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Position

Tulane University

Postdoctoral Fellow, Center for Inter-American Policy and Research 2021-

Education

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

PhD in Political Science 2021

Major Fields: Comparative Politics, Quantitative Methods

Dissertation: "Revealed Corruption and Electoral Accountability in Brazil: How Politicians Anticipate Voting Behavior"

Committee: Jake Bowers (chair), Avital Livny, Gisela Sin, Matthew S. Winters

MA in Political Science 2017

Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile

BA in Political Science 2014

Research

PUBLICATIONS

2020. "Light in the Midst of Chaos: COVID-19 and Female Political Representation." *World Development* 136: 105125 (with Kelly Senters Piazza)

2020. "Survey Experiments and the Quest for Valid Interpretation." In *The SAGE Handbook of Research Methods in Political Science and International Relations*, edited by Luigi Curini and Robert Franzese. London: Sage (with Christopher Grady and James H. Kuklinski)

2014. "Civic Education and Voter Turnout Under Voluntary Voting." *Política* 52(1): 61-91 (In Spanish)

WORKING PAPERS

"Bad Neighbors Make Good Fences: How Politicians Mitigate the Electoral Consequences of Nearby Corruption in Brazil."

"A Model Selection Approach to Interference." *Best poster award. 2019 Latin American Political Methodology Meeting*

"Women Held Back: The Depressing Effect of Institutional and Norms-Based Barriers on Female Representation in Corrupt Contexts." (with Kelly Senters Piazza)

TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS

“Bad Neighbors Make Good Fences: How Politicians Mitigate the Electoral Consequences of Nearby Corruption in Brazil.” MWEPS VI 2021, King’s College London QPE 2021, Notre Dame-Illinois Graduate Student Exchange 2020, APSA 2019, SLAMM! 2019

“A Model Selection Approach to Interference.” MPSA 2021, WUSTL-Illinois Graduate Student Exchange 2021, NYU CESS 2021, Polmeth 2020, Latin American Polmeth 2019

“Women Can’t Win: Electoral Double Standards in the Face of Corruption.” MPSA 2020 (canceled)

“Revisiting Double List Experiments to Address Design Effects.” NYU CESS 2020

“Structural Topic Modeling for Supervised Learning.” Minnesota Political Methodology Colloquium 2019

“Creating the Subnational Resource Curse: Voting Rules and Equalization Grants in Chile.” MPSA 2018, WUSTL-Illinois Graduate Student Exchange 2018

“Accountability without Term Limits: Tenure and Economic Performance in Chilean Subnational Elections.” MPSA 2017

Teaching

INSTRUCTOR

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Comparative Politics in Developing Nations (Online). Summer 2019

Mathcamp for Political Scientists. Fall 2017-2019

TEACHING ASSISTANT

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Research Design and Techniques (Graduate). Jake Bowers and James H. Kuklinski. Spring 2021

Quantitative Methods II (Graduate). Jake Bowers. Spring 2021

Quantitative Methods I (Graduate). Brian Gaines. Fall 2020

Quantitative Methods III (Graduate). Wendy K. Tam Cho Fall 2020

Introduction to Quantitative Political Research. Jake Bowers. Fall 2017

Comparative Politics in Developing Nations. Avital Livny. Fall 2016

Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile

Introduction to Comparative Politics. Valeria Palanza. Spring 2011, 2013, 2014

Quantitative Methods. Anthony Pezzola. Spring 2013, 2014

Comparative Political Behavior in Latin America. Roody Reserve. Fall 2013

Qualitative Methods. Julieta Suárez-Cao. Fall 2013

Subnational Politics in Latin America. Julieta Suárez-Cao. Spring 2013

Other

IPSA-USP Summer School (Causal Inference track). University of São Paulo. 2020

Awards & Honors

2019-2020. Werner Baer Dissertation Writing Fellowship. Lemann Institute for Brazilian Studies, University of Illinois

2019. Best Poster Award. Latin American Political Methodology Meeting. Montevideo, Uruguay

2016. Rita and Leonard Ogren Award for Academic Excellence. Department of Political Science, University of Illinois

Additional Training

2019. Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models Summer Institute. Emory University

2014. Summer School on Mixed Methods. Department of Political Science, PUC

Skills

Languages: Spanish, French, Portuguese

Software: R, STATA, QGIS, GeoDa, GitHub, L^AT_EX, Markdown

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