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### Administrative Appointments:

2018 – present Associate Dean for Research and Graduate Education, College of Liberal Arts, Texas A&M  
2009 – 2015 Associate Department Head, Department of Political Science, Texas A&M University  
2008 – 2012 Chair, Diversity and Climate Committee, Department of Political Science,  
2017 – 2018 Texas A&M University

### Positions:

Sept 2017 – present Professor, Department of Political Science, Texas A&M University  
Aug 2006 – Sept 2017 Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, Texas A&M University  
Aug 2000 - Sept 2006 Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Texas A&M University  
Summer 1998, 1999, 2000 Instructor, Department of Political Science, University of Arizona  
Fall 1995 – Summer 2000 Graduate Assistant/Associate, Dept of Political Science, University of Arizona (

### Academic History

2000 Ph.D. Political Science, University of Arizona  
1996 M.A. Political Science, University of Arizona  
1994 B.S. Foreign Service, Georgetown University

### Honors and Awards

Honorable Mention for the 2008 Carrie Chapman Catt Prize for Research on Women and Politics for “Tokens, Representatives or Players?: Female Cabinet Secretaries in Presidential Democracies” (with Michelle Taylor-Robinson, \$500)  
Best Paper Award from the Decentralization and Subnational Studies Section of the Latin American Studies Association for “Sub-national Candidate Quality and Institutional Incentives in Colombian and Venezuelan Mayoral and Gubernatorial Elections” co-authored with Erika Moreno, 2003.

### Research Areas

- Decentralization, Federalism, and Local Government
- Comparative Public Administration
- Women and Politics
- Executives and Cabinets
- Latin American Political Institutions

## Research and Publications

### BOOKS

- Escobar-Lemmon, Maria C.** and Michelle M. Taylor-Robinson. 2016. *Women in Presidential Cabinets: Power Players or Abundant Tokens?* New York, NY: Oxford University Press (peer reviewed).
- Escobar-Lemmon, Maria** and Michelle Taylor Robinson (eds). 2014. *Representation: The Case of Women*. New York, NY: Oxford University Press. (peer-reviewed).

### PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

- Escobar-Lemmon, Maria C.**, Valerie Hoekstra, Alice J. Kang, and Miki Caul Kittilson. Forthcoming. "Breaking the Judicial Glass Ceiling: The Appointment of Women to High Courts Worldwide" *Journal of Politics*.
- Funk, Kendall D.**, **Thiago Nascimento da Silva**, and **Maria C. Escobar-Lemmon**. 2019. "Leading Toward Equality: The Effect of Women Mayors on Gender Equality in Local Bureaucracies" *Politics, Groups, and Identities* 7(3): 554-73. DOI: 10.1080/21565503.2017.1403932
- Escobar-Lemmon, Maria C.**, Valerie Hoekstra, Alice Kang, and Miki Caul Kittilson. 2016. "Just the facts? Media Coverage of Female and Male High Court Appointees in Five Democracies" *Politics and Gender* 12(2): 254-274. doi:10.1017/S1743923X16000234.
- Escobar-Lemmon, Maria C.** and Michelle M. Taylor-Robinson. 2015. "Sex, survival, and scandal: A comparison of how men and women exit presidential cabinets" *Politics and Gender* 11(4):665-688. doi:10.1017/S1743923X15000422
- Escobar-Lemmon, Maria** and **Ashley D. Ross**. 2014. "Does decentralization improve perceptions of accountability? Attitudes in response to decentralization in Colombia" *American Journal of Political Science* 58(1): 175-188. DOI: 10.1111/ajps.12043
- Avellaneda, Claudia** and **Maria Escobar-Lemmon**. 2012. "All by Myself: The Role of Personal Qualifications versus Party Affiliation in Mayoral Elections" *Latin American Politics and Society* 54(2):109-132 DOI: 10.1111/j.1548-2456.2012.00155.x.
- Avellaneda, Claudia**, Felipe Botero and **Maria Escobar-Lemmon**. 2012. "Policymaking in Parochial Legislatures: What Laws Pass the Colombian Legislature?" *The Latin Americanist*. 56(2): 7-33. DOI: 10.1111/j.1557-203X.2012.01148.x
- Ross, Ashley D.** and **Maria Escobar-Lemmon**. 2011. "The Price of Personalizing Politics: Political Distrust and Economic Performance in Latin America, 1996-2006" *Electoral Studies* 30 (3 September): 406-416. DOI: 10.1016/j.electstud.2010.11.012
- Crisp, Brian F., **Maria Escobar-Lemmon**, Bradford S. Jones, Mark P. Jones, Michelle M. Taylor-Robinson. 2009. "The Electoral Connection and Institutionalization of the Legislature in Systems with Strong Presidents" *Journal of Legislative Studies* 15(1): 35-52.
- Escobar-Lemmon, Maria** and Michelle Taylor-Robinson. 2009. "Getting to the Top: Career Paths of Latin American Female Cabinet Ministers." *Political Research Quarterly* 62(4):685-699.
- Escobar-Lemmon, Maria**. 2006. "Executives, Legislatures, and Decentralization." *Policy Studies Journal* 34 (2): 245 – 263.
- Escobar-Lemmon, Maria** and Michelle Taylor-Robinson. 2005. "Women Ministers in Latin American Government: When, Where, and Why?" *American Journal of Political Science* 49(4 Oct): 822-44.
- Crisp, Brian F., **Maria Escobar-Lemmon**, Bradford S. Jones, Mark P. Jones, Michelle M. Taylor-Robinson. 2004. "Vote-Seeking Incentives and Legislative Representation in Six Presidential Democracies" *Journal of Politics* 66 (3): 823-846. 2
- Escobar-Lemmon, Maria**. 2003. "Political Support for Decentralization: An Analysis of the Colombian and Venezuelan Legislatures" *American Journal of Political Science* 47(4 October): 683-697.
- Escobar-Lemmon, Maria C.** 2001. "Fiscal Decentralization and Federalism in Latin America." *Publius: The Journal of Federalism* 34(4 Fall):1-19.

**BOOK CHAPTERS (PEER-REVIEWED)**

- Escobar-Lemmon, Maria C.** and Michelle M. Taylor-Robinson. forthcoming. "Executive-Legislative Relations" forthcoming in the *Oxford Handbook of the Executive*, eds. Rudy Andeweg, Robert Elgie, Ludger Helms, Juliet Kaarbo and Ferdinand Müller-Rommel.
- Escobar-Lemmon, Maria C.**, Valerie Hoekstra, Alice J. Kang, and Miki Caul Kittilson. 2019. "Appointing women to high courts" in *Research Handbook on Law and Courts*, eds. Susan M. Sterett and Lee Demetrius Walker, Cheltenham, UK and Northampton, MA: Edward Elgar Publishing, pgs 200-212.
- Escobar-Lemmon, Maria C.** and [Kendall Funk](#). 2017. "Women's Representation in Subnational Government: Replicating National Institutions or Forging a Unique Path" in *Gender and Representation in Latin America*, ed. Leslie Schwindt-Bayer, Oxford University Press, pp. 99-119.
- Borelli, MaryAnne, **Maria C. Escobar-Lemmon**, and Michelle M. Taylor-Robinson. 2017. "I Did it My Way: Portfolio Allocation in the United States (1969-2013)" in *Government Formation and Minister Turnover in Presidential Cabinets: Comparative Analysis in the Americas* eds. Marcelo Camerllo and Cecilia Martinez-Gallardo, Routledge, pp. 21-47.
- Escobar-Lemmon, Maria C.** and Michelle M. Taylor-Robinson. 2016. "Women's Posts" and "First Women": How Backgrounds and Credentials Matter in Five Presidential Democracies" in *The Gendered Executive: A Comparative Analysis of Presidents, Prime Ministers, and Chief Executives*, eds. MaryAnne Borrelli and Janet M. Martin, Temple University Press, pp. 250-272.
- Escobar-Lemmon, Maria C.** and Michelle M. Taylor-Robinson. 2014. "Dilemmas in the Meaning and Measurement of Representation." In *Representation: The Case of Women*, eds. Maria C. Escobar-Lemmon and Michelle M. Taylor-Robinson. Oxford University Press, pp.1-16.
- Escobar-Lemmon, Maria C.**, Leslie A. Schwindt-Bayer, and Michelle M. Taylor-Robinson. 2014. "Representing Women: Empirical Insights from Legislatures and Cabinets in Latin America." In *Representation: The Case of Women*, eds. Maria C. Escobar-Lemmon and Michelle M. Taylor-Robinson. Oxford University Press, pp.205-224.
- Escobar-Lemmon, Maria C.** and Michelle M. Taylor-Robinson. 2014. "Does Presence Produce Representation of Interests?" In *Representation: The Case of Women*, eds. Maria C. Escobar-Lemmon and Michelle M. Taylor-Robinson. Oxford University Press, pp.227-247
- Moreno, Erika and **Maria Escobar-Lemmon**. 2008. "Mejor Solo Que Mal Acompañado: Political Entrepreneurs in Colombia" in *Pathways to Power: Political Recruitment and Candidate Selection in Latin America* edited by Scott Morgenstern and Peter Siavelis, University Park, PA; Penn State University Press, pp. 119-142.
- Escobar-Lemmon, Maria** and Michelle Taylor-Robinson. 2008. "How do Candidate Recruitment and Selection Norms Affect Representation of Women?" in *Pathways to Power: Political Recruitment and Candidate Selection in Latin America* edited by Scott Morgenstern and Peter Siavelis, University Park, PA; Penn State University Press, pp. 345-368.

**BOOK REVIEWS**

- Political Power and Women's Representation in Latin America*, by Leslie Schwindt-Bayer. In *Perspectives on Politics* 2011 9(3): 748-749. DOI:10.1017/S1537592711002970
- Decentralization and Subnational Politics in Latin America*, by Tulia G. Falletti. In *Publius: The Journal of Federalism* 2011 41(3):547-549. DOI: 10.1093/publius/pjq045.
- Democratic Innovations: Designing Institutions for Citizen Participation* by Graham Smith. In *Political Science Quarterly* 2010 vol 125 (2 Summer) pp 343-344.
- Voting Amid Violence: Electoral Democracy in Colombia* by Steven L. Taylor. In *Party Politics* 2010 vol 16,5: 691-693.
- Federalism and Democracy*, edited by Edward L. Gibson. In *Political Science Quarterly*, 2005, vol 120: 173-174.

**OTHER PUBLICATIONS**

- Escobar-Lemmon, Maria C.** and Guy D. Whitten. 2011 "The Politics of Economic Crisis" *Electoral Studies* 30(3): 387-388. DOI: 10.1016/j.electstud.2010.11.009. (Preface to special edition.)
- Crisp, Brian F., and **Maria C. Escobar-Lemmon**. 2001. "Democracy in Latin America: Individuals in Institutional Contexts." *Latin American Research Review* 36(2):175-192.

**WORK IN PROGRESS**

**Escobar-Lemmon, Maria C.**, Valerie Hoekstra, Alice J. Kang, and Miki Kittilson. *Women on High Courts*. Book manuscript under contract with Oxford University Press.

Kang, Alice J., Valerie Hoekstra, Miki Kittilson, **Maria C. Escobar-Lemmon**. “Diverse and Inclusive High Courts: A Global and Intersectional Perspective”, revise and resubmit at *Politics, Groups, and Identities*.

Local spending and distance – how municipalities respond by cutting or increasing spending in response to their neighbors as a function of distance (in progress with Austin Mitchell)

Post-cabinet-careers of ministers (with Nathalie Mendez Mendez and Michelle Taylor-Robinson) – project examining whether the post-cabinet careers of male and female cabinet ministers are different or if career paths are gendered.

**NOTE ON PUBLICATIONS AND WORK IN PROGRESS**

Underlined author names indicate my co-author was a graduate student at the start of the project.

**RESEARCH FUNDING**

National Science Foundation, Law and Social Science Program “COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH: Diffusing Equality: International Influences” \$109,907 [co-PI with Miki Caul Kittilson, Valerie Hoekstra, Alice Kang.]

National Science Foundation, Doctoral Dissertation Grant, “The Process and Project of Decentralization in Federal and Unitary States”. 1999-2000..

Tinker Foundation Travel Grant, “Decentralization in Colombia: The Status of Local Governments”. Summer 1999. Funded.

**CONFERENCE PAPERS AND PRESENTATION IN THE LAST 5 YEARS**

“Breaking the Judicial Glass Ceiling” with Valerie Hoekstra, Alice Kang and Miki Kittilson, Paper Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington DC, August 29-September 1, 2019.

“Breaking the Judicial Glass Ceiling” with Valerie Hoekstra, Alice Kang and Miki Kittilson, Paper Presented at the European Conference on Politics and Gender, Amsterdam, Netherlands, July 4-6, 2019.

“Help from Above, Support from Below: Subnational Spending Cycles and Intergovernmental Fiscal Coordination”, with Austin Mitchell, Paper Presented at the Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Austin, TX, January 17-19, 2019.

“Representation on High Courts: Comparing Methods of Selection” with Valerie Hoekstra, Alice Kang and Miki Kittilson, Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, MA, Aug 29-Sept 2, 2018.

“Neighborhood Benchmarking under Fiscal Institutions: Spatial Determinants of Subnational Spending Cycles” with Austin Mitchell, Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, MA, Aug 29-Sept 2, 2018.

“How Federal and Municipal Elections Effect Municipal Spending for Politically Aligned Mayors” with Austin Mitchell, Presented at the Public Choice Society Meeting, Charleston, SC, February 2018.

“Comparing the Post-Cabinet Careers of Men and Women in Presidential Democracies” with Nathalie Mendez Mendez and Michelle Taylor-Robinson, paper prepared for the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Aug 31 – Sept 3, 2017, San Francisco, CA.

“Supply Shortages or Gendered Pipelines? Women’s Representation on High Courts” with Alice Kang, Valerie J. Hoekstra, and Miki Caul Kittilson, paper prepared for the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Aug 31-Sept 3, 2017, San Francisco, CA.

“Adónde van y para quién es más valioso estar en el Gabinete? Comparación de las Carreras Post-Ministeriales en Sistemas Presidenciales” with Nathalie Mendez Mendez and Michelle Taylor-Robinson, paper prepared for the IX Congreso Latinoamericano de Ciencia Política, Asociación Latinoamericana de Ciencia Política (ALACIP), July 26-28, 2017, Montevideo, Uruguay.

“Women and Corruption: Do Female Bureaucrats and Mayors Combat Citizens’ Perceptions of Government Malfeasance?” (with Nathalie Mendez Mendez and Thiago da Silva) paper prepared for the Midwestern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, April 6-9, 2017, Chicago, IL.

“Transforming the Judiciary: Diffusion vs. Institutions” with Valerie Hoekstra, Alice Kang, and Miki Kittilson, paper prepared for the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Sept 1-4, 2016, Philadelphia, PA.

“Women’s Representation in Subnational Governments” with Kendall Funk, paper prepared for the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Sept 1 – 4, 2016, Philadelphia, PA.

“The Leading Ladies: How the Election of Women Executives Leads to Representative Bureaucracies” with Kendall Funk and Thiago Silva. Paper prepared for the Midwestern Political Science Association Annual Meeting April 7 – 10, 2016.

- “Where do you go from here? Post-cabinet jobs of women & men?” with Michelle M. Taylor-Robinson. Paper prepared for the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, September 3-6, 2015.
- “Diversity on High Courts: International Influences on Women’s Appointments” with Valerie Hoekstra, Alice Kang, and Miki Caul Kittilson. Paper prepared for the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, September 3-6, 2015.
- “¿Adónde va? Las carreras post-gabinete de los ministros en las democracias presidenciales (Where are you going? Post-cabinet careers of cabinet ministers in presidential democracies) with Michelle M. Taylor-Robinson. Paper prepared for the conference *Elites y Liderazgo en Tiempos de Cambio*, Universidad de Salamanca, Salamanca, Spain, June 10-11, 2015.
- “Women’s Representation in Subnational Governments: Replicating National Institutions or Forging a Unique Path?” with Kendall Funk. Paper presented at the Women and Leadership in Latin America Conference at Rice University, April 10 – 11, 2015.

### ***OTHER CONVENTION PARTICIPATION IN THE LAST 5 YEARS***

- Discussant for panel entitled “Labor, Taxes, and Fiscal Federalism: American and Cross-National Studies” American Political Science Association Meeting, August 29-Sept 1, 2019, Washington, DC.
- Discussant for panel entitled “Please Send Money: The Gender Gap in Campaign Finance” American Political Science Association Meeting, August 29-Sept 1, 2019, Washington, DC.
- Presenter on Roundtable “What are Courts for? Perspectives on Accountability” American Political Science Association Meeting, August 29-Sept 1, 2019, Washington, DC.
- Discussant for Panel, European Conference on Politics and Gender, Amsterdam, Netherlands, July 4-6, 2019.
- Presenter on Roundtable “What American Scholars Can Learn from Comparative Federalism Scholarship” American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Aug 31 – Sept 3, 2017, San Francisco, CA.
- Discussant/Chair on panel entitled “Local Politics/Decentralization” American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Aug 31 – Sept 3, 2017, San Francisco, CA.
- Discussant for poster session “Decentralization and Local Politics” Midwestern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, April 6-9, 2017, Chicago, IL.
- Discussant on panel entitled “Understanding the Post-decentralization Scenario in Latin America” American Political Science Association Meeting, Sept 1 – 4, 2016, Philadelphia, PA.
- Discussant on panel entitled “Decentralized and Centralized Governments”, Midwestern Political Science Association Meeting, April 7-10, 2016, Chicago, IL.
- Chair/Discussant on panel entitled “Decentralization, Recentralization, Participation and Inequality” APSA Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, Sept 3-6, 2015.
- Chair/Discussant on panel entitled “Building Governing Coalitions in Latin America” MPSA Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, April 16-19, 2015.

### ***INVITED RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS***

- “Diffusing Equality? International Influences on Women’s Appointment to High Courts”, Georgia State University, Department of Political Science, February 12, 2016.
- “Women in Presidential Cabinets: Power Players or Abundant Tokens?”, Florida Atlantic University, Peace Justice, and Human Rights Program, Department of Political Science, and Caribbean and Latin American Studies Program, November 16, 2015.
- “High and low visibility cabinet posts in presidential democracies: How who you are determines where you sit” University of North Carolina – Charlotte, April 19, 2011.
- “Does the Experience Cabinet Ministers Bring to Office Explain How Long They Stay in Office? A Study of 5 Presidential Systems” Oklahoma State University, Feb 23, 2011.
- “All by Myself?: The Role of Personal Qualification versus Party Affiliation in Mayoral Elections” (with Claudia Avellaneda) presented at a Workshop sponsored by the RTI-Carolina-Duke Working Group on Local Governance and Democratic Accountability, Duke University, April 16, 2009.
- “How Electoral Laws and Development Affect the Election of Women in Latin American Legislatures: A Test 20 Years into the Third Wave of Democracy”, University of Arkansas, October 26, 2006.
- “The Opportunities and Consequences of Political Decentralization for Participation,” University of Arizona, April 1, 2005.
- “Decentralizing the Democracies: Popular Protest and Reform in Colombia, Costa Rica, and Venezuela,” University of North Texas, Feb. 21, 2003.
- “Who decides to decentralize? Explaining the move to subnational elections,” Rice University, Department of Political Science, June 19, 2002.

***PUBLIC OR GENERAL AUDIENCE PRESENTATIONS***

“Democratic Progress in Latin American Countries and Representation of Women” Dialogue Institute of the Southwest, September 12, 2013.

“What Women Want: Are there shared goals politicians can work for?” Community Conversation (sponsored by the Department of MultiCultural Services), November 2, 2012.

**Teaching Interests and Experience*****TEACHING AREAS***

- Latin American Government and Politics
- Comparative Politics
- Democratic Institutions
- Decentralization and Federalism
- State and Local Government
- Research Design

***RECENT CLASSES TAUGHT AT TAMU***Undergraduate

LBAR 181 - Representation of Women’s Interests

POLS 207: State and Local Government

POLS 229: Introduction to Comparative Politics

POLS 323: Latin American Politics

POLS 368: Latin American Legislatures

Graduate

POLS 620: Comparative Political Systems

POLS 641/623: Seminar in Public Administration and Seminar in Cross-national Topics: Federalism and Decentralization

POLS 621: Theory and Method in Comparative Politics

***POLITICAL SCIENCE GRADUATE STUDENTS SUPERVISED***

## Dissertations Chaired

- Claudia Nancy Avellaneda (Ph.D. awarded Dec. 2007)
- Ashley Ross (Ph.D. awarded August 2010)
- Bethany L. Shockley (PhD awarded August 2014)
- Kendall Funk (PHD awarded May 2017)
- Nathalie Mendez Mendez

## Master's Degrees Chaired

- Angela Allison (co-chair, degree expected May 2020)
- Debra Ann Cardona (awarded 2009)
- Michael Castro (awarded 2008)

## PhD Committee memberships

- Mellie Zadeh
- Youlang Zhang (PhD 2019)
- Apolonia Calderon (PhD 2019)
- Thiago Nascimento da Silva (
- Andrew Philips (PhD awarded May 2017)

- Angel Molina (PhD –2015)
- Katsunori Seki (PhD –2015)
- Abhisekh Ghosh Moulick (2015)
- Tabitha Morton (PhD 2013)
- Roberto Louriero (PhD 2010)
- Nicolai Petrovsky (PhD 2009)
- Renat Shaykhutdinov (Ph.D. Aug. 2007)
- Roseanna Heath (Ph.D. May 2007),

MA Committee memberships

- Samantha Chiu (MA 2012)
- Breanca Thomas (MA 2012)
- SeungHee Lee (MA – 2012)
- Aaron Pinnick (MA – Sociology)
- Martin Vasquez (MA- History)
- David Villar (MA-History – 2017)

## Disciplinary Service

### ***Editorial Boards:***

*Journal of Politics*, 2019 – present

*Comparative Political Studies*, 2010 – 2018

*Legislative Studies Quarterly*, 2012 – 2015

*Electoral Studies*, 2010 – 2017

*American Journal of Political Science*, 2010 – 2013

### ***Conference Program Development:***

Section organizer, Comparative Political Institutions, Southern Political Science Association Meeting, 2019

Program co-chair, Midwestern Political Science Association Meeting, 2010

Section organizer, Latin American and Caribbean Politics, Midwestern Political Science Association Meeting, 2009

Section organizer, Latin American Politics, Midwestern Political Science Association Meeting, 2006

### ***Association Service:***

Governing Council, American Political Science Association, 2014 – 2016

Member, Committee on the Status of Latinos, American Political Science Association, 2013 – 2016

Governing Council, Midwestern Political Science Association, 2011 – 2014

Member, Southern Political Science Association, Committee to Improve the Status of Latinos y Latinas in the Profession, 2008

Secretary/Treasurer, Decentralization and Subnational Studies Section Latin American Studies Association, 2006-2009

Council Member, Decentralization and Subnational Studies Section, Latin American Studies Association, 2002-2005

Maintained and managed list-serve, Political Institutions Section and Decentralization and Subnational Studies Section, Latin American Studies Association, 1999-2004

### ***Reviewing:***

Addison, Wesley, and Longman

*American Journal of Political Science*

*American Political Science Review*

*British Journal of Political Science*

<i>Comparative European Politics</i>	Lynne Rienner Publishers
<i>Comparative Politics</i>	National Science Foundation
<i>Comparative Political Studies</i>	Oxford University Press
CQ Press	<i>Party Politics</i>
<i>Electoral Studies</i>	<i>Policy Studies Journal</i>
<i>Governance</i>	<i>Political Behavior</i>
Houghton, Mifflin Co	<i>Political Studies</i>
<i>International Feminist Journal of Politics</i>	<i>Political Research Quarterly</i>
<i>Latin American Politics &amp; Society</i>	<i>Politics and Gender</i>
<i>Latin America Research Review</i>	<i>Public Administration</i>
<i>Law and Society Review</i>	<i>Publius: The Journal of Federalism</i>
<i>Legislative Studies Quarterly</i>	<i>Social Science Quarterly</i>
<i>Journal of Legislative Studies</i>	<i>Studies in Comparative International Development</i>
<i>Journal of Politics</i>	University of Michigan Press
<i>Journal of Social Areas</i>	

### **College and University Service**

Academic Civil Rights Investigation Committee, Member, 2013 – 2015, 2016-2018  
 Member, College of Liberal Arts, Dean Search Advisory Committee, 2014 –2015  
 Member, College of Liberal Arts, Dean Search Advisory Committee, 2009-2010  
 Member, Dean’s Advisory Committee on Diversity, College of Liberal Arts, Fall 2001 – 2012

### **Departmental Service**

FASIT (Faculty and Staff Interaction Team) Member, Fall 2012 – 2015  
 Director, Program in the Cross-National Study of Politic, 2008-2009

#### ***Departmental Committees:***

Member, Graduate Assessment Committee, 2017-present  
 Member, Head’s Advisory Committee, 2016-present  
 Member, Department Computer Committee, 2007 – 2008  
 Member, Undergraduate Studies Committee, Department of Political Science, 2001-2002.  
 Best Undergraduate Paper in Comparative Politics in the State of Texas, judging committee,  
 Program in Cross-National Study of Politics, Texas A&M University, Spring 2001.

#### ***Departmental Search Committee memberships:***

Open-field (3 positions), 2017-2018  
 Open-field/open-rank (3 positions), 2014 –2015  
 Department Head, 2013 –2014  
 Comparative Politics (1 position), 2009-2010  
 Department Head, 2008-2009.  
 International Relations (1 position), 2008  
 International Relations (3 positions), 2006-2007  
 Comparative Public Policy (ad hoc committee), Fall 2005  
 Public Policy/Public Administration (1 position), 2002  
 Public Policy/Public Administration (1 position), 2003

#### ***Mini-conference organization:***

Co-organizer, “What are Women’s Interest?” Conference, Sponsored by PERG, the Program in the  
 Cross-National Study of Politics and the EU Center, February 24-25, 2012, Texas A&M University  
 Co-organizer, 2<sup>nd</sup> Regional Latin Americanist Conference, Sponsored by the Program in the Cross-  
 National Study of Politics, October 18-19, 2007, Texas A&M University



Co-organizer, Regional Latin Americanist Conference, Sponsored by the Program in the Cross-National Study of Politics, April 29-30, 2005, Texas A&M University.

Organizer, Decentralization and Federalism Workshop, Sponsored by the Program in the Cross-National Study of Politics, May 4, 2002, Texas A&M University.

**Professional Memberships**

American Political Science Association

Midwestern Political Science Association

Asociación Latinoamericana de Ciencia Política (ALACIP)