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Current position

PhD. Candidate, UCLA Department of Political Science

Education

- 2015 MA in Political Science, University of Washington, WA
- 2011 BA in Government, Skidmore College, NY, *summa cum laude*
Minor, Spanish

Publications

[\[All Replication Files\]](#)

- 2018 “Vote Switching in the 2016 Election: Racial and Immigration Attitudes, Not Economics, Explains Shifts in White Voting” (with Ali Valenzuela and Loren Collingwood) *Forthcoming at Public Opinion Quarterly* [\[PDF\]](#) Press: [\[Vox.com\]](https://www.vox.com)
- “Protecting the Right to Discriminate: The Second Great Migration and Racial Threat in the American West” (with Ben Newman) *American Political Science Review*. [\[PDF\]](#) [\[Appendix\]](#)
- “Roots of the Radical Right: Nostalgic Deprivation in the United States and Britain” (with Justin Gest and Jeremy Mayer) *Comparative Political Studies* 51 (13). [\[PDF\]](#)
- “Immigrant Political Ambition: New Americans and the Quest for Political Office” (with Paru Shah) *Social Sciences Quarterly* 99 (3): 1038-1059. [\[PDF\]](#) Press: [\[Voice of America\]](#)
- 2017 “Demographic Change, Latino Countermobilization, and the Politics of Immigration in U.S. Senate Campaigns” *Political Research Quarterly* 70 (4) [\[PDF\]](#) [\[Supplement\]](#)
- “Survey Methodology and the Latina/o Vote: Why a Bilingual, Bicultural, Latino-centered Approach Matters” (with Matt Barreto and Bryan Wilcox-Archuleta) *Aztlán: A Journal of Chicano Studies*. 42(2). [\[PDF\]](#)

“El peso del voto latino en 2016” (with Sergio I. Garcia-Rios, Angela X. Ocampo, and Bryan Wilcox-Archuleta) *Foreign Affairs Latinoamerica* 17(1) [\[PDF\]](#)

2016

“The Negative Effects of Mass Media Stereotypes of Latinos and Immigrants” (with Sylvia Manzano). In *Media and Minorities: Questions on Representation from an International Perspective*. Eds Georg Ruhrmann, Yasemin Shooman, and Peter Widmann. Jewish Museum of Berlin Press. [\[PDF\]](#)

UNDER REVIEW

“‘No, You’re Playing the Race Card’: Anti-Black and Anti-Latino Appeals in The Post-Obama Era (with Ali Valenzuela and Loren Collingwood) *under review*

WORKING PAPERS

“Backpacking to Abate Bigotry: A Field Experiment on Intergroup Contact”

“How Immigration Threat Influenced Latino Voting in the 2018 Midterms” (with Bryan Wilcox-Archuleta)

“The Geopolitics of Critical Race Films” (with Ben Newman and Bryan Wilcox-Archuleta)

“How In-Group Elite Rhetoric Shapes Immigration Attitudes” (with Justin Gest)

“Hands Off My Obamacare: Self-Interest and Symbolic Attitudes in The Health Care Debate” (with David O. Sears)

“The Racialization and Deracialization of the ACA” (with Michael Tesler)

“Selective Norm Enforcement and Prejudice” (with Ben Newman and Sono Shah)

“Refugee Resettlement and Voting: Exogenous Demographic Shifts and Racial Threat” (with Bryan Wilcox-Archuleta)

“Refugees and Residential Context: Exploring the Mechanisms of Racial Threat” (with Justin Gest)

“Racial Priming in Political Science: Where We’ve Been and Where We’re Going” (with Ali Valenzuela)

Dissertation

My dissertation explores the role that both political and non-political media play in shaping out-group attitudes among the American public. More specifically, I argue that media influences how we think about out-groups in two ways. First, through classical conditioning, passive and active exposure to media portrayals of groups help mold who we perceive the prototypical member of groups to be, shaping subsequent beliefs about and attitudes toward the group. Second, media informs us about what others who share our in-group identities, whether other citizens or in-group elites, think about the groups in question. These cues are both informational and normative—shaping both the content of our attitudes but also setting the boundaries of what is acceptable to think. I argue that these

media effects are conditioned by our everyday experiences with member of these groups. Media effects are stronger in insular communities, where first-person contact with members of out-groups is rare or non-existent, than in environments where intergroup contact is frequent.

Grants, honors & awards

2018	<p>“How In-Group Elite Rhetoric Shapes Immigration Attitudes” (Co-PI with Justin Gest)</p> <p><i>Partnership for a New American Economy</i> (\$73,375)</p> <p>APSA Political Communication Subsection Travel Award (\$700)</p> <p>UCLA Hoffenberg Fellow</p> <p>APSA Travel Grant (\$100)</p> <p>CSREP Mark Q. Sawyer Professional Development Travel Grant (\$300)</p> <p>Harrell Rodgers Graduate Student Travel Scholarship (\$500)</p> <p>UCLA Fellowship in Political Psychology (\$500)</p>
2017	<p>APSA First Generation Scholars in the Profession Travel Grant (\$250)</p> <p>UCLA Luskin Center for History and Policy Fellowship (\$5,000)</p> <p>UCLA Fellowship in Political Psychology (\$500)</p> <p>UCLA Graduate Research Mentorship Award (\$36,000)</p> <p>UCLA Graduate Research Summer Mentorship Award (\$6,000)</p>
2016	<p>UCLA Hoffenberg Award</p> <p>UCLA Fellowship in Political Psychology (\$500)</p> <p>UCLA Graduate Research Mentorship Award (\$36,000)</p> <p>UCLA Graduate Research Summer Mentorship Award (\$6,000)</p> <p>APSA Warren E. Miller Fund Research Grant (\$2,000)</p>
2015	<p>Department of Political Science Best Graduate Student Paper Award, University of Washington (\$500)</p>
2014	<p>Donald R. Matthews Graduate Fellowship Summer Stipend, University of Washington (\$5,000)</p>
2013	<p>Donald R. Matthews Graduate Fellowship, University of Washington (\$51,000)</p>
2011	<p><i>Phi Beta Kappa</i></p> <p>Susan Riley Gunderson '64 Prize for Excellence in the Study of American Government (\$500)</p>
2009	<p><i>Pi Sigma Alpha</i></p> <p>Levine Internship Award (\$3,000)</p>

INFORMAL & REPORTS

2018	<p>“To win over moderates, Democrats need a coherent immigration policy” with Justin Gest (July). LA Times Op-Ed. [Link].</p> <p>“Why the GOP’s anti-immigration politics are here to stay.” (July). LSE US Centre Blog. [Link].</p> <p>“Should I Stay or Should I Go? How Effective Transit Oriented Development Can Lead to Positive Economic Growth Without Displacing Latinos” (March). LPPI. Report.</p>
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- Press: [Mercury News](#) || [Citylab](#) || [Curbed](#) || [East Bay Express](#)
- 2017 “In contrast to the exit poll, official election results in Illinois show Latino turnout was up and vote for Trump was down.” (February). The Huffington Post. <http://huff.to/2lC9rc8>.
- 2016 “No, Trump didn’t do surprisingly well among Latino voters: Let’s once and for all dispense with that exit-poll-based fiction.” (January). The New York Daily News. <http://nydn.us/2jtowlr>.
- 2014 “Trump fared worse than Romney in Florida Hispanic vote.” (December). The Hill. <http://bit.ly/2gNFKOz>.
- Minority Representation Gaps, by the Numbers* (October). Monkey Cage. The Washington Post. <http://wapo.st/ZGQntG>.
- Represent 2020: Toward a Better Vision for Democracy* (September). New American Leaders Project. <http://bit.ly/1tLvVcV>.
- 2013 *Run Local: New American Electorate and the 2013 Municipal Elections* (March). New American Leaders Project. <http://bit.ly/WKwtGR>.
- Obama Barely Touched Immigration in His Speech, but That’s a Good Thing* (February). National Journal’s Next America. <http://bit.ly/WKwtGR>.
- 2012 *From the Community to the Capitol: Immigrants Flex Political Muscle in the 2012 Congressional Races* (October). New American Leaders Project. <http://bit.ly/RLVzVF>.
- How the U.S. is Still Struggling with Universal Suffrage* (September). National Journal’s Next America. <http://bit.ly/UDAUpD>.
- Educating Tomorrow’s Workforce is Crucial for America’s Prosperity* (July). National Journal’s Next America. <http://bit.ly/NCHoyf>.

Conference Presentations

American Political Science Association Annual Conference (2016, 2017, 2018)
 Western Political Science Association Annual Conference (2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018)
 Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference (2015, 2017, 2018)
 Politics of Race, Immigration, and Ethnicity Consortium Conference (PRIEC) (2014, 2015, 2016)
 State Politics and Policy Conference (2013)

Additional Experience

- 2017- Research Fellow, UCLA Latino Public Policy Institute (LPPI)
- 2015- Research Assistant, Assistant Professor Justin Gest, George Mason University
- 2015- Research Fellow, New American Leaders Project, NY
- 2014- Research Assistant, Professor Matt Barreto, University of Washington
- 2014 Research Consultant, New American Leaders Project, NY
- 2011-2013 Program and Research Associate, New American Leaders Project, NY
- 2011 Research Assistant for Associate Professor David Karp, Skidmore College, NY
- 2011 Research Assistant for Dr. Tom Gais, Rockefeller Institute, NY
- 2009-2011 Research Assistant for Associate Professor Bob Turner and Assistant Professor Patricia Ferraioli, Skidmore College, NY
- 2011 Research Intern for Senator Olympia Snowe (ME), Washington, D.C.

Teaching

GRADUATE

2016-2019	Graduate Bootcamp in R Statistical Programming
2017-2019	Introduction to R
2016-	Political Science Department R Maven

UNDERGRADUATE INSTRUCTOR

2018	Instructor: Public Opinion in 1960s
	Instructor: Introduction to Data Analysis

UNDERGRADUATE TA

2018	TA: Political Communications. Professor Tim Groeling.
2015	TA: Introduction to American Politics. Professor Mark Smith.
	TA: Introduction to American Politics. Professor Megan Frances.
2014	TA: Introduction to American Politics. Professor Becca Thorpe.

Service to the Discipline

Reviewer for *Journal of Politics*, *Political Behavior*, *Public Opinion Quarterly*, *Political Science Quarterly*, *Political Research Quarterly*, *American Politics Research*, *Translational Issues in Psychological Science*

Skills

R, SPSS, STATA, Python, L^AT_EX, SQLite, GIS
Webscraping
Experience with HTML and CSS
Proficient in Spanish

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