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#### POSITIONS HELD

Graduate Teaching Assistant, University of Iowa Department of Political Science (2018-present)

#### **EDUCATION**

Ph.D. Political Science, University of Iowa (In Progress, 2018-2023) *Fields:* American Politics and Political Methodology

B.A. Political Science, University of Illinois (2014)

# RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

Race and Ethnic Politics, American Politics, Political Sociology, Public Policy, Political Discussion, Public Opinion, Political Methodology and Research Methods

#### HONORS & AWARDS

Ronald H. Filler Essay Award (2014), University of Illinois Department of Political Science

Charles E. Merriam Essay Award (2013), University of Illinois Department of Political Science

#### WORKING PAPERS

"Free Market Parasitism: The Mediating Effects of Multinational Expansion on Elite Rent Extraction and Economic Inequality"

# **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

# Teaching Assistant, University of Iowa

Introduction to the Politics of Race (Fall 2018)

Introduction to American Politics, Head TA (Spring 2019)

# RELEVANT COURSEWORK

# Introductory Methodology with Dr. Elizabeth Menninga

- Grade: A
- Topics Covered:
  - Data, Descriptive Statistics, & Data Visualization, Probability Theory and Distributions, Models & Inference for Binary Response Variables, Sampling (Validity, Reliability, I.I.D.) and Sampling Distributions, Point

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and Interval Estimation, Hypothesis Testing and Statistical Inference, Basics of Linear Regression, Calculus, Matrix Algebra.

# Intermediate Methodology with Dr. Julianna Pacheco

- In Progress
- Topics Covered:
  - Simple Regression Analysis, Properties of OLS Estimators, Gauss-Markov Theorem & Hypothesis Testing, Multiple Regression Analysis, Nonlinear Models & Transformations of Variables, Specification of Regression Variables, Heteroscedasticity, Measurement Error, Binary Outcome Variables, Autocorrelation.

#### OTHER SKILLS

Statistical Packages: Stata, R-Studio

Applications: common Windows database, spreadsheet, and presentation software, GitHub,

**RMarkdown** 

#### REFERENCES

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