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Research interests

Political Engagement; Electoral Participation; Political Trust and Political Legitimacy; Political Parties and Party Systems; New Parties and Outsider Politicians; Elections in Latin America; Violence and Democracy in Latin America.

Academic appointments

University of California, Riverside, Associate Professor of Political Science, July 2019 – present
University of California, Riverside, Assistant Professor of Political Science, July 2014 – present

Education

2014 PhD in Political Science, University of Pittsburgh
2010 M.A. in Political Science, University of Pittsburgh
2008 Master in International Studies, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies (Geneva)
2006 M.Sc. (Maîtrise), Political Science, Université Paris I (Panthéon-Sorbonne)
2005 B.A. (Licence), Political Science, Université Paris I (Panthéon-Sorbonne)
2005 B.A. (Licence), History, Université Paris IV (Paris-Sorbonne)

Articles in Peer-Reviewed Publications

24) "Long-term Economic Distress, Cultural Backlash, and Support for Brexit" (with Yasemin Irepoglu Carreras and Shaun Bowler)
   Forthcoming. Comparative Political Studies
23) “Presidents’ Sex and Popularity: Baselines, Dynamics, and Policy Performance” (with Ryan Carlin and Gregory Love)
   Forthcoming. British Journal of Political Science
22) “Community Size, Social Capital, and Political Participation in Latin America” (with Shaun Bowler)
   Forthcoming. Political Behavior
21) “Violence, Insecurity, and Religiosity: A Multilevel Analysis of 71 Countries” (with Ajay Verghese)
   Forthcoming. Terrorism and Political Violence
20) “Economic Adversity and Electoral Participation of Vulnerable Socioeconomic Groups” (with Néstor Castañeda)
19) “Do Corrupt Politicians Mobilize or Demobilize Voters? A Vignette Experiment in Colombia” (with Sofia Vera)
   2018. Latin American Politics and Society, 60(3): 77-95
18) “Presidential Institutions and Electoral Participation in Concurrent Elections in Latin America”
   2018. *Political Studies*, 66(3): 541-559


16) “Armed Forces, Police and Crime-fighting in Latin America” (with David Pion-Berlin)

15) “Public Attitudes toward an Emerging China in Latin America”

14) “Institutions, Governmental Performance, and the Rise of Political Newcomers”

13) “High-Profile Female Executive Candidates and the Political Engagement of Women: A Multilevel Analysis”

12) “Compulsory Voting and Political Engagement (Beyond the Ballot Box): A Multilevel Analysis”

11) “Refining the Theory of Partisan Alignments: Evidence from Latin America” (with Scott Morgenstern and Yen-Pin Su)

10) “Who Votes in Latin America? A Test of Three Theoretical Perspectives,” (with Néstor Castañeda)
   2014. *Comparative Political Studies*, 47(8): 1079-1104

9) “Outsiders and Executive-Legislative Conflict in Latin America,”

8) “Trust in elections, vote buying, and turnout in Latin America,” (with Yasemin Irepoglu)

7) “The Impact of Criminal Violence on Regime Legitimacy in Latin America,”

6) “Presidentes outsiders y ministros neófitos en América Latina (1980-2010),”

   2012. *Comparative Political Studies*, 45(12): 1451-1482

4) “The Evolution of the Study of Executive-Legislative Relations in Latin America: Or How Theory Slowly Catches Up with Reality”

3) “Bullets and Votes: Violence and Electoral Participation in Mexico,” (with Alejandro Trellas)

2) “Party Systems in Latin America after the Third Wave: A Critical Re-Assessment”

1) “Civil Wars and Criminality: The Spillover of Violence”
**Book Chapters**


**Working Papers**

“Who Pays for Crime? Criminal Violence and Accountability in Latin America” (with Giancarlo Visconti)

**Other Publications**


**Book Reviews**

Book review of *Democracy, Dictatorship, and Term Limits* by Alexander Baturo for *Perspectives on Politics*, Vol. 14, Number 1, March 2016

Book review of *Venezuela's Chavismo and Populism in Comparative Perspective* by Kirk A. Hawkins for *The Latin Americanist*, Vol. 55, Number 2, June 2011

Book review of *Drugs and Democracy in Rio de Janeiro: Trafficking, Social Networks, and Public Security* by Enrique Desmond Arias for *The Latin Americanist*, Vol. 51, Number 1, Fall 2007

**Conference Papers**


“Do Corrupt Politicians Mobilize or Demobilize Voters? A Vignette Experiment in Colombia,” with Sofía Vera, paper presented at the 2018 LASA Annual Congress (Barcelona).


“Economic Anxiety and Anti-Establishment Attitudes in Europe,” with Shaun Bowler, paper presented at the 2017 APSA Annual Conference (San Francisco).

“Public Approval of Women Presidents: The Role of Gender Stereotypes,” with Ryan Carlin and Gregory Love, paper presented at the 2017 APSA Annual Conference (San Francisco).

“Social Capital and the Geography of Political Participation in Latin America,” with Shaun Bowler, paper presented at the 2017 WPSA Annual Meeting (Vancouver), and at the 2017 LASA Annual Congress (Lima).


“Descriptive Representation and Electoral Participation of Women,” paper presented at the 2015 WPSA Annual Meeting (Las Vegas) and at the 2015 MPSA Annual Meeting (Chicago).


“Electing and Re-Electing Outsiders: Individual-Level Determinants of the Vote for Outsiders in Latin America,” with Ignazio de Ferrari, paper presented at the 2012 Annual MPSA Conference (Chicago) and at the 54th International Congress of Americanists, Vienna (Austria), July 15-20, 2012.


“Outsiders and Executive-Legislative Conflict in Latin America (1980-2007),” paper presented at the 2011 APSA Annual Meeting (Seattle) and at the 2011 Annual MPSA Conference (Chicago).


“A Socio-Economic Explanation of Voter Turnout in Latin America, 1980-2010,” with Ignacio Arana and Néstor Castañeda, paper presented at the 2011 APSA Annual Meeting (Seattle) and at the 2011 Annual MPSA Conference (Chicago).

Professional visibility


Chair and Discussant, Panel “Spending and Targeting in Electoral Politics,” 24th IPSA World Congress in Poznan, Poland, July 23-28, 2016.


Chair, Panel “Populism: Historical Perspectives/Populismo: Perspectivas Históricas,” 21st IPSA World Congress in Santiago, Chile July 12-16, 2009.

Papers Refereed

América Latina Hoy, 2012
American Political Science Review, 2016 (2), 2017
British Journal of Political Science, 2015, 2016 (2), 2017 (2), 2018
Bulletin of Latin American Research, 2017
Comparative Political Studies, 2014, 2015, 2016 (2), 2017 (2)
Comparative Politics, 2014
Democratization, 2016, 2018
Development Studies, 2017
Electoral Studies, 2014, 2018
European Journal of Political Research, 2016
European Political Science Review, 2014
Government and Opposition, 2017
International Political Science Review, 2013, 2014
Journal of Conflict Resolution, 2016
Party Politics, 2011, 2018
Perspectives on Politics, 2018
Political Studies, 2018
Política y Gobierno, 2015, 2017
Politics, Groups, and Identities, 2017
Revista de Ciencia Política, 2017
West European Politics, 2016

Invited Talks and Presentations

“Who Pays for Crime? Criminal Violence, Issue Ownership and Accountability in Latin America,” Workshop on Criminal and Political Violence in Mexico and Central America, University of California, San Diego, May 4, 2018


“Outsider Presidents and Executive-Legislative Conflict in Latin America,” University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, October 23, 2013

Guest Speaker, Seminar “Democracia, participación e inclusión. Desafíos, riesgos y oportunidades para el trabajo de la FES en América Latina,” Friedrich-Ebert Foundation, La Paz (Bolivia), September 11-12, 2012

Guest Lecturer, “International Aspects of Democratization in Central America”, in the Course “Anatomy of Dictatorship”, for Professor Andrae Marak (April 12, 2011 - California University of Pennsylvania)

Scholarships and Grants

2018: Regents Faculty Development Award ($3,250), Academic Senate, University of California, Riverside

2017: Regents Faculty Fellowship ($3000), Academic Senate, University of California, Riverside

2017: Harrison and Ethel Silver Fund ($2000), Department of Political Science, University of California, Riverside

2012-2013: Latin American Social and Public Policy Dissertation Writing Stage Fellowship, Center for Latin American Studies, University of Pittsburgh (tuition and stipend)

2011-2012: Mellon Fellowship, University of Pittsburgh (tuition and stipend)

2010: Summer Fellowship ($2000), Department of Political Science: University of Pittsburgh

2009-2010: Graduate Student Researcher: University of Pittsburgh (tuition and stipend)

2009: Field Research Grant ($2000), Center for Latin American Studies: University of Pittsburgh

2008-2009: A&S Fellowship: University of Pittsburgh (tuition and stipend)

2007-2008: Graduate Fellowship: Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies

Teaching Experience

University of California, Riverside

Graduate Instructor: Comparative Political Behavior and Elections (Spring 2015, Spring 2017)
Graduate Instructor: Democracy and Democratization (Spring 2016, Spring 2018)
Instructor: Politics of Developing Countries (Winter 2015, Fall 2015, Fall 2016)
Instructor: US-Latin American Relations (Fall 2015, Fall 2016, Winter 2018)
Instructor: Comparative Politics (Spring 2016, Summer 2017)
Instructor: Latin American Politics (Summer 2016, Spring 2017, Summer 2018)
Instructor: Democracy and Democratization (Winter 2018)

Boğaziçi University, Istanbul, Turkey

Instructor: Politics of Latin America (Summer 2014)

University of Pittsburgh

Instructor, Comparative Politics (Summer 2013).
Activities and Affiliations

American Political Science Association
Midwest Political Science Association
Western Political Science Association
International Political Science Association
Latin American Studies Association

Fieldwork

Peru (October-December 2012): Dissertation field research analyzing cabinet composition during the presidency of outsider president Albert Fujimori. Interviews with academics and several cabinet members in Peru in the 1980s and 1990s.

Morocco (May-June 2012): Field research evaluating the evolution of the political system in Morocco since the top-down constitutional reforms that took place in 2011. Interviews with academics, journalists, social movement activists, and political leaders.

Colombia (July-August 2010): Pre-dissertation research on the emergence of “independent” candidates in presidential elections in Colombia. Gathered a lot of qualitative information (e.g. press archives) and interviewed academics.

Morocco (May 2010): Field research for USAID grant on political party development and USAID programs (with Professors Barry Ames and Lou Picard). More than 40 interviews conducted in Rabat, Tanger and near Fès. Co-author of the report assessing party system characteristics in Morocco.

Brazil (June 2009): Field research about “mano dura” policies and police excesses in Rio de Janeiro and Belo Horizonte. Interviews with academics, policy-makers, and top-ranked police officers.

Honors and Awards

2011: Party Politics Prize for the best paper at the 21st ECPR Standing Group Summer School “Political Parties in Modern Democracies”

Additional Academic Experience

2010 Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research: June 14 – 25
Syracuse University

2006 Semester abroad as an exchange student (winter term): 5 courses (GPA: 3.6/4)
McGill University (Montreal)

Languages

Spanish: fluent (mother tongue)
French: fluent (bilingual)
English: fluent
Portuguese: fluent
Italian: reading and comprehension
Turkish: intermediate
References

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