

# GIANCARLO VISCONTI

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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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### **Pennsylvania State University**

Assistant Professor, Political Science, 2022 -

### **Purdue University**

Assistant Professor, Political Science, 2018 - 2022

Core Faculty, Advanced Methods in the Social, Behavioral, and Health Sciences, 2019 - 2022

## EDUCATION

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### **Columbia University**

Ph.D. Political Science 2018

### **Columbia University**

MA Political Science 2013

### **Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile**

BA Political Science 2010

## PUBLICATIONS

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(Note: \* indicates graduate student co-author at time of writing)

19. "Who Pays for Crime? Criminal Violence, Right-Wing Incumbents, and Electoral Accountability in Latin America" (with Miguel Carreras). 2022. *Electoral Studies*
18. "Can Political Alignment Reduce Crime? Evidence from Chile" (with Carla Alberti and Diego Díaz-Rioseco). 2022. *Political Science Research and Methods*
17. "After the Flood: Disasters, Ideological Voting and Electoral Choices in Chile." 2022. *Political Behavior*
16. "Constructing Generalizable Geographic Natural Experiments" (with Owura Kuffuor\* and Kayla Young\*). 2022. *Research & Politics*
15. "The Trump Election and Attitudes toward the United States in Latin America" (Igor Acácio\* and Miguel Carreras). 2021. *Public Opinion Quarterly*
14. "Who Does the Caring? Gender Disparities in COVID-19 Attitudes and Behaviors" (with Miguel Carreras and Sofia Vera). 2021. *Politics & Gender*
13. "Gendered Bureaucracies: Women Mayors and the Size and Composition of Local Governments" (with Carla Alberti and Diego Díaz-Rioseco). 2021. *Governance*
12. "Does Issue Framing Shape Support for Covid-19 Lockdown Measures? Evidence from a Survey Experiment in Peru" (with Miguel Carreras and Sofia Vera). 2021. *Research & Politics*
11. "Do Disasters Affect Policy Priorities? Evidence from the 2010 Chilean Earthquake." 2021. *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion, and Parties*
10. "A Tale of Two Pandemics: Economic Inequality and Support for Containment Measures in Peru" (with Miguel Carreras and Sofia Vera). 2021. *Journal of Politics in Latin America*
9. "Re-evaluating the Role of Ideology in Chile." 2021. *Latin American Politics and Society*. 63(2): 1 - 25

8. “Does Immigration Increase Concerns about the Provision of Public Services? Evidence from Colombia” (with Catalina Vega-Mendez\*). 2021. *Revista Latinoamericana de Opinión Pública*. 10(1): 79 - 103

**María Braun award** for the best paper published in RLOP in 2021

7. “Voting for the Lesser Evil: Evidence from a Conjoint Experiment in Romania” (with Isabela Mares). 2020. *Political Science Research and Methods*, 8(2): 315-328
6. “Policy Preferences after Crime Victimization: Panel and Survey Evidence from Latin America.” 2020. *British Journal of Political Science*, 50(4): 1481-1495
5. “Economic Perceptions and Electoral Choices: A Design-Based Approach.” 2019. *Political Science Research and Methods*, 7(4): 795-813
4. “Handling Limited Overlap in Observational Studies with Cardinality Matching” (with José R. Zubizarreta). 2018. *Observational Studies*, 4: 217-249

**Cochran award** for best paper published in Observational Studies between 2015 and 2019

3. “Electoral Reform Under Limited Party Competition: The Adoption of Proportional Representation in Latin America” (with Gabriel Negretto). 2018. *Latin American Politics and Society*, 60(1): 27-51
2. “Economic Performance and Incumbents’ Support in Latin America” (with M. Victoria Murillo). 2017. *Electoral Studies*, 45: 180-190
1. “Cross-Time Behavior of the Chilean Congress: Growth or Stagnation of its Influence?” 2011. *Revista de Ciencia Política*, 31(1): 91-115. [In Spanish]

## WORKING PAPERS

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- “Immigration Shocks and Unfounded Concerns about Crime: Evidence from Haitian Migration to Chile” (with Fernando Severino\*). Revise and Resubmit, *Journal of Politics*
- “Anti-Elite Attitudes and Support for Independent Candidates” (with Pablo Argote\*). Revise and Resubmit, *PLOS ONE*
- “The Effect of Different Extreme Weather Events on Attitudes Toward Climate Change” (with Kayla Young\*)
- “Money and Time in the Access to Public Services: How do Citizens Evaluate Different Forms of Bureaucratic Corruption?” (with Miguel Carreras and Sofia Vera)
- “Does Immigration Increase Nationalism? The Effect of a Sudden Demographic Change on Attitudes and Behaviors” (with Catalina Vega-Mendez\*)

## BOOK CHAPTERS

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- “Stables But Without Roots? Political Parties in the Public Opinion.” 2010. In *Cultura Política de la Democracia en Chile*, edited by Juan Pablo Luna, Elizabeth Zechmeister, and Mitchell Seligson. Vanderbilt University: 167-195 (with Juan Pablo Luna, Héctor Bahamonde, German Bidegain and Roody Reserve). [In Spanish]
- “The 2009-2010 Elections in Chile.” 2010. In *Cultura Política de la Democracia en Chile*, edited by Juan Pablo Luna, Elizabeth Zechmeister, and Mitchell Seligson. Vanderbilt University 197-227 (with Juan Pablo Luna, Héctor Bahamonde, German Bidegain and Roody Reserve). [In Spanish]

## GRANTS AND AWARDS

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### External

María Braun award for the best paper published in RLOP (2022)

William Cochran prize for best paper published in the journal *Observational Studies* (2020)

Fondecyt regular, Fondo Nacional de Desarrollo Científico y Tecnológico de Chile, international researcher (2019)

Travel grant, American Political Science Association (2017)

Travel grant, Latin American Studies Association (2017)

Prestage-Cook travel award, Southern Political Science Association (2016)

Dissertation proposal development fellowship, Social Science Research Council (2014)

### **Internal**

Excellent teaching honorable mention, Pi Sigma Alpha, Purdue University (2021)

PRF supplementary summer grant, Purdue University (2020)

Dissertation development grant, Columbia University (2015 & 2017)

Giancarlo Doria research fellowship in comparative politics, Columbia University (2015)

Katerina Alevizaki Dracopoulos summer fellowship fund, Columbia University (2015)

Pre-dissertation travel grant, Institute of Latin American Studies, Columbia University (2014)

Dean's fellow, Columbia University (2012)

### **INVITED TALKS**

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Universidad Adolfo Ibañez (May 2023)

CIGIDEN, Universidad Católica de Chile (November 2022)

Northwestern University (April 2022)

AMAP, Purdue (April 2022)

Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (March 2022)

McMaster University (March 2022)

Universidad de Chile (October 2021)

Universidad Mayor (December 2019)

AMAP, Purdue (October 2018)

Universidad Católica de Chile (April 2018)

Universidad Autonoma (May 2018)

Universidad de Chile (August 2017)

Universidad Alberto Hurtado (August 2017)

Universidad Católica de Chile (April 2017)

Texas A&M University (February 2017)

Science Po, Reims (July 2016)

University of Maryland (May 2016)

Universidad Diego Portales (March 2012)

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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APSA (2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023)

LASA (2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2019, 2022, 2023)

MPSA (2016, 2019, 2021)

SPSA (2017, 2019, 2021)

REPAL (2016, 2017, 2019)

MWEPS (2020)

SeLaB (2019)

Politics and History, Harvard (2015)

NYU/Columbia Political Economy of Latin America (2014)

Columbia Sustainable Development (2014)

SAAP (2011)

ACCP (2010)

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### **Purdue**

Introduction to Political Methodology (graduate level)

Causal Inference (graduate level)

Challenges to Democracy (graduate level)

Introduction to Comparative Politics (undergraduate level)

### **Penn State**

Methods of Political Analysis (graduate level)

Latin American Politics (undergraduate level)

Causal Inference (undergraduate level)

## MENTORSHIP

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**Ph.D. Committe Chair/Co-Chair:** Catalina Vega-Mendez (Purdue University), Owura Kuffuor (Purdue University), and Scovia Aweko (Purdue University)

**Ph.D. Commitee Member:** Kayla Young (Purdue University), Johnathan Dobben (Purdue University), Bingxin Fa (Purdue University), Philip Husom (Purdue University), Sky Kunkel (Purdue University), and Felix Beltran (Purdue University).

## SERVICE

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**Reviewer:** American Journal of Political Science (Super Reviewer 2018), American Political Science Review, Brazilian Political Science Review, British Journal of Political Science, Comparative Political Studies, East European Politics, Economics & Politics, Estudios Sociales, eLife, Governance, International Journal of Public Opinion Research, Journal of Elections, Public Opinion and Parties, Journal of Latin American Studies, Journal of Politics, Journal of Politics in Latin America, Latin American Politics and Society, Latin American Research Review, Migration Studies, PLOS ONE, Policy Studies, Political Research Quarterly, Politics, Political Analysis, Political Behavior, Revista de Ciencia Política, Revista Latinoamericana de Opinión Pública, and Revista Uruguay de Ciencia Política

**Department:**

Computational Social Science Search Committee, Purdue University (2019)

Comparative Politics Search Committee, Purdue University (2021)

**Discipline:**

Mesa de Trabajo, Tenemos que Hablar de Chile (Universidad Católica and Universidad de Chile)

Section Head, Comparative Political Behavior, Midwest Political Science Association, MPSA (2024)

**Panel Organizer/Co-organizer:**

LASA 2016 Causal Inference and Elections

LASA 2017 Responsiveness and Accountability in Latin America

LASA 2020 Political Attitudes in Latin America (canceled due COVID-19)

WAPOR 2020 Crime and Political Behavior in Latin America (canceled due COVID-19)

LASA 2022 Participation and Representation in Chile post October 2019

LASA 2023 Democracy and Political Attitudes in Latin America

APSA 2023 Bureaucracies and Corruption in the Global South

**Conference Organizer/Co-organizer:**

Midwest Workshop in Empirical Political Science, MWEPS (Spring 2021)

**Discussant:** LASA 2016, ICHM 2017, SPSA 2019, LASA 2019, SeLAB 2019, SPSA 2021, MPSA 2021, APSA 2021, PSRW 2022, LASA 2022, APSA 2023

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