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Academic Appointments

Vanderbilt University

Associate Professor of Political Science, 2016–present

Associate Director, Latin American Public Opinion Project, 2016–present

Faculty Affiliate, Center for Latin American Studies

Faculty Affiliate, Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions

Univerisdad Torcuato Di Tella (Argentina), Visiting Professor, 2015–present

University of Wisconsin-Madison, Assistant Professor of Political Science, 2013–2016

Juan March Institute (Spain), Junior Research Fellow, 2012–2013

University of Notre Dame, Visiting Fellow, Helen Kellogg Institute for International Studies, Fall 2011

Education

Ph.D. Politics, Princeton University, 2011

M.A. Politics, Princeton University, 2008

M.A. Social Science, University of Chicago, 2005

B.A. Political Science and History (Honors), Columbia University, 2002

Publications

Books

Party Brands in Crisis: Partisanship, Brand Dilution, and the Breakdown of Political Parties in Latin America, New York: Cambridge University Press, 2016.

Reviewed in Government and Opposition, Latin American Politics and Society, and Perspectives on Politics

Edited Volumes

Campaigns and Voters in Developing Democracies: Argentina in Comparative Perspective (with Virginia Oliveros and Luis Schiumerini). Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press (forthcoming).

Political Parties and Uncertainty in Developing Democracies (with Rachel Beatty Riedl), special issue of Comparative Political Studies 46(11), 2013.

Articles

"Maximizing Benefits from Survey-Based Research" (with Elizabeth J. Zechmeister), *PS: Political Science & Politics* 51(3) (forthcoming in 2018).

"Advances in Survey Methods for the Developing World" (with Kristin Michelitch), Annual Review of Political Science 21: 195–214 (2018).

"The Legacy of Political Violence across Generations" (with Leonid Peisakhin), American Journal of Political Science 61(4): 836–851 (2017).

"A New Measure of Congruence: The Earth Mover's Distance" (with Lucía Selios and Zach Warner), *Political Analysis* 25(1): 95–113 (2017).

"Do Voters Dislike Working-Class Candidates? Voter Biases and the Descriptive Underrepresentation of the Working Class" (with Nicholas Carnes), *American Political Science Review* 110(4): 832–844 (2016).

"The End of the Kirchner Era," Journal of Democracy 27(2): 35–49 (2016).

"What Good is a College Degree? Education and Leader Quality Reconsidered" (with Nicholas Carnes), *Journal of Politics* 78(1): 35–49 (2016).

"Party Polarization and Mass Partisanship: A Comparative Perspective," *Political Behavior* 37(2): 331–356 (2015).

Winner of the 2015 GESIS Klingemann Prize, Comparative Study of Electoral Systems

"Rethinking the Comparative Perspective on Class and Representation: Evidence from Latin America" (with Nicholas Carnes), *American Journal of Political Science* 59(1): 1–18 (2015).

Winner of the 2013 Sage Paper Award, Comparative Politics section of the American Political Science Association

"Brand Dilution and the Breakdown of Political Parties in Latin America," World Politics 66(4): 561–602 (2014).

Reprinted in Spanish as "La dilución de marca y el colapso de los partidos políticos en América Latina," in *Representación política en América Latina: Partidos políticos, elecciones y reglas,* ed. Fernando Tuesta Soldevilla, Lima: Jurado Nacional Electoral, pp. 33–71 (2016).

Winner of the 2016 Jack Walker Award, Political Organizations and Parties section of the American Political Science Association

Winner of the 2015 Alexander L. George Article Award, Qualitative and Multi-Method Research section of the American Political Science Association

"Political Parties and Uncertainty in Developing Democracies" (with Rachel Beatty Riedl), *Comparative Political Studies* 46(11): 1339–1365 (2013).

"Party Brands and Partisanship: Theory with Evidence from a Survey Experiment in Argentina," *American Journal of Political Science* 57(1): 49–64 (2013).

Winner of the 2012 Best Paper Award, Political Institutions section of the Latin American Studies Association

"The Structure of Inequality and the Politics of Redistribution" (with Jonas Pontusson), *American Political Science Review* 105(2): 316–336 (2011).

Honorable Mention, 2011 Sage Paper Award, Comparative Politics section of the American Political Science Association

"Who Votes for *chavismo*? Class Voting in Hugo Chávez's Venezuela," *Latin American Research Review* 45(1): 7–32 (2010).

"Democracy, Interrupted: Regime Change and Partisanship in Twentieth-Century Argentina" (with Susan C. Stokes), *Electoral Studies* 29(1): 91–104 (2010).

"The Social Bases of Political Parties in Argentina, 1912-2003" (with Susan C. Stokes), *Latin American Research Review* 44(1): 58–87 (2009).

Reprinted in Spanish as "Las bases sociales de los partidos políticos en Argentina, 1912-2003," Desarrollo Económico 48(192): 515–542 (2009).

"Towards a New Articulation of Alternative Development: Lessons from Coca Supply Reduction in Bolivia," *Development Policy Review* 22(4): 405–421 (2004).

"Memory Vanished, Absent, and Confined: The Countermemorial Project in 1980s and 1990s Germany," *History & Memory* 15(2): 130–164 (2003).

Book Chapters

"Toward a Theory of Campaigns and Voters in Developing Democracies" (with Virginia Oliveros and Luis Schiumerini), in *Campaigns and Voters in Developing Democracies: Argentina in Comparative Perspective*, edited by Noam Lupu, Virginia Oliveros, and Luis Schiumerini. Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press (forthcoming).

"Why Does Wealth Affect Vote Choice?" in *Campaigns and Voters in Developing Democracies: Argentina in Comparative Perspective*, edited by Noam Lupu, Virginia Oliveros, and Luis Schiumerini. Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press (forthcoming).

"Party Brands, Partisan Erosion, and Party Breakdown," in *Latin American Party Systems: Institutionalization, Decay, and Collapse*, edited by Scott Mainwaring. New York: Cambridge University Press, pp. 359–379 (2018).

"Mass-Elite Congruence and Representation in Argentina" (with Zach Warner), in *Malaise in Representation in Latin American Countries: Chile, Argentina, Uruguay*, edited by Alfredo Joignant, Mauricio Morales, and Claudio Fuentes. New York: Palgrave Macmillan, pp. 281–302 (2017).

"Building Party Brands in Argentina and Brazil," in *Challenges of Party-Building in Latin America*, edited by Jorge Domínguez, Steven Levitsky, James Loxton, and Brandon Van Dyck. New York: Cambridge University Press, pp. 76–99 (2016).

"Partisanship in Latin America," in *The Latin American Voter: Pursuing Representation and Accountability in Challenging Contexts*, edited by Ryan E. Carlin, Matthew M. Singer, and Elizabeth J. Zechmeister. Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press, pp. 226–245 (2015).

"Political Parties and Party Systems," in *Routledge Handbook of Comparative Political Institutions*, edited by Jennifer Gandhi and Rubén Ruiz-Rufino. London: Routledge, pp. 128–144 (2015).

Publications in Spanish

"Nacionalización e institucionalización de partidos en la Argentina del siglo XX" [Nationalization and Party Institutionalization in Twentieth-Century Argentina], in *Sistemas de partidos en América Latina:* Causas y consecuencias de su equilibrio inestable, ed. Mariano Torcal, Buenos Aires: Siglo XXI, pp. 183–202 (2015).

Survey Studies

2015 Argentine Panel Election Study (with Carlos Gervasoni, Virginia Oliveros, and Luis Schiumerini).

Notes

"Class and Representation in Latin America," Swiss Political Science Review 21(2): 229–236 (2015).

"The 2011 general elections in Peru," *Electoral Studies* 31(3): 621–624 (2012).

"The 2009 legislative elections in Argentina," *Electoral Studies* 29(1): 174–177 (2010).

Book Reviews

Review of Masket, Seth E., The Inevitable Party: Why Attempts to Kill the Party System Fail and How they Weaken Democracy, Oxford University Press, Perspectives on Politics 15(3): 836–837 (2017).

Review of Weitz-Shapiro, Rebecca, Curbing Clientelism in Argentina: Politics, Poverty, and Social Policy, Cambridge University Press, Latin American Politics and Society 57(3): 163–166 (2015).

Review of Moser, Robert G. and Ethan Scheiner, *Electoral Systems and Political Context: How the Effects of Rules Vary Across New and Established Democracies*, Cambridge University Press, *Political Science Quarterly* 128(4): 794–795 (2013).

Review of Kitschelt, Herbert, Kirk Hawkins, Juan Pablo Luna, Guillermo Rosas, and Elizabeth J. Zechmeister, *Latin American Party Systems*, Cambridge University Press, *Comparative Political Studies* 44(12): 1700–1703 (2011).

Research Reports

The Effect of Corruption on Political Behavior in the Peruvian Amazon: Impact Evaluation of Informational Campaigns to Increase Awareness of Corruption in Politics. Washington, D.C.: U.S. Agency for International Development, 2018.

The Political Culture of Democracy in the Americas, 2016/17: A Comparative Study of Governance and Democracy (co-edited with Mollie J. Cohen and Elizabeth J. Zechmeister). Latin American Public Opinion Project, Vanderbilt University, 2017.

"Corruption in the Americas," in *The Political Culture of Democracy in the Americas, 2016/17: A Comparative Study of Governance and Democracy,* edited by Mollie J. Cohen, Noam Lupu, and Elizabeth J. Zechmeister. Latin American Public Opinion Project, Vanderbilt University, 2017.

"European Political Parties in the Wake of Crisis: Lessons from Latin America," APSA-CP Newsletter, Fall 2013, pp. 7–8.

"How Government by the Privileged Distorts Democracies" (with Nicholas Carnes), Key Findings, Scholars Strategy Network, July 2013.

Popular Press

"A significant minority of Americans say they could support a military takeover of the U.S. government." (with Germán Feierherd and Susan Stokes), The Monkey Cage blog at *Washington Post*, February 16, 2018.

"Did Maduro's party really dominate Sunday's election in Venezuela? These polls should make you skeptical." (with Elizabeth J. Zechmeister), The Monkey Cage blog at *Washington Post*, October 20, 2017.

"Why are Crimean Tatars so hostile to Russia?" (with Leonid Peisakhin), The Monkey Cage blog at *Washington Post*, September 5, 2017.

"It's time to bust the myth: Most Trump voters were not working class" (with Nicholas Carnes), The Monkey Cage blog at *Washington Post*, June 5, 2017.

"The rich get elected – but it's not because voters necessarily prefer them" (with Nicholas Carnes), *Democratic Audit UK*, February 22, 2016.

"Voters actually don't prefer wealthy politicians" (with Nicholas Carnes), The Monkey Cage blog at Washington Post, December 6, 2016.

"Why We Fell Behind," Democracy: A Journal of Ideas, May 16, 2016.

"Why Trump's appeal is wider than you might think" (with Nicholas Carnes), MSNBC.com, April 8, 2016.

"No matter what happens in Sunday's election, Argentina will be governed by the rich. Here's why that matters," The Monkey Cage blog at *Washington Post*, November 20, 2015.

"Scott Walker didn't finish college. Would that make him a bad president?" (with Nicholas Carnes), *Politico*, July 8, 2015.

"The rich are running Latin America – and why that matters" (with Nicholas Carnes), The Monkey Cage blog at *Washington Post*, April 8, 2014.

"Cómo afecta el gobierno de los privilegiados a la democracia?" (with Nicholas Carnes), *Condistintosa-centos*, September 15, 2013.

Research in Progress

"What Do Voters Think About the Descriptive Underrepresentation of the Working Class?" (with Nicholas Carnes). Under review.

"Affluence and Congruence: Unequal Representation Around the World" (with Zach Warner). Under review.

"When Do Voters Sanction Corrupt Politicians?" (with Marko Klašnja and Joshua Tucker). Under review.

"Oil Windfalls and a Conditional Political Resource Curse: Evidence from a Natural Experiment in Brazil" (with Rikhil Bhavnani).

"The Structure of Inequality and Preferences for Redistribution" (with Jonas Pontusson).

"Party Stability and Vote Choice in Hard Times: Evidence from Post-Crisis Elections in Latin America."

"Campaigns, Learning, and Political Knowledge" (with Luis Schiumerini).

Why the Rich Govern: Elections and Biased Representation in the World's Democracies (with Nicholas Carnes).

Memory and Identity: Legacies of Political Violence Across Generations (with Leonid Peisakhin).

"The Transformation of European Social Democracy, Revisited" (with Maayan Mor).

"The Political Consequences of Crime in Latin America: Applying MRP to Latin American Survey Data" (with Joshua D. Clinton and Claire Q. Evans).

Dormant

"Development, Democratization, and Democratic Deepening" (with Kanta Murali).

"Electoral Rules, Income Inequality, and the Politics of Redistribution" (with Jonas Pontusson).

Invited Talks

Aarhus, Denmark (2017); Autonomous University of Barcelona, Spain (2012); Carlos III–Juan March Institute, Spain (2014, 2018); Catholic University of Córdoba, Argentina (2009); Chicago (2011, 2014); CIDE, Mexico (2015); CIDOB Foundation, Spain (2008); Claremont (2010); Columbia (2012); Costa Rica (2017); Diego Portales, Chile (2015); Duke–UNC (2014); ETH–Zurich, Switzerland (2015); FIU (2017); Getúlio Vargas Foundation, Brazil (2011); Harvard (2012, 2014, 2018); Hebrew, Israel (2013, 2017, 2018); Hertie School of Governance, Germany (2013); Geneva, Switzerland (2015, 2018); Illinois (2016); ITAM, Mexico (2015); Lund, Sweden (2014); MIT (2016); Montreal (2018); Notre Dame (2011, 2014); Northwestern (2011); NYU (2011); NYU Abu Dhabi (2017, 2018); OECD (2017, 2018); Oxford, UK (2009, 2011, 2012, 2015); Pontifical Catholic University, Chile (2012, 2015); Pontifical Catholic University, Peru (2015); Princeton (2013, 2015); Reed (2018); Rochester (2010); Salamanca, Spain (2012, 2013); San Andrés, Argentina (2009); Stanford (2018); SUNY-Buffalo (2016); Torcuato Di Tella, Argentina (2006, 2012, 2014, 2015, 2016); Toulouse School of Economics, France (2017); Tulane (2011); UCSD (2012); University of the Republic, Uruguay (2012, 2016); UT-Austin (2014); Vanderbilt (2012, 2013, 2014, 2015); Wash U (2018); Wisconsin (2010); Yale (2007, 2008, 2012, 2016, 2017)

Conference Presentations

American Political Science Association: 2009, 2010, 2011, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018

Argentine Association of Political Analysis: 2009

Council for European Studies: 2008

European Political Science Association: 2013, 2014, 2017

FLACSO-ISA Joint International Conference: 2014

Latin American Studies Association: 2007, 2010, 2012, 2014, 2017

Midwest Political Science Association: 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2016

Midwest Workshop in Empirical Political Science: 2018

Southern Political Science Association: 2011 WAPOR Latin America Conference: 2016

Invited presentations

Peruvian Congress of Electoral Studies: 2014

Fellowships and Awards

Jack Walker Award, Political Organizations and Parties section of the American Political Science Association (2016) – awarded to the best article published in the previous two years on political organizations and parties

Alexander L. George Article Award, Qualitative and Multi-Method Research section of the American Political Science Association (2015) – awarded to an article or chapter published in the previous year that demonstrates excellence in the development or application of qualitative methods

GESIS Klingemann Prize, Comparative Study of Electoral Systems (2015) – for best scholarship published or finalized in the prior calendar year that uses CSES data

Emerging Scholar Award, Political Organizations and Parties section of the American Political Science Association (2014) – awarded annually to a scholar within five years of receiving a Ph.D.

Sage Paper Award (with Nicholas Carnes), Comparative Politics section of the American Political Science Association (2013) – for best paper in comparative politics scheduled to be presented at the 2012 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association

Trice Faculty Scholar, University of Wisconsin-Madison (2013–2016)

Gabriel A. Almond Award, American Political Science Association (2012) – for best dissertation in comparative politics completed in the previous two years

Juan Linz Prize, Comparative Democratization section of the American Political Science Association (2012) – for best dissertation in the study of democracy completed in the previous two years

Best Paper Award, Political Institutions section of the Latin American Studies Association (2012) – for best paper on Latin American politics presented at the 2010 International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association

Sage Paper Award, Honorable Mention (with Jonas Pontusson), Comparative Politics section of the American Political Science Association (2011) – for best paper in comparative politics presented at the 2010 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association

Porter Ogden Jacobus Honorific Fellowship, Princeton University (2010-2011) – awarded annually to one graduate student in social sciences

Patricia Lynn Baker Prize, University of Chicago (2005) – for best graduate student paper addressing social inequality

Honorable Mention, National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship (2004)

Charles Hayden Memorial Scholarship, Columbia University (1998-1999)

Grants

Office of Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion Seed Grant, Vanderbilt University (2017)

Graduate School Fall Research Competition Grant, University of Wisconsin-Madison (2013: \$58,270, 2014: \$33,384, 2015: \$35,600)

LACIS Nave Faculty Publication Supplement, University of Wisconsin-Madison (2014)

Graduate Research Grant, Mamdouha S. Bobst Center for Peace and Justice, Princeton University (Spring 2009, Fall 2009)

Graduate Research Grant, Princeton Laboratory for Experimental Social Science, Princeton University (2009)

Summer Research Grant, Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies, Princeton University (2007, 2009, 2010)

Summer Research Grant, Program in Latin American Studies, Princeton University (2007, 2008, 2009, 2010)

Teaching

Vanderbilt University

Comparative Political Parties (G) - 2016-17

Public Opinion and Democracy in Latin America (U) – 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19

Political Violence (G) - 2018-19

Survey Research Methods (G) – 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19

University of Wisconsin-Madison

Causal Inference and Experimental Methods (G) – 2013-14

Comparative Political Parties (G) – 2013-14, 2014-15

Comparative Political Parties (U) – 2013-14, 2014-15

Latin American Politics (U) - 2013-14

Universidad Torcuato Di Tella

Comparative Politics (G) – Summer 2015

Additional teaching

ECPR Summer School on Political Parties - September 2018

APSA-AMECIP short course on Understanding and Analyzing Polls – August 2018

University of the Republic of Uruguay, short course on Political Parties in Latin America – December 2016

University of the Republic of Uruguay, short course on Experimental Methods in Political Science – July 2014

Professional Service

Vanderbilt University

Department:

Co-Coordinator, Comparative Politics Speaker Series, 2016–17, 2017–18

Hiring Committee, 2017-18

Junior Faculty Review Committee, 2016–17 (x2)

Nominations Committee, 2017–18

Hiring Priorities Committee, 2016-17

College of Arts and Science:

Junior Advisory Review Committee, 2017–18

University:

Discovery Grant Review Subcommittee, 2016–17, 2017–18 (chair)

Working Group on Research IT, 2016–17, 2017–18

University of Wisconsin-Madison

Coordinator, Comparative Politics Colloquium, 2015–16

Coordinator, Political Economy Colloquium, 2014–15, 2015–16

Co-Coordinator, Experimental Politics Workshop, 2013–14, 2014–15, 2015–16

Professional Associations

Executive Council member, Political Organizations and Parties Section, American Political Science Association, 2017–19

Best Paper Award Committee, Political Organizations and Parties Section, American Political Science Association, 2018

Sage Paper Award Committee (Chair), Comparative Politics Section, American Political Science Association, 2014

Juan Linz Dissertation Award Committee, Comparative Democratization Section, American Political Science Association, 2014

Best Paper Award Committee, Political Institutions Section, Latin American Studies Association, 2013

Section Chair, Latin American and Caribbean Politics, Midwest Political Science Association, 2013

Editorial Boards

American Journal of Political Science, 2016–present

Journal of Politics, 2017–present

Political Behavior, 2017–present

Other

Argentina Coordinator, Comparative Study of Electoral Systems, 2014–present

Co-Leader, Madison Chapter, Scholars Strategy Network, 2014–2016

Journal Referee: América Latina Hoy, American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, Brazilian Political Science Review, British Journal of Political Science, Bulletin of Latin American Research, Comparative European Politics, Comparative Political Studies, Comparative Politics, Economics and Politics, Electoral Studies, European Journal of Political Research, European Political Science Review, International Journal of Public Opinion Research, International Organization, Journal of Conflict Resolution, Journal of Empirical Legal Studies, Journal of Law, Economics and Organization, Journal of Peace Research, Journal of Politics, Journal of Politics in Latin America, Kellogg Institute Working Paper Series, Latin American and Caribbean Ethnic Studies, Latin American Politics and Society, Legislative Studies Quarterly, Party Politics, Política y Gobierno, Political Analysis, Political Behavior, Political Research Quarterly, Political Science Research and Methods, Political Studies, POSTData, Public Choice, Public Opinion Quarterly, Quarterly Journal of Political Science, Research and Politics, Social Science Quarterly, Social Science Research, Socio-Economic Review, Space and Culture, Studies in Comparative International Development, Taiwan Journal of Democracy, West European Politics, World Politics

Press Referee: Cambridge University Press, Routledge

Funding Referee: Israel Science Foundation, National Science Foundation, Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Swiss National Science Foundation

Member: American Political Science Association, European Political Science Association, Latin American Studies Association, Midwest Political Science Association, Scholars Strategy Network, World Association for Public Opinion Research

Invited Discussant

American Political Science Association: 2013, 2014, 2015, 2017, 2018

European Political Science Association: 2014, 2017

Midwest Political Science Association: 2009, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2016

Latin American Studies Association: 2012, 2014, 2015, 2016

Montreal Workshop on Voting Experiments: 2014

Southeast Latin American Behavior Conference: 2017

Book Workshop Discussant

Luis Schiumerini, Blessing and Curse: Incumbency and Democratic Accountability in Latin America, University of Oxford, 2017

Scott Mainwaring, Latin American Party Systems: Institutionalization, Erosion, and Collapse, University of Notre Dame, 2015

Conferences Organized

Campaigns and Voters in Developing Democracies: Argentina in Comparative Perspective (with Virginia Oliveros and Luis Schiumerini), Tulane University, 2016

Parties and Partisans: Explaining Continuity and Change in Party Systems, Juan March Institute, 2013

Political Parties and Uncertainty in New Democracies (with Rachel Beatty Riedl), Princeton University, 2011

Political Parties in the Developing World (with Rachel Beatty Riedl), Princeton University, 2010

Media Interviews

Al-Jazeera English (2012); America (2013); Deutsche Welle (2017); Estrategia, Chile (2016); Exame, Brazil (2016); Excélsior, Mexico (2014); Folha de S.Paulo, Brazil (2017); KNRS (2015); Los Angeles Times (2012); WDEL (2015)

Consulting

Freedom House (2017-2018)

USAID/NORC (2014-2018)

World Bank (2018)

Non-Academic Positions

Consultant, Inter-American Development Bank, Washington, D.C., 2003-2004

Analyst, Silver Oak Solutions, New York, 2002–2003

Other

Languages: Native fluency in Spanish and Hebrew, intermediate Portuguese

Field Research Experience: Argentina, Brazil, Cambodia, Crimea, Guatemala, Peru, Venezuela

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