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Positions

Northwestern University

Assistant Professor of Instruction, Department of Political Science

2024 -

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 Urbana-Champaign

PhD in Political Science

2021

MA in Political Science

2017

Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile

BA in Political Science

2014

Publications

2025. [“Ignoring Female Performance: A Survey Experiment on Policy Implementation in Argentina.”](#) *British Journal of Political Science* 55: e54 (with Virginia Oliveros, Rebecca Weitz-Shapiro, and Matthew S. Winters)
2024. [“Assessing the Validity of Prevalence Estimates in Double List Experiments.”](#) *Journal of Experimental Political Science* 11(2): 162-174
2024. [“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)
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

- [“Balancing Precision and Retention in Experimental Design”](#) (with Erin Rossiter) *Conditionally accepted*
- [Two-Sided Sensitivity Bias in List Experiments: Support for Same-Sex Marriage in Argentina”](#) (with Jordi Díez and Michelle Dion) *Under review*
- [“Combining List Experiments and the Network Scale-Up Method to Improve Prevalence Estimates of Sensitive Attitudes and Behaviors.”](#) (with Ines Fynn, Verónica Pérez Bentancur, and Lucía Tiscornia)

["In the Crevices of the State: Criminal Governance in Unexpected Contexts."](#) (with Ines Fynn, Verónica Pérez Bentancur, and Lucía Tiscornia)

Teaching

Northwestern University

Evidence-Informed Decision-Making	Spring 2025
Introduction to Empirical Methods in Political Science	Winter, Spring 2025
Probability and Statistics (Graduate)	Fall 2024
Social Science Math Camp	Summer 2024
R Workshop	AY 2024-25

McMaster University

Research Design for Public Opinion and Public Policy	Spring 2023-24
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Tulane University

Politics of Developing Democracies	Spring 2022
Comparative Politics	Fall 2021

Awards

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

Invited Talks and Conference Presentations

2025: Texas Methods Meeting. University of Houston

Computation and Data Exchange. Northwestern University

Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago, IL

2024: International Society of Political Psychology. Santiago, Chile

MapleMeth. Western University, Canada

Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago, IL

2023: MapleMeth. Western University, Canada

American Political Science Association. Los Angeles, CA

Annual Meeting of the Society for Political Methodology. Stanford University

2022: Spark Centre for Social Research Innovation. McMaster University, Canada

Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago, IL

American Political Science Association. Montréal, QC, Canada

Annual Meeting of the Society for Political Methodology. Washington University in St. Louis

Political Economy of Development Virtual Workshop. Journal of Public Policy

Souther Political Science Association. San Antonio, TX

Latin American Political Methodology Meeting. Universidad de San Andrés, Argentina

2021: Methods Reading Group. American University

Graduate Student Exchange, Washington University in St. Louis

Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago, IL

American Political Science Association. Seattle, WA

Annual Meeting of the Society for Political Methodology. New York University

Latin American Political Methodology Meeting. ITAM, Mexico

Quantitative Political Economy Research Group. King's College London

Midwest Workshop in Empirical Political Science. Purdue University
NYU-CESS Annual Experimental Political Science Conference. New York University

2020: Graduate Student Exchange. University of Notre Dame
Latin American Political Methodology Meeting. Universidade de São Paulo, Brazil
NYU-CESS Annual Experimental Political Science Conference. New York University

2019: American Political Science Association. Washington, DC
Latin American Political Methodology Meeting. Universidad Católica del Uruguay
Political Methodology Colloquium. University of Minnesota
St. Louis Area Methods Meeting. Southern Illinois University

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. Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile

Skills

Languages: Spanish, French, Portuguese

Software: R, STATA, GIS, GitHub, LaTeX, Markdown, Typst, Quarto