

EDUCATION

BROWN UNIVERSITY, Providence, RI

PhD Candidate, Department of Political Science

2018-Present

Master of Arts, Department of Political Science

2018-2020

- Areas of study: Comparative Politics (With Distinction) and International Relations
- Dissertation committee: Prerna Singh (Chair), Gemma Dipoppa, Rebecca Weitz-Shapiro, Richard Snyder
- P. Terrence Hopmann Award for Excellence in Teaching

2021

COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY, New York, NY

Master of Public Health, Department of Population & Family Health

2013-2015

- Certificate in Public Health Humanitarian Assistance

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN, Ann Arbor, MI

Honors Bachelor of Arts in Brain, Behavior, & Cognitive Science

2007-2011

- Awards: University Honor's Program, Michigan Traditional Award, Academic Competitiveness Grant, James F Lewis Jr. Scholarship

PUBLICATIONS

REFEREED JOURNALS

Bennouna, C. (Working paper). Ballots, pickets, and pocketbooks: How remittances shape social development in Guatemala.

Seff, I., Gillespie, A., **Bennouna, C.**, and Stark, L. (Working paper). Meaning-focused coping as a cultural process: A mixed quantitative and PhotoVoice study of adolescents with Arab backgrounds overcoming stigma and harassment.

Meyer, S.R., Gillespie, A., Seff, I., **Bennouna, C.**, Qushua, N., Tothezan, I., Boaten Boahen-Boaten, B., Allaf, C., & Stark, L. (R&R). A relational approach to understanding suicide ideation among adolescents with a MENA background. *Society & Mental Health*.

Bennouna, C., Gillespie, A., Stark, L., & Seff, I. (2022). Norms, Repertoires, & Intersections: Towards an integrated theory of culture for health research and practice. *Social Science & Medicine*. Available [here](#).

Cohen, F., Meyer, S. **Bennouna, C.**, Seff, I., Allaf, C., & Stark, L. (2022). Intersectionality: Experiences of gender socialization and racialization for Iraqi students resettled in the United States. *Journal on Education in Emergencies*, special issue: *Gender in Education in Emergencies*. Available [here](#).

Gillespie, A., Brumbaum, H., **Bennouna, C.**, Meyer, S.R., & Stark, L. (2022). Opportunities and obstacles for achieving language equity among adolescents resettled from the Middle East and North Africa. *Journal of Refugee Studies*. Available [here](#).

Stark, L., Seff, I., Yu, G., Salama, M., Wessells, M., Allaf, C., & **Bennouna, C.** (2022). Correlates of suicide ideation and resilience among native- and foreign-born adolescents in the United States. *Journal of Adolescent Health*. Available [here](#).

Bennouna, C., Giraudy, A., Moncada, E., Rios, E., Snyder, R., & Testa, P. (2021). Pandemic policymaking in presidential federations: Explaining subnational responses to Covid-19 in Brazil, Mexico, and the United States. *Publius: The Journal of Federalism*, special issue: *Federalism and the Coronavirus Pandemic*. Available [here](#).

Bennouna, C., Brumbaum, H., McLay, M.M., Allaf, C., Wessells, M., & Stark, L. (2021). The role of culturally responsive social and emotional learning in supporting refugee inclusion and belonging: A thematic analysis of service provider perspectives. *PLoS ONE*. Available [here](#).

Seff, I., Gillespie, A., **Bennouna, C.**, Hassan, W., Robinson, M.V., Wessells, M., Allaf, C., & Stark, L. (2021). Psychosocial well-being, mental health, and available supports in an Arab enclave: Exploring outcomes for foreign-born and U.S.-born adolescents. *Frontiers in Psychiatry*, special issue: *Struggle for Survival: Mental Health Risks of Refugee Children and Adolescents during Immigration and Repatriation*. Abstract [here](#).

Stark, L., Robinson, M.V., Gillespie, A., Aldrich, J., Hassan, W., Wessells, M., Allaf, C., & **Bennouna, C.** (2021). Supporting mental health and psychosocial wellbeing through social and emotional learning: A participatory study of conflict-affected youth resettled in the U.S. *BMC Public Health*. Available [here](#).

Testa, P., Snyder, R., Rios, E., Moncada, E., Giraudy, A., & **Bennouna, C.** (2021). Do social distancing policies work? Voluntary and mandatory population immobility in Brazil, Mexico, and the United States during the COVID-19 pandemic. *Journal of Health Politics, Policy, and Law*, special issue: *Subnational COVID-19 Politics and Policy*. Available [here](#).

Ocampo, M. G., **Bennouna, C.**, Allaf, C., & Stark, L. (2020). We are here for the future of our kids: Parental involvement in refugee youth's educational endeavors in America. *Journal of Refugee Studies*. Available [here](#).

Bennouna, C., Ocampo, M. G., Cohen, F., Basir, M., Wessells, M., & Stark, L. (2019). Ecologies of care: Mental health and psychosocial support for war-affected youth in the U.S. *Conflict & Health*, 13(47). Available [here](#).

Bennouna, C., Khauli, N., Basir, M., Allaf, C., Wessells, M., & Stark, L. (2019). School-based programs for supporting the mental health and psychosocial wellbeing of conflict-affected adolescents resettled in high-income countries. *Social Science & Medicine*, 239. Available [here](#).

- Arifiani, S.D. Handayani, S.A., Baumont, M., **Bennouna, C.**, & Kusumaningrum, S. (2019). Assessing large-scale violence against children surveys in selected Southeast Asian countries: a scoping review. *Child Abuse & Neglect*, 93, 149-161. Available [here](#).
- Bermudez, L. G., Stark, L., **Bennouna, C.**, et al. (2019). Converging drivers of interpersonal violence: Findings from a qualitative study in post-hurricane Haiti. *Child Abuse & Neglect*, 89, 178-191. Available [here](#).
- Browne, A., **Bennouna, C.**, Asghar, K., Correa, C., Harker-Roa, A., & Stark, L. (2019). Risk and refuge: Adolescent boys' experiences of violence in "post-conflict" Colombia. *Journal of Interpersonal Violence*. Available [here](#).
- Mootz, J.J., Stark, L., Meyer, E., Asghar, K., Roa, A.H., Potts, A., Poulton, C., Marsh, M., Ritterbusch, A., & **Bennouna, C.** (2019). Examining intersections between violence against women and violence against children: Perspectives of adolescents and adults in displaced Colombian communities. *Conflict & Health*, 13-25. Available [here](#).
- Bennouna, C.**, Fischer, T., Wessells, M., & Boothby, N. (2018). Protecting children in disaster and war requires integrated household approaches. *International Journal of Child Health and Nutrition*, 7(2). Available [here](#).
- Williams, A., Kusumaningrum, S., **Bennouna, C.**, Usman R., Wandasari, W., & Stark, L. (2018). Using the theory of planned behavior to understand motivation to register births in Lombok, Indonesia. *Children & Society*, 32(5). Available [here](#).
- Bennouna, C.**, van Boetelaer, E., Rojas, L., Richard, K., Karume, G., Nshombo, M., Roberts, L., & Boothby, N. (2017). Monitoring and reporting attacks on education in Somalia and the Democratic Republic of the Congo. *Disasters*, 42(2), 314-335. Available [here](#).
- Bennouna, C.**, Mansourian, H., & Stark, L. (2017). Ethical considerations for children's participation in assessments and related research during humanitarian emergencies: A Delphi review. *Conflict and Health*, 11(1), 5. Available [here](#).
- Chisolm-Straker, M., Jardine, L., **Bennouna, C.**, Morency-Brassard, N., Coy, L., Egemba, M. O., & Shearer, P. L. (2017). Transgender and Gender Nonconforming in Emergency Departments: A Qualitative Report of Patient Experiences. *Transgender Health*, 2(1), 8-16. Available [here](#).
- Bennouna, C.**, Feldman, B., Usman, R., Adiputra, R., Kusumaningrum, S., & Stark, L. (2016). Using the three delays model to examine civil registration barriers in Indonesia. *PLoS ONE*, 11(12): e0168405. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0168405. Available [here](#).
- Bennouna, C.**, Ali, I., Nshombo, M., Karume, G., & Roberts, L. (2016). Improving surveillance of attacks on children and education in South Kivu: A knowledge collection and sensitivity analysis in the DR Congo. *Vulnerable Children and Youth Studies*, 11(1), 69-77. Available [here](#).
- Snyder, S. A., Rahman, S., Hamilton, J.K., Hamdi, H.T., Columbia Epidemiology of Human Rights Study Group, Anand, A., Andel, A., Barlet, L., Bennington, J.L., **Bennouna, C.**, et al. (2016). The Eric Garner case: Statewide survey of NYS voters' response to proposed police accountability legislation. *Journal of Social Service Research*, 43(1), 1-17. Available [here](#).

EDITED VOLUMES & CHAPTERS

- Kusumaningrum, S., Patunru, A., Siagian, C., and **Bennouna, C.** (2021). A child's growth is a nation's growth: Children's wellbeing and inequality in Indonesia. In Barichello, R., Schwindt, R., & Patunru, A. (Eds.), Trade, poverty and income distribution: The Indonesian experience. Vancouver: *University of British Columbia Press*. Book description available [here](#).
- Siagian, C., Habib, M., **Bennouna, C.**, Agastya, N. L. P. M., Arifiani, S. D., Febrianto, R., Handayani, S. A., Wandasari, W., & Kusumaningrum, S. (2021). Handbook for children's participation in research in Indonesia. PUSKAPA, University of Indonesia. Available [here](#).
- Bennouna, C.** & Stark, L. (2020). Ethical and methodological considerations for researching children exposed to political violence. In Greenbaum, C.W., Haj-Yahia, M.M., & Hamilton, C. (Eds.), Handbook of political violence and children: psychological effects, intervention and prevention policy. *Oxford University Press*.
- Bennouna, C.**, Stark, L., & Wessells, M. (2020). Children and adolescents in conflict and displacement. In Song, S.J. & Ventevogel, P. (Eds.), Child, adolescent and family refugee mental health. *Springer*. Abstract available [here](#).
- Powell, C. & **Bennouna, C.** (2017). Sex trafficking in the US. In Chisolm-Straker, C. & Stoklosa, H. (Eds.), Human trafficking is a health issue. *Springer International Publishing*. Abstract available [here](#).
- Meyer, S., **Bennouna, C.**, & Stark, L. (2016). Health and wellbeing of camp-living refugees. In Thomas, F. (Ed), Handbook of migration and health. *Edward Edgar Publishing*. Available [here](#).

SELECT PUBLISHED REPORTS, BRIEFS, & ESSAYS

- Bennouna, C.**, Seff, I., and Stark, L. (2023). How schools and other public services in the US can promote refugee integration. *Forced Migration Review*, special issue: *Sustainable Social and Economic Integration*. Available [here](#).
- Bornschein, D., Martínez Álvarez, M.R., López Arenales, J.F., Serrano Tello, V., **Bennouna, C.**, et al. (2022). Estudio de movilidad humana en Guatemala. Japanese International Cooperation Agency. Available from https://www.jica.go.jp/guatemala/espanol/activities/c8h0vm0000fgppyr-att/activity04_09.pdf.
- Bennouna, C.** (2021, November 3). "How schools can help to welcome young Afghan newcomers." *EdSurge*. Available [here](#).
- Bennouna, C.** (2019, October 7). "Latin America shuts out desperate Venezuelans but Colombia's border remains open — for now." *The Conversation*. Available [here](#).
- Bennouna, C.**, Kusumaningrum, S., Siagian, C., & Laugen, C. (2018). Social accountability in health in Indonesia: Lessons from programs. *Health, Nutrition, and Population Global Knowledge Brief Series*. Jakarta, Indonesia: The World Bank. Available [here](#).
- Laugen, C., Siagian, C., **Bennouna, C.**, & Kusumaningrum, S. (2018). Healthy participation, healthy people: A review of social accountability initiatives in Indonesian policies and programs. *Health, Nutrition, and Population Discussion Paper Series*. Jakarta, Indonesia: The World Bank. Available [here](#).
- Stark, L. & **Bennouna, C.** (2018, June 25). "If not family separation or family detention, then what?" *The Hill*. Available [here](#).
- Bennouna, C.** (2016, April 6). "Will child ID cards really protect children's rights?" *The Jakarta Post*. Available [here](#).
- Bennouna, C.** (2016, August 12). "Reasons to care about your birth certificate." *The Jakarta Post*. Available [here](#).

- Bennouna, C.** & Kusumaningrum, S. (2016). Out of sight, out of reach: breaking the cycle of invisibility: CRVS and health (Legal Identity, CRVS, and Basic Services Policy Brief Series). Jakarta, Indonesia: Ministry of National Development Planning (BAPPENAS), PUSKAPA, Australian Aid, and KOMPAK. Available [here](#).
- Kusumaningrum, S., **Bennouna, C.**, Siagian, C., & Agastya, N.L.P.M. (2016). Back to what counts: Birth and death in Indonesia. Jakarta, Indonesia: Ministry of National Development Planning (BAPPENAS), PUSKAPA, Australian Aid, and KOMPAK. Available [here](#).
- Kusumaningrum, S. & **Bennouna, C.** (2016). Out of sight, out of reach: breaking the cycle of invisibility: CRVS and the role of local government (Legal Identity, CRVS, and Basic Services Policy Brief Series). Jakarta, Indonesia: Ministry of National Development Planning, PUSKAPA, Australian Aid, and KOMPAK. Available [here](#).
- Siagian, C., **Bennouna, C.**, & Kusumaningrum, S. (2016). Out of sight, out of reach: breaking the cycle of invisibility: CRVS and social protection programs (Legal Identity, CRVS, and Basic Services Policy Brief Series). Jakarta, Indonesia: Ministry of National Development Planning, PUSKAPA, Australian Aid, and KOMPAK. Available [here](#).
- Agastya, N.L.P.M., Usman, R., Jati, H., **Bennouna, C.**, & Kusumaningrum, S. (2016). Out of sight, out of reach: breaking the cycle of invisibility: CRVS and community engagement (Legal Identity, CRVS, and Basic Services Policy Brief Series). Jakarta, Indonesia: Ministry of National Development Planning, PUSKAPA, Australian Aid, and KOMPAK. Available [here](#).

SELECT INVITED TALKS & MEDIA APPEARANCES

- “From the battlefield to the home: Violence against women & girls in crises.” Inclusive National Security series, The Center for Naval Analyses (CNA). (June 28, 2023).
- “Ballots, pickets, and pocketbooks: How remittances shape social development.” Korbel Research Seminar, University of Denver. (January 26, 2023).
- Panelist, Open Classroom - Strategies to Support Multilingual Learning, Wellbeing, & Equity in U.S. Schools. SALaMA Webinar Series, University of Washington in St. Louis. (December 6, 2022). Available [here](#).
- “COVID Policy Coordination: Subnational Responses to COVID-19 in Brazil, Mexico, and the US.” General Speaker Series, Duke University. (January 21, 2021).
- “The Intensity and Inclusiveness of Nationalism and Everyday Citizenship.” Panel on National Identity and its Consequences in Comparative Perspective, American Political Science Association (APSA) annual conference. (September 13, 2020).
- “The Comparative Politics of a Pandemic: Explaining Policy Responses to COVID-19 in Latin America’s Federations.” Population Health Colloquium Series Webinar, College of Health, Lehigh University. (July 8, 2020). Available [here](#).
- “Participatory Research Methods in Post-Disaster Haiti.” Brown School, Washington University in St. Louis. Video Lecture for Applied Qualitative and Participatory Methods (MPH S55 5108.01). (March 31, 2020).
- “Ceasefires and Electoral Behavior in Pre-Peace Colombia” (Citizen Responses to Violence, Crime and Corruption: Comparative Perspectives panel). Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago (MPSA). (April 19, 2020, *Cancelled due to COVID-19).
- “Understanding Colombian Policy towards Venezuelan Migration.” Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies (CLACS). (March 3, 2020).
- “Violence against Refugees: An Exploratory Geospatial Analysis.” Population Studies Training Center, Brown University. (January 17, 2020).
- “The Politics of Forced Migration in Colombia.” Watson Institute, Brown University. (September 18, 2019).
- “Assessing the Social and Psychological Needs of Immigrant Children.” Education Talk Radio. (August 14, 2018). Available [here](#).
- “Study of Adolescent Lives after Migration to America (SALaMA): Assessing the needs of Arabic-speaking students resettled to the U.S.,” Comparative and International Education Society (CIES) 2018: Re-mapping Global Education, South-North Dialogue, Mexico City, Mexico (March 29, 2018).
- “Practical Considerations for Ethical Research on Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse: From Data Collection to Dissemination,” ECPAT International and ECPAT Taiwan Technical Workshop and Conference: Practical Ethical Considerations for Involving Children in Research on Child Sexual Exploitation, Taipei, Taiwan (September 29, 2017).
- “Birth and Death in Indonesia: A Mixed Methods Study,” Ministry of National Development Planning Workshop on Mixed Methods Approaches in Poverty Reduction Implementation Strategies, Bogor, Indonesia (June 15, 2016).
- “Mixed Methods in Action: Legal Identity Case Study in Indonesia,” Ministry of National Development Planning Workshop of Mixed Methods and Policy, Bogor, Indonesia (September 3, 2015).
- “Attacks on Education: Addressing the Data Challenge,” Protect Education in Insecurity and Conflict International Seminar, Doha, Qatar (June 15-16, 2015).
- “Monitoring and Reporting Attacks on Education: The Cases of DRC and Somalia,” Columbia Global Centers – Africa Special Meeting on the Future of Education in Areas of Insecurity and Conflict, Nairobi, Kenya (June 11, 2015).

FELLOWSHIPS, AFFILIATIONS, & AWARDS, & CERTIFICATES

Fellowships & affiliations

- Institute at Brown for Environment and Society (IBES) Graduate Student Affiliate (2022-), Brown University
- Population Studies Training Program (PSTC) T32 Fellowship (\$41,836), US National Institute for Child Health and Human Development, NIH (2021-2022)
- Center for Human Rights and Humanitarian Studies Affiliated Fellow (2019-), Watson Institute, Brown University
- Graduate School 2020 Summer Fellowship (\$2,000), Brown University
- Spatial Structures in the Social Sciences (S4) Fellow (2019-2020), Brown University
- Graduate Program in Development (GPD) Fellow (2019-2020), Watson Institute, Brown University
- Salzburg Global Seminar Fellow (2017-2018)

Awards & certificates

- Dissertation Research Grant in Race, Ethnicity, and Immigration (\$9,995), Russel Sage Foundation
- Dissertation Improvement Grant, Department of Political Science (\$3,000), Brown University
- Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies (CLACS) Pre-dissertation Award (\$1,500), Watson Institute, Brown University
- Joukowsky Summer Research Award (\$500), Watson Institute, Brown University
- Graduate Program in Development (GPD) Summer Research Award (\$500), Watson Institute, Brown University
- Department of Political Science Research Award (\$1000), Brown University
- Sheridan Center Reflective Teaching Certificate
- Brown Ethics and Responsible Conduct of Research (BEARCORE) Training Program Certificate

PEER-REVIEW SERVICES

- Social Science & Medicine; SSM - Population Health; PLoS ONE; Publius: The Journal of Federalism; Global Public Health; Journal of Immigrant and Minority Health; Journal of Interpersonal Violence; Journal of General and Emergency Medicine; Vulnerable Children and Youth Studies

SELECT FULL-TIME PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

DEPARTMENT OF POPULATION AND FAMILY HEALTH, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

Senior Program Officer | New York City, NY

2017-2019

- Managed a mixed-methods study on the integration and psychosocial needs of resettled refugees around the United States
- Managed relationships with the donors and partner institutions, including coordinating high-level meeting with Her Highness Sheikh Moza bint Nasser; oversaw the development and testing of research instruments; led data collection, analysis, report-writing, and dissemination

CPC LEARNING NETWORK, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

Senior Research Associate | New York City, NY

2015-2019

- Served as interim co-lead for the Assessment, Measurement, and Evidence Working Group for the Alliance for Child Protection in Humanitarian Action; contributed to the revision of the Minimum Standards for Child Protection in Humanitarian Action, including quality management for all standard indicators
- Co-led a global study on research ethics in contexts of violent conflict and natural emergencies; used findings to inform new trainings and operational guidelines
- Coordinated Transforming Households: Reducing Interpersonal Violence in Emergencies (THRIVE), a USAID-funded study in Colombia and Haiti

PUSKAPA, SCHOOL OF SOCIAL & POLITICAL SCIENCES, UNIVERSITY OF INDONESIA | MAILMAN SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

Technical Lead for Research | Jakarta, Indonesia

2015-2017

- Led the development and execution of the center's research agenda; collaborated with the Directors, thematic technical leads, and government and development partners to plan and evaluate national programs; led research teams of up to 20 people in Aceh, Central Java, West and South Sulawesi, and West Nusa Tenggara
- Led the design, execution, and analysis of national mixed methods study for the *Governance for Growth* (KOMPAK) program, the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's largest program in Indonesia; was a core member of the team that designed the civil registration and vital statistics component of the program, responsible for developing the M & E plan; oversaw the publication of a national report and a series of policy briefs, which have been referenced in national policy
- Was instrumental in developing strategic partnerships with DFAT and UNICEF; wrote grants or contributed to projects for USAID, WHO, World Bank, and others

PROGRAM ON FORCED MIGRATION & HEALTH, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY

Research Associate | New York City, USA

2014-2015

- Co-developed a new methodology for enumerating human rights violations in fulfillment of grants for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Education Above All (EAA); trained and led in-country research teams in eastern DRC and Somalia to test and validate method; collaborated with peacekeeping missions and the protection and education clusters to map child protection systems in those countries and to develop policy recommendations
- Consulted for 3ie and Mercy Corps on program and evaluation design for a project aiming to build disaster resilience in the eastern DRC

SELECT RECENT CONSULTANCIES

POPULATION STUDIES TRAINING CENTER (PSTC), BROWN UNIVERSITY

Research Consultant | Providence, USA

2019-Present

- Provided technical support for survey data collection and analysis, including field work in Guatemala, Houston, Los Angeles, and Washington D.C. together with the Princeton University Mexican Migration Project (MMP), FLACSO, and the College of Mexico
- Conducted methodological review of population-based approaches to studying the effects of natural disasters with Professor Elizabeth Fussell

BROWN SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK, PUBLIC HEALTH, & SOCIAL POLICY, WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY IN ST. LOUIS

Research Consultant | Providence, USA (Remote)

2020-Present

- Trains public health and social work master's students on data collection and analysis; oversees analysis and publishing activities

BOUNDARIES, MEMBERSHIP, & BELONGING PROGRAM, CIFAR

Research Consultant | Providence, USA

2020-2022

- Contributed to developing a novel data repository on nationalism, including conceptualization and supervision of web developers and research assistants

PUSKAPA, SCHOOL OF SOCIAL & POLITICAL SCIENCES, UNIVERSITY OF INDONESIA

Senior Advisor for Research, Monitoring, & Evaluation | Cambridge, MA and Providence, RI (Remote)

2017-2020

- Counseled the research center's leadership and technical team on matters of methodology, data analysis, management, and publishing

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Teaching Assistant, Quantitative Research Methods II (POLS 2590, doctoral), Rob Blair, Spring 2020
- Teaching Assistant, Topics in American Constitutional Law (POLS 1010, undergraduate), Corey Brettschneider, Fall 2020
- Teaching Assistant, Politics of the Illicit Global Economy (POLS 1020, undergraduate), Peter Andreas, Spring 2021 (TA award)
- Teaching Assistant, Nationalism, Ethnicity, and the State (IAPA 0500, undergraduate), Prerna Singh, Summer 2021
- Graduate student supervision: (Columbia University) Yeray Medina, Kathryn Davis, Brooke Feldman, Anaise Williams, Jessica Milberg-Haydu, Amanda Browne, Mashal Basir, Nicole Khauli; (Washington University) Maria Ocampo, Flora Cohen, Hannah Brumbaum, Alli Gillespie, Mariam Salama, Molly McLay, Baffour Boahen-Boaten; (University of Denver) Sam Colvett

ADDITIONAL COMPETENCIES

- English (native), French (fluent), Spanish (intermediate)
- R, LaTeX, SPSS, Dedoose, NVivo, ArcGIS, Qualtrics, GeoDa