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EDUCATION

Northwestern University Ph.D. Candidate in Political Science Field of Study: American Politics and Methodology <u>Dissertation:</u> Transnational Racial Formation and Charting a Space for Afro-Latinos Committee: Dr. Reuel Rogers (Chair), Dr. Alvin B. Tillery II, Dr. Chloe Thurston, Dr. James Mahoney, Dr. Danielle Clealand	Expected Jun 2025
Northwestern University Master's Candidate in Applied Statistics Field of Study: Quantitative Methodologies	Expected Sep 2024
Northwestern University Master's in Political Science <u>Master's Thesis:</u> Transnational Racial Ideologies: Raising Black Consciousness through Social Media from the U.S. to the Dominican Republic	Jun 2021
University of Chicago B.A. with Honors in Political Science <u>B.A. Thesis:</u> The Effects of Race and Socioeconomic Status on Student Self-Perceptions, Views on Political Agency, and Future Success Faculty Advisor: Dr. Michael Dawson	Jun 2017
Institute for Multi-Method and Qualitative Research (IQMR) Syracuse University	June 15-28, 2024

RESEARCH INTERESTS

My work centers on the measure of race, ethnicity, intersectional identity, and their political implications. I do this through qualitative and quantitative social science, with a diasporic and transnational focus on Afro-Latino communities in the U.S. and the Caribbean.

AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

APSA Dissertation Development Research Improvement Grant (\$15,000)	Sept 2024 – 2025
The Ford Foundation Dissertation Fellowship (\$28,000)	Jun 2023 – 2024
Northwestern University Council for Race and Ethnic Studies Pre-Doctoral Fellowship	Jun 2022– 2023
Research Grant, Center for American Women in Politics (\$10,000)	Dec 2021– 2022
Research Grant, Center for the Study of Diversity and Democracy	Oct 2020 – 2021

NatDDP Scholarship Recipient 2019-2020, National Dominican Day Parade	Aug 2020 – 2024
LACS Summer Research Funding, Northwestern University	Jun 2020
American Political Science Association Predoctoral Diversity Fellowship	May 2020 – 2021
Northwestern University Graduate Fellowship, Northwestern University	Sep 2019 - Sep 2020
The Annual Learning Lab Predoctoral Leadership Prize, The University of Chicago	Oct 2018
B.A. Thesis awarded Special Honors in Political Science, The University of Chicago	Apr 2017
Dean's List, The University of Chicago	Sep 2013 - Jun 2017
Summer Metcalf Grant, The University of Chicago	Jun 2015
QuestBridge College Match Scholarship of Full Tuition, The University of Chicago	Sep 2013

PUBLICATIONS

- Bueno Vásquez, Michelle, Yalidy Matos, and Domingo Morel. 2022. "Analysis | Afro-Latino Politicians Could Bridge the African American-Latino Divide." *Washington Post*.
<https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2022/10/25/latino-racism-dominicans-congress/>.
- Bueno Vásquez, Michelle. 2022. "How the U.S. Census Ignores Afro-Latinos." *Washington Post*.
<https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2022/06/03/how-us-census-ignores-afro-latinos/>.
- Matos, Yalidy, Domingo Morel, **Michelle Bueno Vásquez**, *Politics in our Veins: The Rise of Dominican-American Political Power in the United States*. NYU Press. Forthcoming.
- Bueno Vásquez, Michelle. "Unseen and Unheard: Highlighting the Invisible Struggles of Afro-Latinos in the United States." *Challenges and Issues Facing Marginalized Groups in the United States*, edited by Maruice Mangum. Book in manuscript.

PRESENTATIONS

- Panelist**, "Understanding Afro-Latinx Experiences through Data Disaggregation" University of California, Los Angeles. September 3, 2024.
- Michelle Bueno Vásquez**. "U.S. Interventions and Racial Rhetorics of Domination" Presentation at the Western Political Science Association, Comparative Analyses of Migration, San Francisco, CA, April 6-8, 2022.
- Michelle Bueno Vásquez**. "Nightmares of the Sleeping Giant: Latino Minority Essentialization and Afro-Latino Marginalization" [Presentation at the Harvard Afro-Latin American Research Institute](#), Cambridge, MA, December 7-9, 2022.
- Michelle Bueno Vásquez** and Andrene Wright. "Face of a Movement: Colorism and Racism in the Evaluation of Black Women Leaders." American Political Science Association 2022 Conference, Montréal, Canada, September 18, 2022.
- Michelle Bueno Vásquez**. "New World Racial Orders: The political salience of racial recategorization in U.S. neo-imperialism in the Caribbean" Presentation at the Latin American Studies Association Congress, Racial Politics in Latin America Section, San Francisco, CA, May 5-8, 2022.

Michelle Bueno Vásquez and Andrene Wright. “Face of a Movement: Colorism and Racism in the Evaluation of Black Women Leaders.” Western Political Science Association, Portland, OR, March 12, 2022.

Guest Lecturer. “Transnational Racial Ideologies and Colorism.” Guest Lecture for Undergraduate Senior Seminar on Race and Racism, Notre Dame American Studies Department, South Bend, Indiana, May 5, 2021.

[Michelle Bueno Vásquez. “Transnational Black Consciousness Raising Through Social Media: From the U.S. to the Dominican Republic” Presentation at the National Conference of Black Political Scientists, New York, NY, Mar 12, 2021, & at the Dominican Studies Association IX Biennial Conference, New York, NY, December 15, 2020.](#)

Panelist, “Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Execution,” The University of Chicago Office of Multicultural Student Affairs, Chicago, IL, November 18, 2020.

Guest Lecturer, “Asking and Answering Questions” Course for Northwestern’s Bridge Program for First-Generation College Students, Jul 29, 2020.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Portfolio available upon request

Teaching Certificate Searle Center for Advancing Teaching and Learning Northwestern University	Jun 2022
Teaching Assistant, Statistical Research Methods Professor Jason Seawright Department of Political Science, Northwestern University	Sep 2021 – Dec 2021
Teaching Assistant, Graduate Level Introduction to Probability and Statistics Professor Jean Clipperton Department of Political Science, Northwestern University	Sep 2021 – Dec 2021
Teaching Assistant, Political Science Department Math Bootcamp Professor Jean Clipperton Department of Political Science, Northwestern University	Sep 2021 – Sep 2021
Teaching Assistant, Race, Inequality and the Political Analysis of Public Policy Professor Sally Nuamah School of Education and Social Policy, Northwestern University	Jan 2021 – Mar 2021
Teaching Assistant, African American Politics Professor Reuel Rogers Department of Political Science, Northwestern University	Sep 2020 – Dec 2020
Private Spanish Teacher (adult and K-12) Spanish Evanston, Evanston, IL	Jan 2019 – Present

LEADERSHIP

The Commune Chair (Northwestern University)	Sep 2021 – 2022
Racial & Ethnic Politics Workshop Coordinator (Northwestern University)	Sep 2021 – 2022
Teaching Committee Member and TA Mentor (Northwestern University)	Sep 2021 – 2022

RESEARCH & EXPERIENCE

Graduate Research Assistant Dominican Political Incorporation Project Dominican Studies Institute CUNY, New York, NY	Jul 2021 – Dec 2021
Graduate Research Assistant in Political Psychology James N. Druckman, Payson S. Wild Professor Northwestern University, Evanston, IL	Mar 2020 – Sep 2020
Graduate Research Assistant in Black Political Participation Traci Burch, Associate Professor, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL	Mar 2020 – Sep 2020
Cognitive Development Research Assistant The University of Chicago Learning Lab The University of Chicago, Chicago, IL	Aug 2018 – Jun 2019
Investment Banking Analyst Public Finance – Midwest Group Citigroup Global Markets Inc., Chicago, IL	Jun 2017 – Feb 2018
Education Research Intern Institute for Quality Science Teaching The Museum of Science and Industry, Chicago, IL	Jun 2016 – Sep 2016
Developmental Psychology Research Assistant, Newborn Initiative The Thirty Million Words Initiative, The University of Chicago, Chicago, IL	Jun 2014 – Mar 2017

ACADEMIC MEMBERSHIP

Comparative Historical Social Science Workshop Member	Sept 2021 – Present
Center for the Study of Diversity and Democracy Lab Member	Jan 2020 – Present
Political Science Experimental Lab Member	Sept 2019 – Present
Latin American and Caribbean Studies Graduate Fellow	Sept 2019 – Present
American Political Science Association (APSA) Member	Jan 2021 – Present
Latin American Studies Association (LASA) Member	Sept 2021 – Present
Western Political Science Association Member	Sept 2021 – Present

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Volunteer On-Call Spanish and French Translator for Migrants and Asylum Seekers Sanctuary Working Group , Chicago, IL
Community Organizing Organized Peaceful Protest Against Election Fraud in the Dominican Republic, Chicago, IL
Volunteer and Mentor, DRW College Prep, Chicago, IL Contact: Sushmitha Ram, Senior Special Needs Class Teacher, sram@drwtcollegeprep.org

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Spanish (Native Speaker)
French (Advanced)

English (Fluent)
Italian (Beginner)

Japanese (Beginner)

SOFTWARE PROFICIENCY

R, Python, SQL, LaTeX, STATA, Microsoft Office Suite, Zotero, Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, Bridge, Flash, Lightroom

ACADEMIC REFERENCES

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