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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Texas A&M University, Bush School of Government & Public Service College Station, TX
Assistant Professor August 2019 - *present*

University of California, Berkeley / Evidence in Governance and Politics (EGAP) Berkeley, CA
Post-Doctoral Fellow, Evidence in Governance and Politics (EGAP) July 2018 - July 2019
Post-Doctoral Fellow, Center on the Politics of Development (CPD) July 2018 - July 2019

EDUCATION

Ph.D. **University of California, Berkeley** Berkeley, CA
Political Science May 2018
Fields: Comparative Politics, Methodology and Formal Theory, Latin American Politics
Advisors: Ruth Berins Collier (co-chair), Thad Dunning (co-chair), Leonardo Arriola, Pradeep Chhibber, David Collier, Edward Miguel (Economics)

M.A. **University of California, Berkeley** Berkeley, CA
Political Science May 2012

M.A. **School of International Service (SIS), American University** Washington, DC
International Affairs: International Politics, *with distinction* May 2011
Specialization: International Organization; Related field: International Peace and Conflict Resolution

Dickinson College Carlisle, PA
Undergraduate study abroad year August 2008 - May 2009

B.A. **University of Bremen** Bremen, Germany
Political Science / Law June 2009

BOOK PROJECTS

Creating Partisans: The Organizational Roots of New Parties in Latin America

Norms, Ideas, and Identities: Overcoming Discrimination Against Immigrants
with Donghyun Danny Choi and Nicholas Sambanis

JOURNAL ARTICLES

“The Organizational Voter: Support for New Parties in Young Democracies,” *forthcoming* at the *American Journal of Political Science*

“Organizational and Partisan Brokerage of Social Benefits: Evidence of Social Policy Linkages in Mexico,” with Candelaria Garay and Brian Palmer-Rubin, *forthcoming* at *World Development*

“Linguistic Assimilation Does Not Reduce Discrimination Against Immigrants: Evidence from a Field Experiment in Germany,” with Donghyun Danny Choi and Nicholas Sambanis, *forthcoming* at the *Journal of Experimental Political Science*

“Incentives for Organizational Participation: A Recruitment Experiment in Mexico,” with Candelaria Garay and Brian Palmer-Rubin, *forthcoming* at *Comparative Political Studies*

“Parochialism, Social Norms, and Discrimination Against Immigrants,” with Donghyun Danny Choi and Nicholas Sambanis, *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* (2019), 116(33): 16274-16279
➤ covered by the *Los Angeles Times*, *The Sacramento Bee*, *Der Spiegel*, *Die Zeit*, etc.

“Fuzzy Sets on Shaky Ground: Parameter Sensitivity and Confirmation Bias in fsQCA,” with Chris Kroglund and Donghyun Danny Choi, *Political Analysis* (2015), 23 (1): 21-41

WORKING PAPERS

“The Hijab Penalty: Feminist Backlash to Muslim Immigration,” with Donghyun Danny Choi and Nicholas Sambanis, *revise & resubmit* at the *American Journal of Political Science*.

“Temperature and Outgroup Discrimination,” with Donghyun Danny Choi and Nicholas Sambanis, *under review*

“The Paradoxical Effects of Combating Corruption on Institutional Trust and Political Engagement: Evidence from Two Natural Experiments,” with Nan Zhang, *under review*

“Building a Party Top-Down and Bottom-Up: The Case of MORENA in Mexico”

“Does Political Representation Increase Participation? Evidence from Party Candidate Lotteries in Mexico”

SELECTED WORK IN PROGRESS

“Beyond Ethnicity? The Political Construction of Ethnic Identities in Bolivia”

“Class Revisited: Exploring the Persistence of Class Cleavages in Latin America”

“From Sugar to Representation: The Rise of Programmatic Politics in Clientelist Systems”

“Gender, Religion, and Political Engagement: Evidence from a Petition Experiment,” with Donghyun Danny Choi and Nicholas Sambanis

“Organizing the Vote: Interest Organizations and Party-Voter Linkages in Mexico,” with Candelaria Garay and Brian Palmer-Rubin

“Returns to Office: Evidence from a Party Candidate Lottery in Mexico”

“Rupture of Representation? Political Elite Survival After Party System Collapse,” with Mariana Giusti-Rodriguez

“Women’s Political Participation in Hybrid Regimes” (Metaketa V), with Susan Hyde, Edmund Malesky, Alexander Coppock, Lauren Young, Claire Adida, Leonardo Arriola, Ali Cheema, Asiyati Chiweza, Amanda Clayton, Boniface Dulani, Damir Esenaliev, Anselm Hager, Lukas Hensel, Quynh Hguyen, Elnura Kazakbaeva, Sarah Khan, Katrina Kosec, Aila Matanock, Cecilia Mo, Shandana Khan Mohmand, Eitan Paul, Soledad Prillaman, Amanda Robinson, Paul Schuler, Markus Taussig, and Mai Truong

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

“Morales: Continuity and Change,” *Berkeley Review of Latin American Studies*, Spring 2015: 77-79

“Inequality - A Challenge for Prosperity,” *Berkeley Review of Latin American Studies*, Fall 2012: 7-9

“Venezuelan Oil Diplomacy and Voting in the U.N. General Assembly,” *Journal of International Service* (2011), 20 (1): 85-107

GRANTS

Dean’s Excellence Faculty Research Grant, Scowcroft Institute, Texas A&M University (\$10,000)	2020 - 2022
Scowcroft Institute Faculty Research Grant, Texas A&M University (\$2,500)	2020 - 2021
Research Grant, Mosbacher Institute for Trade, Economics, and Public Policy, Texas A&M University (\$10,000)	2019 - 2022
Weatherhead Center for International Affairs Medium Research Grant, Harvard University, with Candelaria Garay and Brian Palmer-Rubin (\$25,000)	2017 - 2018
National Science Foundation (NSF) Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant (\$23,530)	2016 - 2018
UC MEXUS Dissertation Research Grant (\$11,990)	2016 - 2018
Center on the Politics of Development Research Grant, UC Berkeley (\$6,500)	2015 - 2017
Graduate Division Conference Travel Grant, UC Berkeley	2013, 2017
Graduate Assembly Travel Award, UC Berkeley	2016
Departmental Travel Grant, UC Berkeley	2013, 2014, 2016
Research Grant, Institute of International Studies, UC Berkeley (\$1,000)	2013
Tinker Field Research Grant (\$1,643)	2013

SELECTED FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

University of California Dissertation-Year Fellowship	2017 - 2018
Doctoral Completion Fellowship, UC Berkeley	Fall 2015, Fall 2017
Southeast Latin American Behavior Consortium (SeLAB) Award	October 2017
John L. Simpson Memorial Research Fellowship, Institute of International Studies, UC Berkeley	2016 - 2017
Institute for Research on Labor and Employment Dissertation Fellowship, UC Berkeley	2016 - 2017
Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship (for Dissertation Research in Spanish)	2016 - 2017
Departmental & Graduate Division Fellowships, UC Berkeley	2011 - 2017
Departmental Summer Research Stipend, UC Berkeley	2016
Mentored Research Award, UC Berkeley	2014 - 2015
Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Summer Fellowship (for Portuguese)	2014
Graduate Division Summer Grant, UC Berkeley	2013, 2014
Best Thesis Award, IP Graduate Student Research Conference, SIS, American University	2011
DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) Graduate Scholarship	2010 - 2011
School of International Service Graduate Research Award	2010
Dickinson College Overseas Student Assistant Fellowship	2008 - 2009
Friedrich Ebert Foundation Fellowship	2007 - 2011

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

NYU Abu Dhabi	Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates
Winter Experimental Social Science Institute	January 2016
Consortium for Qualitative Research Methods	Syracuse, NY
Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research	June 2014
Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research	Berkeley, CA
Summer Institute on Transparency Practices for Empirical Social Science Research	June 2014

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

Institutions and Political Inequality Brown Bag Series, WZB Berlin Social Science Center, July 2020
Quantitative Methods Brown Bag Series, Texas A&M University, March 2020
Winter Experimental Social Science Institute Workshop, NYU Abu Dhabi, January 2020
Quantitative Methods Brown Bag Series, Texas A&M University, November 2019
Perry World House, University of Pennsylvania, October 2019
Department of Political Economy, King's College London, June 2019
Center on the Politics of Development Faculty/Graduate Working Group, UC Berkeley, April 2019
Center on the Politics of Development Faculty/Graduate Working Group, UC Berkeley, November 2018
Penn Identity & Conflict Lab, University of Pennsylvania, November 2018
Comparative Politics Colloquium, UC Berkeley, September 2018
Stanford-Berkeley Political Economy Working Group, October 2017
Comparative Politics Colloquium, UC Berkeley, September 2017
Center on the Politics of Development Faculty/Graduate Working Group, UC Berkeley, September 2017
Seminar on Development Politics & Impact Evaluation, Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México, May 2017
Institute for Research on Labor and Employment Spring Seminar, UC Berkeley, April 2017
Center on the Politics of Development Faculty/Graduate Working Group, UC Berkeley, April 2017
Development Economics Research Workshop, UC Berkeley, March 2017
Center on the Politics of Development Faculty/Graduate Working Group, UC Berkeley, August 2016
Winter Experimental Social Science Institute, NYU Abu Dhabi, January 2016

Center on the Politics of Development Faculty/Graduate Working Group, UC Berkeley, August 2015
 Development Economics Research Workshop, UC Berkeley, August 2015
 Workshop for Work in Progress, Berlin Graduate School of Social Sciences, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, July 2015
 Comparative Politics Colloquium, Department of Social Sciences, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin, June 2015
 Faculty/Graduate Working Group, Center on the Politics of Development, UC Berkeley, April 2015
 Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research, Syracuse, NY, June 2014
 Workshop on Case Study and Medium-N Analysis, University of Texas, Austin, May 2013
 Workshop on Small-N/Medium-N Analysis, Institute for the Study of Societal Issues, Berkeley, March 2013
 Workshop on Medium-N Analysis, Institute for the Study of Societal Issues, UC Berkeley, November 2012

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

American Political Science Association: 2020 (scheduled), 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2013, 2012
 European Political Science Association: 2020, 2019, 2017
 International Political Science Association: 2021 (scheduled)
 Latin American Studies Association: 2019
 Midwest Political Science Association: 2013
 Texas Comparative Politics Circle, Houston, TX, January 2020.
 Southeast Latin American Behavior Consortium Mini-Conference, Atlanta, GA, October 2017
 “A New Critical Juncture? Changing Patterns of Interest Representation and Regime Politics in Contemporary Latin America,” Kellogg Institute for International Studies, University of Notre Dame, April 2014
 4th Annual Graduate Conference of the Cluster of Excellence “The Formation of Normative Orders,” Goethe University, Frankfurt/Main, December 2013
 International Studies Association-West Annual Conference, Pasadena, CA, September 2011

TEACHING & MENTORING EXPERIENCE

Courses Taught:

Quantitative Methods I (graduate sequence in political methods), Texas A&M University Fall 2019, Fall 2020
Latin America: Democracy and Development (graduate seminar), Texas A&M University Spring 2020
Civil Conflict & International Intervention (upper-division undergrad. course), GSI, UC Berkeley Spring 2014
Introduction to Comparative Politics (introductory undergraduate course), GSI, UC Berkeley Spring 2013
Introduction to International Relations (introductory undergraduate course), GSI, UC Berkeley Fall 2012

Other Relevant Experience:

Research Mentor, Undergraduate Research Apprentice Program, UC Berkeley Fall 2014 - Spring 2019
 Certificate in Teaching and Learning in Higher Education, UC Berkeley August 2012 - May 2018
 Mentor, Undergraduate Fellows Program, CPD, UC Berkeley Fall 2016 - Spring 2018
 Undergraduate Thesis Co-Advisor in Political Science, UC Berkeley Fall 2016 - Spring 2017
 Mentor, Summer Research Opportunity Program, UC Berkeley Summer 2013
 Teaching Assistant, German Department, Dickinson College Fall 2008 - Spring 2009

RESEARCH AFFILIATIONS

Penn Identity & Conflict Lab, University of Pennsylvania Philadelphia, PA
 Faculty Affiliate August 2019 - present
 Research Fellow August 2018 - August 2019
Center on the Politics of Development, UC Berkeley Berkeley, CA
 Non-Resident Research Associate May 2018 - present
 Resident Research Associate May 2014 - May 2018

Center for Latin American Studies, UC Berkeley Research Fellow	Berkeley, CA August 2013 - May 2018
Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas (CIDE) Visiting Professor	Mexico City, Mexico March - July 2016
Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM) Visiting Scholar	Mexico City, Mexico March - July 2016
Postgrado en Ciencias del Desarrollo (CIDES), Universidad Mayor de San Andrés Visiting Researcher	La Paz, Bolivia September - December 2014 & January - February 2016
Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales - FLACSO Ecuador Visiting Researcher	Quito, Ecuador September - December 2015
Berlin Graduate School of Social Sciences, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin Guest Researcher	Berlin, Germany May - July 2015

OTHER RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant, Professor Thad Dunning, UC Berkeley	2015
Research Assistant, Professor Ruth Berins Collier, UC Berkeley	2014 - 2015
Research Assistant, Professor David Collier, UC Berkeley	2012
Research Assistant, Professor Harley Shaiken, UC Berkeley	2012
Research Assistant, Professor Eric Hershberg, American University	2010
Research Assistant, Dr. Kathrin Leuze & Dr. Anja Jakobi, University of Bremen	2007 - 2008

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Friedrich Ebert Stiftung (FES-ILDIS) External Evaluator, Foundation's Activities with Labor Unions in Ecuador	Quito, Ecuador January - May 2016
U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID)/Evidence in Governance and Politics (EGAP) Evaluation Design Consultant	January - February 2016
Friedrich Ebert Stiftung Statistical Consultant	La Paz, Bolivia October - December 2014
Organization of American States (OAS) International Election Observer	La Paz and Santa Cruz, Bolivia October 2014
Open Door International Vice-Chairman	Cologne, Germany May 2007 - April 2013
Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany Intern in the Economics Department	Washington, DC July - August 2010
European Parliament Intern in Vice-President's & MEP Offices	Brussels, Belgium August - September 2004 & February - April 2008
Amanecer Bolivia Social Work Volunteer	Cochabamba, Bolivia September 2005 - May 2006
Deutscher Bundestag (German Parliament) Intern	Berlin, Germany October 2004

SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY AND THE DISCIPLINE

Evidence in Governance and Politics (EGAP) Steering Committee Member, Metaketa V: Women's Political Participation in Hybrid Regimes 2019 - <i>present</i>	Berkeley, CA
Bush School of Government & Public Service, Texas A&M University Faculty Search Committee Member	College Station, TX Fall 2019
Penn Identity & Conflict Lab, University of Pennsylvania Co-Organizer, Conference on "Immigration: Research Frontiers & Policy Challenges"	Philadelphia, PA 2019

Center on the Politics of Development, UC Berkeley	Berkeley, CA
Organizer, Faculty/Graduate Working Group	Fall 2018 - Spring 2019
Selection Committee Member for the Undergraduate Fellows Program	2016 - 2018
Center for Latin American Studies, UC Berkeley	Berkeley, CA
Co-Chair, Working Group on State-Society Relations in Latin America	Fall 2013 - Spring 2015
Charles and Louise Travers Department of Political Science, UC Berkeley	Berkeley, CA
Discussant, Comparative Politics Colloquium	2013, 2015, 2017
Admitted Students Visit Days Coordinator	Spring 2014
School of International Service (SIS), American University	Washington, DC
Faculty Search Committee Member (Graduate Student Representative)	Fall 2010
Referee	
for the <i>American Journal of Political Science</i> , <i>European Union Politics</i> , <i>Journal of Politics</i> , <i>Political Analysis</i> , <i>Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences</i> , <i>Sociological Methods and Research</i>	

COMPUTER SKILLS

Proficiency in ArcGIS, L^AT_EX, Python, Qualtrics, R, SPSS, Stata, z-Tree

LANGUAGE SKILLS

English: near-native speaker; German: native speaker; Spanish: fluent command; Portuguese: advanced knowledge; Latin: solid translation proficiency; Italian: basic knowledge

FIELD EXPERIENCE

Argentina (January 2014)
 Bolivia (October 2019, January - March 2016, September - December 2014, January 2014, September 2005 - May 2006)
 Brazil (July - August 2014)
 Chile (January 2006)
 Colombia (June 2010)
 Ecuador (October - November 2016, April 2016, September - December 2015, July 2008)
 Israel/West Bank (May - June 2010)
 Germany (May-July 2019, July-August 2018)
 Mexico (June - July 2018, December 2017, May - August 2017, February 2017, March - July 2016, January 2013, May 2011, July - August 2009, May 2009, July 2008, December 2007 - January 2008, July - August 2004, October - November 2003, May - June 2003)
 Nicaragua (July - August 2005)
 Peru (January 2006)
 Venezuela (January 2009)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Political Science Association (APSA)
 Organized Section for Comparative Politics
 Organized Section for Experimental Research
 Organized Section for Migration and Citizenship
 Organized Section for Political Methodology
 Organized Section for Political Organizations & Parties
 Organized Section for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research
 European Political Science Association (EPSA)
 Evidence in Governance and Politics (EGAP)
 Latin American Studies Association (LASA)
 Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA)

REFERENCES

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