

EDUCATION	University of Maryland, College Park, MD Ph.D. Government and Politics, 2027 (Expected) M.A. Government and Politics, 2024	
	University of Florida, Gainesville, FL B.A. Political Science & Anthropology, Magna Cum Laude, May 2021	
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	Instructor of Record GVPT170: American Government	Summer & Fall 2024
	Teaching Assistant GVPT331: Intro to Courts, Law and Justice, Michael Spivey GVPT170: American Government, Patrick Wohlfarth HNUH238B: Systemic Racism in Public Opinion and Policy Attitudes, Janelle Wong	Spring 2025 Fall 2023 Fall 2022 - Spring 2023
ACADEMIC WORK	University of Maryland Research Assistant, Center for Democracy & Civic Engagement Polling Team Fellow, The Washington Post - Washington DC	2024 - Present Spring 2024
FELLOWSHIPS & GRANTS	MPSA Latina/o Politics Caucus Grad Travel Award Jacob K. Goldhaber Travel Grant GVPT Student Travel Grant Rapoport Family Foundation Summer Research Collaborative Award Diversity Fellowship, American Political Science Association MPSA Latina/o Politics Caucus Grad Travel Award Dean's Fellowship, University of Maryland, College of Behavioral and Social Sciences	2025 2025 2025 2023 2025 2023 - 2024 2022 - 2025
PRESENTATIONS	Midwest Political Science Association American Politics Workshop, University of Maryland Southern Political Science Association <i>The Laws Today</i> - HNUH238B, University of Maryland University of Florida Undergraduate Research Symposium	2025 2025 2025 2023 2021
PUBLICATIONS	Vargas, S. 2021. How Incarceration Impacts Voter Participation Across Communities. [Undergraduate thesis, University of Florida]. Smathers Library Digital Collections.	

The Washington Post:

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 Section 2024-2026

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, L^AT_EX, Zotero

Familiar: Java, Python, ArcGIS