

Kevin Navarrete-Parra

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Education

The University of Nevada, Las Vegas

Ph.D. Candidate in Political Science

2022–Present

Dissertation Topic: “Investor-State Dispute Settlement Escalation, Redaction, and Award Proportions”

The University of Nevada, Las Vegas

BA of Political Science

2018–2022

Minor: Philosophy

Academic Experience

Department of Political Science, UNLV

Las Vegas, Nevada

Graduate Assistant

2023–Present

Researched and constructed original data set, conducted research with faculty, tutored students in statistics and programming, and developed a series of open-source learning materials

Notable achievements:

- Hand-coded data set on investor-state dispute settlement (ISDS) cases
- Managed team of graduate research assistants
- Conducted research with faculty
- Created open-source learning materials for undergraduate and graduate students
- Helped over 100 students understand statistical and programming concepts
- Teaching assistant experience:
 - PSC 101: Introduction to American Politics
 - PSC 231: Introduction to International Relations
 - PSC 373: Early Modern Political Theory
 - PSC 411Z: Special Topics in Public Law: A Political History of the Supreme Court
 - Political Science Department Research Methods Tutor

Department of Political Science, UNLV

Las Vegas, Nevada

Undergraduate Research Assistant

Summer 2022

Conducted original research for professor’s book publication, researched and compiled novel data set

Notable achievements:

- Used Python’s natural language processing to parse unstructured data
- Investigated historical archives to generate a novel data set

Working Papers

Navarrete-Parra, Kevin. “Investor-State Dispute Settlement Awards: A Spectrum of Punishment”.

Lugg, Andrew, Jared Oestman, **Kevin Navarrete-Parra**, and Seung-Uk Huh. “Why Wait? Firms, Governments, and the Timing of International Investment Disputes”.

Lugg, Andrew, Jared Oestman, **Kevin Navarrete-Parra**. “A Novel Data Set of Investor-State Dispute Settlement”.

Conference Presentations

- Lugg, Andrew, Jared Oestman, **Kevin Navarrete-Parra**, and Seung-Uk Huh. 2025 "Why Wait? Firms, Governments, and the Timing of International Investment Disputes". In *American Political Science Association Annual Conference*. Vancouver, Canada.
- Navarrete-Parra, Kevin. 2025 "Investor-State Dispute Settlement Awards: A Spectrum of Punishment". In *Graduate and Professional Student Research Forum*. Las Vegas, Nevada.
- Lugg, Andrew, Jared Oestman, **Kevin Navarrete-Parra**, and Seung-Uk Huh. 2025 "Why Wait? Firms, Governments, and the Timing of International Investment Disputes". In *Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference*. Chicago, Illinois.
- Kevin Navarrete-Parra**. 2025 "Investor-State Dispute Settlement Awards: A Spectrum of Punishment". In *Southern Political Science Association Annual Conference*. San Juan, Puerto Rico
- Hearn, Lila and **Kevin Navarrete-Parra**. 2024. "The Creative Spirit Unleashed: Hume and Tocqueville and the Development of the Arts". In *Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference*. Chicago, Illinois.

Trainings and Certificates

- 2025: Foundations of Machine Learning: Applications in the Social Sciences
- 2024: Quantum Social Science Bootcamp
- 2024: Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR)
- 2024: Graduate Instructor Training
- 2023: UNLV Social Science Research Methods Certificate
- 2023: UNLV Graduate Research Certificate
- 2023: Data Visualization with R
- 2023: PDW: Equity and Inclusion in Course Design

Scholarships and Awards

2025: UNLV Political Science Departmental Funding	\$700
2025: UNLV Political Science Departmental Funding	\$1,000
2025: UNLV Grant	\$2,000
2025: UNLV Political Science Departmental Funding	\$700
2024: UNLV ICPSR Sponsorship	\$2,051.96
2024: UNLV Summer Scholarship	\$1,065
2024: UNLV Political Science Departmental Funding	\$1,500
2024: UNLV Political Science Departmental Funding	\$700
2023: UNLV Political Science Departmental Funding	\$750
2023: UNLV Summer Scholarship	\$1,000

Invited Talks and Workshops

- 2024: Rebels Speak Panel Moderator
- 2024: AI Guide: Using AI Responsibly to Learn Statistics and Programming

2024: On Troubleshooting: How to Fix Your Code

Professional Memberships

2025–Present: ISA

2024–Present: SPSA

2023–Present: APSA

2023–Present: MPSA

2023–Present: ASA

Skills

Basic: css, html, Jupyter Notebooks

Intermediate: Python, \LaTeX , Bash/Zsh, Git/GitHub, R Shiny, Quarto, STATA

Advanced: R, RMarkdown, Tidyverse

Languages

Spanish: Native fluency

First language

English: Native fluency

Second language

Attic: Elementary

Basic reading only