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Education

- Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey–New Brunswick, New Jersey, United States Ph.D. in Political Science, September 2012–May 2017.
 - Dissertation: "State Capacities in Latin America: Structural Transformations, Elite Competition, and Fiscal Development (1850-2010)."
 - Committee: Robert Kaufman (chair), Daniel Kelemen, Douglas Blair (Economics), Paul Poast (University of Chicago).
 - Fields: Comparative Politics and Quantitative Methodology.
- Catholic University of Chile-Santiago

B.A. in Political Science, 2005–2009.

Academic Employment

- Universidad de O'Higgins, Rancagua, Chile
- Assistant Professor (tenure-track), July 2018—today.
- Tulane University, New Orleans, LA, United States
 Post-Doctoral Fellow, Center for Inter-American Policy & Research (CIPR), June 2017—June 2018.
- Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ, United States Teaching Assistant, September 2014—May 2017.

Appointments

- Program Coordinator: Public Administration UOH, 2018.
- Researcher: Labor Studies UOH, 2020—today.
- Researcher: Millennium Institute, Foundational Research on Data, 2020—today.
- Editorial Board Member: "Social Sciences" journal, Springer Nature, 2020—today.

Research

Research and Teaching Interests (undergraduate and graduate)

Origins of state capacity and public administration, decentralization, state formation, inequality, comparative political economy, political development, Latin American politics, causal inference, experimental methods (natural, lab and survey-based) and statistical methods (frequentist and Bayesian).

Dissertation

My dissertation argues that sectoral economic conflicts fostered state-building in Latin America. Using fine-grained historical case study comparisons, sectoral outputs from 1900 to the present, panel data and time-series econometric techniques, and a novel earthquake dataset (to measure state capacity), I find that industrial expansion altered the post-colonial political balance, thus putting heavy pressures for the implementation of tax institutions. In turn, fiscal expansion fostered both political development and economic growth.

Peer-Reviewed Articles

- Inclusive Institutions, Unequal Outcomes: Democracy, State Capacity and Income Inequality. *European Journal of Political Economy*, forthcoming. With Mart Trasberg (Tulane University).
- Still for Sale: The Micro-Dynamics of Vote Selling in the United States, Evidence From a List Experiment. *Acta Politica*, forthcoming.
- Employment Effects of Covid-19 across Chilean Regions: An Application of the Translog Cost Function. *Regional Science, Policy and Practice.* 2020; 12: 1151—1167. With Felix Modrego (UOH) and Andrea Canales (UOH).
- Aiming Right at You: Group versus Individual Clientelistic Targeting in Brazil. *Journal of Politics in Latin America*. 2018; 10(2), pp. 41—76.
- El Secreto de mi Éxito: Parte II. Los Caminos a Valparaíso en 2009. Revista de Ciencia Política, 2011; 31(2), pp. 285—310. With Pilar Giannini, Juan Pablo Luna, Rodolfo López, Martín Ordoñez and Gonzalo Recart.

Under Review, Revise and Resubmit, Submitted

Analyzing Conjoint Datasets with Support Vector Machine Methods, under review, Political Analysis.
 With Cristóbal Quiñinao (UOH).

Work in Progress

- Recreating Market Conditions for Vote-Selling and Vote-Buying in the Lab: An Economic Experiment, work in progress. With Andrea Canales (UOH).
- The Bus of Inequality: Public Transportation and COVID in Santiago, *in preparation*. With Felix Modrego (UOH) and Andrea Canales (UOH).
- Skyrocketed Inequality and (Un)lockdown Political Elites in Chile: Aerodrome Usage during Pandemic Times, *in preparation*. With Paz Irarrazabal (Universidad de Chile).
- Machine Learning and Political Ideology in the U.S.: An Experimental Case Study using SMOTE, *in preparation*. With Cristóbal Quiñinao (UOH).

• Vote Selling in the United States: Introducing Support Vector Machine Methods to Analyzing Conjoint Experimental Data, *in preparation*. With Cristóbal Quiñinao (UOH).

- Not Just Guns or Butter, but What Came First—Guns or Butter? Introducing GVAR to International Relations, *work in progress*. With Natalia Bahamonde (PUCV-Chile) and Igor Kovac (U Cincinnati).
- Sectoral Origins of Income Taxation: Industrial Development in Latin America, and The Case of Chile (1900-2010), *in preparation*.
- Income Taxation and State Capacity in Chile: Measuring Institutional Development Using Historical Earthquake Data, *in preparation*.
- Structural Transformations and State Institutions in Latin America, 1900-2010, in preparation.
- Testing the Online Model of Candidate Evaluation in a More Realistic Environment, *in preparation*. With Richard Lau (Rutgers University) and Mona Kleinberg (UMass Lowell).

Book Reviews in Peer-Reviewed Journals (Invited)

• Inés Durán Matute (2019). "Indigenous Peoples and the Geographies of Power: Mezcala's Narratives of Neoliberal Governance" (Routledge). *Journal of Iberian and Latin American Research*.

Book Chapters

• ¿Estable Pero Sin Raíces? Los Partidos Políticos Chilenos en la Opinión Pública, in *Cultura Política de la Democracia en Chile, Ch. IX, LAPOP Country Report, 2010.* With Juan Pablo Luna, Germán Bidegain, Roody Reserve and Giancarlo Visconti.

Conference Talks

- American Political Science Association (APSA): 2016 (Philadephia), 2019 (Washington D.C.—full panel organizer), 2020 (San Francisco).
- Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA, Chicago): 2017, 2018 (declined), 2020 (canceled—COVID19).
- International Conference (Italian Association for the History of Economic Thought, AISPE): 2019 (Bologna, Italy).
- Red de Economía Política para América Latina (REPAL): 2019 (New Orleans).
- Latin American Studies Association (LASA): 2014 (Chicago), 2015 (San Juan, declined), 2016 (NYC), 2018 (Barcelona, Spain).
- Western Political Science Association (WPSA): 2015 (Las Vegas), 2016 (San Diego, declined), 2018 (San Francisco, declined).
- Southern Political Science Association (SPSA): 2015 (New Orleans), 2018 (New Orleans), 2020 (San Juan, Puerto Rico, declined).
- Development Economics and Policy Conference (German Economic Association): 2018 (Zurich, declined).
- Red Interamericana para la Educación en Administración Pública y Ciencia Política: 2019 (Concepción).

Invited Talks

• Recreating Market Conditions for Vote-Selling and Vote-Buying in the Lab: The Chilean Case. Centre for Experimental Social Sciences, Universidad de Santiago de Chile and Oxford University (Nuffield College). Colloquium. Santiago, December 10th, 2019.

• New Frontiers in Clientelism. Guest Lecture. Tulane University, 2017.

Media Appearances and Op-Eds

- "Plan Paso a Paso y Pobreza: Factores Atenuantes en la Región de O'Higgins."
 With Carolina Rodriguez (UOH). ElRancaguino.cl, O'HigginsAlDía.cl, PoderyLiderazgo.cl: April 14th-15th. 2021.
- "Investigadores pronostican que se podrían perder más de 35 mil empleos por la pandemia en O'Higgins." Cooperativa.cl: September 27th. 2020.
- "Investigadores pronostican que se podrían perder más de 35 mil empleos por la pandemia en O'Higgins." Cooperativa.cl: September 27th. 2020.
- "Gerentas en la Región de O'Higgins y Precariedad Laboral: ¿Dónde estamos como Región?"
 With Cristina Hernández (UOH). ElRancaguino.cl: September 24th. 2020.
- "Uso de Conceptos Políticos en Épocas de Campañas Electorales: Nos merecemos más." With Mariela Soto (UOH). Diario El Pulso.cl: August 25th. 2020.
- "Desigualdad y Democracia en Chile." ElTipógrafo.cl: July 9th. 2019.

Grants, Fellowships, & Awards

- Domestic and International Conference Travel Support:
 - Department of Political Science and School of Arts and Sciences, Rutgers University (both fall and spring awards in 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016).
 - *Stone Center for Latin American Studies*, Tulane University (2017).
 - Center for Inter-American Policy and Research, Tulane University (2018).
- Teaching Assistantship Appointment. Department of Political Science and School of Arts and Sciences, Rutgers University (2015, 2016, 2017).
- Small Grant Fund for Research on Latin America. *Center for Latin American Studies*, Rutgers University (2013).
- Teaching Assistant Professional Development Fund. *School for Arts and Sciences*, Rutgers University (2015, 2016, 2017).
- Pre-Dissertation Award. Department of Political Science, Rutgers University (2016).
- Experimental Workshop Award. *Center for the Experimental Study of Politics and Psychology, Rutgers University (2015).*
- Jerome M. Clubb Scholarship. *Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research* (2013).
- Excellence Fellowship. *School for Arts and Sciences*, Rutgers University (2012). Tuition remission, health benefits and stipends, for five years of doctoral studies.

Teaching

1. O'Higgins University:

- "Quantitative Methods I": OLS.
- "Quantitative Methods II": MLE and causal inference.
- "Political Science I": Introduction to political science.
- "Political Science II": The political economy of state formation.
- "Social Sciences and Epistemology."
- "Introduction to Social Sciences."

2. Tulane University:

• "Introduction to Comparative Politics" (2018).

3. Rutgers University:

- "Math and Computing Camp for Political Scientists" (2015).
- "Introduction to Quantitative Methods" (TA, 2015).
- "American Government" (TA, 2014—2017).
- Also I would be very happy to teach the entire methods sequence (undergraduate and/or graduate), including but not limited to: time series and panel-data methods, experiments and causal inference for the social sciences, epistemology and qualitative methods, statistics for the social sciences (frequentist/Bayesian) and statistical programming. I can be very flexible and take care of the needs of the institution.

Referee for

- Political Behavior.
- Third World Quarterly.
- The Oxford Encyclopedia of Political Decision Making.
- Journal of Iberian and Latin American Research.
- Revista Chilena de Derecho y Ciencia Política.
- Social Sciences.
- Revista de Ciencia Política.

Service

- Coordinator: ICSO-UOH Speaker Series, 2020—today.
- Panel Discussant: MPSA 2018.
- Panel Chair: WPSA 2018, APSA 2019 (full paper panel organizer).
- Graduate student representative. CPE/IPE job search (2015). Rutgers University.
- Discussant "Emerging Trends Topics" talks (2014, 2015). Rutgers University.
- Graduate Student Mentor (2014-2017). Rutgers University.

References

- Robert Kaufman: Professor, Rutgers University.
- Daniel Kelemen: Professor and Jean Monnet Chair in European Union Politics, Rutgers University.
- Paul Poast: Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Chicago.
- Juan Pablo Luna: Associate Professor, Political Science Institute and School of Government (joint appointment), Catholic University—Chile.
- Ludovico Feoli: Executive Director Center for Inter American Policy and Research, Research Associate Professor, Tulane University.
- Ross Baker: Distinguished Professor, Rutgers University.

Misc

Languages

English, Spanish (native).

Software—advanced user

R, Stata, LATEX.

Certified Methods Proficiency

Time Series I (ICPSR), Introduction to Bayesian Analysis (ICPSR), Time Series II (ICPSR), Advanced MLE - Panel Data (ICPSR), Experimental Political Science (RU), Advanced Research in Political Economy (RU), Formal Modeling I (Princeton), Advanced Econometrics (RU, Economics), Introduction to Game Theory (ICPSR), Regression III: Advanced Methods (ICPSR), Measurement, Scaling and Dimensional Analysis (ICPSR), Causal Inference for the Social Sciences (ICPSR), Regression Analysis (RU, Statistics), Maximum Likelihood Estimation for GLMs (RU).