MATTHEW MARTIN

EDUCATION

University of Texas at Austin

Ph.D., Government - CGPA: 4.0

Aug. 2020 – Present

Austin, TX

University of Massachusetts at Amherst

B.A., Political Science - B.A., Legal Studies - CGPA: 4.0

Sept. 2014 – May 2018

Amherst, MA

Universidad de Belgrano

Study Abroad Program

March 2017 - June 2017

Buenos Aires, Argentina

RESEARCH INTERESTS

• Primary field: Public Law

• Secondary field: Comparative Politics

- Areas of interest: Public participation in constitution-making, authoritarian constitutions, Latin American politics, immigration law and politics
- Methods of interest: Text analysis, experiments, archival research

CURRENT PROJECTS

Bounded Participation and Regime Legitimation

Sept. 2022 - Present

Public Consultation in Authoritarian Constitution-Making

• Solo-authored working paper and the foundation of my dissertation.

Criminality, Deportation, and Political Entrepreneurs

Feb. 2022 – Present

The Emergence of Crime-Based Deportation in the 1980s United States

• Solo-authored working paper currently under review at Social Science History.

What Kind of Constitution Do Chileans Want?

Oct. 2021 – Present

Chilean Consultation Input in Comparative Perspective

• Working paper with Zachary Elkins, Ashley Moran, Roy Gardner, and Andrés Cruz.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Graduate Research Assistant

 $June\ 2021-Jan.\ 2022$

Professor Raúl Madrid

UT Austin

- Assembled a data set of all presidential elections in Nicaragua from 1838 through 1930.
- Constructed national data sets of all Latin American revolts from 1830 through 2020 by conducting in-depth historical research, coding in Excel, and updating data sets.

Graduate Research Assistant

June 2021 - Dec. 2021

Professor Zachary Elkins

UT Austin

- Created data stories, technical reports, and the beginnings of a podcast for the Constitute Project.
- Led a team of undergraduate researchers researching common themes within national constitutions in order to enrich the Constitute Project's ontology and website search functions.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant

August 2020 - Present

University of Texas at Austin

Austin, TX

- GOV 391L Statistical Analysis in Political Science II Dr. Alison Craig
- GOV 391J Statistical Analysis in Political Science I Dr. Connor Jerzak
- UGS 303 Drugs, Commerce, and Immigration in US-Mexico Relations Dr. Ken Greene
- GOV 320N Civil Rights And Civil Liberties Dr. Alan Sager
- GOV S365W Human Rights and World Politics Dr. Rhonda Evans
- GOV 312L The U.S. in Comparative Perspective Dr. Kurt Weyland
- GOV 328L Introduction to Latin American Politics Dr. Raúl Madrid

Legal Assistant

June 2018 - May 2020

Washington, D.C.

Bromberg, Kohler Maya & Petre, PLLC

- Assisted attorneys with immigration cases related to asylum, naturalization, permanent residence, relief from removal, victims of violence, employment-based visas, etc.
- Prepared forms, gathered legal documents and information, submitted applications, conducted country conditions research, performed administrative office duties, and translated legal documents in Spanish.

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Trans Asylum Support Seeker Network

May 2021 - Present

Organizer and Legal Administrator of Asylum Coordination Committee

Austin. TX

- Keep record of legal needs, court dates, and ICE check-ins as well as conduct lawyer searches for our community of transgender and non-binary asylum seekers.
- Organize fundraisers, fill out forms, translate documents from Spanish to English, etc.

General Volunteer

Jan. 2021 - Aug. 2021

Casa Marianella

Austin, TX

• Delivered food to former residents of Casa Marianella's shelter and social service center for displaced immigrants.

LANGUAGES

- English (native)
- Spanish (fluent)

TECHNICAL SKILLS

• Programs: Excel, LATEX, Python, R

• Technologies: Git, Markdown

AWARDS AND DISTINCTIONS

2019 Best Undergraduate Student Paper Award

May 2019

Consortium for Undergraduate Law and Justice Programs

Washington, D.C.

• Received interdisciplinary legal studies award for my undergraduate honors thesis, "Only a Matter of Crime: Immigration Politics and Executive-Judicial Relations in Argentina."

EVENTS

2022 Graduate Student Conference in Public Law

Oct. 2022

UT Austin Department of Government

Austin, TX

• Organized and moderated the conference, which was attended by 16 graduate students who participated in panels on human rights/international law, judicial politics, comparative constitutionalism, and constitutional theory.