## Sonia A. Vargas

EDUCATION	University	of Marvland.	College Park, MD

Ph.D. Government and Politics, 2027 (Expected)

M.A. Government and Politics, 2024

#### University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

B.A. Poltical Science & Anthropology, Magna Cum Laude, May 2021

Teaching Inst	ructor of Record
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EXPERIENCE GVPT170: American Government Summer & Fall 2024

#### Teaching Assistant

GVPT331: Intro to Courts, Law and Justice, Michael Spivey Spring 2025 GVPT170: American Government, Patrick Wohlfarth Fall 2023

HNUH238B: Systemic Racism in Public Opinion and Policy Fall 2022 - Spring 2023

Attitudes, Janelle Wong

#### ACADEMIC University of Maryland

Work Research Assistant, Center for Democracy & Civic Engage- 2024 - Present

ment

Polling Team Fellow, The Washington Post - Washington DC Spring 2024

# Fellowships & Grants

Jacob K. Goldhaber Travel Grant 2025
GVPT Student Travel Grant 2025

Rapoport Family Foundation Summer Research Collabora- 2023

tive Award

Diversity Fellowship, American Political Science Association 2023 - 2024 Dean's Fellowship, University of Maryland, College of Behav-2022 - 2025

ioral and Social Sciences

### Presentations Midwest Political Science Association

American Politics Workshop, University of Maryland 2025 Southern Political Science Association 2025 The Laws Today - HNUH238B, University of Maryland 2023 University of Florida Undergraduate Research Symposium 2021

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

Vargas, S. 2021. How Incarceration Impacts Voter Participation Across Communities. [Undergraduate thesis, University of Florida]. Smathers Library Digital Collections.

#### The Washington Post:

2025

Vargas, Sonia, and Emily Guskin. 2024. "Polls Suggest Border and Immigration Bill May Be Popular." The Washington Post, February 5, 2024.

Alcantara, Chris, Janice Kai Chen, Emily Guskin, Scott Clement, and **Sonia Vargas**. 2024. "How Different Groups Voted in the South Carolina Primary, According to Exit Polls." *The Washington Post*, February 25, 2024.

Guskin, Emily, **Sonia Vargas**, and Scott Clement. 2024. "Trump Projected to Win South Carolina Primary, Beating Haley." *The Washington Post*, February 24, 2024.

Alcantara, Chris, Janice Kai Chen, Emily Guskin, Scott Clement, Clara Ence Morse, and **Sonia Vargas**. 2024. "How Different Groups Voted on Super Tuesday Primary, According to Exit Polls." *The Washington Post*, March 5, 2024.

#### **Editorials:**

Guerra, Justin, **Sonia Vargas**, and Alyssa Bretan. 2021. Did Hispanic voters win Florida for Trump?, April 27, 2021.

#### SERVICE

#### American Political Science Association

Graduate Student Representative, Migration and Citizenship 2024-2026 Section

# University of Maryland, Department of Government and Politics Graduate Student Association Co-Chair 2023 - 2024 Committee Chair, Dean's Grad Student Advisory Council 2023-2024 Graduate Student Recruitment Spring 2023 Faculty Hiring Fall 2023 Discussant, American Politics Workshop Spring 2023 Rising Scholars Conference 2022 - 2024

## SOFTWARE & PROGRAMMING

Proficient: R, RStudio, Microsoft Office, Google Workspace, Stata, IATEX,

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Familiar: Java, Python, ArcGIS