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Dr. Víctor M. Mijares is an Associate Professor of Political Science and Global Studies at Universidad de los Andes, Bogotá, specializing in Latin American geopolitics, global security, and Venezuelan foreign policy, with a focus on petro-states. He holds a PhD in Political Science from Universität Hamburg and coordinates the PhD and MA in Political Science and the MA in International Studies. Dr. Mijares also contributed to the design of the BA in Global Studies at Universidad de los Andes, the first program of its kind in Latin America.

He is the Director of the global risks analysis program *Geostrategos* at the Faculty of Social Sciences, where he leads interdisciplinary research and training on geopolitical risk and strategic decision-making. Currently, he is also leading the project "Integrated Methodology for Multilevel Strategic Wargaming," a collaboration between the Colombian Navy (*Escuela Naval de Cadetes Almirante Padilla*) and Universidad de los Andes. This initiative develops an innovative pedagogical tool to integrate political, strategic-military, operational, and tactical decision-making, addressing gaps in the training of military officers and civilian leaders.

Dr. Mijares's research, published in academic journals, books, specialized magazines, and policy papers, focuses on security regionalism, foreign policy strategies of petro-states, and authoritarian regimes. He was awarded the Best Social Sciences Article on Venezuela by LASA in 2019. He also teaches courses on international security, geopolitical risk analysis, and international relations theory, supervising undergraduate, master's, and doctoral theses. His work bridges academic research and practice, including the design and implementation of wargames and innovative methodologies for strategic simulations.

Education

PhD in Political Science, Universität Hamburg, 2018

Doctoral Committee: Cord Jakobeit (chair), Detlef Nolte (supervisor), Andrés Rivarola Puntigliano, and Andreas von Staden

Thesis: *Explaining Flaws of Security Regionalism in the Global South: Lessons from South America*

MA in Political Science, Universidad Simón Bolívar, Venezuela, 2007

Graduate Specialist in International Law and Politics, Universidad Central de Venezuela, 2006

BA in Political Science – concentration in International Relations, Universidad Central de Venezuela, 2002

Academic Experience

Universidad de Los Andes, Bogotá-Colombia (since 2018):

Since 2022: Associate Professor, Department of Political Science and Global Studies

Since 2024: Director of the global risks analysis program *Geostrategos*, Faculty of Social Sciences

Since 2023: Chair of the Political Science and Global Studies Graduate Programs: PhD and MA in Political Science

Since 2022: Member of the Ethics Committee, Faculty of Social Sciences

Since 2020: Chair of the MA in International Studies, Faculty of Social Sciences

Since 2018: Chair of the Research Group for Global Studies

2018-2022: Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science and Global Studies

2020-2021: Organizer of the Political Science colloquia, Department of Political Science and Global Studies

2018-2022: Member of the academic design committee of the Global Studies undergraduate program, Department of Political Science and Global Studies

2021-2022: Member of the academic committee of the MA and Ph.D. in Political Science

German Institute for Global and Area Studies, Hamburg, Germany (since 2013):

Since 2018: Associate Fellow (non-resident), GIGA Institute of Latin American Studies

2014-2018: Doctoral Fellow

2013-2014: Visiting Fellow

Pontificia Universidad Javeriana, Bogota, Colombia (2017):

2017: Assistant Professor, Department of International Relations

2017: Member of the academic committee of the MA in International Studies and the MA in Latin American Studies

Universidad Simón Bolívar, Caracas, Venezuela (2005-2016):

2009-2016: Assistant Professor, Department of Social Sciences

2016: Coordinator of the University Initiation Cycle (CIU)

2012-2013: Technical Editor of *Argos: Journal of Social Sciences and Humanities* (Scopus indexed 2009-2018)

2010-2013: Member of the Department's Council, Department of Social Sciences

2008-2009: Adjunct Professor, Department of Social Sciences

2005-2007: Research Assistant, Bolívarium: Institute for Historical Research

Universität Hamburg, Hamburg, Germany (2014):

2014: Adjunct Professor, Center for Latin American Studies

Universidad Central de Venezuela, Caracas, Venezuela (2005-2011):

2005-2011: Adjunct Professor, Faculty of Law and Political Sciences

2001-2002: Research Assistant, Institute for Political Studies

Universidad Alejandro de Humboldt, Caracas, Venezuela (2004-2006):

2004-2005: Adjunct Professor, School of International Trade

Taught Courses (at Universidad de los Andes)

GLOB 2200 - Enfoques e Interacciones en las Relaciones Internacionales [Approaches and Interactions in International Relations]

Examines key theoretical approaches to international relations, emphasizing state and non-state

interactions, and applies these through strategic simulations and crisis management exercises.

CPOL 2256 - Seguridad en América Latina y el Caribe [Security in Latin America and the Caribbean]
Focuses on security challenges in Latin America and the Caribbean, including democratization, organized crime, and political violence. The course combines theoretical analysis with practical simulations.

GLOB 2004 - Petroestados en la Política Mundial [Petrostates in World Politics]
Analyzes the role of petrostates in global politics, examining how dependence on oil shapes both domestic governance and international relations.

GLOB 3200 – Seminario en Análisis de Riesgo Geopolítico [Seminar on Geopolitical Risk Analysis]
Explores the intersection of political, economic, and strategic factors in global geopolitics, providing students with analytical tools to assess and manage geopolitical risks.

CPOL 2263 - Venezuela: Entendiendo las Raíces de la Crisis [Venezuela: Understanding the Roots of the Crisis]
Analyzes the historical and political roots of Venezuela's crisis, focusing on militarism, rent-seeking, and external assertiveness. The course examines the evolution of these factors under Chávez and Maduro, providing interdisciplinary insights.

CPOL 3203 - Uso Internacional de la Fuerza [International Use of Force: Strategic, Legal, and Ethical Implications]
Examines the strategic, legal, and ethical aspects of the use of force in international politics, using case studies to explore different dimensions of state violence and conflict.

GLOB 2009 - Seguridad Marítima Global [Global Maritime Security]
Focuses on global maritime security, addressing key issues such as piracy, territorial disputes, and the strategic importance of naval power in international relations.

CPOL 2204 - Teoría de las Relaciones Internacionales [Theory of International Relations]
Offers students a comprehensive overview of the main theoretical approaches in international relations, spanning from classical realism to constructivist and critical theories.

CPOL 3202 - Seminario en Estudios Internacionales [Seminar on International Studies]
Provides an in-depth, critical look at key international phenomena, including persistent tensions in international relations theory, methods, ethics, and global order.

CPOL 3500 - Seminario de Investigación [Seminar on Research in Political Science]
Guides students through the process of designing and executing a research project, focusing on developing strong research questions, literature reviews, and analytical methods.

GLOB 1200 - Introducción a la Política Internacional [Introduction to International Politics]
Introduces students to fundamental concepts of international politics, covering the key actors, institutions, and processes that shape the global order.

CISO 1505 - Contextos de Colombia y América Latina [Contexts of Colombia and Latin America]
Explores the development of social sciences in Latin America, focusing on Colombia, state formation, democratization, and intellectual traditions.

Publications and Research

Articles and Book Chapters

Mijares, Víctor M. "Maduro Doctrine: Foreign Policy Strategy and Regime Survival in Contemporary Venezuela." In John Polga-Hecimovich and Raúl Sánchez Urribarri (eds.), *Authoritarian Consolidation in Times of Crisis: Venezuela under Nicolás Maduro*. Routledge, 2025.

Mijares, Víctor M., and Forero, Jorge A. "Cogito, ergo pacificis: Los centros de pensamiento y las agencias gubernamentales estadounidenses en el proceso de paz." In Laura Betancur-Restrepo and Angelika Rettberg, eds., *Después del Acuerdo: ¿Cómo va la paz en Colombia?* (pp. 85-96). Ediciones Uniandes, 2023. <http://dx.doi.org/10.30778/2022.72>

Mijares, Víctor M. "Los dientes de la revolución: Armamentos y doctrina híbrida de defensa de Venezuela." *Foreign Affairs Latinoamérica*, vol. 23, no. 2, 2023, pp. 43-52. <https://revistafal.com/fal-23-2/>

Mijares, Víctor M. "Venezuela: A revolutionary petrostate under stress." In Harvey Kline and Christine J. Wade (eds.), *Latin American Politics and Development*, 10th edition. Routledge, 2023. <https://doi.org/10.4324/9781003223351-16>

Nolte, Detlef, and Víctor M. Mijares. "UNASUR: An eclectic analytical perspective of its disintegration." *Colombia Internacional*, no. 111, 2022, pp. 83-109. <https://doi.org/10.7440/colombiaint111.2022.04>

Mijares, Víctor M. "The foreign policy assertiveness of the Latin American petro-state: Venezuela's enduring patterns." In Pablo Baisotti (ed.), *Problems and Alternatives in the Modern Americas*. Routledge, 2022, pp. 262-281. <https://doi.org/10.4324/9781003045342-11>

Badillo, Reynell, and Víctor M. Mijares. "Politicized crime: Causes for the discursive politicization of organized crime in Latin America." *Global Crime*, vol. 22, no. 4, 2021, pp. 312-335. <https://doi.org/10.1080/17440572.2021.2024804>

Mijares, Víctor M., and Paula Alejandra González. "Colombian military transformation: Strategic reality and overcoming resistances." *Austral: Brazilian Journal of Strategy and International Relations*, vol. 10, no. 19, 2021, pp. 133-153. <https://doi.org/10.22456/2238-6912.100193>

Mijares, Víctor M., and Benjamin Creutzfeldt. "Cautious engagement: Continuity and change in the relations between Xi Jinping's China and Nicolás Maduro's Venezuela." In Nele Noesselt (ed.), *China's Interactions with Latin America and the Caribbean: Conquering the US's Strategic Backyard?* Tectum Verlag, 2021, pp. 115-140. <https://doi.org/10.5771/9783828875982-115>

Mijares, Víctor M. "Realismo y seguridad internacional." In Alberto Lozano Vázquez and Abelardo Rodríguez Sumano (eds.), *Seguridad y asuntos internacionales: Teorías, dimensiones, interdisciplinas, las Américas, amenazas, instituciones, regiones y política mundial*. Siglo XXI Editores México, 2020, pp. 39-52. <https://sigloxxieditores.com.mx/tienda/ols/products/seguridad-y-asuntos-internacionalesxn-teoras-dimensiones-interdisciplinas-las-amricas-amenazas-instituciones-regiones-y-politica-mundial-s-lhj40b2c>

Chaustre Virgüez, María del Mar, and Víctor M. Mijares. "Cómo fallan los petroestados: Análisis del caso Venezuela." *Cuadernos del CENDES*, no. 103, 2020, pp. 35-62. http://www.ucv.ve/fileadmin/user_upload/cendes/textos_completos/Revistas/revista103/revista103-SB.pdf

González-Ruiz, Cristian D., and Víctor M. Mijares. "Los fuertes hacen lo que pueden: Exponiendo los

límites de la Corte Penal Internacional." *Revista de Direito Internacional*, vol. 17, no. 1, 2020, pp. 406-416. <https://doi.org/10.5102/rdi.v17i1.6264>

Cardozo Uzcátegui, Alejandro, and Víctor M. Mijares. "The versatile amalgam: Interests and corruption in Russia-Venezuela relations." *European Review of Latin American and Caribbean Studies*, no. 109, 2020, pp. 181-202. <http://doi.org/10.32992/erlacs.10557>

Mijares, Víctor M. "Paradox of autonomy: Explaining flaws in South American security regionalism." *Estudos Internacionais*, vol. 8, no. 1, 2020, pp. 89-101. <https://doi.org/10.5752/P.2317-773X.2020v8n1p89-106>

Mijares, Víctor M., and Alejandro Cardozo Uzcátegui. "Militares bajo control: Fallas teóricas detrás del estancamiento de Juan Guaidó." *Foreign Affairs Latinoamérica*, vol. 20, no. 1, 2020, pp. 16-23. <https://revistafal.com/numeros-antiores/fal-20-2/>

Mijares, Víctor M. "Filling the structural gap: Geopolitical links explaining the South American Defense Council." *Colombia Internacional*, no. 101, 2020, pp. 3-28. <https://doi.org/10.7440/colombiaint101.2020.01>

Cardozo Uzcátegui, Alejandro, and Víctor M. Mijares. "Los lazos de corrupción entre Rusia y Venezuela: Una alianza con otros medios." *Foreign Affairs Latinoamérica*, vol. 19, no. 2, 2019, pp. 64-74. <https://revistafal.com/numeros-antiores/fal-19-2/>

Mijares, Víctor M. "Performance of the South American Defense Council under autonomy pressures." *Latin America Policy*, vol. 9, no. 2, 2018, pp. 258-281. <https://doi.org/10.1111/lamp.12146>

Mijares, Víctor M., and Detlef Nolte. "Regionalismo post-hegemónico en crisis: ¿Por qué la Unasur se desintegra?" *Foreign Affairs Latinoamérica*, vol. 18, no. 3, 2018, pp. 105-112. <https://revistafal.com/numeros-antiores/fal-18-3/>

Bernal-Meza, Raúl, Fabián Novak, and Víctor M. Mijares. "La Alianza del Pacífico y el MERCOSUR: ¿Alianza estratégica o convergencia en la diversidad?" In Eduardo Pastrana Buelvas and Hans Blomeier (eds.), *La Alianza del Pacífico: ¿Atrapada en el péndulo del regionalismo y del interregionalismo?* Konrad Adenauer Stiftung México, 2018, pp. 205-222. https://www.researchgate.net/publication/330324428_La_Alianza_del_Pacifico_atrapada_en_el_pendolo_del_regionalismo_y_del_interregionalismo

Mijares, Víctor M. "Soft balancing the titans: Venezuelan foreign policy strategy toward the United States, China, and Russia." *Latin American Policy*, vol. 8, no. 2, 2017, pp. 201-231. <https://doi.org/10.1111/lamp.12128>

Romero, Carlos A., and Víctor M. Mijares. "From Chávez to Maduro: Continuity and change in Venezuelan foreign policy." *Contexto Internacional*, vol. 38, no. 1, 2016, pp. 191-227. <https://doi.org/10.1590/S0102-8529.2016380100005>

Mijares, Víctor M. "Realismo neoclásico: ¿El retorno de los estudios internacionales a la ciencia política?" *Revista de Ciencia Política*, vol. 35, no. 3, 2015, pp. 581-603. <http://dx.doi.org/10.4067/S0718-090X2015000300006>

Mijares, Víctor M. "The paradoxical effects of multipolarity over the South American security governance." In Peter Bátor and Robert Ondrejcsák (eds.), *Panorama of Global Security Environment*

2014. Center for European and North Atlantic Affairs, 2014, pp. 469-480.
https://www.researchgate.net/publication/272826979_The_Paradoxical_Effect_of_Multipolarity_over_the_South_American_Security_Governance

Mijares, Víctor M. "U.S.-Brazil strategic dialogue: Towards a hemispheric security consortium?" In John Western and Javier Corrales (eds.), *Post-Hegemonic Global Governance*, 2nd ed., Institute for Training and Development, 2013, pp. 99-104. <http://dx.doi.org/10.13140/2.1.2723.1525>

Mijares, Víctor M. "Venezuela en el mapa geopolítico mundial." In Luis Pedro España (ed.), *Encuentro de Organizaciones Sociales de Venezuela 2012*. Universidad Católica Andrés Bello, 2012, pp. 287-292. https://www.academia.edu/3737889/Venezuela_en_el_Mapa_Geopol%C3%ADtico_Mundial

Mijares, Víctor M. "Consejo de Defensa Suramericano: Obstáculos para una alianza operativa." *Politeia*, vol. 34, no. 46, 2011, pp. 1-46. <https://www.redalyc.org/pdf/1700/170022376001.pdf>

Mijares, Víctor M. "El debate acerca de la incidencia de la multipolaridad sobre la seguridad internacional." *Politeia*, vol. 32, no. 42, 2009, pp. 139-170. <https://www.redalyc.org/articulo.oa?id=170014942006>

Mijares, Víctor M. "Constitución – Venezuela." In Javier Fernández Sebastián (ed.), *Diccionario político y social del mundo iberoamericano: Conceptos políticos en la era de las revoluciones, 1750-1850*. Centro de Estudios Políticos y Constitucionales, Fundación Carolina, Sociedad Estatal de Conmemoraciones Culturales, 2009, pp. 413-422. <http://www.iberconceptos.net/wp-content/uploads/2012/10/DPSMI-I-bloque-CONSTITUCION.pdf>

Mijares, Víctor M. "Petróleo y conflicto en la estructura internacional: Aproximación a los fundamentos básicos del conflicto internacional generado por el control de las principales fuentes mundiales de petróleo." *Revista Venezolana de Análisis de Coyuntura*, vol. IX, no. 2, 2003, pp. 43-57. <https://www.redalyc.org/articulo.oa?id=36490204>

Selected Policy Papers

Mijares, Víctor M. "Legitimacy Crisis and Venezuela's Long Road to Democratic Transition." *GIGA Focus Latin America*, no. 4, 2024. <https://www.giga-hamburg.de/en/publications/giga-focus/legitimacy-crisis-and-venezuelas-long-road-to-democratic-transition>

Mijares, Víctor M. "Growing Sino-US Rivalry in Latin America: An Opportunity for the EU." *GIGA Focus Latin America*, no. 5, 2023. <https://www.giga-hamburg.de/en/publications/giga-focus/growing-sino-us-rivalry-in-latin-america-an-opportunity-for-the-eu>

Mijares, Víctor M. "The War in Ukraine and Latin America: Reluctant Support." *GIGA Focus Latin America*, no. 2, 2022. <https://www.giga-hamburg.de/en/publications/giga-focus/the-war-in-ukraine-and-latin-america-reluctant-support>

Mijares, Víctor M., and Nastassja Rojas Silva. "Venezuelan Migration Crisis Puts the Region's Democratic Governability at Risk." *GIGA Focus Latin America*, no. 6, 2018. <https://www.giga-hamburg.de/en/publications/giga-focus/venezuelan-migration-crisis-puts-the-regions-democratic-governability-at-risk>

Mijares, Víctor M. "Die Resilienz des venezolanischen Autoritarismus." *GIGA Focus Latin America*, no. 2, 2017. <https://www.giga-hamburg.de/en/publications/giga-focus/the-resilience-of-venezuelan->

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Mijares, Víctor M., and Luis Leandro Schenoni. "Die Krise in Venezuela – Prüfstein für die UNASUR." *GIGA Focus Latin America*, no. 3, 2015. <https://www.giga-hamburg.de/en/publications/giga-focus/die-krise-in-venezuela-prufstein-fur-die-unasur>

Mijares, Víctor M. "Proteste in Venezuela und die Krise des Chavismus." *GIGA Focus Latin America*, no. 2, 2014. <https://www.giga-hamburg.de/en/publications/giga-focus/proteste-in-venezuela-und-die-krise-des-chavismus>

Software Design

GSS – Global Security Simulator

An online simulator for international policy, enabling real-time communication between teams. GSS evaluates decisions using mathematical matrices and generative AI models, providing dynamic feedback on fictional or real global security scenarios.

OpenUN

A software tool for synthesizing and visualizing UN General Assembly voting patterns. OpenUN allows users to filter data by year, topic, and country from 1946 to 2024, offering interactive visualizations and insights into member states' voting behavior.

Ongoing Projects

Integrated Methodology for Multilevel Strategic Wargaming

Lead Researcher (2025–2027). Collaboration between the Colombian Navy (*Escuela Naval de Cadetes Almirante Padilla*) and Universidad de los Andes. Developed a pedagogical tool integrating decision-making across political, strategic-military, operational, and tactical levels to enhance civilian and military training in Colombia.

Conferences Attendance

2025, ISA Annual Conference, Lecture: "Algorithmic solutions for neoclassical realist methodology of foreign policy analysis," and Roundtable: "Innovations in Neoclassical Realist Theory II: Can it be Geographically and Positionally Diverse?," Chicago, IL (accepted).

2024, 58th International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association, Lecture: "Arms and decision: How Latin America choose weapons and defense suppliers," Pontificia Universidad Javeriana, Bogotá, Colombia.

2023, 7th National Congress of Political Science ACCPOL, Lecture: "Securitization of Organized Crime: Hegemonic Socialization of Security Discourses in Latin America," Universidad de los Andes, Bogotá, Colombia.

2021, 6th National Congress of Political Science ACCPOL, Lecture: "Cogito ergo pacificis: el rol de los centros de pensamiento en el proceso de paz de Colombia. [Cogito ergo pacificis: The Role of Think Tanks in the Colombian Peace Process]," online.

2021, ISA Annual Conference, Lectures: "The sources of assertiveness in petro-states foreign policy," online.

2020, ISA Midwest Annual Conference, Lecture: "The sources of assertiveness in petro-states foreign policy," online.

2019, 6th Congress of Redintercol, Lecture: "Petro-states: Refining a category for International Studies purposes," Barranquilla, Colombia.

2019, 53rd International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association, Lecture: "What went wrong? A neoclassical realist analysis on collapsing UNASUR," Boston, MA.

2018, Flacso Ecuador-ISA Joint Conference, Lectures: "Imbalanced Foreign Policy of Revisionist Minor Powers: Venezuela's Great Powers Risky Policy" and "Assertiveness and Regime Survival in Petro-States' Foreign Policy: Boom and Bust in Angola and Venezuela," Quito, Ecuador.

2016, 50th International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association, Lecture: "Assessing Change and Continuity in Venezuela's Latin America Foreign Policy," New York, NY.

2015, 56th Annual Convention of the International Studies Association, Lecture: "Unveiling the Offense-Defense Balance in South America," New Orleans, LA.

2014, Flacso Argentina-ISA Joint Conference, Lecture: "Multipolarity as the Origin and the Major Challenge for the South American Defense Council," Buenos Aires, Argentina.

2013, IV Semana Latinoamericana y Caribeña en la Simón, Lecture: "El rol de Venezuela en el sistema suramericano de diplomacia de defensa. [The Role of Venezuela in the South American Defense Diplomacy System]," IAEAL Instituto de Altos Estudios de América Latina, Universidad Simón Bolívar, Caracas, Venezuela.

2013, Peace and Science Studies-International Studies Association Joint Conference, Lecture: "Operational Alliances: the tough condition for regional security governance in a multipolar world. The case on the South American Defense Council," Budapest, Hungary.

2012, IX Jornadas de Investigación de la Escuela de Estudios Internacionales de la UCV, Lecture: "Gobernanza de seguridad en un mundo multipolar: definiciones, obstáculos y condiciones. [Security Governance in a Multipolar World: Definitions, Obstacles, and Conditions]," Caracas, Venezuela.

2012, Encuentro de Organizaciones Sociales de Venezuela 2012, Lecture: "La situación de Venezuela en el mapa geopolítico mundial: oportunidades, desafíos y riesgos presentes. [Venezuela's Situation in the Global Geopolitical Map: Present Opportunities, Challenges, and Risks]," Universidad Católica Andrés Bello, Caracas, Venezuela.

2011, II Semana Latinoamericana y Caribeña en la Simón, Lecture: "Protección de los recursos energéticos como doctrina de defensa de la UNASUR. [Protection of Energy Resources as a Defense Doctrine for UNASUR]," Instituto de Altos Estudios de América Latina, Universidad Simón Bolívar, Caracas, Venezuela.

2011, XI Simposio Nacional de Ciencia Política, Lecture: "El auge de Brasil y sus implicaciones para la seguridad regional. [The Rise of Brazil and Its Implications for Regional Security]," Instituto de Altos Estudios de América Latina, Universidad Simón Bolívar, Caracas, Venezuela.

2010, VIII Jornadas de Investigación de la Escuela de Estudios Internacionales de la UCV, Lecture: “Consejo de Defensa Suramericano: los límites de una alianza inorgánica. [South American Defense Council: The Limits of an Inorganic Alliance],” Universidad Central de Venezuela, Caracas, Venezuela.

2010, I Semana Latinoamericana y Caribeña en la Simón, Lecture: “Sistemas de alianzas en América Latina: orígenes, cohesión, poder y perspectivas. [Alliance Systems in Latin America: Origins, Cohesion, Power, and Perspectives],” Instituto de Altos Estudios de América Latina, Universidad Simón Bolívar, Caracas, Venezuela.

2010, Jornada de Investigación: Conflictos y Consensos en Política: a 200 años del 19 de Abril, Lecture: “Evolución del patrón de alianzas de Venezuela: ¿una vocación revolucionaria? [The Evolution of Venezuela's Alliance Pattern: A Revolutionary Vocation?],” Universidad Simón Bolívar, Caracas, Venezuela.

2009, XII Congreso Internacional sobre Integración, Fronteras y Globalización en el Continente Americano, Lecture: “La relación colombo-venezolana desde la perspectiva del dilema de la seguridad. [The Colombia-Venezuela Relationship from the Perspective of the Security Dilemma],” Universidad de Los Andes, Venezuela, San Cristóbal, Venezuela.

2008, I Encuentro Internacional de Estudios Marítimos, Lecture: “Estabilidad estratégica y regímenes de seguridad regional en mares semi-cerrados: efectos jurídicos internacionales de la paradoja geoestratégica. [Strategic Stability and Regional Security Regimes in Semi-Enclosed Seas: International Legal Effects of the Geostrategic Paradox],” Universidad Metropolitana, Caracas, Venezuela.

2005, XI Congreso Latino Americano de la Asociación Latinoamericana de Estudiantes y Graduados en Ciencia Política, Lecture: “Tendencias y posibilidades de la seguridad hemisférica. [Trends and Possibilities in Hemispheric Security],” Universidad Central de Venezuela, Caracas, Venezuela.

2000, IV Congreso Latino Americano de la Asociación Latinoamericana de Estudiantes y Graduados en Ciencia Política, Universidad de los Andes, Mérida, Venezuela.

Professional Affiliations

Since 2021: Ecuadorian Political Science Association AECIP (honorary member)

Since 2018: Colombian Political Science Association ACCPOL

2021-2023: Vice President (elected by ACCPOL General Assembly)

2022-2023: Organizer of the 7th Colombian Congress of Political Science, Universidad de los Andes, Bogotá, 2023

2019-2021: Treasurer (elected by ACCPOL General Assembly)

Since 2018: International Political Science Association IPSA

Since 2017: Colombian Network of International Relations Redintercol

2021: Co-Chair of the International Security section of the Redintercol biennial congress

Since 2014: Latin American Studies Association LASA

Since 2023: Member of the Executive Board of the Section of Defense, Public Security, and Democracy

2019-2021: Member of the Executive Board of the Section of Venezuelan Studies

2023: Co-Chair of the International Relations/Global Studies section for the Annual Conference
2024: Co-Chair of the International Relations/Global Studies section for the Annual Conference

Since 2007: International Studies Association ISA

Honors and Awards

2023: Conference travel grant, LASA

2022: Research Grant for the project "Geostrategy with other means: China digital influence over the Andes," Friedrich Naumann Foundation

2022-2024: Accreditation as "Associate Researcher," Colombian Ministry of Science and Technology

2019-2021: Accreditation as "Associate Researcher," Colombian Ministry of Science and Technology

2019: Best Social Sciences article about Venezuela, Latin American Studies Association (LASA)

2019-2022: Assistant Professors' grant for the research project "Petro-states in World Politics," Universidad de Los Andes, Colombia

2018: Cum Laude PhD with Magna Cum Laude dissertation defense, Universität Hamburg

2016: Conference travel grant, LASA

2013-2016: Doctoral scholarship, DAAD

2013: Fellow of the Study of the United States Institutes, "U.S. National Security Policy-Making," Fulbright

2011: Fellow of the Americas Program of the James A. Baker III Institute for Public Policy of Rice University and the Political Secretariat of the Organization of American States (OAS/OEA)

2007: Graduated with Honors for MA, Universidad Simón Bolívar, Venezuela

2008-2009: Accreditation as "Researcher Candidate," Venezuelan National Office for Science, Technology, and Innovation

2006: Graduated with Honors for Spec., Universidad Central de Venezuela

2004-2007: Graduate scholarship, Fundación Gran Mariscal de Ayacucho, Venezuela

Languages

Spanish: Native proficiency

English: Advanced (C1)

Portuguese: Intermediate (B1)

