

MARA PILLINGER

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EDUCATION

George Washington University, Washington, DC

Doctor of Philosophy in Political Science (field: international relations) Fall 2019 (expected)
Master of Arts in Political Science December 2014

University of Oxford, Oxford, UK

Master of Science in Global Governance and Diplomacy (with distinction) June 2012

Rollins School of Public Health, Emory University, Atlanta, GA

Master of Public Health (fields: global health, epidemiology) May 2009

University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

Bachelor of Arts (*summa cum laude*, *Phi Beta Kappa*) May 2007

EXPERIENCE (SELECTED)

Brown in Washington Program, Brown University, Providence, RI/ Washington, DC

Study Away Program Coordinator, Swearer Center June- August 2018, June 2019- present
Adjunct Lecturer in International & Public Affairs, Watson Institute September 2017- May 2018

Designed and taught “Intro to Public Policy”, “Public Policy Analysis: Theory & Practice” courses. Taught professional development practicum seminar for Brown undergrads completing internships in DC. Responsible for on-site program coordination and administration.

Graduate Institute of International & Development Studies, Geneva, Switzerland

Visiting Junior Fellow, Global Health Centre 2016-2018 (12 months total)

Secured \$23,500 in project grants to conduct on-site organizational research at WHO and 6 global health partnerships. Gathered and analyzed data from 80 interviews, 50 hours of participant observation, and review of approx. 1000 documents. Developed policy and programmatic recommendations for strengthening multisectoral collaboration and improving partnership performance, including promoting effective organizational reform. Managed research project and budget; supervised research assistant.

HIV Testing Unit, Bureau of HIV/AIDS, NYC Department of Health, New York, NY

Technical Assistance Coordinator/ Project Officer (City Research Scientist II) April 2009- September 2011

Provided programmatic oversight and technical assistance to 20+ hospitals and community-based organizations with Ryan White funded HIV testing and linkage-to-care programs.

World Health Organization (WHO) Global Buruli Ulcer Initiative, Accra, Ghana & Atlanta, GA

Independent Consultant January- December 2008

Designed and conducted an evaluation of the National Buruli Ulcer Control Program and surveillance system at the village, district, regional and national levels. Developed recommendations for Ghana Health Service, WHO, and CDC on how to strengthen Buruli ulcer surveillance, integrate it with WHO regional surveillance for other neglected tropical diseases, and expand community-level access to care. Managed three-person field team.

Clinton Health Access Initiative (CHAI) (formerly Clinton Foundation HIV/AIDS Initiative), New York, NY

Intern July- August 2006

Philadelphia Emergency Preparedness Review Committee, Philadelphia, PA

Subcommittee Assistant January- June 2006

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS & AWARDS (SELECTED)

- Brocher Foundation Residency (2019)
- Robert Bosch Foundation/Global Public Policy Initiative Global Governance Futures 2027 Fellow (2016-2017)
- Oxford University Clarendon Scholarship & Lincoln College Lord Crewe Scholarship (2011)

POLICY PAPERS, TALKS, & MEDIA (SELECTED)

"Pre-empting the Compatibility Problem: How Multisectoral Cooperation Can Undermine Pandemic Responses to and What To Do About It." Prince Mahidol Award Conference. 2/3/18. Bangkok, Thailand.

"Legal Accountability for International Organizations?" Harvard Medical School Center for Global Health Delivery. 9/16/17. Cambridge, MA.

["WHO spends more on travel than on key diseases. That's ok."](#) *Washington Post Monkey Cage*, 6/22/17.

Bali, S., Lahariya, C., Pillinger, M., Suzuki, E., Takesue, R., & Tang, K. "[Pandemonium: Risk Factors for Future Pandemics](#)," *Global Governance Futures 2027 Report*, June 2017.

["Challenges & Opportunities for Global Health Governance: Interview with Mara Pillinger,"](#) *Global Policy*, 1/16/17.

["Mosquitoes don't just spread Zika. They're helping an older killer reemerge."](#) *Washington Post Monkey Cage*, 6/16/17.

["Thousands died when the UN brought cholera to Haiti. Here's why it's getting off scot-free."](#) *Washington Post Monkey Cage*, 3/28/16 (with Ian Hurd & Michael Barnett).

["WHO declared a public health emergency about Zika's effects. Here are three takeaways."](#) *Washington Post Monkey Cage*, 2/15/16. Reprinted in *Global Policy*.

Reporting/editorial coverage of World Health Assemblies 69 & 70 for [Intellectual Property Watch](#)

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Pillinger, M., I. Hurd & M. Barnett. (2016) "The Politics of Legal Responsibility: Haiti, Cholera, and International Law." *Perspectives on Politics* 14(1):70-86.

Pillinger, M. "It's Not Just For States Anymore: Legal Accountability for International Organizations under the Framework Convention on Global Health." *Global Health Governance* 9(1):114-130.

Hennink M, Kiiti N, Pillinger M, Jayakaran R. (2012) "Defining Empowerment: Perspectives from International Development Organizations" *Development in Practice* 22(2):202-215.

Harris J, Pillinger M, Fromstein D, Gomez B, Garris I, Kanetsky P, Tebas P, Gross R. (2011) "Risk Factors for Medication Non-Adherence in an HIV-Infected Population in the Dominican Republic." *AIDS and Behavior* 15(7):1410-5.

Pillinger MH, Marjanovic N, Kim SY, Lee YC, Scher JU, Roper J, Abeles AM, Izmirly PI, Axelrod MJ, Pillinger MY, Tolani S, Dinsell V, Abramson SB, Blaser MJ. (2007) "Helicobacter pylori stimulates gastric epithelial cell MMP-1 secretion vis CagA-dependent and independent ERK activation." *Journal of Biological Chemistry* 282(26):18722-31.

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS

Fieldwork: Geneva (14 months); Ghana (3 months); South Africa (6 weeks); Cameroon (2 months)

Languages: French (ILR 2/B2)

Data Analytics: SAS, STATA, SPSS, MaxQDA, Atlas.ti, R, Tableau