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**EDUCATION** 

## The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX

Ph.D. Candidate, Government

Dissertation: Who Generates Better Outcomes? The Political Left or Right in Latin American Democracies.

Committee: Wendy Hunter (chair), Raul Madrid, Chris Wlezien, Amy Liu, and Leticia Marteleto

M.A., May, 2016

Master's Report: Does Prioritizing Education Yield Better Learning Outcomes? Evidence from Latin America

## University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN

M.Ed., May, 2012

B.A., cum laude, May 2010

Publications:
Peer Reviewed

"Exogenous Shocks and Candidate Support: Evidence from Brazil 2014". Apfeld, Brendan and J. Alexander Branham. *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion, and Parties*, 26 (3): 336-353. 2016.

Publications: Other

"Impact Metrics". Gerring, John, Sebastian Karcher, and Brendan Apfeld. In *The Production of Knowledge: Enhancing Progress in Social Science*. Cambridge University Press. Forthcoming.

"Harbors and Democracy" (with John Gerring, Tore Wig, and Andreas Tollefsen) V-Dem Working Paper 2018:70: http://ssrn.com/abstract=3205037. (Under Review).

"Global Democracy for Europeans: A Demographic Story" (with John Gerring) Available as V-Dem Working Paper 2018:81:

https://ssrn.com/abstract=3287831. (Under Review).

CURRENT WORK "Left Parties and Education Spending: Surprising Findings in Latin America"

"Measuring Liberal Attitudes in Argentina Using Tweets" (with John Gerring and Steven Wilson)

"Education Prioritization and the Politics of Official Language Spread" (with Amy Liu)

Fellowships, Continuing Fellowship Fall 2017-Spring 2018 University of Texas at Austin AWARDS, AND Honors Global Research Fellowship Fall 2017 International Office, University of Texas at Austin Summer Field Research Fellowship Summer 2017 Argentine Studies Program, LLILAS Summer 2016 IQMR Summer Program Fellowship Department of Government Professional Development Award Fall 2018, Spring 2016 University of Texas at Austin Teaching Assistant of the Year December 2015 Department of Government Pre-Dissertation Fellowship Summer 2015 Department of Government Americorps Fellowship June 2010-May 2012 Corporation for National and Community Service, awarded through the Alliance for Catholic Education Teaching University of Texas, Department of Government EXPERIENCE Assistant Instructor (Instructor of Record) Introduction to American Government Spring 2017, Fall 2018 Lead TA Introduction to American Government Spring 2015-2016 Supplemental Instructor Introduction to American Government Fall 2015 Teaching Assistant Statistical Analysis in Political Science I (Graduate Level) Fall 2016 Introduction to American Government Spring 2014 Fall 2013 Poverty and Politics All Saints Catholic School Classroom Teacher All Saints Catholic School, Fort Worth, TX 2010-2013 Research University of Texas, Austin, TX

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EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant

Varieties of Democracy Project with John Gerring

Research Assistant Fall 2014

Project on international arbitration and bilateral investment treaties for Rachel Wellhausen and Terry Chapman

Presentations

"Executive Party Ideology and Education Outcomes: Surprising Results from Latin America," SPSA Annual Meeting, Austin, January 2019 (upcoming)

"Measuring Liberal Attitudes in Argentina Using Tweets," SPSA Annual Meeting, Austin, January 2019 (upcoming)

"Global Democracy for Europeans: A Demographic Story," APSA Annual Meeting, Boston, September 30, 2018

"American Government," Pan-Africa Youth Leadership Program, April 24, 2017

"Prioritizing Education and the Effects of Standardizing Official Languages," MPSA Annual Meeting, Chicago, April 7, 2016

"The Politics of Education in Puno, Peru" lecture delivered at Cultural Differences and Social Change Forum, December  $8,\,2008$ 

Workshops

"Bibliographies in LaTeX," November 18, 2016

"Data Control and Data Cleaning in Political Science Research," September 30,  $2016\,$ 

"Using R Effectively," December 20, 2015

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Spanish: highly proficient at reading, writing, and speaking

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SERVICE

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PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

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