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EDUCATION

UNIVERSIDAD PONTIFICA COMILLAS

Máster de Acceso a la Abogacía

Madrid, Spain

Expected: June 2021

IE UNIVERSITY

Dual Bachelor of Laws and International Relations

Madrid, Spain

July 2020

- GPA: 8.54/10.0
- Honors in: Civil Law: Contracts Class, Comparative Politics Class, and Moot Madrid – Arbitration Moot Court
- Academic Excellence Scholarship

THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG: FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

Exchange Program

Hong Kong, China

Septembre - December 2019

COLEGIO MENOR SAN FRANCISCO DE QUITO

American High School Diploma

Quito, Ecuador

2001-2015

- GPA: 9.4/10
- Graduating Cum Laude and Class President

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

RAIA GROUP

Research and Analyst

Remote

May - August 2020/2021

- Writer and editor for the student-based international relations think tank RAIA Group. Researching foreign policy, international commerce, and geopolitics. Articles disponibles at: <https://raiagroup.org/author/maria-paula-jijon>

Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores y Movilidad Humana del Ecuador

Intern

Quito, Ecuador

July - August 2019

- Collaborated with the Department of Naturalizations and Visas with the legal analysis, review, and acceptance of applications from foreign citizens.

Armesto & Asociados - Árbitros

Intern

Madrid, Spain

May - June 2018

- Assisted the legal team of International Arbitrator and the Former President of the “Club Español de Arbitraje”, Juan Fernández Armento, researching both investment and commercial arbitration.

Pérez Bustamante y Ponce Abogados - Corporate Area

Intern

Quito, Ecuador

June - August 2017

- Worked in the Corporate Area in constituting mergers and acquisitions including the creation of several corporate branches of international companies.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- **International Association of Political Science Students:** Chair, Discussant, and Panelist at the 2021 IAPSS World Congress. Presenting research on the impact of populism on judicial independence in Eastern Europe and Latin America.
- **Philip C. Jessup International Law Court Moot Competition 2021:** Representing ICADE both during the written and oral stages in both the national and international rounds of the international public law competition.
- **“Moot Madrid Edición 2019”:** Represented IE University during the international arbitration moot court - Moot Madrid in April 2019 both during the written and oral stages. **Mention: Best Statement of Claim.**
- **International Model United Nation GIMUN (Geneva 2017):** Represented IE University Debate Club as the Delegate for Sudan in the African Union Committee, debating on Central African Republic’s situation, Sub-Saharan politics, and environmental threats to the continent. **Awarded Best Delegate of the Committee.**

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- **Languages:** Spanish (Native). English (Bilingual).
- **Computer Skills:** User MS Office (Word, Power Point, Excel, Access); Google (Docs/Slides, Drive, Calendar).
- **Hobbies:** World history, Chinese history, Latin American literature, Cinema, Knitting, Dance (contemporary and Spanish).