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Positions

McMaster University

Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Political Science 2022-2024

Tulane University

Postdoctoral Fellow, Center for Inter-American Policy and Research 2021-2022

Education

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

PhD in Political Science 2021

Committee: Jake Bowers (chair), Avital Livny, Gisela Sin, Matthew S. Winters

MA in Political Science 2017

Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile

BA in Political Science 2014

Under review

[“Balancing Precision and Retention in Experimental Design”](#) (with [Erin Rossiter](#))
Revise and resubmit at The American Political Science Review

[“Ignoring Female Performance: A Survey Experiment on Policy Implementation in Argentina.”](#) (with [Virginia Oliveros](#), [Rebecca Weitz-Shapiro](#), and [Matthew S. Winters](#))
Revise and resubmit at The British Journal of Political Science

[“Two-Sided Two-Sided Sensitivity Bias in Surveys: A List Experiment on Same-Sex Marriage in Argentina”](#) (with [Jordi Díez](#) and [Michelle Dion](#))
Under review at Political Science Research and Methods since February 2024

Publications

Forthcoming. “Data Sources for the Study of Gender and Corruption.” In *Handbook on Gender and Corruption in Democracies*, edited by Emily Beaulieu Bacchus and Tiffany Barnes. Edward Elgar Publishing (with [Kelly Senters Piazza](#))

2023. [“Assessing the Validity of Prevalence Estimates in Double List Experiments.”](#) *Journal of Experimental Political Science*

2022. "Women Held Back: The Depressing Effect of Institutional and Norms-Based Barriers on Female Representation in Corrupt Contexts." In *Norms, Gender and Corruption: Understanding the Nexus*, edited by Ina Kubbe and Ortrun Merkle. Edward Elgar Publishing (with Kelly Senters Piazza)

2020. "Light in the Midst of Chaos: COVID-19 and Female Political Representation." *World Development* 136: 105125 (with Kelly Senters Piazza)

2020. "Survey Experiments and the Quest for Valid Interpretation." In *The SAGE Handbook of Research Methods in Political Science and International Relations*, edited by Luigi Curini and Robert Franzese. London: Sage (with Christopher Grady and James H. Kuklinski)

2014. "Civic Education and Voter Turnout Under Voluntary Voting." *Política* 52(1): 61-91 (In Spanish)

Working Papers

"Revealing Nearby Corruption Drives Party Switching: Evidence from Local Level Audits in Brazil"

"Mayors Alter Spending to Counter the Electoral Consequences of Increased Monitoring: Evidence from Anti-Corruption Audits in Brazil"

"A Model Selection Approach to Geographic Spillovers."
Best poster award. 2019 Latin American Political Methodology Meeting

Teaching

McMASTER UNIVERSITY

Research Design for Public Opinion and Public Policy. Spring 2024, 2023

TULANE UNIVERSITY

Politics of Developing Democracies. Spring 2022

Comparative Politics. Fall 2021

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT URBANA-CHAMPAIGN

Instructor

Comparative Politics in Developing Nations (Online). Summer 2019

Mathcamp for Political Scientists. Fall 2017-2019

Teaching Assistant

Research Design and Techniques (Graduate). Jake Bowers and James H. Kuklinski. Spring 2021

Quantitative Methods II (Graduate). Jake Bowers. Spring 2021

Quantitative Methods I (Graduate). Brian Gaines. Fall 2020

Quantitative Methods III (Graduate). Wendy K. Tam Cho Fall 2020

Introduction to Quantitative Political Research. Jake Bowers. Fall 2017

Comparative Politics in Developing Nations. Avital Livny. Fall 2016

Awards & Honors

2019-2020. Werner Baer Dissertation Writing Fellowship. Lemann Center for Brazilian Studies, University of Illinois

2019. Best Poster Award. Latin American Political Methodology Meeting. Montevideo, Uruguay

2016. Rita and Leonard Ogren Award for Academic Excellence. Department of Political Science, University of Illinois

Conferences & Talks

American Political Science Association: 2023, 2022, 2021, 2019

Annual Meeting of the Society for Political Methodology: 2023, 2022, 2021

MapleMeth: 2023

Journal of Public Policy Political Economy of Development Virtual Workshop: 2022

McMaster University, Spark Centre for Social Research Innovation: 2022

Midwest Political Science Association: 2022, 2021, 2018, 2017

Southern Political Science Association: 2022

Latin American Political Methodology Meeting: 2022, 2021, 2020, 2019

Midwest Workshop in Empirical Political Science: 2021

American University, Methods Reading Group: 2021

King's College London, Quantitative Political Economy Research Group: 2021

Washington University in St. Louis: 2021

NYU-CESS Annual Experimental Political Science Conference: 2021, 2020

University of Notre Dame: 2020

University of Minnesota Political Methodology Colloquium: 2019

Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models: 2019

St. Louis Area Methods Meeting: 2019

Additional Training

2023. Grant writing workshop for junior faculty. McMaster University

2019. Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models Summer Institute. Emory University

2014. Summer School on Mixed Methods. Department of Political Science, PUC

Skills

Languages: Spanish, French, Portuguese

Software: R, STATA, QGIS, GeoDa, GitHub, \LaTeX , Markdown