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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, 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.

Papers

- [Income Taxation and State Capacities in Chile: Measuring Institutional Development Using Historical Earthquake Data](#), *submitted*. Lead paper.
- [Sectoral Origins of Income Taxation: Industrial Development in Latin America and The Case of Chile \(1900-2010\)](#), *in preparation*.
- [Aiming Right at You: Group v. Individual Clientelistic Targeting in Brazil](#), *revise and resubmit*, *Journal of Politics in Latin America*.
- [Still for Sale: The Micro-Dynamics of Vote-Selling in the United States, Evidence From a List Experiment](#), *in preparation*.
- [Structural Transformations and State Institutions in Latin America, 1900-2010](#), *under review*, *Economics and Politics*.
- [Testing the Online Model of Candidate Evaluation in a More Realistic Environment](#), *in preparation*. 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).
- [El Secreto de mi Éxito: Parte II. Los Caminos a Valparaíso en 2009](#). *Revista de Ciencia Política*. 31(2), 285-310, 2011. With Pilar Giannini, Juan Pablo Luna, Rodolfo López, Martín Ordoñez and Gonzalo Recart.

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. Tulane University:

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

2. 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.

Service

- 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^AT_EX.

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).