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EDUCATION

University of Texas at Austin

Ph.D., Government - CGPA: 4.0

Aug. 2020 – Present

Austin, TX

Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research

Summer Program in Quantitative Methods

July 2022

Ann Arbor, MI

University of Massachusetts at Amherst

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

Sept. 2014 – May 2018

Amherst, MA

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Fields: Public Law, Comparative Politics
- Areas of interest: Public participation in constitution-making, authoritarian constitutions, Latin American politics, immigration law and politics
- Methods of interest: Natural language processing, qualitative interviews, archival research

CURRENT PROJECTS

Performing Popular Sovereignty

Public Consultations in National Constitution-Making

Sept. 2022 – Present

- My current dissertation project.

Criminality, Deportation, and Political Entrepreneurs

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

Feb. 2022 – Present

- “Revise and resubmit” at *Social Science History*.

What kind of constitution do the people want?

A new method for analyzing public consultation data

Oct. 2021 – Present

- Co-authored working paper under review.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Senior Research Analyst

Comparative Constitutions Project

Sept. 2023 – Present

Austin, TX

- Contribute to the Project’s research agenda, focusing on the ongoing constituent process in Chile.

Graduate Research Assistant

Professor Raúl Madrid

June 2021 – Jan. 2023

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.

Graduate Research Assistant

Professor Zachary Elkins

June 2021 – Dec. 2021

UT Austin

- Led a team of undergraduates responsible for researching the thematic content of national constitutions as well as enriching the ontology of the Constitute Project.

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

July 2018 – May 2020

Bromberg, Kohler Maya & Petre, PLLC

Washington, D.C.

- Assisted attorneys with immigration cases related to asylum, naturalization, permanent residence, relief from removal, victims of violence, employment-based visas, etc.

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 for displaced immigrants.

LANGUAGES

- English (native)
- Spanish (fluent)

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- **Programs/technologies:** Excel, Git, L^AT_EX, Markdown, Python, R

AWARDS AND DISTINCTIONS

Tinker Field Research Grant

Summer 2023

Teresa Lozano Long Institute of Latin American Studies

Austin, TX

- Received grant to conduct pre-dissertation field research for two weeks in Havana, Cuba.

Democratic Institutional Development Program

Summer 2023

UT Austin Department of Government, International IDEA

Panama, Chile

- Interned at the International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (IDEA) in Panama City and Santiago de Chile, supporting democracy assistance projects and organizing public consultations on constitutional reform.

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.