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Education

Ph.D. Candidate, Politics, Princeton University 2011

Dissertation: "On the Origins of Dynastic Persistence in Democracies"

Advisers: Carles Boix (chair), Matias Iaryczower, Kosuke Imai

M.A., Politics, Princeton University 2011

M.P.A., Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs (WWS), Princeton University, 2008

B.Sc. (First Class Honours), Government and Economics, London School of Economics and Political Science, 2004

Employment

Lecturer of Public and International Affairs, WWS, Princeton University, 2008 -2009

Research

Published Articles

Hansen, Stephen, Michael McMahon, and Carlos Velasco Rivera. (2014). "Preferences or Private Assessments on a Monetary Policy Committee?" *Journal of Monetary Economics*, vol. 67, (October), 16-32.

Work in Progress

"Time is Power: The Non-Institutional Sources of Stability in Autocracies" (with Scott Abramson)

"Political Dynasties and Party Organization: Evidence from Victorian Britain" dissertation chapter

"Parties, Dynasts, and the Selection of Candidates: Evidence from India " dissertation chapter

"The Consequences of Dynastic Rule in a Democracy: Evidence from India" dissertation chapter

"The effect of electoral reforms on the incidence of dynasts: Evidence from France in the Third Republic" (with Alexandra Cirone) dissertation chapter

"Do Programmatic Policies Benefit Incumbents? Experimental Evidence from Mexico's Universal Health Insurance Program" with Kosuke Imai and Gary King

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Teaching

Assistant Instructor in the following courses:

POL 572: Quantitative Analysis II (Graduate), Princeton University, Spring 2012 (Prof. K. Imai)

POL 345: Quantitative Analysis and Politics (Undergrad), Princeton University, Fall 2011 (Prof. K. Imai)

WWS 300: Democracy (Undergrad), Princeton University, Spring 2008 (Prof. S. Katz & C. Boix), Spring 2009 (Prof. S. Katz & C. Boix), Fall 2011 (Prof. N. McCarty & C. Boix)

WWS 479: International Development (Undergrad), Princeton University, Spring 2009 (Prof. A. Adsera)

WWS 507b: Quantitative Analysis (Graduate), Fall 2008 (Prof. S. Schulhofer-Wohl)

WWS 515: Program and Policy Evaluation (Graduate), Princeton University, Fall 2008 (Prof. J. Grossman)

WWS 524: The Political Economy of Central Banking, Princeton University, Princeton, Fall 2010 (Prof. A. Blinder)

Instructor in the following courses:

Software Camp (Graduate), Princeton University, Spring 2012, 2015

WWS 600b: Introduction to Statistics (Undergrad), Junior Summer Institute, Princeton University, Summer 2009 and Summer 2011

Awards & Fellowships

External

Mexico's National Council for Science and Technology (CONACYT) Dissertation Completion Funding Award, 2014

CAF-AL CAPONE Citizen Security in Latin American Grant, \$15,000 (with Graeme Blair, Kosuke Imai, and Fabiana Machado), 2013

Internal

Grant, Bobst Center for Peace and Justice, Princeton, 2014

Prize Fellowship (university-wide), Woodrow Wilson Society of Scholars, Princeton, 2012

Prize Fellowship, Quantitative and Analytical Political Science Program (QAPS), Princeton, 2012, 2013, 2014

Grant (with Graeme Blair), Bobst Center for Peace and Justice, Princeton, 2011

NSF funding to attend Society for Political Methodology Meeting, 2011

Prize Fellowship (university-wide), Lassen Fellowship in Latin American Studies, Princeton, 2009

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Presentations

History and Politics Conference (Paper), Harvard University, Spring 2015

Midwest Political Science Association Conference (Papers), Chicago, IL, Spring 2015

Midwest Political Science Association Conference (Papers), Chicago, IL, Spring 2013

Society for Political Methodology Meeting (Poster), University of Georgia, Summer 2014

Society for Political Methodology Meeting (Poster), University of Virginia, Summer 2013

Society for Political Methodology Meeting (Poster), University of North Carolina, Summer 2012

Society for Political Methodology Meeting (Poster), Princeton, Summer 2011

UCSD Center for U.S.-Mexican Studies, "Governance of Public Health in Mexico" Conference (Panel), Mexico City, Mexico, May and November 2011

Princeton Conference on New Methods and Applications to IR and Comparative Politics (Discussant), Princeton, January 2011

Programming Skills

R, Python, and LATEX

Other Employment

Research Assistant, Inter-American Development Bank, Washington D.C., Summer 2007

Advisor, Special Commission for Competitiveness and Regional Development, Lower Chamber of Congress, Mexico, November 2004 - August 2006

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