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Education

Cornell University

Ph.D., Government, 2017

M.A., Government, 2014

Centro de Investigación y Docencias Económicas (CIDE)

B.A. (Licenciatura), Political Science and International Relations, 2008

Dissertation

"States Divided: History, Conflict, and State Formation in Mexico and Colombia." *2018 William Anderson Award, American Political Science Association*

Academic Appointments

Assistant Professor of Politics, CIDE

Fall 2018 -

Candidate to National Researcher, National System of Researchers (SNI-CONACYT). Since January 2020.

Academy Scholar, Harvard Academy for International and Area Studies

Harvard University

Fall 2017 - July 2018

Publications

Articles

"Constitutional Origins and Liberal Democracy: A Global Analysis." *American Political Science Review*. Accepted. (With Gabriel Negretto)

"Building the Modern State in Developing Countries: Perceptions of Public Safety and (Un)willingness to Pay Taxes in Mexico." 2020. *Politics & Society* 48, n.3. (With Gustavo Flores-Macías).

"One-Eyed State: The Politics of Legibility and Property Taxation." 2020. *Latin American Politics and Society* 62, n.3.

"Mexico 2019: Personalistic Politics and Neoliberalism from the Left." 2020. *Revista de Ciencia Política* 40, n.2.

"¿La venganza del 'pueblo'? La democracia frente a sí misma." Editor, special issue, *Configuraciones* 48-49 (January-August 2019).

"Mexico's Party System Under Stress." 2018. *Journal of Democracy* 29, n.4 (October). (With Kenneth F. Greene)

- Edited books* *Izquierda, democracia y cambio social: PRD, 1989-2019*. Ciudad de México: Cal y Arena - CIDE. (With Ricardo Becerra). Forthcoming in September 2020.
- Las caras de Jano: 90 años del PRI*. 2019. Ciudad de México: CIDE. (With Ricardo Becerra)
- Book chapters* “1989-2019. La política en una época de desgarramiento social.” 2020. In *Izquierda, democracia y cambio social: PRD, 1989-2019*, eds. Ricardo Becerra and Mariano Sánchez-Talanquer. Ciudad de México: Cal y Arena.
- “The Political Economy of NAFTA/USMCA.” 2019. In *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Politics*. Oxford University Press. (With Gustavo Flores-Macías)
- “Las huellas del pasado. Legados representativos de la era del PRI.” 2019. In *Las caras de Jano: 90 años del PRI*, eds. Mariano Sánchez-Talanquer and Ricardo Becerra. Ciudad de México: CIDE.
- “Authoritarian Legacies and Party System Stability in Mexico.” 2018. In Scott Mainwaring (ed.), *Party Systems in Latin America: Institutionalization, Decay, and Collapse*. New York: Cambridge University Press. (With Kenneth F. Greene)
- “Voto y Ciclo Económico” and “Clientelismo y Coacción.”. 2017. In Ricardo Becerra (ed.), *Informe sobre la democracia mexicana en una época de expectativas rotas*. Ciudad de México: Siglo XXI Editores.
- “La economía política del salario mínimo: Estados Unidos y América Latina en perspectiva comparada.” 2016. In *Del Salario Mínimo al Salario Digno*. Ciudad de México: Cal y Arena.
- “El cambio constitucional necesario.” 2012. In Ricardo Becerra (ed.), *Equidad Social y Parlamentarismo*. Ciudad de México: Siglo XXI Editores.
- Non-Peer Reviewed Articles, Reports, & Book Reviews* “Crisis y pensamiento después del fin de la historia.” *Configuraciones* 50 (September 2019-March 2020).
- “La desfiguración de la representación política: populismo y bonapartismo en el siglo XXI,” in “¿La venganza del ‘pueblo’? La democracia frente a sí misma,” ed. Mariano Sánchez-Talanquer, special issue, *Configuraciones* 48-49 (January-August 2019).
- “¿Democracia clientelar? La representación política frente a la debilidad estatal.” July 2019. Ciudad de México: Friedrich Ebert Stiftung.

[“NAFTA’s Overhaul: From Stability to Uncertainty.”](#) September 2018. *Foreign Policy Research Institute*. (With Gustavo Flores-Macías)

Review of “Violence and Crime in Latin America: Representations and Politics,” David Carey Jr. and Gema Santamaría (eds.). 2018. *Bulletin of Latin American Research* 37, n.5 (November).

[“The Future of Mexico under AMLO.”](#) July 2018. *Foreign Policy Research Institute*.

“Lo que está en juego en las elecciones de México.” May 2018. Misión de Observación Electoral, Colombia.

“El Panorama Electoral en América Latina en 2018.” *Foreign Affairs Latinoamérica* 18, n.1. (With Gustavo-Macías)

Op-Eds &
Commentary

[“Las Defensas Rurales del Ejército y las raíces históricas de la militarización.”](#) Blog Programa para el Estudio de la Violencia, CIDE. October 2020.

[“La letalidad hospitalaria por Covid-19 en México: desigualdades institucionales.”](#) *Nexos*, August 2020.

[“Errada y errática: la respuesta gubernamental a la pandemia.”](#) (With Felicia Knaul, Julio Frenk, Salomón Chertorivski y Héctor Arreola-Ornelas). *Nexos*, August 2020.

[“Los derechos cuestan: debilidad fiscal y límites de la ‘Cuarta Transformación’.”](#) January 2019. In Primer Saque, blog *Política y Gobierno*.

[“A Trade Deal Worse than NAFTA.”](#) October 1, 2018. *The New York Times*. (With Gustavo Flores-Macías)

Under
Review
& in
Progress

The Geography of State Power: Domestic Conflict and State-Building in Colombia and Mexico (book manuscript).

[“Suffrage Restrictions and the Reach of the Nation-State.”](#)

2019 award for best paper presented in the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (APSA), Democracy & Autocracy Section

[“Legacies of Revolution: Popular Militias and the Rule of Law.”](#)

“Spatial Inequality, (In)security, and Support for the Tax State: Evidence from Mexico.” (With Gustavo Flores-Macías)

[“Social Dissent, Coercive Capacity, and Redistribution: Evidence from Authoritarian Mexico.”](#) (With Horacio Larreguy and Juan Felipe Riaño)

Grants
&
Awards

American Political Science Association. Democracy & Autocracy Section. 2019. Best paper presented in the 2018 Annual Meeting.

American Political Science Association. 2018. William Anderson Award to the best dissertation in the general field of federalism or intergovernmental relations, state, and local politics.

Cornell University, Department of Government. 2018. Janice N. and Milton J. Esman Prize. Awarded annually in recognition of distinguished scholarship and the best dissertation in the graduate program.

Fletcher Jones Foundation. 2016. Houston I. Flournoy Fellowship for the research project "Funding the Modern State: the Link between Public Safety and Taxation." (With Gustavo Flores-Macías)

Cornell University, Department of Government. 2015. The George Kahin Prize to the best beginning dissertation in the area of International Studies.

Cornell University, Graduate School. 2015. Research Travel Grant for field research in Mexico and Colombia.

Social Science Research Council. 2014. Dissertation Proposal Development Fellowship.

Mexico National Council of Science and Technology (CONACYT). 2014. Doctoral Fellowship.

Fulbright U.S.-Mexico Commission for Educational and Cultural Exchange. 2011-2014. Fulbright Garcia-Robles Grant.

Cornell University – Fletcher Jones Foundation. 2013. Houston I. Flournoy Fellowship (with Gustavo Flores-Macías).

Tinker Foundation – Latin American Studies Program, Cornell University. 2012. Tinker Foundation Grant to conduct field research.

Conferen-
ces &
Invited
Presenta-
tions

Yale University. 2019. Old and New Challenges to Mexican Democracy workshop. New Haven, CT.

Universidad Torcuato di Tella, German Institute for Global Affairs, Nueva Sociedad. 2019. Los retos y dilemas de la democracia en América Latina. Buenos Aires, Argentina.

American Political Science Association Annual Conference. 2019. Washington, DC.

Princeton University. 2019. State Capacity and Public Goods Provision conference. Princeton, NJ.

Georgetown University. 2019. Historical Political Economy of Mexico workshop. Washington, DC.

CIDE. 2019. Pasado, Presente y ¿Futuro? del Partido Revolucionario Institucional. Mexico City.

ONU-Derechos Humanos, Centro ProDH, CIDE, Ibero, CNDH, IIJ-UNAM. 2019. Segunda Conferencia Internacional Seguridad Ciudadana: La Vía Civil, "Intervención militar en la seguridad pública. Evolución histórica". Mexico City.

Centro Tepoztlán Víctor Urquidi. 2019. La crisis del Estado y la Cuarta Transformación. Invited speaker. Tepoztlán, Morelos.

Fundación Friedrich Ebert, Partido de la Revolución Democrática. "¿Democracia clientelar? Debilidad estatal y representación política." 2019. Invited speaker. Mexico City.

Harvard University, David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies. 2018. "Legacies of Revolution: Popular Militias and the Rule of Law in Mexico." Cambridge, MA.

American Political Science Association Annual Conference. 2018. "Suffrage Restrictions and the Reach of the Nation-State." Boston, MA.

Instituto de Estudios para la Transición Democrática. 2018. "¿Qué futuro para el sistema de partidos? La representación política entre el desencanto y la debilidad estatal." Mexico City.

Latin American Studies Association Annual Congress. 2018. "Defending Revolution: Peasant Militias and the Rule of Law in the Long Run." Barcelona, Spain.

Harvard University, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs. 2017. State Capacity in Comparative Perspective Conference. "Revolution, Peasant Militias, and the Rule of Law: Evidence From Mexico." Cambridge, MA.

Harvard University, Harvard Academy for International and Area Studies. 2017. "Domestic Conflict and Uneven State-Building."

American Political Science Association Annual Conference. 2017. "Revolution, Militias, and the Rule of Law: Evidence From Mexico." San Francisco, CA.

American Political Science Association Annual Conference. 2016. "Uneven Strength of the Leviathan: Political Cleavages and State-Building in Mexico and Colombia." Philadelphia, PA.

National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM) - Graduate School of Economics and The Mexico City Economic and Social Council. 2016. "Economics, Politics, and Ethics of the Minimum Wage." Invited speaker. Mexico City.

American Political Science Association Annual Conference. 2015. "State Unevenness and Political Order in Mexico." San Francisco, CA.

4th Annual Conference of the Sociology of Development Section of the American Sociological Association, Transformative Possibilities in the Global South. 2015. "State Formation in Mexico and Colombia: Conceptual and Empirical Approaches to the Uneven Strength of the State." Watson Institute, Brown University.

Latin American Studies Association Annual Congress. 2015. "The Historical Roots of Uneven State Capacity in Mexico and Colombia." San Juan, PR.

Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference. 2014. "Market Liberalism, Social Protection, and Traditional Party Survival in Latin America" Chicago, IL.

Friedrich Ebert Foundation and Instituto de Estudios para la Transición Democrática. 2013. "Party Systems and Coalition Government in Latin America." Invited speaker. Mexico City.

Teaching *Political Institutions I: The State, Constitutionalism, and Democracy*. Fall 2018, Fall 2019, Fall 2020. CIDE. Undergraduate.

Third-year graduate research colloquium. Spring 2020. CIDE. PhD program.

Political Economy. Spring 2019. CIDE. Graduate seminar.

Teaching Assistant, Cornell University:

Comparative Politics of Latin America. Spring 2014. Prof. Gustavo Flores-Macías.

Politics and Markets Fall 2013. Prof. Thomas Pepinsky.

Introduction to Comparative Politics. Spring 2013. Prof. Andrew Mertha.

American Political Thought: Madison to Malcolm X. Fall 2012. Prof. Isaac Kramnick.

Additional Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research (IQMR). Syracuse
Training University, Syracuse, New York. Summer 2014.

Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR). Summer 2013.

Languages & Skills	Spanish (native), English (fluent), French (reading) Archival research, Stata, R, \LaTeX , ArcGIS	
Non-academic Employment	<p>Federal Electoral Institute (IFE), Mexico. 2009-2011 and summer of 2012. Office of the Executive Secretary. Advisor to the Executive Secretary.</p> <p>Federal Electoral Institute (IFE), Mexico. 2009. Preliminary Electoral Results Program, 2009 federal elections. Deputy Director of Analysis and Communications.</p> <p>Federal Electoral Institute (IFE), Mexico. 2009. Preliminary Electoral Results Program, 2009 federal elections. Chief of Statistical Analysis.</p>	
References	<p>Dr. Kenneth M. Roberts Richard J. Schwarz Prof. of Government Department of Government Cornell University kr99@cornell.edu</p> <p>Dr. Thomas Pepinsky Associate Professor Department of Government Cornell University pepinsky@cornell.edu</p>	<p>Dr. Gustavo Flores-Macías Associate Professor Department of Government Cornell University gaf44@cornell.edu</p>