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PROFILE

Languages: Spanish (*Native*), English (*TOEFL: 95 - Jul. 2024*), French (*DELFB2*)

Software Skills: Macintosh, Office, Stata, R.

Institutional Affiliations: AECIP (*Deputy Director*), ALACIP Youth Section (*Executive Committee*) IPSA, ALACIP, AMECIP.

EDUCATION

University of Bergen

Expected in March 2026

Ph.D.(c) in Comparative Politics

Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales, sede Ecuador

December 2020

Master of Research in Comparative Politics

Fellow – Research Assistant

Universidad San Francisco de Quito

December 2016

Bachelor of Arts in International Relations

Minor in Political Science

Teacher Assistant at the Department of Philosophy

Institut d'Études Politiques d'Aix-en-Provence

July 2015

Certificate of Political Studies

PUBLICATIONS AND ACADEMIC RELATED ACTIVITIES

Journal Articles

- Olivares L., Alejandro, Bastián González-Bustamante, Sergio Toro Malureira, Juan Carlos Arellano, Anabel Yanes-Rojas, José Zurita-Tapia, Amanda Vitoria Lopes, Claudio Robelo Guzmán, and Juan Bautista Canavesi Sosa. 2020. “Nuevos desafíos, enfoques y perspectivas para estudiar élites políticas.” *Iberoamericana* 20 (74): 229–59.
- Medina P, Pablo, and José Zurita-Tapia. 2021. “Respuestas estatales a La pandemia de COVID-19 en Ecuador: Mirando más allá del ejecutivo”. *Revista Chilena de Derecho y Ciencia Política* 12 (2): 153–87.

Book Chapters

- Zurita-Tapia, José, Anabel Yanes-Rojas. 2024. “Encontrando el eslabón perdido: vicepresidentes como élite política”. In *Trayectorias y profesionalización de las élites políticas. Casos nacionales y locales en América Latina*, edited by Mónica Montaña Reyes & Azul A. Aguiar Aguilar, 69-100. México: Tirant Lo Blanch.

- Viola, Carolina and José Zurita-Tapia. 2022. “El ciclo de un partido predominante y personalista: Alianza País”. In Elecciones y partidos políticos en Ecuador: candidaturas presidenciales, representación legislativa y presencia de mujeres en política, edited by Santiago Basabe-Serrano, 126-53. Quito: Pescadito Editoriales.
- Zurita-Tapia, José, Anabel Yanes-Rojas, and Alejandro Olivares L. 2022. “¿Vicepresidencia para Chile?” In Presidencialismo. Reflexiones para el debate constitucional en Chile, edited by Christopher A. Martínez, Primera edición, 103–17. Santiago de Chile: FCE, Universidad Católica de Temuco.

Research Projects

- “Electoral commitment and coalition policymaking in Latin American legislatures”, with John Polga-Hecimovich & Jason Eichorst.
- “How policy positions and presidential approval influence the stability of pre-electoral coalitions.”
- “Volatility of pre-electoral coalitions in Ecuador.”
- “Descriptive youth representation in Ecuador.”
- “Stability of pre-electoral coalitions in Latin America.”
- “Pre-electoral coalitions”, with Raimondas Ibenskas for the Edward Elgar Handbook on Coalition Politics.
- “The role of the opposition in the Ecuadorian legislature”, with Sergio Huertas-Hernández.
- “Where the Veep’s are: Analyzing vice presidential subsequent political careers.”

Revista Ecuatoriana de Ciencia Política - RECP

Editorial Assistant

Nov. 2021 - Feb. 2022

Peer Reviews

- Pléyade. Revista de Humanidades y Ciencias Sociales. Santiago de Chile, Chile.
- Revista Chilena de Derecho y Ciencia Política. Temuco, Chile.
- Revista Ecuatoriana de Ciencia Política. Quito, Ecuador
- Revista Estado, Gobierno y Gestión Pública. Santiago de Chile, Chile.

Summer Schools and Training

- Research Fellowship in University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. 15.01.25 - 30.04.2025. North Carolina, United States of America.
- Deep Learning for Social Scientists. 18.04.24 - 19.04.24. Bergen, Norway.
- Better Data Visualization (using R). 14.02.24 - 15.02.24. Bergen, Norway.

- Causal Inference with Observational Data. 26.09.23 - 27.09.23. Bergen, Norway.
- Collaborative Scientific Software Development School. 19.06.23 - 30.06.23. Bergen, Norway.
- Panel and Pooled Data Analysis. 15.08.22 - 19.08.22. Bergen, Norway.
- Advanced Quantitative Text Analysis. 28.03.22 - 29.03.22. Bergen, Norway.
- EITM-Oslo Summer Institute on “Evidence-based Political Science for a Globalizing World: Causal Inference, Experimental and Quasi-Experimental approaches”. 27.06.22 - 08.07.22. Oslo, Norway.
- ECPR Summer School on Political Parties. 21.08.23 - 26.08.23. Duisburg-Essen, Germany.
- ECPR Summer School on Parliaments. 18.07.22 - 29.07.22. Lisbon, Portugal.

Academic Dissemination

- Latin American & Iberian Studies - UC Santa Barbara co-sponsored by the Center for Latin American and Iberian Research. (14.02.25). “Violence and Drug Trafficking in Ecuador”.
- International conference: XII Congreso Latinoamericano de Ciencia Política. “América Latina como actor en la configuración geopolítica global” (17.07.24 - 20.07.24). “Stability of Pre-electoral Coalitions in Latin America”. Paper presenter. Lisbon, Portugal.
- International conference: NoPSA (25.06.24 - 28.06.24) “Stability of Pre-electoral Coalitions in Latin America”. Paper presenter. Initially chair of the Comparative Political Institutions workshop, now Co-chair of the Democracy and Autocracy in the Shadow of Russia: Institutions, Parties, Elites, and Policies in Central and Eastern Europe workshop. Bergen, Norway.
- International conference: LASA 2024 “Reaction and Resistance: Imagining Possible Futures in the Americas” (12.06.24 - 15.06.24). “Stability of Pre-electoral Coalitions in Latin America”. Paper presenter. Bogotá, Colombia (Hybrid Conference).
- International conference: IPSA World Congress (15.07.23 - 19.07.23). “Stability of Pre-electoral Coalitions in Latin America”. Paper presenter. Buenos Aires, Argentina
- National conference: Nasjonal fagkonferanse i statsvitenskap (08.01.24 - 10.01.24). “Stability of Pre-electoral Coalitions in Latin America”. Paper presenter. Stavanger, Norway
- Bergen Global: [Cocaine chaos:Ecuador’s drug war](#) (18.01.24). Breakfast meeting with Monica Beeder (CMI/NHH) to explain and discuss how Ecuador got thrown into a spiralling drug war. Conversation led by Leiv Marsteintredet.
- VG: [Væpnede personer brøt seg inn i studioene til TV-kanal i Ecuador](#) (10.01.24). Phone interview to comment on the security crisis in Ecuador after armed individuals broke into a public-owned TV broadcaster.
- Panorama nyheter: [Ustabiliteten i Peru er blitt overraskende stabil](#) (14.03.23). Submitted in English, translated to Norwegian Bokmål by Sunniva Kvamsdal Sveen.

- Panorama nyheter: [Kunsten å beskytte demokratiet](#) (12.01.23). Submitted in English, translated to Norwegian Bokmål by Sunniva Kvamsdal Sveen.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Corporación Participación Ciudadana – CPC

Researcher

May 2021 - September 2021

- Researcher to the post-COVID-19 assessment in Ecuador's Civil Society Organizations (CSOs).

Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales, sede Ecuador

Associate Researcher

January 2021 – May 2021

- Research assistant to the *Judicial Corruption* project in charge of Prof. Santiago Basabe-Serrano at the Department of Comparative Politics.

National Democratic Institute – NDI

Consultant

November 2020 – February 2021

- Researcher to the *PAIRS II* Project in Ecuador.

Instituto de Innovación Política y Cooperación Internacional – IPCI

National Coordinator

September 2020 – January 2021

- Political Innovation Researcher.

Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales, sede Ecuador

Research Assistant

October 2018 – September 2020

- Research projects at the *Department of Comparative Politics* in charged of Prof. Santiago Basabe-Serrano
- Research project on *Ministerial Cabinets in Presidential Systems* in charged of Prof. Alejandro Olivares L.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Bergen – SAMPOL 204

Varieties of Political Regimes: Latin America in Comparative Perspective

Lecturer

Spring 2025

UTPL - Political Science Master's Programme

Cyberpolitics

Invited Lecturer

December 2024 - January 2025

University of Bergen – SAMPOL 204

Varieties of Political Regimes: Latin America in Comparative Perspective

Lecturer

Spring 2024

University of Bergen – SAMPOL 234

Youth and Politics

Course Co-responsible & Lecturer

Autumn 2023

University of Bergen – SAMPOL 230

Party Politics in Europe and Beyond

Lecturer

Autumn 2023

AREAS OF INTEREST

Pre-electoral Coalitions; Vice presidents; Political Parties; Political Institutions; Research Methodology; Quantitative and Mixed Methods; Data Management, Systematization and Analysis; Time-series; Cross-sectional Analysis.

PERSONAL REFERENCES

Available upon request