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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 Capacity 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, Chile**  
B.A. in Political Science, 2005–2009.

## Academic Employment

- **University of Turku, Turku, Finland**  
Senior Researcher, INVEST Research Flagship Centre, September 2021—today.
- **O’Higgins University, Rancagua, Chile**  
Assistant Professor (tenure-track), July 2018—August 2021.
- **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

- **Research Director:** INVEST-Experimental Research Hub, 2022—today.
- **Adjunct Researcher:** Millennium Institute, Foundational Research on Data, 2020—today.
- **Editorial Board Member:** “*Social Sciences*” journal, Springer Nature, 2020—today.
- **Program Coordinator:** Public Administration UOH, 2018.
- **Researcher:** Labor Studies UOH, 2020.

## 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 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*

- Hector Bahamonde and Andrea Canales (n.d.). "Electoral Risk and Vote Buying, Introducing Prospect Theory to the Experimental Study of Clientelism." *Electoral Studies* accepted ().
- Hector Bahamonde (2022). "Still for Sale: The Micro-Dynamics of Vote Selling in the United States, Evidence from a List Experiment." *Acta Politica* 57.1, pp. 73–95.
- Hector Bahamonde and Mart Trasberg (2021). "Inclusive Institutions, Unequal Outcomes: Democracy, State Capacity, and Income Inequality." *European Journal of Political Economy* 70.May, p. 102048.
- Félix Modrego, Andrea Canales, and Hector Bahamonde (2020). "Employment Effects of COVID-19 Across Chilean Regions: An Application of the Translog Cost Function." *Regional Science Policy & Practice* 12.6, pp. 1151–1167.
- Hector Bahamonde (2018). "Aiming Right at You: Group versus Individual Clientelistic Targeting in Brazil." *Journal of Politics in Latin America* 10.2, pp. 41–76.
- Juan Pablo Luna et al. (2011). "El Secreto de mi Éxito: Parte II. Los Caminos a Vaparaíso en 2009." *Revista de Ciencia Política* 31.2, pp. 285–310.

### *Work in Progress*

- *Physical Appearance and Elections: An Inequality Perspective*, *in preparation*. With Outi Sarpila (UTU).
- *Not Just Guns or Butter, but What Came First—Guns or Butter? Introducing GVAR to International Relations*, *work in progress*. With Heikki Kaupi (UTU), Wilma Nissila (UTU) and Igor Kovac (U Cincinnati).
- *Skyrocketed Inequality and (Un)lockdown Political Elites in Chile: Aerodrome Usage during Pandemic Times*, *in preparation*. With Paz Irarrazabal (Universidad de Chile).
- *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 (Philadelphia, PA, US), 2019 (Washington D.C.—full panel organizer), 2020 (San Francisco, CA, US).
- **European Political Science Association (EPSA)**: 2022 (Prague, Czech Republic).
- **European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR)**: 2022 (Innsbruck, Austria—full panel organizer).
- **Nordic Sociological Association Conference (NSA)**: 2022 (Reykjavik, Iceland).
- **Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA, Chicago)**: 2017, 2018 (declined), 2020 (canceled—COVID19).
- **Society for Institutional & Organizational Economics (SIOE)**: 2022 (Toronto, Canada; declined).
- **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, LA, US).
- **Latin American Studies Association (LASA)**: 2014 (Chicago, IL, US), 2015 (San Juan, Puerto Rico; declined), 2016 (NYC, NY, US), 2018 (Barcelona, Spain), 2022 (San Francisco, CA, US).
- **Western Political Science Association (WPSA)**: 2015 (Las Vegas, NV, US), 2016 (San Diego, CA, US; declined), 2018 (San Francisco, CA, US declined).
- **Southern Political Science Association (SPSA)**: 2015 (New Orleans), 2018 (New Orleans, LA, US), 2020 (San Juan, Puerto Rico; declined).
- **Development Economics and Policy Conference (German Economic Association)**: 2018 (Zurich, Switzerland; declined).
- **Red Interamericana para la Educación en Administración Pública y Ciencia Política**: 2019 (Concepción, Chile).

### Invited Talks

[SOMA’s Appearance & Inequalities Seminar](#), [Mustio](#), Finland (April 7th-8th, 2022) ⊙ *General Research Seminar*, Political Science, Åbo Akademi, Turku, Finland (January 27th, 2022) ⊙ *Political Science Research Seminar*, Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Turku, Turku, Finland (December 17th, 2021) ⊙ *Economics Weekly Research Seminar*, Turku School of Economic, University of Turku, Turku, Finland (December 14th, 2021) ⊙ *INVEST Scientific Seminar*, INVEST, University of Turku, Turku, Finland (November 19th, 2021), [DPINVEST & INVESThub Workshop on interventions, evaluations and field experiments](#), INVEST, University of Turku, Turku, Finland (October 26th, 2021) ⊙ *Colloquium*, Centre for

Experimental Social Sciences, Universidad de Santiago de Chile and Oxford University—Nuffield College, Santiago, Chile (December 10th, 2019) ☉ *Guest Lecture*, “Introduction to Comparative Politics” (Prof. Christopher Chambers-Ju), Tulane University, New Orleans, U.S. (Fall, 2017).

## Media Appearances and Op-Eds

- “[Biden’s Honeymoon Is Over, and He Knows It.](#)”  
New York Times: August 4th., 2021.
- “[Conexión Global Prime](#)” (in Spanish).  
CNN Chile: May 18th., 2022.
- “[Plan Paso a Paso y Pobreza: Factores Atenuantes en la Región de O’Higgins.](#)”  
With Carolina Rodríguez (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). [DiarioElPulso.cl](#): August 25th., 2020.
- “[Desigualdad y Democracia en Chile.](#)”  
[ElTipógrafo.cl](#): July 9th., 2019.

## Grants, Fellowships & Awards

- Fondecyt Iniciación 2022 #11220303, ANID, Chile. Sponsorship: *Millennium Institute, Foundational Research on Data*, Chile. Length: March 15th 2022—March 14th 2025. Amount: ~ \$96,000 USD (in 2022 prices).
- 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. University of Turku:

- “Quantitative Methods”: OLS (MA in Social Science).
- “Experimental Social Science”: (INVEST).

### 2. O’Higgins University:

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

### 3. Tulane University:

- “Introduction to Comparative Politics” (undergraduate).

### 4. Rutgers University:

- “Math and Computing Camp for Political Scientists” (graduate).
- “Introduction to Quantitative Methods” (TA, graduate).
- “American Government” (TA, undergraduate).

## Referee for

- The Journal of Politics, 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, Sociological Inquiry, Social Sciences, Revista de Ciencia Política.

## Service

- Panel organizer: APSA 2019, ECPR 2022 (co-organizer), FPSA 2022 (co-organizer).
- Panel chair: WPSA 2018, APSA 2019, EPSA 2022, ECPR 2022 (co-chair), FPSA 2022 (co-chair).
- Panel Discussant: MPSA 2018, PALO 2021.
- Coordinator: *Speaker Series* 2020—2021 (UOH), *INVESThub “Brown Bag” series* 2022—today (UTU), *INVESThub “Lectures” series* 2022—today (UTU).

- Job Search Committee: Graduate Student Representative (CPE/IPE lines, 2015, *Rutgers University*), Social Science Institute (2018—2021, *O’Higgins 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, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X.

### *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).