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CITIZENSHIP	Uruguay	
EDUCATION	Ph.D in Political Science, University of Pittsburgh August 2019 - <i>Expected</i> 2024. M.A. in Political Science, University of Pittsburgh. 2019-2021 Pennsylvania, United States <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Thesis topic: Political-Economic Polarization• Supervisors: Jude Hays and Michaël Aklin M.A. in Public Policies, Universidad Católica del Uruguay, Department of Social Sciences and Politics. 2016-2019 Montevideo, Uruguay <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Thesis topic: Effects of minimum wage on workforce composition across firms: Does firms' size matters?• Supervisors: Santiago López Cariboni and Rodrigo Arim Ihlenfeld Diploma of Specialization in Methods, Universidad Católica del Uruguay, Department of Social Sciences and Politics, 2016-2017. Montevideo, Uruguay B.A. in Accounting Universidad de la República, College of Economics and Business Administration, 2011 - July 2015 Montevideo, Uruguay	
ACADEMIC POSITIONS	Graduate Student Assistant (GSA), University of Pittsburgh June 2020 - Present. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Barry Ames, Fall 2020• Michaël Aklin, Spring 2021• Jude Hays, Fall 2020 & Spring 2021• Scott Morgenstern, Summer 2019/2020 & 2021/2022 Academic Advisor to the Dean of the College of Economics and Business Administration Universidad de la República, February 2017 - August 2019. Assistant Teacher, Department of Accounting and Taxes, College of Economics and Business Administration Universidad de la República, July 2014 - August 2019.	
RESEARCH GRANTS	University of Pittsburgh Doctoral's Scholarship ANII Master's Research Scholarship Scholarship to do the master's thesis National Agency of Research and Innovation, Uruguay	August 2019 - July 2024. May 2017 - February 2019. Undergraduate's Research Scholarship Critical thinking group in Latin America, Espacio Interdisciplinario, Universidad de la República Research topic: power relations, unions and collective bargaining
WORKING PAPERS	"Engaged Robots, and Disengaged Workers: Automation and Political Apathy" 2021. "Political-Economic Polarization: From Economic to Partisan Polarization" 2021. "Do legislators support the push for same-sex marriage? Analysis using the PELA-USAL database." 2020 with Scott Morgenstern. <i>Under review</i> . "Unevenly Distribution of Minimum Wage Effects Across Firms: Does Firms' Size Matters?" 2019.	

PUBLICATIONS	González Rostani, M. (2017). “Logros sindicales y relaciones de poder: el caso del SUNCA, Uruguay 2005–2014” (in english: Union achievements and power relations: the study-case of Construction Sector - Uruguay 2005-2014). XVI Jornadas de Investigación (in English: XVI Annual Research Days) Facultad de Ciencias Sociales, Universidad de la República. ISSN 2301-1734
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	<p><i>Teaching assistant</i>, Department of Political Science, University of Pittsburgh. Fall, 2021 <i>Research Methods in Political Science - PS 0700</i>, (Undergrad program) - Instructor Max Goplerud</p> <p><i>Teaching assistant</i>, Department of Accounting and Taxes, Universidad de la República, College of Economics and Business Administration. 2014- 2019 <i>Labor law and social security</i>, (Undergrad program) 2015- 2017 <i>Accounting Concepts, General Accounting I, II and III</i>, (Undergrad program)</p> <p><i>Teaching assistant</i>, Department of Extension and Relationship with the Community, Universidad de la República, College of Economics and Business Administration. 2018 - 2019 <i>Integral training space housing cooperatives</i>, (Undergrad program)</p> <p><i>Teaching assistant</i>, Department of Administration, Universidad de la República, College of Economics and Business Administration. 2016 - 2017 <i>Administration and management of organizations</i>, (Undergrad program)</p>
PRESENTATIONS	<p>Unevenly Distribution of Minimum Wage Effects Across Firms: Does Firms’ Size Matters? LASA-2021, Crisis global, desigualdades y centralidad de la vida. May, 2021</p> <p>Political-Economic Polarization. From Economic to Partisan Polarization 78th Annual Midwest Political Science Conference. April, 2021</p> <p>Impact of collective bargaining according to the size of firms - the case of Uruguay. XVII Jornadas de Investigación Científica, (in English: XVII Annual Research Days) Universidad de la República, College of Social Science. Montevideo, Uruguay. September, 2018</p> <p>Logros sindicales y relaciones de poder: el caso del SUNCA, Uruguay 2005–2014 (in english: Union achievements and power relations: the study-case of Construction Sector - Uruguay 2005-2014). XVI Jornadas de Investigación Científica (in English: XVI Annual Research Days), Universidad de la República, College of Social Science. Montevideo, Uruguay. September, 2017</p> <p>Logros Sindicales y Relaciones de Poder. El caso del SUNCA 2005-2014, (in english: Union achievements and power relations: the study-case of Construction Sector - Uruguay 2005-2014). Poster in the First Latin American Congress of Research and Higher Education Interdisciplinary, organized by Universidad de la República, Universidad Católica de Perú, Universidad de Valparaíso- Chile and Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México. Montevideo, Uruguay. September, 2016.</p> <p>Work experience on evaluation with multiple choice tests. Academic Days of the Universidad de la República, College of Economics and Business Administration. September, 2016.</p>
METHODS TRAINING	<p>Bargaining using formal models, by Navin A. Bapat (UNC Chapel Hill). July 2018 Winter School in Methods and Data Analysis at Universidad Católica del Uruguay With a fellowship granted by UCU Winter School and USA Embassy. Montevideo, Uruguay.</p> <p>Conducting field research in political science: interviewing and mixed methods approaches, by Melani Cammett (Harvard University). January 2018 IPSA-USP Summer School in Concepts, Methods and Techniques in Political Science, Public Policy and International Relations. With a fellowship granted by Universidad de la República. São Paulo, Brazil.</p>

	Advanced Issues in quantitative methods for public policy analysis, by Bruno Cautres (Sciences Po) IPSA-USP Summer School in Concepts, Methods and Techniques in Political Science, Public Policy and International Relations. With a fellowship granted by Universidad de la República. São Paulo, Brazil.	January 2018
	Methods for interpretation and analysis of regression discontinuity designs, by Sebastian Calonico (University of Miami) Winter School in Methods and Data Analysis at Universidad Católica del Uruguay Montevideo, Uruguay.	July 2017
	Project Evaluation and Development Effectiveness, by Fabiana Machado (Inter American Development Bank) Universidad Católica del Uruguay, Department of Social Sciences and Politics Montevideo, Uruguay.	September 2016
	Case studies using process tracing, by Cecilia Rosell (Universidad Católica del Uruguay) Winter School in Methods and Data Analysis at Universidad Católica del Uruguay Montevideo, Uruguay.	July 2016
SEMINARS	Comparative politics: an analytical approach, by Sebastian Saiegh (USCD) Universidad Católica del Uruguay, Department of Social Sciences and Politics Montevideo, Uruguay.	July 2017
	Quantitative Tools for Evaluation of Public Policies, by Santiago Olivella (UNC Chapel Hill) Universidad Católica del Uruguay, Department of Social Sciences and Politics Montevideo, Uruguay.	July 2016
	Structural transformations and changes of paradigms of social policy in Latin America, by Rubén Lo Vuolo (Centro Interdisciplinario para el Estudio de Políticas Públicas) Universidad Católica del Uruguay, Department of Social Sciences and Politics Montevideo, Uruguay.	July 2016
OTHER SHORT COURSES	Training in the use of the Public Policy Simulator Oficina de Planeamiento y Presupuesto - Presidencia de la República Montevideo, Uruguay.	October 2016
	Thinking about teaching at university Universidad de la República Montevideo, Uruguay.	July 2016
	Didactic ateneo. Rethinking teaching and evaluation in a context of high student numbers Universidad de la República, College of Economics and Business Administration Montevideo, Uruguay.	September 2015 - June 2016
	Application of labor legislation Universidad de la República, College of Economics and Business Administration Montevideo, Uruguay.	September 2014
PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE	February 2017 - 2019 Academic Advisor to the Dean of the College of Economics and Administration. Assist the Dean in matters related to educational decentralization, investigation at undergraduate level and evaluation of educational policies Universidad de la República, College of Economics and Business Administration.	
	March 2016 - March 2017 Academic Assistant to the Director of the B.A in Accountant and the Director of the B.A. in administration, Universidad de la República, College of	

Economics and Business Administration.

Assist the Directors in matters related to the careers, evaluation of study plans and advising students.

February 2015 - March 2016 KPMG, Montevideo Uruguay. Tax Analyst.

March 2013 - March 2015 Teaching assistant at the Program: Support for undergraduate students at [Universidad de la República](#)

March 2015 - February 2017 Collaborator to a National Member of Parliament -who was a member of the finance and budget committee-. Advice on economic, labor and budget issues.

AWARDS AND HONORS

Best Poster "Logros Sindicales y Relaciones de Poder. El caso del SUNCA 2005-2014", (in english: Union achievements and power relations: the study-case of Construction Sector - Uruguay 2005-2014) 90/100 points. [First Latin American Congress of Research and Higher Education Interdisciplinary](#), Montevideo, Uruguay. September, 2016.

2nd Best grade average of the undergraduate students in 2015.

1st prize in Contá en Corto (Tell it in short); a national contest of short videos with the intention of enhancing youth participation and civic engagement. This edition's theme was "youth's commitment to the prevention of all forms of violence". Organized by United Nations Uruguay, 2011.

Recognition of outstanding and leadership students, being the flag-standard bearer at school, basic cycle of secondary education and high school.

Mathematical Olympic

- Honorable Gold Medal for the outstanding trajectory in mathematics Olympiads nationally and internationally (Uruguay), 2011

- Bronze Medal at Mathematical Olympiad (Uruguay), 2005 and 2003

- Honorable Mention at Mathematical Olympiad (Uruguay), 2004, 2006 and 2007

Dynamic Geometry Tournament (Geodin)

- Honorable Mention at National Dynamic Geometry Tournament (Uruguay), getting the 3rd place, 2007. - Honorable Mention at National Dynamic Geometry Tournament (Uruguay), 2005

Mateclubes (Math Competition)

- Honorable Mention at Mateclubes Tournament (Argentina), 2006.

LANGUAGES

Spanish: Native Speaker

English: Advanced

COMPUTER SKILLS

Statistical programming: STATA, R, Python (basic)

Academic writing: \LaTeX , Markdown

SERVICE AND UNIVERSITY-WIDE ACTIVITIES

[University of Pittsburgh](#), Graduate Student representative in the Political Science's Diversity Committee.

[Universidad de la República](#)

- Member of the Governing Council at [College of Economics and Business Administration, UDELAR](#) Representing the Teachers (Elected by the teacher body), 2018–2019.

- Member of the Governing Council at [College of Economics and Business Administration, UDELAR](#) Representing the Students (Elected by the student body), 2013–2015.

- Representative of the Student Body on different co-governing bodies, 2012-2015

VOLUNTEER
WORK AND
SOCIAL
PARTICIPATION

Political participation, administrative and leadership responsibilities in different political organizations like left-wing party Frente Amplio and Socialist Party of Uruguay, 2012-present.

President of the civil organization of the Students Unions of the College of Economics and Administration, 2013-2016.

The civil organization of the student union provided fellowship to the students who were in vulnerable context (social and economically). The student union also was in charge of some service for the students at University as university canteen and library. All profits from the services provided were destined for student scholarships.

Compromiso Educativo, (in English: educational commitment)

Assistance service for students belonging to a public education program at a high school level, avoiding the problems of non-attendance and early abandonment of the education system. Also, we encourage the students from vulnerable context to involve themselves in participation activity and civic engagement. With the students we participated in a variety of activity like: *Contá en Corto* (Tell it in short); a national contest of short videos with the intention of enhancing youth participation and civic engagement. Uruguay, 2011-2015

Member of the Jury in a literary competition "*No es puro cuento*" Organized by the National Administration of Public Education (Administración Nacional de Educación Pública - ANEP) and the Center of Popular Education of Uruguay. Uruguay, 2006-2007.