

Mónica Ávila Currás, LL.M.**Education**

2021	Postgraduate degree in Gender-based violence, La Salle University, Madrid
2018	Master’s degree in International Solidarity Action and Social Inclusion, Carlos III University, Madrid (Master’s thesis on “Difficulties associated with gender-based asylum applications and legal intervention work proposal to overcome them”)
2010	Bachelor’s degree in Law, Carlos III University, Madrid
2010	Bachelor’s degree in Business Administration, Carlos III University, Madrid

Academic Positions

Since 2022	Research Associate and PhD candidate in the MeDiMi project “Who is empowered by Strasbourg? Migrants and States before the ECtHR” (Principal Investigator: Ass. Prof. Dr. Janna Wessels), Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam Teaching activities on fundamental rights in Europe, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
2021–2022	Coordinator of Refugees’ Direct Support Department, ONG Rescate, Madrid
2018–2021	Lawyer in asylum law, specializing in gender-related persecutions, ONG Rescate, Madrid
2016–2018	Volunteer lawyer on asylum law, ONG Rescate, Madrid
2010–2017	Project manager, Management Solutions, Düsseldorf and Madrid
2010	Practicum on asylum law, Comisión Española de Ayuda al Refugiado (CEAR), Madrid

Academic Activities

- Member of the MeDiMi Research Associates Section and facilitator of the Section’s intersectionality meetings (since 2023)
- Presentation “Who Supports Whom in Migration? Third-party Interventions from other States before the ECtHR” on the PhD’s first results at the Conference “The Universal Declaration of Human Rights at 75: Rethinking and Constructing its Future Together” (6–8 December 2023, Ghent University)
- Presentation of PhD project at the NNHRR Doctoral Research Forum (10/2022), during the iCourts PhD Summer School at the University of Copenhagen (06/2023), and the Empirical Legal Studies PhD event (09/2023)
- Law coordinator of the Migration and Diversity Center at the Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam

Publications

- (2023) States Joining Forces before the ECtHR, *Asiel- & Migrantenrecht*, 6–7, 291–293.