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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Milken Institute, Researcher & Data Scientist, 10/2019–present

Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives, Research Assistant, 2018–2019.

The National Interest, Contributing Economics Writer, 2018–2019

EDUCATION

Colorado State University - 2019

M.A. Political Science (Political Economy)

Keele University - 2016

B.A.(Hons) Politics

PUBLICATIONS

Policy Reports

Contreras, O., J. Bendix, **B. Smith.** (2022) Global Opportunity Index 2022: Focus on Emerging Southeast Asia, *Milken Institute*

Accompanying **Tableau Map**

Lopez, C. & **B. Smith.** (2021) Share the Data: Overcoming Trade-Offs in Tech Regulation, *Milken Institute*

Accompanying **Tech Regulation Tracker**

Contreras, O., **B. Smith**, J. Bendix, & C. Lopez. (2021) Global Opportunity Index 2021: Focus on Latin America, *Milken Institute*

Press coverage: **The Financial Times**

Mertins-Kirkwood, H. & **B. Smith.** (2019) Digging for Dividends: The Use and Abuse of Investor-State Dispute Settlement by Canadian Investors Abroad, *Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives*

Press coverage: **Huff Post, The Global & Mail**

Op-eds, White Papers, & Other

Smith, B. & M. Rabin. (2022) Global Opportunity Index 2022 White Paper, *Milken Institute*

Smith, B. & C. Lopez. (2021) Tech Regulation & Data Sharing, Research Brief, *Milken Institute*

Smith, B. (2021) Global Opportunity Index 2021 White Paper, *Milken Institute*

Smith, B. (2019) Canadian Mining Companies are Behaving Badly in the Global South – and Wall Street is Profiting From it, *CCPA Behind the Numbers*

Smith, B. & P. Harris. (2019) Ships Passing in the Night: The New Disconnect Between Elites and Voters on Trade, *The National Interest*

Smith, B. & P. Harris. (2018) Trump Needs to Make His Mind up on China, *The National Interest*

AWARDS & GRANTS

Best Graduate Writing Award in Political Science, Colorado State University, 2019

Phi Kappa Phi Honors, 2019

Department of Political Science Travel Grant, Colorado State University, 2018

Colorado Graduate Grant, 2017–2019

Department of Political Science Graduate Teaching Assistantship, 2017–2019

SKILLS & LANGUAGES

Data: Python, R, Stata, SQL

Other: Natural Language Processing,
Network Analysis,
Web Scraping

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