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Academic Appointments

Institute for Advanced Study in Toulouse

2022 -

Postdoctoral Research Fellow

Toulouse, France

EDUCATION

University of Texas at Austin

2022

Ph.D., Government

Austin, Texas

• Thesis: Poverty, Party Alignment, and Reducing Corruption through Modernization

o Committee: Mike Findley (chair), John Gerring, Ken Greene, Xiaobo Lü, Dan Nielson & Jan Pierskalla

Georgetown University/Universidad Nacional de San Martín

2015

Dual M.A., Development Management and Policy

Washington, DC/Buenos Aires, Argentina

Maastricht University, Graduate School of Governance

2008

M.Sc., Public Policy and Human Development

Maastricht, Netherlands

University of Denver

2006

B.A., International Studies (major); French and Italian (minors)

Denver, Colorado

• <u>Study Abroad</u>: Université de Lausanne, Switzerland; Università di Bologna, Italy

Воок

External Validity: Practices and Principles

Under Contract with Cambridge University Press (with M. Findley & K. Kikuta)

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES AND WORKING PAPERS

Do Natural Resources Really Cause Civil Conflict? Evidence from the New Global Resources Dataset

Journal of Conflict Resolution 2022. 66(3):387-412 (with M. Findley, J. Hall, A. Stravers & J. Walsh)

External Validity

Annual Review of Political Science 2021. 24:365–393 (with M. Findley & K. Kikuta)

Institutional Autonomy and Donor Strategic Interest in Multilateral Foreign Aid: Rules vs. Influence Submitted

• Conferences: PEIO, 2021; Texas Triangle IR Conference, 2020

Poverty, Party Alignment, and Reducing Corruption through Modernization: Evidence from Guatemala Submitted (with A. Gautam)

• Conferences: Academia against Corruption in the Americas, 2020; TX Comparative Politics Circle, 2020

Measuring Corruption Using Governmental Audits: A New Framework and Dataset

• Conference: ECPR, 2020

Works in Progress

Aid, Institutions, and the Potential of Anti-Corruption

• Conference: MPSA, 2022

Preventing the Negative Externalities of Development: Aid Compliance, State Capacity, and At-Risk Groups

• Conference: APSA, 2021

Monitoring Corruption and Overcoming the Collective Action Problem: Experimental Evidence from Pakistan (with T. Behmer, M. Piracha & A. Tantravahi) [In-person data collection paused due to COVID-19]

Teaching

University of Texas at Austin • Instructor o Data Science for the Social World Summer Semesters 2020, 2021 • Applied Research Methods I Fall Semesters 2018, 2019, 2021 Spring Semesters 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022 • Applied Research Methods II • Teaching Assistant 2015-2018 o Politics of Poverty, Mexican Politics, American Government Policy and Research Employment Innovations for Peace and Development 2015-Current Graduate Research Fellow and Governance Team Leader Austin, Texas • Leading a 30-50 person research team, with fieldwork in Honduras 2021-Current Inter-American Development Bank ConsultantWashington, DC • Writing review paper on the effects of natural resources on development outcomes United States Agency for International Development (USAID) Consultant, Environmental Incentives 2021 Conducted evidence review on decentralization and taxation in Liberia Washington, DC Consultant, Cloudburst Consulting Group 2018-2019 • Authored evidence reviews on governance and corruption/rule of law for Armenia Landover, Maryland University of Texas at Austin Research Assistant, Professor Mike Findley 2016-2018, 2019, 2021 • Undertook fieldwork in Colombia and assisted with USAID impact evaluations Austin, Texas Research Assistant, Professor Catherine Weaver 2016 • Conducted research on foreign aid transparency Austin. Texas World Bank Consultant, Anti-Corruption Policy Program (OPSPF) 2013-2018 • Contributed to the Drivers of Corruption study and design of anti-corruption training Washington, DC Co-drafted report for Senior Management summarizing corruption issues in 2016-2017 projects, providing statistical analysis, and proposing policy solutions Consultant, Africa Region, Education Department 2012; 2013-2014 • Co-drafted implementation arrangements, implementation support plan, and Lomé, Togo and institutional strengthening component for an education project in Togo Washington, DC • Assisted with preparation for a Central African Republic project Consultant, Operations Policy and Quality Department (OPSPQ) 2010-2013; 2014 • Led team working on project-level data collection and related analysis Washington, DC • Designed, implemented, and presented a new methodology to track the World Bank's work on climate change, which is now being used by other aid donors 2007 Department of State, Consulate General of the United States Intern, Economic/Political Section Florence, Italy • Drafted reports on economics and politics for high-ranking officials

2006

Washington, DC

European Union, Delegation to the United States

• Responded to inquiries about European Union (EU) policies and regulations

Intern, Press and Public Diplomacy

INVITED TALKS

 "Measuring Corruption Using Governmental Audits: A New Framework and Dataset." State Secretariat for Economic Affairs, Bern, Switzerland (scheduled) "What Is Corruption, and How Is It Measured?" Columbia University, New York, USA (virtual) 	2022
Academic Journal and Book Reviewing • Journal of Politics, Journal of Political and Military Sociology, Review of International Organizations, and SAGE Publications	
Undergraduate Thesis Committees • Four students	2019-Current
Department of Government, University of Texas at Austin • Methods Field & Workshop Group	2016-2018
Awards and Fellowships	
During Ph.D. at the University of Texas at Austin	
• Texas Politics Project (for Honduran audits/corruption project)	2021
• Graduate School Fellowship	2020
• Graduate School Professional Development Award	2020
• Ward Endowed Fellowship (for corruption experiment in Pakistan)	2019
• Summer Statistics Award	2018
• McDonald Fellowship (annual award)	2015-2019
Pre-Ph.D.	
• Distinction, Georgetown University/Universidad Nacional de San Martín	2015
• Departmental Honors in International Studies, University of Denver	2006
• Partners in Scholarship Grant (to finance research in Spain), University of Denver	2006
• Outstanding Italian Student Award (best student at university), University of Denver	2006

Computer Skills and Languages

Computer Skills

- Statistics, Spatial Data, and Surveys: R, Stata, ArcGIS, Qualtrics, Excel
- Text Editing: LATEX, Word, Google Docs
- Databases and Version Control: GitHub, Git Bash, SAP, Business Warehouse/Analysis for Office
- Website design: HTML, CSS, Markdown

Languages

• English (Native), French (Fluent), Spanish (Fluent), Italian (Advanced), Dutch (Basic)

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