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#### **EDUCATION**

### The University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, North Carolina USA

Ph.D., Political Science, Expected May 2023

M.A., Political Science, 2020

- Thesis: "Unstable Identities: The Decline of Partisanship in Contemporary Chile"
- Committee: Jonathan Hartlyn (chair), Evelyne Huber, and Cecilia Martínez-Gallardo

### Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, Santiago, Chile

M.A., Sociology, 2016

- Thesis: "Ideological Preferences and Evolution of the Religious Cleavage in Chile, 1998-2014"
- Committee: Matías Bargsted (chair), Nicolás Somma, and Beltrán Undurraga

B.A., Sociology, 2016

#### Interests

Political Psychology · Comparative Politics · Latin American Politics · Public Opinion · Party Politics

#### **Publications**

2022. "Unstable Identities: The Decline of Partisanship in Contemporary Chile." Accepted at Journal of Politics in Latin America.

2019. "Ideological Preferences and Evolution of the Religious Cleavage in Chile, 1998–2014." (with Matías Bargsted). Latin American Research Review. 54(2), 348–365.

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

### AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

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

## Conference Presentations

"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

### 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)

#### Universidad Alberto Hurtado

Instructor

• Statistic II (March-July, 2016)

Professional

Discipline:

SERVICE AND

Referee: Bulletin of Latin American Research

ACTIVITY

Department:

Program Coordinator, Latin American Working Group, with Isabel Laterzo (2020), Isaac Melhaff (2019), and Mateo Villamizar, UNC (2019 — Present)

METHODS TRAINING Ordinary Least Squares Regression  $\cdot$  Generalized Linear Models  $\cdot$  Causal Inference  $\cdot$  Factor Analysis and Latent Variable Modeling  $\cdot$  Machine Learning  $\cdot$ 

Bayesian Models for the Social Sciences

TECHNICAL SKILLS Statistical computing in R, Python, and Stata; LATEX; Qualtrics

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS American Political Science Association

References

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