VALENTINA GONZÁLEZ-ROSTANI

• 20 Prospect Avenue Princeton NJ, Robertson Hall, Princeton University.

Academic Appointments

Princeton University

Fall 2024- Spring 2025

Post-Doctoral Research Associate at the Mamdouha S. Bobst Center for Peace and Justice

University of Southern California (USC)

Starting Fall 2025

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science and International Relations

Education

Ph.D. in Political Science, University of Pittsburgh.

2024

Dissertation: Political-Economic Polarization

Committee: Jude Hays (chair), Michaël Aklin, Max Goplerud, and Erica Owen

M.A. in Political Science, University of Pittsburgh.	2021
Master in Public Policy, Universidad Católica del Uruguay.	2019
Diploma of Specialization in Methods, Universidad Católica del Uruguay.	2017
B.A. in Accounting, Universidad de la República.	2015

Publications

- "Elections, Right-wing Populism, and Political-Economic Polarization: The Role of Institutions and Political Outsiders." 2024 *Conditionally accepted at the Journal of Politics*
- "Social Media vs. Surveys: A New Scalable Approach to Understanding Political Discourse" with Jose Incio and Guillermo Lezama. 2024 Accepted at Legislative Studies Quarterly
- "Engaged Robots, and Disengaged Workers: Automation and Political Apathy." 2024 Forthcoming at Economics & Politics
- "Moral and Economic Dimensions of Ideology" with Scott Morgenstern, Elias Chavarria, and Chen Chuang. 2024 Forthcoming at Legislative Studies Quarterly
- "Legislators' Religiosity and Same-Sex Marriage in Latin America." with Scott Morgenstern. 2023 *Latin America Research Review*.

Research

Under Review

- "The Threat of Automation and Public Support for Environmental Regulation" with Michaël Aklin and Liam Beiser-McGrath.
- "Inaugural Experience: Mobilization and Political Economy" with Chie Togami, Mariely Lopez-Santana, Tania Ramirez, Fernando Tormos-Aponte, and Mayra Velez-Serrano (R&R at PS: Political Science & Politics)
- "When France Sneezes, Does Europe Catch Cold? The Dynamics of Temporal and Spatial Diffusion of Political Protests" with Jeffrey Nonnemacher

Working Papers

- "The Path from Automation to Populist Political Behavior."
- "Who Influences Whom? Analyzing the Interplay of Mainstream and Outsider Parties in Social Media Campaigns."
- "Love of Variety? Heterogeneous Responses to Foreign Goods in the Marketplace" with Jude Hays.
- "Multi-Level Models with Spatial and Temporal Dependence" with Jude Hays.

"Immigration Shocks and Politicians' Rhetoric: Evidence from The Venezuelan Migration Crisis" with Jose Incio and Guillermo Lezama.

"Unevenly Distribution of Minimum Wage Effects Across Firms: Does Firms' Size Matters?."

Selected Works in Progress

"Techno-Optimists and Pessimists: Exploring the Perceptions and Policy Preferences in the Technological Era."

"Automation of Production in a Global Context: Implications for the Global South" with Carles Boix

"You Can't Stop It If You Can't See It: Introducing a New Scalable System to Measure Populist Narratives at Higher Resolution" with Michael Colaresi and Bree Bang-Jensen.

"Campaign Contributions and Economic Inequality in the US" with Jude Hays.

Software

tscsdep: Tools for analyzing country-year time-series-cross-sectional data with spatial and temporal dependence. Available on Github STADL with Jude Hays, Scott Cook, and Robert Franzese.

Selected Research Grants	· ·····	2024 - 2023 -	
	PolMeth XL		2023
	Mobilization and Political Economy Summer Research Program		2023
	EITM Summer School		2022
	Georgia Tech's Center for European Studies - Jean Monnet, Erasmus+		2023
	American Political Science Association		
	Political Economy Rosenbluth Junior Scholar Workshop & APSA Travel (Grants	2023
	Formal Theory Section Grant		2022

Teaching & Mentoring

University of Southern California

Advanced Methodology: Text as Data (G)	Fall 2025
Introduction to Data Analysis (U)	Fall 2025
The Politics of International Trade (U)	Spring 2026

Mobilization and Political Economy, NSF REU

Instructor	Summer 2023

Focus on placing students from underrepresented backgrounds in graduate programs.

Mentor Summer 2023

Supervised 4 students' research projects and provided general professionalization advice on the Ph.D. application process.

University of Pittsburgh

Instructor of Record	Summer 2022
Research Methods in Political Science (U)	

Teaching Assistant

Research Methods in Political Science (U). Instructor: Jude Hays	Spring 2022
Research Methods in Political Science (U). Instructor: Max Goplerud	Fall 2021
Mentor	

	Undergraduate Research Assistant (4 students).	2022-2024
	Support on application to grad school and undergraduate research co (Eldersveld Emerging Scholars Conference at Michigan and MPSA)	onferences
	First-year grad students (6 mentees).	2022-2024
		2014-2019
	Integral training space housing cooperatives (U)	2015-2017 2018-2019 2016-2017
	${\it Mentor} \\ {\it Teaching Assistant supporting 60+ first-generation undergraduates}.$	2013-2016
	Faculty Development Practicum on University Teaching, University of Fall 2021	
	Faculty Development Course, Universidad de la Republica. S	pring 2016
Presentations	†: conference presentation §: research workshop/invited talks	
	$\label{eq:conference} \mbox{UPenn - Junior Scholars in International Relations Conference} \mbox{, ISA†, MPSA$}$	[†] 2025
	Princeton University- Niehaus Center, IR Faculty Colloquium§, APSA [†] , Caltech CSSPP§, Princeton University - Political Economy§ LACEA-LAMES [†] Yale MacMillan Center§, IPES-V§, PolMeth [†]	2024
	MPSA [†] , LASA [†] , CPRG-Pitt [§] , Universidad de Salamanca [§] , EUSA [†] , APSA [†] , Penn State-Pitt [§] , Polmeth [†] , GSIPE [§] , Rosenbluth Junior Scholar Workshop [§] Universidad Catolica del Uruguay [§] , University of Southern California [§] , EPSA [†] Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas (CIDE) [§] , Georgia Tech [§] , University of Strathclyde [§] , Boston University [§] .	2023
	EITM Institute § , Techno-Debate § , Environmental Politics & Governance † , APSA † , IPES † , MPSA † , EUSA † .	2022
	LASA [†] , MPSA [†] , Universidad Católica del Uruguay [§] , University of Pittsburgh [§]	§. 2021
Methods & Political	Association for Comparative Economic Studies, UC Berkeley, USA Summer School in "Political Economy for a Changing World."	2023
Economy Training	American Political Science Association Dissertation Workshop New Topics in European Politics, Kleine (LSE) & L. Obholzer (Leiden Un Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models (EITM) Institute, UC Berkeley Summer School, sponsored by NSF.	2023 niversity). 2022
		2018-2016 ni)
	Field research in PolSci, Melani Cammett (Harvard University) Advanced issues in quantitative methods, Bruno Cautres (Sciences Po).	

Other WorkingAcademic Advisor to the Dean, FCEA Udelar.2017-2019ExperienceKPMG, (URY). Tax Analyst.2015-2016Advisor of a National Congressman (URY).2015-2017

Advice on economic, labor, and budget issues.

Relevant Skills Computational: Stata, R, Python | Survey: Qualtrics | Text anotation: Inception.

Language: Spanish (native speaker), English (fluent).

Selected Academic Service **Political Science**

Co-organizer of the social science diffusion blog *Razones y Personas* 2024–2025 Referee for International Interactions & European Political Science Review 2023-2024 Grad Students in International Political Economy (GSIPE) media team. 2023-2024 Chair & discussant at EPSA, panel on the political economy of labor. 2023 Discussant at Conference "Rethink Populism and Technocracy" at Pitt. 2022 Chair at LASA. 2021

University of Pittsburgh

Structural Racism Search Committee member (3 searches) 2022–2023
Involved in hiring a postdoc, assistant professor, and associate professor
Grad student rep at Diversity Equity and Inclusion PolSci committee 2020-2022

President of PolSci graduate students and representative at the GSO. 2021-2022

Universidad de la Republica

TA representative of faculty at University government. 2019
Undergraduate student representative at University government. 2013-2015

References

Jude C. Hays

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Michaël Aklin

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Erica Owen

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