



Cozy or Crowded? The Effect of NGOs on Citizens' Contact with Government

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Join us for a presentation with Dr. Jami Núñez, an Assistant Professor in the UNM Department of Political Science and faculty affiliate of the UNM Latin American & Iberian Institute.

When NGOs engage in service delivery, do they reduce the demands citizens make for government services? This research draws on a mixed methods approach drawing on original data gathered in the Peruvian Amazon in poor rural communities. Findings suggest that NGOs largely facilitate interactions with government and introduce opportunities to strengthen government responsiveness.

Núñez received her Ph.D. from the Department of Political Science at the University of Colorado Boulder. She studies international development, with a particular focus on water and sanitation. She has worked with teams in the UC-Boulder's College of Engineering for the last three years as the Lead Researcher on three monitoring and evaluation projects in rural water systems and peri-urban sanitation in Peru. Her dissertation explores the role of NGOs in democratization and development, focusing on how NGOs impact local governments, especially in the provision of rural water services.

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