

CURRICULUM VITAE

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CURRENT EMPLOYMENT: Research Officer, Institute of Development Studies, University of Sussex

LANGUAGES: English (fluent), Spanish (native), French (working knowledge)

THEMATIC EXPERTISE: Gender and governance, violence against women, aid and development cooperation

GEOGRAPHICAL EXPERTISE: Latin America, Peru, El Salvador

OVERVIEW

Governance and gender specialist with over sixteen years of experience in Latin America within the international development sector, working with multi and bilateral agencies as well as civil society organisations. Experienced at policy and programme levels. Interested in gender policy making processes, social norms change, and social accountability, among others. Currently, PhD Researcher at IDS on the dynamics of movements and countermovements around gender equality in Peru.

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS

2020 – 2024	PhD Development Studies Institute of Development Studies - University of Sussex, United Kingdom
2018 - 2019	MA in Governance, Public Policy and Development (Distinction) Institute of Development Studies - University of Sussex, United Kingdom
2008 - 2010	MA in Gender and Development (Distinction) Universidad Nacional Mayor de San Marcos, Peru Two-year scholarship of the Spanish Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation
2001 - 2002	MA in Development Cooperation and Humanitarian Affairs Universidad Pontificia de Comillas, Spain
1995 – 2001	BA in Political Science and Public Administration Major in International Affairs and Minor in Latin American Studies Universidad Complutense de Madrid, Spain

EXPERIENCE

2019 – PRESENT **Research Officer, Institute of Development Studies, United Kingdom**
Teaching Assistant MA Gender and Development 2020/21
Governance cluster
Previous position: Research Assistant (2019)

- Research officer for the projects 'Informality and Trust in times of Covid-19', funded by DFID, and 'Promoting Opportunities for Women Empowerment and Rights (POWER)', implemented by ActionAid International in Rwanda, Ghana and Bangladesh.
- Analysis of the impact of Covid-19 on governance and gender equality for various project at IDS. Co-author of the [Ireland's Positioning Paper Gender Equality and Building Back Better](#).

- Literature reviews on gender backlash; women's empowerment in fragile, conflict and violence-affected settings (A4EA Research Programme); feminist institutionalism and informal institutions (ESID Research Programme); safety and sexual harassment in the workplace (BA Proposal) and indigenous health and social accountability (UKRI GCRF Health and Context Proposal).
- Supervision and marking of term papers for the modules 'Politics of Gender' and 'Theoretical Approaches to Gender and Development' (MA Gender and Development) and marking of MA Gender and Development dissertations.

2017 – 2020

International Consultant, UN Trust Fund to End Violence Against Women (UNTF), UN Women

- Technical assessment of the Latin American concept notes and full fledge applications for the 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020 UNTF Calls for Proposals.

2010 – 2018

Gender and Civil Society Projects Officer in Peru, Spanish Agency for International Development Cooperation (AECID) - Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation

- Design, management and monitoring of multilateral, bilateral and NGOs programmes funded by AECID on gender equality and governance, from the identification to the evaluation process. Funds over \$3 million/year.
- High-level policy dialogue with Peruvian authorities and the feminist movement, providing technical advice to the Ministry of Woman, the Attorney General's Office, the Spanish NGOs Forum, and the Spanish Chamber of Commerce in Peru, among others.
- Secretariat of the Donors Agencies Group on Gender Equality in Peru, overseeing the production of gender policy papers and reports, as well as coordinating joint positions of the official development cooperation.
- Representation of the Spanish Cooperation in academic and specialized forums on gender equality, gender-based violence prevention, and the role of civil society in development.
- Management of gender awareness campaigns to prevent gender-based violence, producing TV spots, press conferences, and artistic events, among others.

2005 – 2007

Development Worker, PROGRESSIO UK, Peru

- Institutional strengthening advisor of Escuela para el Desarrollo, a training centre on social development, and PROSA, a grassroots organisation of people living with HIV/AIDS.
- Collection and dissemination of lessons learned on women's political participation through the systematization of the Ayacucho Women in Politics Network's experience.
- Virtual tutoring for 'Knowledge Management' students from civil society organisations. Topics related to women political participation, post-conflict women mental health and sexual and reproductive rights.

2003 – 2005

Development Worker, SETEM Catalunya, El Salvador

- Institutional strengthening advisor of the Committee for Reconstruction & Social Development of the Rural Communities of Suchitoto – CRC.
- Design and implementation of a capacity building process on project design and strategic planning for the organisation's staff.
- Design of development proposals on rural development.
- Participation in local and national advocacy networks for youth rights.

PUBLICATIONS, DOCUMENTARY FILMS, AND AWARDS

Nazneen, S. and Araujo, S. (2020) *Gender Equality and Building Back Better*, Positioning Paper, Brighton: Institute of Development Studies.

Araujo, S. y Montes, K. (2008) *Construyendo equidad: Sistematización de la experiencia de la Red de Regidoras de la Región de Ayacucho* [Building Equity: Organisational Learning of Women in Politics Network in Ayacucho]. Lima: Escuela para el Desarrollo.

Cooking Up Dreams (2009) Cabellos, E. (director) and Araujo, S. (producer) [Documentary film: 75']. Two international awards.

The Mask (2008) Araujo, S., Cabellos, E., and Culis, J. (directors and producers). [Documentary film: 9']. Peruvian Ministry of Culture Award.