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# Gino Rivera Bulnes

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## EDUCATION

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**Yale University: School of the Environment** 2022-2024 New Haven, CT

- Candidate for *Master of Environmental Science*, 2024

**Universidad Nacional Agraria La Molina (UNALM)** 2015-2020 Lima, Peru

- B.S. in Biology
- Ecology track
- GPA 3.98/4.00 Honor roll (2<sup>nd</sup> of my class)
- Study abroad: Ecosystem Management international program, Western Washington University. Jan-Mar 2019. Bellingham, WA.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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**The Forests Dialogue** New Haven, CT

Program associate Jul 2022-Present

- Supporting the planning and implementation of multi-stakeholder dialogue to foster social learning among global leaders about emergent topics in the forest sector

**World Wildlife Fund - Peru** Lima, Peru

Wildlife intern Sep 2021-Jun 2022

- Assisted in conservation projects to promote human-wildlife coexistence in Amazonian landscapes by monitoring indicator species populations and enabling sustainable practices for local communities

**INSIDEO** Lima, Peru

Environmental analyst Nov 2020-Aug 2021

Intern Aug 2018-Oct 2020

- Prepared biological baselines and impact assessments to guide mitigation measures for large operations in the Andes, from field survey planning to report drafting

**Patronato del Parque de las Leyendas – Felipe Benavides Barreda** Lima, Peru

Intern Feb 2018-Mar 2018

- Designed and monitored environmental enrichments for captive wildlife

## AWARDS & GRANTS

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**Yale School of the Environment Merit Award**, Yale University (2022-2024) \$14000

**Conservation Initiative Award**, Sallqa Peru (2020). For oral presentation at IV Peruvian Bat Symposium

**Research Experience for Peruvian Undergraduates (ecoREPU) Grant**, UNALM (2020) \$2000

**100,000 Strong in the Americas Innovation Funds**, US Embassy (2019) \$5000

**Mitsubishi Corporation International Scholarship**, Mitsubishi Corporation (Sep 2017) \$250

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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### Universidad Nacional Agraria La Molina

Lima, Peru

*Independent researcher*

Sep 2020-Sep 2022

- Performing framing and thematic analysis of Peruvian news coverage of bats on social media to address the Covid-19 pandemic impact on their portrayal

### Texas A&M University

Lima, Peru

*Research intern* (PI: Dr. Thomas E. Lacher Jr.)

Jan-Mar 2020

- Contributed to the extinction risk assessment of neotropical small mammals for the IUCN Red List of Threatened Species (IUCN SSC SMSG)
- Sorted camera trap images to assess medium- and large-sized mammal diversity in Monteverde, Costa Rica and Condor Valley, Argentina

### University of Marburg, CORBIDI, PUCP, ACCA

Wayqecha, Peru

*Field course project* (Supervisor: Dr. Glenda Mendieta-Leiva)

Sep-Oct 2019

- Described seed banks in regeneration gaps of montane rainforests of Kosñipata valley

### Universidad Nacional Agraria La Molina

Lima, Peru

*Field coordinator for Ecología Molinera student group*

Aug 2019

- Organized a terrestrial fauna survey in a fog oasis, La Molina Ecological Park, in collaboration with District Municipality of La Molina

*Field assistant* (PI: Mg. Julio Chavez-Achong)

Jul 2018

- Conducted semi-structured interviews and farm mapping to assess the social-ecological resilience of coffee farmers in fair trade and organic programs in montane rainforests of La Merced

*Undergraduate researcher* (PI: Dr. Marta Williams)

Apr-May 2018

- Used mist nests, small mammal trapping and bioacoustics to assess the community of mammals in an artificial forest in UNALM campus

*Undergraduate researcher* (PI: Dr. Mercedes Flores)

Jan-May 2018

- Collected, prepared and described anatomical slides of vegetative organs of three *Peperomia* species to compare them in relation to their ecological context

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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- **Oral presentation:** IV Peruvian Bat Symposium. “Does digital information sharing promote bat conservation in Peru?” (Oct 2020)
- **Poster:** IV Peruvian Mastozoology Congress, “Mammal community composition in an artificial forest in Lima.” (Nov 2018)
- **Oral presentation:** XVI National Botanical Congress, “Comparative morphology and anatomy of vegetative organs between three *Peperomia* species.” (Jun 2018)

## TEACHING & MENTORSHIP

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**Journal Club Peru** Lima, Peru  
Restoration Ecology Journal Club mentor and lead organizer Apr-Sep 2021

- Led discussions of research articles to develop critical thinking and research skills in six undergraduate students from four Peruvian universities
- Prepared and gave lectures on ecosystem resilience and restoration ecology

**SINERGIA program, UNALM** Lima, Peru  
Social-Ecological Systems Science Club mentor Feb-May 2021

- Provided orientation to freshman students to write a short review article about urban farming in Lima

**Faculty of Science, UNALM** Lima, Peru  
Teaching assistant (Individual Ecology) Jan-Apr 2021

- Led laboratory sessions of animal behavior for 20 junior students

**Faculty of Science, UNALM** Lima, Peru  
Plant Ecology Science Club mentor May-Aug 2020

- Oriented four freshman students to write a research proposal in plant ecology

## LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

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**GYBN Peru** Lima, Peru  
Facilitator for a Regional Dialogue of GLF Amazonia Conference Aug-Sep 2021

- Guided one of the dialogues for youth from Amazonian countries in the event  
*Nature-based solutions: whose solutions? whose nature?*

**REPU Program** Lima, Peru  
Volunteer at the Community Committee of REPU program May 2020-Apr 2021

- Co-managed the REPUbuddies program to support the 2021 cohort

**GYBN Peru** Lima, Peru  
Youth observer at the National Prospective Study of Biodiversity Sep-Nov 2020

**Ecologia Molinera, Faculty of Science, UNALM** Lima, Peru  
Head coordinator Aug 2018-Jul 2019

- Articulated projects and research opportunities for a student group with ~100 members to promote field ecology research

**CIBOSEC, Faculty of Forest Science, UNALM** Lima, Peru  
Head coordinator Aug 2018-Jul 2019

- Oriented events and workshops to promote research in dry forests of Peru

**Ecologia Molinera Faculty of Science, UNALM** Lima, Peru  
Academic coordinator Aug 2017-Jul 2018

- Planned an internal contest to provide funding for ecological research projects

**Council of the Faculty of Science, UNALM** Lima, Peru  
Student representative Jan-Sep 2017

## SCIENCE OUTREACH AND COMMUNICATION

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### Scientia university magazine

Editor of the Science Communication section

Lima, Peru

Oct 2020-Jul 2021

### Municipality of Miraflores, Universidad Científica del Sur

Speaker “Biodiversity of the city of Lima”

Lima, Peru

Sep 2020

- Presented a social-ecological perspective of the urban biodiversity within the Sustainable and Resilient Cities course, intended for the general public

### NEXUS, UNALM

Speaker “Ecosystem management: science and beyond”

Lima, Peru

Aug 2017-Jul 2018

- Shared a brief introduction to ecosystem management and related academic and work experiences

### Program for Bat Conservation in Peru

Volunteer educator for Bat week activities with children

Lima, Peru

Oct 2018, Oct 2019

## SKILLS

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- **Software:** ESRI ArcGIS Pro, RStudio, PAST, Raven (bioacoustics), BoRIS (ethology), MS Office
- **Technical skills:** Land-use assessment, semi-structured interview, participatory mapping, workshop facilitation, bat mist-netting, small mammals and cam trapping, bioacoustics, behavioral sampling
- **Languages:** English (proficient), Spanish (native speaker)