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July 2017 – Present: Assistant Professor, Political Science, Texas A&M University

August 2016 – July 2017: Postdoctoral Fellow, European Centre for Advanced Research in Economics and Statistics (ECARES), Université libre de Bruxelles (ULB)

OTHER INVITED POSITIONS (*indicates temporarily postponed due to COVID-19)

January 2020 – August 2020: Visiting Scholar, Stanford University, Department of Political Science*

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Economics, Boston University, Boston MA, May 2016

M.A., Political Economy, Boston University, Boston MA, January 2014

B.A., Government and Economics – Public Policy Concentration (*with honors*), (*Phi Beta Kappa*, *Magna Cum Laude*), Colby College, Waterville ME, May 2011**FIELDS OF INTEREST**

Formal Theory, Elections and Electoral Politics, Political Economy, Normative Theory

REFEREED JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS“Group-based Voting in Multicandidate Elections” (with Laurent Bouton), *Journal of Politics*, Forthcoming“Incentives to Take Care under Contributory and Comparative Fault” (with Keith Hylton), *International Review of Law and Economics*, 61, March 2020“Enough and as Good: A Formal Model of Lockean First Appropriation” (with Brian Kogelmann), *American Journal of Political Science*, 62(3), July 2018, 682-94.**WORKING PAPERS** (*indicates Texas A&M University graduate student co-author)“An Imperfect Beliefs Voting Model” (*Revise & Resubmit*, *Quarterly Journal of Political Science*)“Multidimensional Strategic Communication with Uncertain Salience” (*under review*)“Consensus, Convergence, and Strategic Public Reasoning” (with Brian Kogelmann) (*under review*)“Strategic Opposition Research” (with Alejandro Medina*) (*under review*)“Targeting Intrinsic Preference for Confirmation Reduces Confirmation Bias: An Example of Beneficial Media Polarization” (with Samarth Gupta) (*under review*)“Right-Wing Media Doesn’t Need Your Eyes to Win Your Vote: How Biased Media Indirectly Influences Election Outcomes” (*under review*)

“Endogenous Electoral Factions: A Foundation for Group Voting” (with Tim Feddersen)

“Informativeness vs. Responsiveness: An Endogenous Legislative Trade-off”

INVITED ACADEMIC BOOK REVIEWS“Review of Michael Recrenwald, “Google Archipelago: The Digital Gulag and the Simulation of Freedom.” *The Independent Review*, Forthcoming.“Review of Walter J. Stone, *Candidates and Voters: Ideology, Valence, and Representation in U.S. Elections.*” *Political Science Quarterly*, 134(1), Spring 2019, 167-68.

SELECTED WORKS IN PROGRESS (*indicates current or former Texas A&M graduate student co-author)

- “Ethical Voting in the Laboratory” (with Laurent Bouton, Kathryn Haglin*, and Aniol Llorente-Saguer)
- “Strategic Candidates with Group-based Voters” (with Laurent Bouton)
- “The Business Cycle Dynamics of Clientelism” (with Horacio Larreguy)
- “The Political Economy of Corporate Taxation” (with Korok Ray)
- “Similes cum Similibus: How Shared Characteristics Shape Election and Policy Outcomes” (with Francesco Bromo*)

INVITED SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS (*indicates scheduled)

- 2020:** Stanford University (Graduate School of Business)
- 2019:** Southern Methodist University (Cox School of Business)
- 2018:** University of Chicago (Harris School of Public Policy)
California Institute of Technology (Social Sciences)
University of Chicago (Political Science)
University of Maryland (Philosophy)
- 2017:** University of Kent (Economics)
- 2016:** London School of Economics and Political Science (Government)

SELECTED CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS (*indicates scheduled)

- 2020:** Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting (also 2019, 2017)
- 2019:** Inaugural Texas American Politics Symposium – Rice University
Behavioral Political Economy Workshop – London School of Economics
American Political Science Association Annual Meeting (also 2018, 2017, 2016)
European Political Science Association Annual Meeting (also 2018, 2017)
Midwestern Political Science Association Annual Meeting (also 2018, 2017)
Society for Institutional & Organizational Economics Annual Meeting (also 2016)
- 2018:** Econometric Society North American Winter Meetings
Formal Theory and Comparative Politics Conference – Yale University
Behavioral Models of Politics Workshop – Rice University
IBEO Political Economy Workshop in Alghero, Italy
Philosophy, Politics, and Economics Society Annual Meeting
- 2017:** Decisions - Theory, Experiments, and Applications Workshop - Institut Henri Poincaré, UPMC, Paris
The Political Economy of Dictatorship and Democracy - University of Münster, Germany
European Public Choice Society Meetings – Central European University, Budapest
Midwest Economic Theory Conference - University of Kentucky
Public Choice Society Annual Meetings (also 2016, 2015)
- 2015:** American Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting – Columbia University
Graduate Student Conference on Political Economy - New York University
Eastern Economic Association Annual Meeting

2014: Association for Public Economic Theory Annual Meeting - University of Washington
Econcon Graduate Student Conference – Princeton University
Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting
CIREQ Ph.D. Students’ Conference - Concordia University, Montreal

SELECTED INVITED DISCUSSIONS

2020: Vincent and Elinor Ostrom Prize for Best Graduate Student Paper, Public Choice Society – Gibbs (2020)

2019: Barcelona Graduate School of Economics Summer Forum, Public Economics and Political Economy – Bernhardt et al. (2019)

2018: Property and Political Economy Conference, Smith Institute for Political Economy and Philosophy, Chapman University – Edmundson (2018)
Political Economy Conference, Columbia University – Buisseret & Van Weelden (2017)

2017: Formal Theory and Comparative Politics, Emory University – Buisseret & Prato (2017)

REFEREE SERVICE

American Political Science Review (x6), Journal of Politics (x5), American Journal of Political Science (x3), Economic Journal (x2), Journal of Theoretical Politics (x2), Social Choice & Welfare (x2), American Law and Economics Review, B.E. Journal of Theoretical Economics, British Journal of Political Science, Econometrica, European Journal of Political Economy, Games and Economic Behavior, International Economic Review, Journal of Peace Research, Quarterly Journal of Political Science, Sociality and Austrian Economics

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Graduate:

Political Institutions: Texas A&M University, 2019
Directed Study in Advanced Game Theory: Texas A&M University, 2017
Game Theory and Political Theory (*Teaching Assistant*): MIT, 2015

Undergrad:

Game Theoretic Methods in Political Science: Texas A&M, 2017, 2018, 2019
Economics of Less-Developed Nations: Boston University, 2014
Principles of Microeconomics (*Teaching Fellow*): Boston University, 2012, 2013

PH.D. THESIS SUPERVISION

Alejandro Medina, 2021 (expected)
Benjamin Peterson, 2021 (expected)

DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

Head’s Advisory Council, Texas A&M Political Science (Elected Position), 2019-20
Co-Organizer, Texas A&M Political Behavior/Political Institutions Research Program, 2017 – 2019
Co-Organizer, Brussels Political Economy Conference, ECARES, ULB, 2017
Organizer, Boston University Political Economy Reading Group, 2013 – 2016

SELECTED GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND ACADEMIC AWARDS

- College of Liberal Arts Merit International Travel Support (\$4,500), Texas A&M University, 2018, 2020
- Rosenstein-Rodan Prize (\$1,500), Best Original Research by a Graduate Student, Institute for Economic Development, Boston University, 2015 (for “*The Imperfect Beliefs Voting Model*”)
- Adam Smith Fellowship (\$10,000), Mercatus Center, 2014 – 2016
- Summer Merit Research Grant (\$10,000), Boston University Department of Economics, 2013, 2015
- Merit Funding for MA Research Assistant (\$4,800), Boston University Department of Economics, 2015
- Humane Studies Fellowship (\$7,000), Institute for Humane Studies, 2014 – 2015
- Hayek Fund for Scholars (\$2,300), Institute for Humane Studies, 2014 – 2019
- Charles Huse Prize for Best Second Year Paper, Boston University Department of Economics, 2013 (for “*The Imperfect Beliefs Voting Model*”)
- F. Harold Dubord Award for Highest Academic Standing among Seniors (\$1,000), Department of Government, Colby College, 2011
- Laurie Peterson Memorial Award for Outstanding Contribution to the Department (\$1,000), Department of Government, Colby College, 2010
- Pi Sigma Alpha, National Political Science Honor Society, 2010