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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)	<i>Starting Fall 2025</i>
	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 <i>Conditionally accepted at the Journal of Politics</i>	
	"Social Media vs. Surveys: A New Scalable Approach to Understanding Political Discourse" with Jose Incio and Guillermo Lezama. 2024 <i>Accepted at Legislative Studies Quarterly</i>	
	"Engaged Robots, and Disengaged Workers: Automation and Political Apathy." 2024 <i>Forthcoming at Economics & Politics</i>	
	"Moral and Economic Dimensions of Ideology" with Scott Morgenstern, Elias Chavarria, and Chen Chuang. 2024 <i>Forthcoming at Legislative Studies Quarterly</i>	
	"Legislators' Religiosity and Same-Sex Marriage in Latin America." with Scott Morgenstern. 2023 <i>Latin America Research Review</i> .	
Research	Under Review	
	"The Threat of Automation and Public Support for Environmental Regulation" with Michaël Aklin and Liam Beiser-McGrath.	
	"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."	
	"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.

“Inaugural Experience: Mobilization and Political Economy” with Chie Togami, Mariely Lopez-Santana, Tania Ramirez, Fernando Tormos-Aponte, and Mayra Velez-Serrano

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	Princeton University	2024 - 2025
	Andrew W. Mellon Predoctoral Fellow	2023 - 2024
	National Science Foundation	
	PolMeth XL	2023
	Mobilization and Political Economy Summer Research Program	2023
	EITM Summer School	2022
	Georgia Tech’s Center for European and Transatlantic Studies - Jean Monnet, Erasmus+	2023
	American Political Science Association	
	Political Economy Rosenbluth Junior Scholar Research Workshop & APSA Travel Grants	2023
	Formal Theory Section Grant	2022
Methods & Political Economy Training	Association for Comparative Economic Studies, UC Berkeley, USA	2023
	Summer School in “Political Economy for a Changing World.”	
	American Political Science Association Dissertation Workshop	2023
	New Topics in European Politics, by M. Kleine (LSE) & L. Obholzer (Leiden University).	
	Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models (EITM) Institute, UC Berkeley, USA	2022
	Summer School, sponsored by NSF.	
	Winter School in Methods, Universidad Católica del Uruguay, URY	2018-2016
	Bargaining using formal models, N. Bapat (UNC Chapel Hill)	
	Methods for interpretation and analysis of RDD, S. Calonico, (U of Miami)	
	Case studies using process tracing, C. Rosell (UCU)	
	IPSA-USP Summer School in Concepts, Methods and Techniques, BRA	2018
	Field research in PolSci: interviews & mixed methods, Melani Cammett (Harvard University)	
	Advanced issues in quantitative methods for public policy, Bruno Cautres (Sciences Po).	
Teaching & Mentoring	Instructor & Mentor	
	Mobilization and Political Economy, NSF Summer Research Program	Summer 2023
	Focus on placing students from underrepresented backgrounds in graduate programs.	
	Instructor of Record , University of Pittsburgh.	Summer 2022
	<i>Research Methods in Political Science</i> , (undergraduate)	
	Teaching Assistant, undergraduate courses	
	University of Pittsburgh	
	<i>Research Methods in Political Science</i> . Instructor: Jude Hays	Spring 2022
	<i>Research Methods in Political Science</i> . Instructor: Max Goplerud	Fall 2021
	Universidad de la República	
	<i>Labor law and social security</i>	2014-2019
	<i>Accounting Concepts, General Accounting I, II and III</i>	2015-2017
	<i>Integral training space housing cooperatives</i>	2018-2019
	<i>Administration and management of organizations</i>	2016-2017
	Mentoring	
	University of Pittsburgh	
	Mobilization and Political Economy NSF Summer Research Program (4 students).	Summer 2023
	Supervise students’ research projects and provide general professionalization advice on the Ph.D. application process.	
	Undergraduate Research Assistant (4 students).	2022-2024

Support on application to grad school and undergraduate research conferences
(Eldersveld Emerging Scholars Conference at Michigan and MPSA)

First-year grad students (3 mentees).	2022-2024
Universidad de la Republica	
Teaching Assistant supporting 60+ first-generation undergraduates.	2013-2015

Training

Achievement in Pedagogy Badge, University of Pittsburgh.	2021-2022
Faculty Development Practicum on University Teaching, University of Pittsburgh.	Fall 2021
Faculty Development Course, Universidad de la Republica.	Spring 2016

Presentations †: conference presentation §: research workshop

ISA [†] (upcoming), MPSA [†] (upcoming),	2025
Yale MacMillan Center [§] , APSA [†] , Caltech CSSPP [§] , Princeton University - Political Economy [§]	2024
IPE-S-V [§] LACEA-LAMES [†] (upcoming), PolMeth [†] (upcoming)	
MPSA [†] , LASA [†] , CPRG-Pitt [§] , Universidad de Salamanca [§] , EUSA [†] , Georgia Tech [§] , EPSA [†] , Penn State-Pitt [§] , APSA [†] , Polmeth [†] , GSIPE [§] , Rosenbluth Junior Scholar Workshop [§]	2023
Universidad Catolica del Uruguay [§] , Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas (CIDE) [§] , University of Strathclyde [§] , University of Southern California [§] , Boston University [§] .	
APSA [†] , IPES [†] , EITM Institute [§] , Techno-Debate [§] , Environmental Politics & Governance [†] , MPSA [†] , EUSA [†] .	2022
LASA [†] , MPSA [†] , Universidad Católica del Uruguay [§] , University of Pittsburgh [§] .	2021

Other	Academic Advisor to the Dean of the College of Economics and Administration, Udelar.	2017-2019
Working	KPMG, Montevideo Uruguay. Tax Analyst.	2015-2016
Experience	Advisor of a National Congressman (URY). Advice on economic, labor, and budget issues.	2015-2017

Relevant Skills	Computational: Stata, R, Python Survey: Qualtrics Text anotation: Inception. Language: Spanish (native speaker), English (fluent).
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Selected Academic Service Political Science

Co-organizer of the social science diffusion blog <i>Razones y Personas</i>	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 representative at Diversity Equity and Inclusion PolSci committee	2020-2022
President of Political Science 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

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