri Lanka.	

Navanti Group	Arlington, Virginia, USA / Remote
Sahel Analyst	April - Aug 2020
Managed socio-economic research projects in Sahel countries for US government contracts.	

The World Bank Group	Washington, D.C., USA / Remote
Research Consultant (STC)	April 2019 - March 2020
Supported research projects on: (i) forced displacement and humanitarian response policy and programming in the Middle East and North Africa Poverty Unit; and (ii) cash transfer programming for women beneficiaries in the Africa Social Protection and Labor Unit.	

Georgetown Institute for Women, Peace & Security	Washington, D.C., USA
Research Assistant	Aug 2018 - May 2019
Supported research projects on intimate partner violence in post-conflict settings and access to justice, as well as initial research examining the nexus of gender, climate change, and conflict.	

Community Centred Conservation

Research Assistant

Diego Suarez, Madagascar

June - Oct 2009

Supported research on artisanal fishery practices, marine megafauna, and conservation policy in Madagascar.

Agence Eurêka 21

Research Assistant

Paris, France

June - Aug 2008

Supported research on sustainable development policy in the European Union.

International Research Centre for Water & the Environment

Research Assistant

Paris, France

June - Aug 2007

Supported research on water policy and programming in northern Africa.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE**London School of Economics & Political Science (LSE)**

Graduate Student Teaching Assistant, Department of International Relations

London, United Kingdom

Sept 2021 - May 2022

Taught classes for a 200-level International Security course.

Georgetown University

Teaching Assistant, School of Foreign Service

Washington, D.C., USA

Aug 2018 - May 2019

Assisted with the Intro-level Statistics Course & Migration & Development Course.

Engineers Without Borders Canada

Advocacy Skills Teacher

ON, QC, NL, NS, Canada

Oct 2015 - May 2017

Contributed to design of and ran policy and advocacy training and workshops for university-aged youth.

Concordia University

Teaching Assistant, Department of Geography & Urban Planning

Montreal, QC, Canada

Sept 2007 - May 2009

Assisted with classes for 100 & 200-level Geography courses.

SELECT DEVELOPMENT PRACTITIONER EXPERIENCE**UNICEF Cameroon**

Humanitarian Field Operations Unit Intern

Yaoundé, Cameroon

June 2018 - Aug 2018

Supported humanitarian response coordination in three conflict-affected zones in Cameroon through research, communications, and operational support.

Engineers Without Borders Canada

Policy & Advocacy Communications Lead

Toronto, Canada

Aug 2015 - May 2017

Led the organization's policy and advocacy communications strategy and managed public campaign communications for an international development organization's policy and advocacy team.

Consulate General of France in Toronto

Chief Press Officer

Toronto, Canada

Dec 2011- Dec 2013

Led the consulate's communications and media relations, in support of the French cooperation and development agenda in Ontario.

ASAP Worldwide

Communications & Project Management Roles

Greece, Ghana, Lebanon, Portugal

Jan 2010 - Dec 2011

Managed international business development projects and supported economic development reports in emerging markets across Europe, sub-Saharan Africa and the Middle East.

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Committee Member, Ad-Hoc Committee on Graduate Student Engagement, Women, Gender, and Politics Section (APSA) | 2024-Present
Organizing Team Member, Junior IO Scholars Workshop | 2024-Present
PhD Cohort Representative, LSE IR Department Staff-Research Student Liaison Committee | 2020-22
PhD Student Representative, LSE IR Department PhD Sub-Committee | 2021-22
IR Department PhD Representative, LSE Research Student Consultative Forum | 2020-21
Co-organizer of a panel on Gender, Security and the Humanitarian Sector, Georgetown University | 2018
Co-organizer of Security and Development Forum, Georgetown Anti-Poverty Society | 2018-19
Co-organizer of lecture series “Conversations with Practitioners”, Georgetown University | 2017-19
Undergraduate student representative for Geography Student Society, Concordia University, 2007-09
Reviewer: Democratization, Geopolitics, SN Social Sciences

ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS & ORGANIZATIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Political Science Association | 2023-Present
Associate Graduate Fellow, Royal Geographic Society | 2022-Present
African Political Economy Group (APEG) | 2020-2024
Grantham Research Institute on Climate Change and the Environment | 2022-2024
International Inequalities Institute Doctoral Participant | 2020-2023
International Political Economy Cluster, LSE International Relations Department | 2020-Present
International Studies Association | 2020-Present
Security and Statecraft Cluster, LSE International Relations Department | 2020-Present
Conflict & Change Workshop, University College London | 2020-2024

LANGUAGES

English (Native / Bilingual)
French (Native / Bilingual)
Spanish (Intermediate conversational)

SOFTWARE

Geographic Information Systems and related software (ArcGIS, QGIS, Geoda)
Proficient in Qualitative and Mixed Methods Software (Dedoose, NVivo)
Proficient in literature management software (Zotero, Mendeley, Endnote)

RIGHT TO WORK

Current Right to Work in the UK
Right to Work in European Union (EU citizen)
Right to Work in / Enter the United States (US citizen for now)

REFERENCES

Milli Lake

Professor of International Security
International Relations Department, LSE
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Erwin R. Tiongson

Professor of the Practice & Deputy
Director, Global Human Development Program
Walsh School of Foreign Service
Georgetown University
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[University Profile](#) | Pronouns: He/Him