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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

University of Houston, USA
Research Assistant Professor
Hobby School of Public Affairs

February 2024 - Present

University of Houston, USA
Post-Doctoral Research Fellow
Hobby School of Public Affairs

January 2019 - January 2023

EDUCATION

Rice University, USA
PhD. in Political Science

2018

Rice University, USA
M.A. in Political Science

2015

Buenos Aires University, Argentina
B.A. in Political Science.

2010

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Latin American Politics; Gender & Minority Representation; Public Policy; Quantitative Methods

ARTICLES IN PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS

Improving Critical Thinking Skills Through an Experiential Learning Exercise in an Analytics Class. In *Journal of Statistics and Data Science Education*, 2025. With Silviya Valeva, Ronald Klimberg, Michael Marzano, Adison Geritz, and Michael Bruening.

Gender Gap in Academic Publishing in Argentina: A Review of Political Science Journals (2011-2021). In *Journal of Politics in Latin America*, 2024. With Luciana Berman and María Paula Bertino.

Choosing Legislative Candidates Via Primaries: The Pivotal Role of Executive Incumbency. In *Party Politics*. 2024.

Unequal Resources, Unequal Careers: The Role of Campaign Financing in the Gender Gap in Candidates' Persistence in Brazil. In *Political Research Quarterly*. 2024.

Does the Early Bird Always Get the Worm? First round advantages and second round victories in Latin America. In *Electoral Studies*, 2023. With Adrián Lucardi and Juan Pablo Micozzi.

Candidate Experience and Electoral Success. In *Latin American Research Review*, 2022. With Agustina Haime and Leslie Schwindt-Bayer.

Gender and Family Ties in Latin American Legislatures. In *Politics & Gender*, 2020. With Leslie Schwindt-Bayer and Francisco Cantú.

ARTICLES UNDER REVIEW

Manuscript about the role of information in electoral coordination, with evidence from Argentina's primary system. Invited to Review and Resubmit at the *British Journal of Political Science*. With Adrián Lucardi and Germán Feierherd.

Manuscript about willingness-to-pay for electricity reliability, using evidence from the 2021 Texas winter storm. With Gail Buttorf, Yushin Annie Hsu, Yewande Olapade, María Pérez Argüelles, Pablo Pinto, Savannah Sipole, and M. C. Sunny Wong.

Manuscript about partisan effects in candidates' decisions to rerun, using data from Brazil and Chile.

WORK IN PROGRESS

The Margin of Victory in Ranked-Choice Voting. With Yuki Atsusaka and Silviya Valeva.

Gender Quotas and Local Bills: How Gendered Opportunities for Political Advancement Shape the Behavior of Legislators. With Tiffany Barnes and Mirya Holman.

Race and Electoral Resilience. With Andrew Janusz.

Male-Dominated Chambers, Political Careers, and The Adoption of Legislative Gender Quotas. With Gonzalo Di Landro.

Partisan Differences in Inflation Expectations: Evidence from a Conjoint Experiment. With Gail Buttorff, Sameer Malik, Pablo Pinto, Horacio Rueda, and Sunny Wong.

Bracing for the Storm: Ideal vs Actual Preparedness Strategies for Natural Disaster in Texas. With Maria Paula Pérez, Gail Buttorff, Pablo Pinto, and Sunny Wong.

BOOK CHAPTERS

Candidate Political Ambition. In Mark P. Jones, ed., *Voting and Political Representation in America: Issues and Trends*. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, 2020.

RECENT CONFERENCE PAPERS

Gender Quotas and Local Bills: How Gendered Opportunities for Political Advancement Shape the Behavior of Legislators

with Tiffany Barnes, and Mirya Holman. Presented by coauthor at EGEN Mexico City, EGEN - Abroad 5 ITAM, Mexico City, May 16, 2025.

Three Is a Crowd: Information and Electoral Coordination in Argentina

With Adrián Lucardi, and Germán Feierherd. Presented at the 120th APSA Annual Meeting & Exhibition, September 5–8, 2024, Philadelphia.

The Margin of Victory in Ranked-Choice Voting

Yuki Atsusaka, Agustín Vallejo, and Silviya Valeva. Presented at the 120th APSA Annual Meeting & Exhibition, September 5–8, 2024, Philadelphia.

Stereotypical Thinking as a Source of Partisan Inflation Expectations - Evidence from a Conjoint Experiment

Prepared for presentation at the 81th Annual MPSA Annual Conference, April 4-7, 2024.

TEACHING

Research Methods: Decision Science for Public Affairs Full Responsibility Instructor. Hobby School of Public Affairs. University of Houston. Master in Public Administration. Spring 2024. Spring 2025. Level: Graduate.

Public Administration Research Methods I: Introduction to Statistics Full Responsibility Instructor. Hobby School of Public Affairs. University of Houston. Master in Public Administration. Fall 2024. Level: Graduate.

Data Visualization Boot Camp Full Responsibility Instructor. Hobby School of Public Affairs. University of Houston. Master in Public Policy. Summer 2023. Level: Graduate.

Research Methods II: Multivariate Analysis Full Responsibility Instructor. Hobby School of Public Affairs. University of Houston. Master in Public Policy. Spring 2023. Level: Graduate.

Policy Analysis II: Political Analysis Full Responsibility Instructor. Hobby School of Public Affairs. University of Houston. Master in Public Policy. Spring 2022. Level: Graduate.

Policy Research Methods III Advanced Quantitative Modeling Full Responsibility Instructor. Hobby School of Public Affairs. University of Houston. Master in Public Policy. Fall 2019. Fall 2020. Level: Graduate. Co-taught with Sunny Wong.

Quantitative Applications in Global Affairs Teaching Assistant. Rice University. Master in Global Affairs. Fall 2017, Fall 2019. Level: Graduate. Prof: Daniel Potter

Introduction to Comparative Politics Teaching Assistant. Rice University. Department of Political Science. Fall 2016/Spring 2018. Level: Undergraduate. Prof: John Ambler.

Introduction to Comparative Politics Teaching Assistant. Rice University. Department of Political Science. Spring 2017. Level: Undergraduate. Prof: Leslie Schwindt-Bayer

Math Boot Camp for Introduction to Statistics Class Full Responsibility Instructor. Rice University. Master in Global Affairs. Fall 2017. Level: Graduate.

RESEARCH GRANTS AND AWARDS

Spring Centennial Center Research Grant; American Political Science Association; 2025; \$2,100. Funded a twelve-month project on electoral campaign donations in the United States.

New Faculty Research Award; University of Houston; 2025; \$10,000. Funded an eighteen-month project on municipal candidates in Brazil.

Postdoctoral Research Support Award; University of Houston; 2019; \$1,142. Supported travel for postdoctoral research activities.

Graduate Teaching Award for Student Support (Finalist); Rice University; 2018. Nominated by students and selected as a top-three finalist for excellence in student support.

Dissertation Research Grant; Rice University School of Social Sciences; 2017; \$5,000. Funded dissertation research in the social sciences.

Pre-Dissertation Research Grant; Rice University School of Social Sciences; 2017; \$2,000. Supported early-stage dissertation research.

POLICY REPORTS

2024: Texas Trends; Texas Primary Elections; Harris County Democratic Primary Election.

2023: Texas Trends; House Elections; Houston Elections Survey

2022: COVID-19 Vaccine Hesitancy; Texas Trends.

2021: COVID-19 Report Series; Texas Policy and Politics; Texas Election Survey; Winter Storm Uri Survey Series.

2020: Harvey Hurricane; COVID-19 Report Series; Houston Mayoral Election Survey; Carbon Management.

2019: School Finance; Harvey Hurricane.

SERVICE

Reviewer for *American Journal of Political Science*; *Comparative Political Studies*; *Party Politics*; *Comparative Politics*; *Politics & Gender*; *Electoral Studies*; *Social Science Quarterly*; *Journal of Politics in Latin America*; *Journal of Women, Politics & Policy*; *Gender Roles*; *Revista Iconos* (Ecuador), *Revista SAAP* (Argentina).

Conference discussant at MPSA Annual Meeting, ALACIP annual meeting, SAAP biannual meeting, IPSA annual meeting.

University service: Member of the Faculty Research Committee (University of Houston).