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## Education

**Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey–New Brunswick**  
Ph.D. 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, Paul Poast (University of Chicago).

Fields: Comparative Politics and Quantitative Methodology.

**Catholic University of Chile–Santiago.**  
B.A. Political Science, 2005–2009.

## Academic Employment

**Universidad de O'Higgins, Rancagua, Chile**  
Assistant Professor (tenure-track), July 2018–

**Tulane University, New Orleans, LA, United States**  
Post-Doctoral Fellow, Center for Inter-American Policy & Research (CIPR), 2017 - June 2018

**Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ, United States**  
Teaching Assistant, 2014-2017

## Research

### *Research Interest*

*Comparative political economy, economic and political development, Latin American politics, causal inference, experimental methods and quantitative methods.*

### *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 capacities), 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*

- Bahamonde, H. (2018). [Aiming Right at You: Group versus Individual Clientelistic Targeting in Brazil](#). *Journal of Politics in Latin America*, 10(2), pp. 41-76.
- Bahamonde, H. (2011). [El Secreto de mi Éxito: Parte II. Los Caminos a Valparaíso en 2009](#). *Revista de Ciencia Política*, 31(2), pp. 285-310. With Pilar Giannini, Juan Pablo Luna, Rodolfo López, Martín Ordoñez and Gonzalo Recart.

### *Work in Progress*

- [Income Taxation and State Capacity in Chile: Measuring Institutional Development Using Historical Earthquake Data](#), *under review*. Lead paper.
- [Still for Sale: The Micro-Dynamics of Vote-Selling in the United States, Evidence From a List and Conjoint Experiments](#), *in preparation*.
- [Sectoral Origins of Income Taxation: Industrial Development in Latin America, and The Case of Chile \(1900-2010\)](#), *under review*.
- [Structural Transformations and State Institutions in Latin America, 1900-2010](#), *in preparation*.
- [Testing the Online Model of Candidate Evaluation in a More Realistic Environment](#), *under review*. With Richard Lau (Rutgers) and Mona Kleinberg (UMass - Lowell).
- [Inclusive Institutions, Unequal Outcomes: Democracy, State Infrastructural Power and Inequality 1970-2015](#), *in preparation*. With Mart Trasberg (Tulane).

### *Book Reviews in Peer-Reviewed Journals (Invited)*

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

### *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.

Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA): 2017, 2018 (declined).

Latin American Studies Association (LASA): 2014, 2015 (declined), 2016, 2018.

Western Political Science Association (WPSA): 2015, 2016, 2018 (declined).

Southern Political Science Association (SPSA): 2015, 2018.

Development Economics and Policy Conference (German Economic Association): Zurich (2018, declined).

## Invited Talks

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

## 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:

- ["Social Sciences and Epistemology"](#) (Instructor, undergraduate, T2: 2018).

### 2. Tulane University:

- ["Introduction to Comparative Politics"](#) (Instructor, undergraduate, spring: 2018).

### 3. Rutgers University:

- ["Math and Computing Camp for Political Scientists"](#) (Instructor, graduate, winter: 2015).
- ["Introduction to Quantitative Methods"](#) (TA, graduate, fall: 2015).
- ["American Government"](#) (TA, undergraduate, fall: 2014 to spring: 2017).

## Referee for

- Political Behavior.
- Third World Quarterly.
- Journal of Iberian and Latin American Research.
- Revista Chilena de Derecho y Ciencia Política.

## Service

- Program Head: *Public Administration and Government*, Universidad de O'Higgins 2018.
- Panel Discussant: MPSA 2018.
- Panel Chair: WPSA 2018.
- 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 (Assistant professor, Department of Political Science, University of Chicago).
- Ross Baker (Distinguished Professor, Rutgers University).

## Misc

### *Languages*

English, Spanish (native).

### *Software*

R, Stata, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X.

### *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).