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EDUCATION

Master of Arts in International Affairs **August 2021**
Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, TN
Thesis
Beyond Revolution: Insurgencies and Revisionism in International Affairs. Middle Tennessee State University. Available from ProQuest Dissertations & Theses Global.

Bachelor of Arts in International Relations, *summa cum laude* **August 2019**
Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro, TN

Certifications
Negotiation Skills for Managers, Vanderbilt University **Fall 2022**

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce **2022-2024**
Director of Workforce Development, 2022-2024
- Directed cross sector research initiatives, for executive level leaders, to identify workforce gaps and talent pipeline opportunities, aligning education with high-demand sector skills.
- Led large-scale workforce and economic analytics projects involving data cleaning and integration of BLS, Census, and proprietary datasets; built automated pipelines and visual dashboards; and performed economic impact modeling, forecasting, and scenario modeling to inform executive and policy decisions.
- Organized collaborative workshops, panels, and forums, facilitating guest speakers and leaders from business and education to instruct and develop leadership in students and adults.
- Applied research to identify program gaps, improved outreach, and taught components of training and career pathway workshops.
- Assisted with the development of white papers to inform policy implications at the city and state level.

Manager of Applied Research, 2022
- Designed and executed applied research projects analyzing state and local business, economic, and political trends.
- Conducted advanced quantitative economic research using univariate and multivariate

regression modeling, time-series and panel data analysis, difference-in-differences, hypothesis testing, clustering, PCA, and other econometric techniques.
- Collected, organized, and interpreted quantitative and qualitative data to inform policy and strategic decision-making.
- Produced reports, briefs, and presentations tailored to academic, business, and government stakeholders that produced policy implications.
- Managed stakeholder engagement and collaborated with cross-sector partners to align research with community and institutional needs.
- Supervised research processes to ensure methodological rigor and clarity of findings for both technical and non-technical audiences.

Middle Tennessee State University **2019-2021**

Researcher, Department of International Affairs, 2020-2021

- Conducted an extensive literature review across international relations theories, including realism, power transition theory, and institutionalism.
- Synthesized and compared scholarly debates on revisionist and status-quo states.
- Developed a conceptual framework clarifying definitions and typologies of revisionism.
- Collaborated with a co-author on drafting, revising, and finalizing the manuscript for peer review and publication.

Researcher, Business and Economics Research Center, 2019-2021

- Designed research methodology incorporating CEO survey data with open-ended responses.
- Collected and managed primary data from executives across industries.
- Applied qualitative and computational techniques (e.g., topic modeling) to identify themes and trends.
- Interpreted findings to connect economic and workforce development issues with policy and educational implications.
- Contributed to co-author collaboration, manuscript preparation, and publication process.

PUBLICATIONS

DiCicco, J. M., and Sanchez, V. M. (2021). Revisionism in International Relations. *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of International Studies.* https://doi.org/10.1093/acrefore/9780190846626.013.607

Zaza, S., Abston, K., Arik, M., Geho, P., and Sanchez, V. (2020). What CEOs Have to Say: Insights on the STEM Workforce. *American Business Review: Vol. 23: No. 1, Article 9.* DOI: https://doi.org/10.37625/abr.23.1.136-155

CONFERENCES & PRESENTATIONS

International Conferences (Acceptance Referred)

DiCicco, J. & Sanchez, V. (November, 2020) *Revisionism in International Affairs*. International Studies Association (ISA) Midwest Conference, St. Louis, MO.

Regional Panels Organized

Talent Solutions Forum: Immigrants and Refugees. (February 2024). Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce: Talent Solutions Forum Series.

Talent Solutions Forum: Childcare Integration. (November 2023). Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce: Talent Solutions Forum Series.

Talent Solutions Forum: Neurodiversity. (August 2023). Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce: Talent Solutions Forum Series.

Talent Solutions Forum: Justice-Involved Individuals. (May 2023). Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce: Talent Solutions Forum Series.

Talent Solutions Forum: Veteran Talent and Transition Pipeline. (February 2023). Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce: Talent Solutions Forum Series.

Talent Solutions Forum: Apprenticeship Programs. (November 2022). Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce: Talent Solutions Forum Series.

Local Presentations

Sanchez V. & Curry, D. (February,2024). *Workforce Development Partnerships.* Intro Nashville, Nashville, TN.

Curry, D. & Sanchez V. (October, 2023). *The Future of Nashville's Workforce.* Intro Nashville, Nashville, TN.

Curry, D. & Sanchez V. (August, 2023). *PreK Through 12, Postsecondary, and Continuing Education.* Intro Nashville, Nashville, TN.

Curry, D. & Sanchez V. (May, 2023). *Nashville's Workforce: Challenges and Opportunities.* Intro Nashville, Nashville, TN.

Sanchez V. & Curry, D. (February, 2023). *Metro Nashville Public Schools and Workforce Projections in the Nashville MSA.* Intro Nashville, Nashville, TN.

Sanchez V. (January, 2023). *Nashville Economic and Workforce Activity.* Consulate General of Japan Economic Forum, Nashville, TN.

Sanchez V. & Burris, J. (July, 2022). *Nashville Northern Economic Region*. Chamber North, Nashville, TN.

Sanchez V. & Burris, J. (July, 2022). *Nashville Eastern Economic Region*. Chamber East, Nashville, TN.

Sanchez V. & Burris, J. (July, 2022). *Nashville Southern Economic Region*. Chamber South, Nashville, TN.

Sanchez V. & Burris, J. (July, 2022). *Nashville Midtown Economic Region*. Nashville Midtown,

Nashville, TN.

Sanchez V. & Burris, J. (July, 2022). *Nashville Downtown Economic Region*. Nashville Downtown, Nashville, TN.

Sanchez V. & Curry, D. (July, 2022). *MNPS Student Learning Outcomes.* New Skills Ready Network Annual Meeting.

Sanchez V. & Burris, J. (May, 2022). *Metro Nashville Public Schools: Workforce Projections.* MNPS Partnership Council Q2, Nashville, TN.

Mikhail, B. & Sanchez V. (April, 2022). *Nashville Economic Trend Analysis.* Business Conditions Council, Q2, Nashville, TN.

Sanchez V. & Burris, J. (March, 2022). *Nashville Workforce Development: By the Numbers.* MNPS Partnership Council Q1, Nashville, TN.

TEACHING & INSTRUCTIONAL EXPERIENCE

Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce, Nashville TN
2022-2024
Workshop and Seminar Facilitator

- Led a series of seminars and workshops at *Nashville State Community College* on data analysis (Excel, Python), professional development, and applied political and economic issues, mentoring students in communication, analytical, and presentation skills while connecting classroom learning to real-world applications.

Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro TN
2019-2021
Graduate Teaching Assistant, College of Liberal Arts

- Assisted in course design and instruction for *Honors Introduction to Global Governance*, delivering lectures, facilitating discussions, and managing interactive simulations while providing individualized academic support and feedback to strengthen students' analytical and communication skills.

Middle Tennessee State University, Murfreesboro TN
2018-2021
International Relations Tutor, College of Liberal Arts

- Provided individual and group tutoring in international relations, political science, and research methods, guiding students in analytical writing, critical thinking, and application of qualitative and quantitative approaches to strengthen academic performance and conceptual understanding.

RELATED PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

- **Research**: Qualitative & Quantitative Methods, Literature Review, Hypothesis Testing, Survey Design

- **Data Analysis**: Python, STATA, Excel, Data Cleaning & Visualization, Dashboard Reporting
- **Instruction**: Curriculum Design, Workshop Facilitation, Student Mentorship & Advising, Public Speaking
- **Communication**: Academic Writing, Technical & Non-Technical Report Writing, Grant & Proposal Writing
- **Tools / Platform**s: Microsoft Office Suite, Statistical Software, Presentation Tools, Qualtrics, Power BI, Surveymonkey.

SERVICE & PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society
- World Affairs Council
- Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW)