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Summary

I hold dual appointments as an Associate Professor of Public Administration at Universidad Diego Portales and as a Postdoctoral Researcher in Computational Social Science at Leiden University's Institute of Public Administration, Faculty of Governance and Global Affairs. I hold a DPhil (PhD) in Politics from the University of Oxford and previously earned an MA in Political Science and a BA in Public Administration and Government from the Universidad de Chile.

My work bridges the fields of comparative politics, government and computational social science. I build large-scale text-as-data pipelines, deploy AI and machine learning models, and apply causal inference strategies. My recent peer-reviewed articles have appeared in *Social Science Computer Review*, *Public Opinion Quarterly*, *World Development*, *Artificial Intelligence and Law*, *Government and Opposition*, among others. I regularly present at IPSA, ECPR, EPSA and COMPTExT.

I am currently working on an NWO-funded project that uses Large Language Models (LLMs) to analyse global investment prospectuses and reveal how governance arrangements shape sustainable finance flows. In parallel, I contribute to COST Action CA22150 on executive-bureaucratic careers, lead the Enlace-Inserción UDP 2025-2026 project "Unpacking the Unpredictable: Using NLP and LLMs to Examine Cabinet Politics and Responses to Stochastic Events in Presidential Democracies," and am a Research Leader at the Oxford Computational Political Science Group.

Education

University of Oxford DPhil (PhD) in Politics Professor Petra Schleiter (Supervisor)	Oxford, GBR 2019 - 2023
Universidad de Chile MA in Political Science Highest Distinction (1st, First-class honours)	Santiago, CHL 2010 - 2013
Universidad de Chile BA in Government Distinction (2:1, Second-class honours, upper division)	Santiago, CHL 2004 - 2009
Universidad de Chile BPS in Public Administration Distinction (2:1, Second-class honours, upper division)	Santiago, CHL 2004 - 2009

Relevant Employment

Universidad Diego Portales (UDP) Associate Professor of Public Administration Faculty of Administration and Economics	Santiago, CHL 2025 - today
University of Oxford Research Leader Oxford Computational Political Science Group	Oxford, GBR 2025 - today
Leiden University Postdoctoral Researcher in Computational Social Science Faculty of Governance and Global Affairs	The Hague, NLD 2023 - today

Universidad Diego Portales (UDP)

Lecturer

Faculty of Administration and Economics

Santiago, CHL

2024 - 2025

Universidad de Santiago de Chile (USACH)

Lecturer

Faculty of Administration and Economics

Santiago, CHL

2014 - 2019

United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

Consultant

Democratic Governance Programme

Santiago, CHL

2016 - 2017

Featured Publications

14. González-Bustamante, B. (2025, *forthcoming*). Blame-Shifting in Presidential Systems: Corrective Effect of Ministerial Terminations on Approval. *Public Opinion Quarterly*. SocArXiv: [10.31235/osf.io/37ruy_v2](https://doi.org/10.31235/osf.io/37ruy_v2).
13. Kantorowicz, J., & González-Bustamante, B. (2025). Changing Meaning of the Rule of Law. *Artificial Intelligence and Law*. OnlineFirst. DOI: [10.1007/s10506-025-09468-4](https://doi.org/10.1007/s10506-025-09468-4). OSF: [10.31219/osf.io/2kzpj](https://doi.org/10.31219/osf.io/2kzpj).
12. González-Bustamante, B. (2025). Machine Learning and Political Events: Application of a Semi-supervised Approach to Produce a Dataset on Presidential Cabinets. *Social Science Computer Review*. OnlineFirst. DOI: [10.1177/08944393251315917](https://doi.org/10.1177/08944393251315917).
11. Fleming, T. G., González-Bustamante, B., & Schleiter, P. (2024). Cabinet Reshuffles and Parliamentary No-Confidence Motions. *Government and Opposition*, 59(4), 1274–1288. DOI: [10.1017/gov.2022.23](https://doi.org/10.1017/gov.2022.23).
10. Orchard, X., & González-Bustamante, B. (2024). Power Hierarchies and Visibility in the News: Exploring Determinants of Politicians' Presence and Prominence in the Chilean Press (1991-2019). *The International Journal of Press/Politics*, 29(1), 100–123. DOI: [10.1177/19401612221089482](https://doi.org/10.1177/19401612221089482).
9. González-Bustamante, B. (2023). Ministerial stability during presidential approval crises: The moderating effect of ministers' attributes on dismissals in Brazil and Chile. *The British Journal of Politics and International Relations*, 25(4), 655–675. DOI: [10.1177/13691481221124850](https://doi.org/10.1177/13691481221124850).
8. González-Bustamante, B., & Aguilar, D. (2023). Territorial patterns of open e-government: evidence from Chilean municipalities. *Political Research Exchange*, 5(1). DOI: [10.1080/2474736X.2023.2194369](https://doi.org/10.1080/2474736X.2023.2194369). SocArXiv: [10.31235/osf.io/gt8a5](https://doi.org/10.31235/osf.io/gt8a5).
7. González-Bustamante, B. (2021). Evolution and early government responses to COVID-19 in South America. *World Development*, 137, 105180. DOI: [10.1016/j.worlddev.2020.105180](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.worlddev.2020.105180).
6. González-Bustamante, B. (2020). The Politics-Administration Dichotomy: A Case Study of the Chilean Executive During the Democratic Post-Transition. *Bulletin of Latin American Research*, 39(5), 582–597. DOI: [10.1111/blar.13044](https://doi.org/10.1111/blar.13044). SocArXiv: [10.31235/osf.io/d52au](https://doi.org/10.31235/osf.io/d52au).
5. González-Bustamante, B., Carvajal, A., & González, A. (2020). Determinantes del gobierno electrónico en las municipalidades: Evidencia del caso chileno. *Gestión y Política Pública*, XXIX(1), 97–129. DOI: [10.29265/gypv.29i1.658](https://doi.org/10.29265/gypv.29i1.658). SocArXiv: [10.31235/osf.io/fze3x](https://doi.org/10.31235/osf.io/fze3x).
4. Maillet, A., González-Bustamante, B., & Olivares, A. (2019). Public-Private Circulation and the Revolving Door in the Chilean Executive Branch (2000-2014). *Latin American Business Review*, 20(4), 367–387. DOI: [10.1080/10978526.2019.1652099](https://doi.org/10.1080/10978526.2019.1652099).
3. González-Bustamante, B. (2019). Brechas, representación y congruencia élite-ciudadanía en Chile y Uruguay. *Convergencia. Revista de Ciencias Sociales*, 80, 1–27. DOI: [10.29101/crcs.v26i80.11097](https://doi.org/10.29101/crcs.v26i80.11097). SocArXiv: [10.31235/osf.io/cqym8](https://doi.org/10.31235/osf.io/cqym8).
2. González-Bustamante, B. (2018). Civil Service Models in Latin America. In A. Farazmand (ed.), *Global Encyclopedia of Public Administration, Public Policy, and Governance*. Cham: Springer. DOI: [10.1007/978-3-319-20928-9_2699](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-319-20928-9_2699). SocArXiv: [10.31235/osf.io/mp4qd](https://doi.org/10.31235/osf.io/mp4qd).
1. González-Bustamante, B., & Garrido-Vergara, L. (2018). Socialización, trayectorias y poscarrera de ministros en Chile, 1990-2010. *Política y Gobierno*, XXV(1), 31–64. URL: www.politicaygobierno.cide.edu.

Papers Under Review

* These manuscripts are in the first round of peer review or R&R

6. Orchard, X., González-Bustamante, B., & Cisternas, C. (2025, *second round*). Amplification, Contestation, and Toxic Interactions with News: Testing the Effect of a Protest Cycle in Digital News Participation. Preprint upon request.

5. DiGiuseppe, M., Aspide, A., Kantorowicz, J., & González-Bustamante, B. (2025, *second round*). Putting the Public Back in Public Debt: Citizen Narratives on Public Debt Burdens. Preprint upon request.

4. Kantorowicz, J., & González-Bustamante, B. (2024, *first round*). Exploring the Rule of Law in Academic Discourse: A Comprehensive Bibliometric Analysis. OSF preprint. DOI: [10.31219/osf.io/sgf8y](https://doi.org/10.31219/osf.io/sgf8y).

3. González-Bustamante, B. (2024, *first round*). Benchmarking LLMs in Political Content Text-Annotation: Proof-of-Concept with Toxicity and Incivility Data. arXiv preprint. DOI: [10.48550/arXiv.2409.09741](https://doi.org/10.48550/arXiv.2409.09741).

2. González-Bustamante, B. (2024, *first round*). Resignation Calls, Reallocations and Individual Ministerial Terminations in Presidential Democracies. Preprint upon request.

1. González-Bustamante, B., & Kantorowicz, J. (2024, *first round*). Cross-Lingual Word Embeddings for Unravelling the Rule of Law in European Countries. OSF preprint. DOI: [10.31219/osf.io/m65re](https://doi.org/10.31219/osf.io/m65re).

Relevant Research Projects

2025	Unpacking the Unpredictable: Using NLP and LLMs to Examine Cabinet Politics and Responses to Stochastic Events in Presidential Democracies. Enlace-Inserción Vice-Chancellor Research Office at the Universidad Diego Portales (UDP), PI , about USD\$4 000. Period: 2025-2026.	UDP
2024	Making Finance Sustainable? A Comparative Perspective on the Politics of Investment. NWO VIDI SWG Project VI.Vidi.211.226, PostDoc (Natascha van der Zwan, PI), about USD\$1 000 000. Period: 2024-2026.	Dutch Research Agency
2024	Validación de un estándar de referencia para medir toxicidad e incivilidad política en la esfera digital. Internal Project 2024 at the Faculty of Administration and Economics at the Universidad Diego Portales (UDP), PI , about USD\$2 000. Period: 2024-2025.	UDP
2024	Large Language Models (LLMs) to Identify Toxicity in the Digital Sphere during Protest Events in Latin America. OpenAI Academic Programme, PI , about USD\$5 000. Period: 2024.	OpenAI
2023	Unravelling the Rule of Law: A Machine Learning Approach. NWO XS Project 406.XS.01.013, PostDoc (Jaroslaw Kantorowicz, PI), about USD\$60 000. Period: 2023-2024.	Dutch Research Agency

Languages & Software

Languages	Spanish (native speaker), English (fluent), Portuguese (advanced reading skills), Dutch, French and Italian (elemental reading skills)
Programming & Software	Python, R, Git, Stata, SPSS/PSPP, Gephi, UCINET, NetDraw, Tosmana, ArcGIS, ATLAS.ti, HPOp, Zotero, JabRef, \LaTeX , Bib \TeX , MS Office, WordPress, Moodle, JAVA, HTML, CSS, XHTML