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EDUCATION	<b>The University of North Carolina</b> , Chapel Hill, North Carolina USA  Ph.D., Political Science, <i>Expected May 2023</i>  M.A., Political Science, 2020 <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Thesis: “Unstable Identities: The Decline of Partisanship in Contemporary Chile”</li><li>– Committee: Jonathan Hartlyn (chair), Evelyne Huber, and Cecilia Martínez-Gallardo</li></ul> <b>Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile</b> , Santiago, Chile  M.A., Sociology, 2016 <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Thesis: “Ideological Preferences and Evolution of the Religious Cleavage in Chile, 1998-2014”</li><li>– Committee: Matías Bargsted (chair), Nicolás Somma, and Beltrán Undurraga</li></ul> B.A., Sociology, 2016	
INTERESTS	Political Psychology · Comparative Politics · Comparative Political Psychology · Latin American Politics · Public Opinion · Party Politics	
PUBLICATIONS	de la Cerda & Martínez-Gallardo. 2022. “Mexico: A Politically Effective Populist Pandemic Response”. Book chapter in <i>Populists and the Pandemic: How Populists Around the World Respond to COVID-19</i> . Lucio Renno and Nils Ringe, eds. Routledge.  Martínez-Gallardo, de la Cerda, Hartlyn, Bakker, Hooghe, Marks. 2022. “Revisiting Party System Structuration in Latin America and Europe: Economic and Socio-Cultural Dimensions”. <i>Party Politics</i> . First Published 10 June, 2022.  de la Cerda, N. 2022. “Unstable Identities: The Decline of Partisanship in Contemporary Chile.” <i>Journal of Politics in Latin America</i> . 14(1), 3-30.  Bargsted & de la Cerda. 2019. “Ideological Preferences and Evolution of the Religious Cleavage in Chile, 1998-2014.” <i>Latin American Research Review</i> . 54(2), 348-365.	

WORK IN  
PROGRESS

Bargsted, Valenzuela, de la Cerda, Mackenna. 2013. "Participación ciudadana en las elecciones municipales 2012: diagnóstico y propuestas en torno al sistema de voto voluntario." In Ignacio Irarrázaval, María de los Ángeles Morandé, and Magdalena Letelier (eds), *Propuestas para Chile*, chapter 1, pages 23–50.

Beyond Partisanship: Political Identity Profiles in Latin America. *Under review*.

Fujimorismo and anti-Fujimorismo in Comparative Perspective. *Presented at the Latin American Studies Association 2023 Annual Conference, Vancouver*.

Are party families in Europe ideologically coherent today? (with Jacob Gunderson). *Invited to review and resubmit at the European Journal of Political Research (EJPR)*.

Programmatic and Non-Programmatic Party System Structuration in Latin America (with Jonathan Hartlyn and Cecilia Martínez-Gallardo). *Under review*.

A global scale of economic left-right party positions: exploring the cross-national and cross-expert perceptions of party placements (with Ryan Bakker, Seth Jolly, Patrick Leslie, Jonathan Polk, Jill Sheppard, and Roi Zur). *Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association 2023 Annual Meeting, Chicago*.

Affect or Ideology?: The Heterogeneous Effects of Political Cues on Policy Support (with Sam Fuller and Jack T. Rametta). *Presented at the Western Political Science Association 2023 Annual Meeting, San Francisco*.

Programmatic and Non-Programmatic Bases of Partisan Responses to the Covid-19 Pandemic in Latin America (with Jonathan Hartlyn and Cecilia Martínez-Gallardo).

Partisan Profiles in Democracies and Non-Democracies: Evidence from 101 Countries (with Courtney Blackington). *Presented at the Midwest Political Association 2023 Annual Meeting*.

AWARDS AND  
SCHOLARSHIPS

2023 – Uhlman Fellow, UNC Department of Political Science (\$3,275).

2023 – MPSA Graduate Student Travel Scholarship (\$500).

2022 – James W. Prothro Award for Outstanding Research, Best Graduate Student Paper, UNC Department of Political Science.

2022 – Carolina Latinx Center Innovation Award, UNC Carolina Latinx Center.

2022 – Mellon Dissertation Award, UNC Institute for the Study of the Americas (\$3,000).

2022 – Summer Research Fellowship, UNC Department of Political Science (\$3,000).

2022 – Thomas F. Ferdinand Summer Research Fellowship, UNC Graduate School (\$5,000).

2021 – Summer Research Collaboratory Program, UNC Department of Political

Science (\$5,000).

2020 – Graduate Research Award, UNC Institute for the Study of the Americas (\$1,500).

2020 – Uhlman Fellow, UNC Department of Political Science (\$2,250).

2020 – Pre-dissertation Field Research Grant, UNC Institute for the Study of the Americas (\$1,500) [Cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic].

2020 – John Frechione award support for lodging, Latin American Social and Public Policy Conference (LASPP) [Cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic].

CONFERENCE  
PRESENTATIONS

A global scale of economic left-right party positions: exploring the cross-national and cross-expert perceptions of party placements (with Ryan Bakker, Seth Jolly, Patrick Leslie, Jonathan Polk, Jill Sheppard, and Roi Zur).

– 2023 Midwest Political Science Association Meeting.

Are party families in Europe ideologically coherent today?’ (with Jacob Gunderson).

– 2023 Midwest Political Science Association Meeting.

Identifying Identities: Uncovering Partisanship in Electoral Authoritarian Regimes (With Courtney Blackington).

– 2021 Southern Political Science Association Meeting.

Ideological Preferences and Evolution of the Religious Cleavage in Chile, 1998–2014 (With Matías Bargsted).

– 2015 World Association for Public Opinion Research Meeting.

RESEARCH  
EXPERIENCE

**The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill**

*Research Assistant, Jonathan Hartlyn*

March 2019 – Present

- Statistical analysis for constitutional data.
- Questionnaire design for CHES Latin America.
- Data collection for CHES Latin America.

*Research Assistant, Cecilia Martínez-Gallardo*

May 2020 – Present

- Survey Design.
- Questionnaire translation.
- Qualtrics programming.

TEACHING  
EXPERIENCE

**The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill**

*Instructor*

- POLI 209: Analyzing Public Opinion (F2021)
- POLI 209: Analyzing Public Opinion (Summer I)
- POLI 130: Comparative Politics (S2021)

*Teaching Assistant*

- POLI 203: Race, Innocence, and the Decline of the Death Penalty, Frank R. Baumgartner (S2022)
- POLI 130: Comparative Politics, Rahsaan Maxwell (F2020)
- POLI 130: Comparative Politics, Ashley Anderson (S2020)
- POLI 130: Comparative Politics, Andrew Reynolds (F2019)

## Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile

### *Instructor*

- SOL 107: Social Ethics (March-July, 2018)
- SOL 107: Social Ethics (March-July, 2017)
- SOL 100: Sociological Paradigms (March-July, 2016)
- SOL 107: Social Ethics (March-July, 2016)
- SOL 107: Social Ethics (March-July, 2015)

### *Teaching Assistant*

- SOL (3070) Data Analysis (August-December, 2015)
- SOL (3000) Design and Analysis of Social Research (March-July, 2013)

## Universidad Alberto Hurtado

### *Instructor*

- Statistic II (March-July, 2016)

### PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND ACTIVITY

#### **Discipline:**

Referee: *Bulletin of Latin American Research*

Referee: *Latin American Research Review*

Referee: *Political Research Quarterly*

#### **Department:**

Program Coordinator, Latin American Working Group, UNC (2019 — Present)

Comparative Politics Subfield Representative and Comparative Working Group

Organizer, UNC-Political Science Department (2022 — Present)

### METHODS TRAINING

Ordinary Least Squares Regression · Generalized Linear Models · Multilevel Models · Causal Inference · Psychometry · Machine Learning · Bayesian Models

### TECHNICAL SKILLS

Statistical computing in R, Stan, Python, and Stata;  $\text{\LaTeX}$ ; Qualtrics

### PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS REFERENCES

American Political Science Association

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