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## EDUCATION

### **Berlin Graduate School of Transnational Studies, Berlin**

Ph.D. Candidate – 2012-2015 (expected)

Dissertation: *The Politics of Investor-State Disputes*

Advisor: Dr. Anke Hassel

### **University of Ottawa, Ottawa**

M.A. Globalization and International Development – 2010-2012

Thesis: *CSR and Mining company-community conflict in Peru*

### **Mount Allison University, Sackville**

B.A. International Relations 2005-2009

## RESEARCH & TEACHING EXPERIENCE

**Current** - Lecturer, Thesis Research Design, Hertie School of Governance, Berlin

**2012** - Research Assistant, Publish What You Pay Canada, Ottawa

**2011-2012** – Research Assistant, The North-South Institute, Ottawa

**2011** – Research Assistant, The University of Ottawa, Ottawa

**2010-2011**- Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Political Theory, University of Ottawa, Ottawa

**2010** – Summer Intern, Human Rights Watch, Toronto

## PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

“Domestic demands and international agreements: What causes investor-state disputes? in S Lalani/ R. Polanco (eds), the role of the state in investor-state arbitration (martinus nijhoff/brill, 2014) (forthcoming)

“Investor-State Conflict and International Investment Agreement” Conference Presentation at the European Consortium for Political Research, University of Glasgow, September 5, 2014.

“Risky Business or Risky Politics: What explains investor-state disputes?” *Investment Treaty News Quarterly*, August 2014. <http://www.iisd.org/itn/2014/08/12/risky-business-or-risky-politics-what-explains-investor-state-disputes/>

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“Domestic demands and international agreements: What causes investor-state disputes?”  
Conference presentation at “The Role of the State in Investor-State Arbitration”, The  
World Trade Institute, Bern, Switzerland, 2013

“The political possibilities of CSR: mining company-community conflict and the case of  
the Tintaya Dialogue Process” Conference presenter at GSAED, University of Ottawa,  
Ottawa, 2012

“The role of CSR in managing conflict” Conference presenter at the “Imagining Global  
Governance – Change and Continuity” Balsillie School of International Affairs,  
Waterloo, 2011

“Food Security in Latin America: Short-term Responses to the Global Food Crisis”  
and “Global Production Chains, and Inclusive Growth” Co-author with Pablo Heidrich  
for the North-South Institute, as part of a project funded by IDRC-AUCC, 2011

## **AWARDS**

- Fritz-Thyssen Foundation Stipendium 2012-2015
- Ontario Graduate Scholarship 2011-2012
- Excellence Scholarship, University of Ottawa 2011-2012
- Excellence Scholarship, University of Ottawa, 2010-2011
- PetroCan Undergraduate Summer Research Award, 2008

## **LANGUAGES**

English (native speaker)  
Spanish (professional proficiency)  
German (basic proficiency)  
French (basic proficiency)