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Academic Positions

Emory University
Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, 2022–Present.
Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, 2014 – 2022.

Princeton University
Post-doctoral Research Scholar, Center for the Study of Democratic Politics, 2013 – 2014.

Visiting Positions

Vanderbilt University
Visiting Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions, Fall 2024.

Education

University of Rochester
Ph.D., Political Science, 2014.

- Dissertation: “Three Essays on Electoral Manipulation,”
2014-2015 Outstanding Dissertation Award for the Social Sciences.

Universidad de los Andes, Bogotá, Colombia
M.Sc. Economics, 2007.
B.Sc., Mathematics, 2006.
B.Sc., Economics, 2004.

Peer-reviewed Articles

Schuessler Julian, Adam Glynn, and Miguel R. Rueda. (2025), “Post-Instrument Bias.” Accepted at *American Journal of Political Science*.

Rueda, Miguel R., Guy Grossman, and Shuning Ge. (2025), “Do More Disaggregated Electoral Results Deter Aggregation Fraud?” Forthcoming at *British Journal of Political Science*.

Rueda, Miguel R. and Nelson Ruiz. (2024), “How Do Electoral Outcomes Affect Campaign Contributions? The Role of Personal Loyalty and Investment Motives.” Forthcoming at *British Journal of Political Science*.

Glynn, Adam, Miguel R. Rueda and Schuessler Julian. (2024), “Post-Instrument Bias in Linear Models.” *Sociological Methods and Research*, 53(4), 1829–1845.

Gibilisco, Michael, Brenton Kenkel, and Miguel R. Rueda. (2022), “Competition and Civilian Victimization.” *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, 66(4-5), 809–835.

Gulzar, Saad, Rueda, Miguel R., and Nelson Ruiz. (2022), “Do Campaign Contribution Limits Curb the Influence of Money in Politics?” *American Journal of Political Science*, 66 (4), 932–946.

- 2022 *American Journal of Political Science* Best Article Award

Kalandrakis, Tasos and Miguel R. Rueda. (2021), “National Electoral Thresholds and Disproportionality.” *Political Analysis*, 29(1), 102–119.

Rueda, Miguel R. and Nelson Ruiz. (2020), “Political Agency, Election Quality, and Corruption.” *Journal of Politics*, 82(4), 1256–1270.

Ascencio, Sergio J. and Miguel R. Rueda. (2019), “Partisan Poll Watchers and Electoral Manipulation.” *American Political Science Review*, 113(3), 727–742.

Clarke, Kevin A., Brenton Kenkel, and Miguel R. Rueda. (2019), “Omitted Variables, Countervailing Effects, and the Possibility of Overadjustment.” *Political Science Research and Methods*, 6(2), 343–354.

Rueda, Miguel R. (2017), “Popular Support, Violence, and Territorial Control in Civil War.” *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, 61(8), 1626–1652.

Rueda, Miguel R. (2017), “Small Aggregates, Big Manipulation: Vote Buying Enforcement and Collective Monitoring.” *American Journal of Political Science*, 61(1), 163–177.

Rueda, Miguel R. (2015), “Buying Votes with Imperfect Local Knowledge and a Secret Ballot.” *Journal of Theoretical Politics*, 27(3), 428–456.

As a member of the Vaccine Exemplars Research Consortium

Zoe Sakas, Kyra A. Hester, Katie Rodriguez, Saly Amos Diatta, Anna S. Ellis, Daouda Malick Gueye, Dawn Mapatano, Pr. Souleymane Mboup, Emily Awino Ogutu, Chenmua Yang, Robert A. Bednarczyk, Matthew C. Freeman, Moussa Sarr, Natalia Bueno, Francisco Castillo Zunino, Roopa Darwar, Bonheur Dounebaine, Matthew R. Dudgeon, Cam Escoffery, Kimberley R. Isett, Chandni Jaishwal, Hanleigh James, Pinar Keskinocak, B. Pablo Montagnes, Dima Nazzal, Walter Orenstein, Miguel R. Rueda, Simone Rosenblum, Hannah K. Smalley. (2023) “Critical success factors for high routine immunization performance: A case study of Senegal”, *Vaccine: X*, 14, 100296.

Katie Micek, Kyra A. Hester, Chama Chanda, Roopa Darwar, Bonheur Dounebaine, Anna S. Ellis, Pinar Keskinocak, Abimbola Leslie, Mwangala Manyando, Maurice Sililo Manyando, Dima Nazzal, Emily Awino Ogutu, Zoe Sakas, Francisco Castillo-Zunino, William Kilembe, Robert A. Bednarczyk, Matthew C. Freeman, the Vaccine Exemplars Research Consortium. (2022), “Critical Success Factors for Routine Immunization Performance: A Case Study of Zambia 2000 to 2018” *Vaccine: X*, 11, 100166.

Kyra A Hester, Zoe Sakas, Anna S Ellis, Anindya S Bose, Roopa Darwar, Jhalak Gautam, Chandni Jaishwal, Hanleigh James, Pinar Keskinocak, Dima Nazzal, Emily Awino Ogutu, Katie Rodriguez, Francisco Castillo Zunino, Sameer Dixit, Robert A Bednarczyk, Matthew C Freeman, the Vaccine Exemplars Research Consortium. (2022),

“Critical Success Factors for Routine Immunization Performance: A Case Study of Nepal” *Vaccine: X*, 12, 100214.

- Working Papers** “Informative Pre-election Attacks and Post-Electoral Reprisals” (with Gavin Kiger).
“Foreign Aid and Major-Power Competition: A Structural Approach” (with Michael Gibilisco, Anthony Luongo, and Brenton Kenkel)
“Vote Buying and Associational Life” (with Pearce Edwards).
- Work in Progress** “Inside the Polling Place: Partisanship in Election Administration,” (with Sergio Ascencio).
“Public Procurement and Electoral Mobilization: The Returns of Backing the Winner” (with Nicolás Idrobo, Pablo Querubin, and Nelson Ruiz).
“Institutional Design and Advantages to Large Parties in Legislatures” (with Tasos Kalan-drakis).
- Publications in Spanish** Eaton, Jonathan, Eslava, Marcela, Hernández, Mónica, Maurice Kugler, Montes, Enrique, Rueda, Miguel R. and James Tybout. (2007), “Mercados de exportación: entramos, salimos, nos quedamos? Dinámica de las ventas en el extranjero de las firmas colombianas,” [Entering, Exiting or Staying? Export Dynamics of Colombian Firms] *Revista del Banco de la República*, 80 (951), 10-27.
Arbeláez, María Angélica, Zuleta, Luis Alberto, Jaramillo, Lino, and Miguel R. Rueda. (2004), “Las tarjetas de crédito en Colombia: evolución e impacto sobre el consumo y el recaudo tributario,” [Credit Card Use in Colombia: Evolution and Impact on Consumption and on Tax Revenues] *Coyuntura Económica*, Fedesarrollo, 2004, 34(2), 107-147.
- Other Academic Writing** “Analysis of Donations to Colombia’s Presidential Candidates in 2018” (with Nelson Ruiz) covered in [Bloomberg](#).
Rueda, Miguel R. (2008), “Breaking Credibility in Monetary Policy: The Role of Politics in the Stability of the Central Banker,” Inter-American Development Bank, Research Department, Working Paper #639.
Rueda, Miguel R. (2006), “Efecto de exigencia en calificación sobre el desempeño académico. Estudio de los cursos de matemáticas básicos en la Universidad de los Andes.” [Grading Standards’ Effect on Academic Performance. The Case of the Applied Mathematics Course Sequence at Los Andes] Documento CEDE 2006-39, Facultad de Economía, Universidad de los Andes, Bogotá, Colombia
- Funding, Awards and Fellowships** *CIPR Mid-Career Post-Doctoral Fellowship*, Center for Inter-American Policy and Research, Tulane University, 2024 (declined).
Visiting Associate Professor, Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions, Vanderbilt University, 2024.

American Journal of Political Science Best Article Award, 2022.

John Fell Fund, Oxford University, 2020 with Nelson Ruiz.

Emory Program to Enhance Research and Scholarship (PERS), 2020.

Vaccine Exemplars. Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, 2018-2020.

Corruption and Prevention Policies. CAF Development Bank, 2018 with Saad Gulzar and Nelson Ruiz.

Outstanding Dissertation in the Social Sciences Award, University of Rochester, 2015.

Dean of Graduate Studies Post-Field Research Dissertation Write-up Fellowship, University of Rochester, 2013-2014 (declined).

Southern Political Science Association Prestage-Cook Travel Grant, 2012.

Summer Seed Grant for International Field Research, University of Rochester Department of Political Science, Spring 2012.

W. Allen Wallis Graduate Student Fellowship, W. Allen Wallis Institute of Political Economy, University of Rochester, Fall 2011.

Prize for Excellence in Teaching by a Graduate Student, University of Rochester Department of Political Science, Spring 2011.

Charles E. Lanni Research Fellowship, University of Rochester Department of Political Science, Summer 2009.

Graduate Fellowship, University of Rochester Department of Political Science, 2008-2013.

Teaching

Emory University

- Comparative Politics Field Seminar (Graduate, Fall 2023 co-taught with Natalia Bueno)
- Elections in the Developing World (Undergraduate, Spring 2025, Fall 2021, 2017, 2015, 2014, 2023)
- Electoral Politics (Graduate, Fall 2016, 2025 Spring 2023, 2021, 2020, 2015 co-taught with Gregory Martin)
- Game Theory (Undergraduate, Spring 2023, 2022, Fall 2020, 2014, 2025)
- Introduction to Comparative Politics II (Undergraduate, Spring 2016 co-taught with Jennifer Gandhi, 2017)
- Mathematical Tools for Political Scientists (Graduate, Fall 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2025)
- Methods I. Mathematical Statistics and Regression Analysis (Graduate, Spring 2022, 2021, 2024)

Universidad de los Andes

- Differential Calculus (Undergraduate, Fall 2005)

Pontificia Universidad Javeriana

- International Economics Summer School. Political Economy Seminar: Autocracy, Democracy, and Elections (Graduate, Summer 2019 co-taught with Camilo García Jimeno)

Other Work Experience

Consultant, Inter-American Development Bank, Washington DC, Aug 2009.

Junior Research Associate, Inter-American Development Bank, Washington DC, 2007 - 2008.

Consultant, Ministerio de Comunicaciones de la República de Colombia, Bogotá, Colombia, May 2007

Research Assistant, Universidad de los Andes, Department of Economics. Bogotá, Colombia, Sept 2004 - May 2007.

Research Assistant, Fedesarrollo. Bogotá, Colombia, Nov 2003 - May 2004.

Talks

- Department of Political Science, Vanderbilt University: (2024): “Informative Pre-election Attacks and Post-Electoral Reprisals”
- Department of Political Science, Universidad de San Andrés: (2023): “How Do Electoral Outcomes Affect Campaign Contributions? The Role of Personal Loyalty and Investment Motives”
- Department of Political Science, Universidad Torcuato Di Tella: (2023): “How Do Electoral Outcomes Affect Campaign Contributions? The Role of Personal Loyalty and Investment Motives”
- Sam Nunn School of International Affairs, Georgia Institute of Technology : 2023 “How Do Electoral Outcomes Affect Campaign Contributions? The Role of Personal Loyalty and Investment Motives”
- Department of Political Science, Atlanta Symposium on Political Science (ASOPS) Keynote speaker, Georgia State University : 2023 “Public Procurement and Elections: The Returns of Backing the Winner”
- Department of Political Science, Comparative Politics Workshop, New York University: 2021. “When Do Campaign Contributions Persist? The Role of Motivations in Non-Partisan Contexts”
- Department of Economics, ITAM: 2019. “Do Campaign Contribution Limits Curb the Influence of Money in Politics?”
- Department of Political Science, ITAM: 2019. “Do Campaign Contribution Limits Curb the Influence of Money in Politics?”
- Wallis Institute of Political Economy, University of Rochester: 2019. “Do Campaign Contribution Limits Curb the Influence of Money in Politics?”
- Department of Political Science, Columbia University: 2019. “Do Campaign Contribution Limits Curb the Influence of Money in Politics?”
- Department of Economics, Universidad Javeriana: 2019. “Do Campaign Contribution Limits Curb the Influence of Money in Politics?”

- Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Oxford: 2019. “Competition and Civilian Victimization”
- Political Science and Political Economy work-in-progress seminar, London School of Economics: 2019. “Competition and Civilian Victimization”
- Department of Political Science, Texas A&M University: 2018. “Political Agency, Election Quality, and Corruption”
- Political Institutions and Methodology Colloquium, Emory University: 2017. “Political Agency, Election Quality, and Corruption”
- Wallis Conference on Graduate Research, University of Rochester: 2017. “Political Agency, Election Quality, and Corruption”
- Department of Political Science, Universidad de los Andes: 2016. “Partisan Poll Watchers and Electoral Manipulation”
- Department of Political Science, University of Rochester: 2016. “Partisan Poll Watchers and Electoral Manipulation”
- Misión de Observación Electoral: 2016. “Small Aggregates, Big Manipulation: Vote Buying Enforcement and Collective Monitoring”
- Mini-conference on Money in Politics, Princeton University: 2014. “Small Aggregates, Big Manipulation: Vote Buying Enforcement and Collective Monitoring”
- Department of Political Science, Emory University: 2013. “Small Aggregates, Big Manipulation: Vote Buying Enforcement and Collective Monitoring”
- Center for the Study of Democratic Politics, Princeton University: 2013. “Vote Buying and Associational Life”
- Department of Economics, Universidad de los Andes: 2012. “Buying Votes with Imperfect Local Knowledge and a Secret Ballot”

Conference Participation

Discussant (D), Paper presenter (P), Poster presenter (O).

Small conferences and workshops

- Park City Political Economy Conference: 2026 (D)
- Latin American PolMeth, Universidad Adolfo Ibañez: 2026 (P,D). “Foreign Aid and Major-Power Competition: A Structural Approach”
- Aspen Political Economy Conference: 2025 (P,D) “Foreign Aid and Major-Power Competition: A Structural Approach”
- Political Economy of International Organization Conference, Harvard University: 2025 (P,D) “Foreign Aid and Major-Power Competition: A Structural Approach”
- Political Economy Political Science Institutions Conference, University of Essex: 2024 (P) “Informative Pre-election Attacks and Post-Electoral Reprisals”
- Electoral Integrity Project, Virtual Conference: 2024 (P) “Do More Disaggregated Electoral Results Deter Aggregation Fraud?”
- Aspen Political Economy Conference: 2024 (P,D) “Informative Pre-election Attacks and Post-Electoral Reprisals”
- Theory in Methods Conference, New York University: 2023 (D).

- Empirical Models of Political Economy Conference, Caltech: 2023 (D)
- Money in Politics Conference, University of Washington: 2021 (D)
- Latin American PolMeth, ITAM: 2021 (P). “Campaign Donations, Family Loyalty, and Kickbacks”
- Southern Workshop in Empirical Political Science, Emory University: 2019 (O). “Do Campaign Contribution Limits Curb the Influence of Money in Politics?”
- Graduate Research Conference Duke-Emory-Rochester, Duke University: 2019 (D).
- Latin American and Caribbean Economic Association and Latin American Meeting of the Econometric Society, ESPOL: 2018 (P).
- Wallis Conference on Graduate Research, University of Rochester: 2017 (D).
- Southeast Latin American Political Behavior (SeLAB) Mini-Conference, Georgia State University: 2017 (P). “Political Agency, Election Quality, and Corruption”
- Formal Theory and Comparative Politics Conference, Harvard University: 2016 (P). “Partisan Poll Watchers and Electoral Manipulation”
- Electoral Integrity Project Workshop, San Francisco: 2015 (P). “Partisan Poll Watchers and Electoral Manipulation”

Annual meetings

- American Political Science Association: 2024(P), 2023 (P,D), 2021(P), 2020(P), 2019(P), 2017(P), 2016(P,D), 2015(O), 2014(P), 2013(P), 2011(P).
- European Political Science Association: 2021 (P), 2020(canceled), 2016(P).
- Midwest Political Science Association: 2026(scheduled), 2025(P,D), 2024 (P), 2023(P), 2022(P), 2021(P,D), 2020(canceled), 2019(P,D), 2017(P,D), 2014(P,D), 2013(P), 2012(P).
- Society for Political Methodology: 2010(P).
- Southern Political Science Association: 2025(P), 2016(P,D), 2013(P).

Referee

American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, British Journal of Political Science, Comparative Political Studies, Democratization, Economics & Politics, Electoral Studies, European Economic Review, Inter-American Development Bank Working Paper Series, International Political Science Review, International Studies Quarterly, Journal of Conflict Resolution, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Law, Economics and Organization, Journal of Politics, Journal of Theoretical Politics, Latin American Research Review, MIT Press, Political Behavior, Political Research Quarterly, Political Science Research and Methods, Political Studies, Public Choice, PS: Political Science & Politics, Quarterly Journal of Political Science, The Review of Economics and Statistics, Revista de Ciencia Política, and World Politics.

Professional Associations

American Political Science Association
Society for Political Methodology
Midwest Political Science Association

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| Advising | Undergraduate thesis main advisor: Brian Delgado, Goldy Tenreiro, Daniel Espinosa (Universidad del los Andes) |
| | Undergraduate thesis committee member: Ben Smith, Phoebe Lee, Daryl Chan, Sofia Damer-Salas, Kardelen Ergul |
| | Second-year paper advisor: Anthony Luongo, Gavin Kiger |
| | Third-year paper advisor: Gavin Kiger |
| | Graduate thesis main advisor: Lazare Kovo, Gavin Kiger |
| | Graduate thesis dissertation committee member: Adee Weller (expected graduation 2025), Allison Cuttner (Postdoc University of Toronto), Braden Dauzat (Data Scientist Cox Communications), Pearce Edwards (Louisiana State University tenure track), Joey Glasgow (expected graduation 2025), Bradley Erickson (expected graduation 2025), Abigail Heller (Data Scientist Grow Progress), Stefano Jud (postdoc Wyss Academy for Nature in Bern), Anthony Luongo (expected graduation 2025), Hsu Yumin Wang (Taipei School of Economics and Political Science tenure track), Jian Xu (Yale-NUS College tenure track). |
| Department Service | Co-chair Comparative/IR search Committee: 2023 |
| | Graduate Policy Committee: 2021-2023 |
| | Comparative Search Committee: 2021 |
| | Graduate Comparative Politics Workshop Co-organizer: 2021-2023 |
| | Library Representative: 2018 |
| | Graduate Admissions Committee: 2018-2024 |
| | Comparative/IR search Committee: 2016 |
| University Service | Undergraduate Policy Committee: 2014-2017 |
| | Emory University Women's Club Memorial Fellowship Selection Committee: 2024 |
| | Member of the Grievance Committee, Laney Graduate School: 2024 |
| | Reviewer University Research Committee: 2021 |
| | Woodruff Fellowships Selection Committee, Laney Graduate School, Emory: 2020, 2021 |
| | Education Abroad Committee, Emory College: 2018 |
| | Member of the Honor Council Appeal Panel, Emory College: 2017 |

Other Service

Section Head Methodology MPSA: 2026

Section Head Comparative Politics Low and Middle Income Countries EPSA: 2025

McGillivray Best Paper Award Selection Committee APSA: 2022

Section Head Comparative Political Behavior MPSA: 2022

Social Networks Workshop Co-organizer, Department of Political Science, Princeton: 2013

Conferences organized:

- Graduate Research Conference Duke-Emory-Rochester Co-organizer: 2018 and 2019
- Formal Theory and Comparative Politics Conference Co-organizer: 2017
- Institutions and Law Making Conference, Center for the Study of Law and Social Science, Co-organizer: 2015