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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Associate Professor of Political Science and Global Metropolitan Studies, University of California Berkeley, July 2017 – present; Assistant Professor, Political Science and Global Metropolitan Studies, July 2009 – July 2017.
Faculty affiliate with: Berkeley Institute for Data Science, Berkeley Water Center, Blum Center for Developing Economies, Center for Information Technology Research in the Interest of Society (CITRIS), Center for Latin American Studies, Center for Political Development, Center for Smart Infrastructure, Energy and Resources Group, Institute for Transportation Studies

Travers Family Chair of Political Science, University of California Berkeley, July 2021 – July 2023

W. Glenn Campbell and Rita Ricardo-Campbell National Fellow, Hoover Institution, Stanford University, July 2022- June 2023

Co-Director, Global Metropolitan Studies Program, University of California, Berkeley.
July 2017 – July 2020, July 2024 - present.

Visiting Assistant Professor, Center on Democracy, Development and the Rule of Law (CDDRL), Stanford University, Fall 2014.

Postdoctoral Research Scholar, Committee on Global Thought, Columbia University, 2008-2009 academic year.

EDUCATION

Harvard University, Ph.D. and M.A. in Government (Political Science), 2009.

- Dissertation: *Liquid Assets and Fluid Contracts: Explaining the Uneven Effects of Water and Sanitation Privatization*.
- Dissertation awarded the 2009 *William Anderson Prize* by the American Political Science Association for the best dissertation in the general field of federalism or intergovernmental relations, state and local politics.

London School of Economics, M.Sc. Urban and Regional Planning with Distinction, 1999

- Earned as 1998 Marshall Scholar

Stanford University, B.A. in History with Distinction and Departmental Honors, 1997

BOOKS

City Size and Public Service Delivery (Manuscript in progress)

Foreign and Domestic Investment in Argentina: The Politics of Privatized Infrastructure. 2014. New York: Cambridge University Press.

- Reviewed in *Bulletin of Latin American Research*, *Environment & Urbanization*, *Governance*, *Journal of Development Studies*, *Journal of Latin American Studies*, *Latin American Politics & Society*, *Perspectives on Politics*, *Urban Studies*
- Featured in *Monkey Cage* (Oct. 20, 2016), [Social Science Matrix blog](#), U.C. Berkeley

EDITED VOLUME

“The Politics of Urban Informality: Innovations in Theory and Research Design from the City’s Margins.” 2018. Special issue for *Studies in Comparative International Development*. 53(3). (co-edited with Adam Auerbach, Adrienne LeBas, and Rebecca Weitz-Shapiro)

JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

Ratan, Ishana, **Alison E. Post**, Tanu Kumar, and Mridang Sheth. *Forthcoming*. “Which Local Governments Adopt New Technology First? Agency Size and Bureaucratic Champions for Open Transit Data.” *Urban Affairs Review*.

- Winner of the Paul Sabatier Award for the best paper on science, technology, and environmental politics at the 2022 American Political Science Association Annual Meeting

Mendonça Abreu, Giselle, Alexandra Pan, **Alison E. Post**, Nathan Malkin, and Karen Trapenberg Frick. *Forthcoming*. “Smart City Technologies as Threats or Opportunities? Explaining Variation in Cybersecurity Risks.” *Journal of Urban Technology*.

Chiu, Shih-Hung, Tianyu Han, **Alison E. Post**, Ishana Ratan, and Kenichi Soga. *Forthcoming*. “Studying Tech Adoption with ‘Text-As-Data’: Opportunities, Pitfalls, and Complementarities in the Case of Transportation.” *Environment and Planning B: Urban Analytics and City Science*.

Post, Alison E. and Nicholas Kuipers. 2023. “City Size and Public Service Access: Evidence from Brazil and Indonesia.” *Perspectives on Politics*.

Marple, Tim, **Alison E. Post**, and Karen Trapenberg Frick. 2022. “Never Waste a Crisis: How Covid-19 Lockdowns and Message Sources Affect the Efficacy of Emergency Preparedness Recommendations.” *Natural Hazards Review*. 23(3).

Tanu Kumar, **Alison E. Post**, Isha Ray, Megan Otsuka, and Francesc Pardo-Bosch. 2022. “From Public Service Access to Service Quality: The Distribution of Piped Water in Bangalore.” *World Development*. 151.

Veronica Herrera and **Alison E. Post**. “The Case for Policy Expertise in Political Science.” 2019. *PS: Political Science and Politics*. 52(3): 476-480.

Alison E. Post, Anustubh Agnihotri and Christopher Hyun. “Using Crowd-Sourced Data to Study Public Services: Insights from Urban India.” 2018. *Studies in Comparative International Development*. 53(3): 324-342.

Adam Auerbach, Adrienne LeBas, **Alison E. Post**, and Rebecca Weitz-Shapiro. “State, Society, and Informality in Cities of the Global South.” 2018. *Studies in Comparative International Development*. 53(3): 261-280.

Tanu Kumar, **Alison E. Post**, and Isha Ray. “Flows, Leaks, and Blockages in Informational Interventions: A Field Experimental Study of Bangalore’s Water Sector.” 2018. *World Development*. 106: 149-160. Media coverage:

- [USAID Blog](#), [Blum Center for Developing Economies blog](#), U.C. Berkeley

Alison E. Post. “Cities and Politics in the Developing World.” 2018. *The Annual Review of Political Science*. Vol. 21: 115-133.

Christopher Hyun, **Alison E. Post**, and Isha Ray. “Frontline Worker Compliance with Transparency Reforms: Barriers Posed by Family and Financial Responsibilities.” 2018. *Governance*. 31: 65-83. Media Coverage:

- [Berkeley News Center](#), [Bangalore Mirror](#)

Alison E. Post, Vivian Bronsoler, and Lana Salman. “Hybrid Regimes for Local Public Goods Provision: A Framework for Analysis.” 2017. *Perspectives on Politics*. 15(4): 952-966.

Hernán Flom and **Alison E. Post**. “Blame Avoidance and Policy Stability in Developing Democracies: Security Policy in Buenos Aires.” 2016. *Comparative Politics*. 49(1): 23-46.

Alison E. Post and María Victoria Murillo. “How Investor Portfolios Shape Regulatory Outcomes: Privatized Infrastructure After Crises.” 2016. *World Development*. 77: 328-345.

Tomás Bril Mascarenhas and **Alison E. Post**. “Policy Traps: Consumer Subsidies in Post-Crisis Argentina.” 2015. *Studies in Comparative International Development*. 50(1): 98-120.

- Updated version in Spanish in *Desarrollo Económico* Vol. 54, No. 213: 171-202 (Sept.-Dec. 2014).
- Selected for inclusion in the NSF’s “Qualitative Data Repository” pilot project
- Profiled in Argentina’s leading newspaper, [La Nación](#)
- Featured in the [Berkeley Review of Latin American Studies](#)

Veronica Herrera and **Alison E. Post**. “Can Developing Countries both Decentralize and Depoliticize Urban Water Services? Assessing the Legacy of the 1990s Reform Wave.” 2014. *World Development*. 46: 621-641.

Alison E. Post. “Home Court Advantage: Investor Type and Contractual Resilience in the Argentine Water Sector.” 2014. *Politics & Society*. 42(1): 107-132.

Alison E. Post. “Pathways for Redistribution: Privatization, Regulation, and Incentives for Pro-Poor Investment in the Argentine Water Sector.” 2009. *International Journal of Public Policy*. Vol.4, No. 1/2, pp. 51-75.

- Featured in *Monkey Cage* (September 24, 2015)

CHAPTERS IN EDITED VOLUMES

Alison E. Post. 2023. “The Role of Comparison in Urban Political Science.” For Le Gales, Patrick and Jennifer Robinson, eds. *Handbook of Comparative Urban Studies*. Routledge.

Christopher Hyun, Tanu Kumar, **Alison E. Post**, and Isha Ray. 2022. “Engineering Predictable Water? How to understand the humans that make tech innovations work.” In Ashok Gadgil, ed. *An Introduction to Development Engineering*. Springer Press.

Alison E. Post and Isha Ray. 2020. “Hybrid Modes of Urban Water Delivery in Low- and Middle-Income Countries.” In *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Environmental Science*. Oxford University Press.

Christopher Carter and **Alison E. Post**. 2019. “Decentralization and Urban Governance: Evidence To-Date and Avenues for Future Research” in *Decentralized Governance and Accountability: Academic Research and the Future of Donor Programming* Cambridge University Press.

Alison E. Post. “The Politics of ‘Contracting Out’ to the Private Sector: The Case of Water and Sanitation in Latin America.” In Melani Cammett and Lauren MacLean, eds. 2014. *The Politics of Nonstate Social Welfare Provision in the Global South*. Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press, pp. 77-97.

- Book received an Honorable Mention for the 2015 Outstanding Book in Nonprofit and Voluntary Action Research of the Association for Research on Nonprofit Organizations and Voluntary Action (ARNOVA)

María Victoria Murillo and **Alison E. Post**. “The Regulatory State Under Stress: Economic Shocks and Regulatory Bargaining in the Argentine Electricity and Water Sectors.” 2013. In Navroz Dubash and Bronwen Morgan, eds. *The Rise of the Regulatory State of the South: Infrastructure and Development in Emerging Economies*. Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press, pp. 115-134.

Alison E. Post. “The Poisson Distribution.” 2003. *The Encyclopedia of Social Science Research Methods*, Michael Lewis-Beck *et al.* eds., Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications.

POLICY REPORTS

Huang, Amy, **Alison E. Post**, Ishana Ratan, Mary C. Hill, Bingyu Zhao. [“Where are Private ‘Smart City’ Technologies Concentrated in California?”](#) 2022. Institute for Transportation Studies, U.C. Berkeley.

Post, Alison E., Ishana Ratan, Mary Hill, Amy Huang, Kenichi Soga, and Binyu Zhao. [“Benchmarking ‘Smart City’ Technology Adoption in California: An Innovative Web Platform for Exploring New Data and Tracking Adoption.”](#) 2021. Institute for Transportation Studies, U.C. Berkeley.

Karen Trapanberg Frick, Tanu Kumar, Giselle Mendonca Abreu, and **Alison E. Post**. [“Benchmarking ‘Smart City’ Technology Adoption in California: Developing and Piloting a Data Collection Approach.”](#) 2021. Institute for Transportation Studies, U.C. Berkeley.

Karen Trapenberg Frick, Nathan Malkin, Giselle Mendonca Abreu, Alexandra Pan, and **Alison E. Post**. “[The Cybersecurity Risks of Smart City Technologies: What Do the Experts Think?](#)” 2021. Center for Long-Term Cybersecurity, U.C. Berkeley.

- Media coverage: [StateScoop](#), [Route Fifty](#), [Smart Cities Dive](#), [Cities Today](#), [Radio World](#), [Security Magazine](#), [The Business of Government Hour](#) (Podcast interview)

Karen Trapenberg Frick, Tanu Kumar, **Alison E. Post**, Ruyin Li, and Atharva Patil. “[The General Transit Feed Specification Makes Trip-Planning Easier—Especially During a Pandemic—Yet its Use by California Agencies is Uneven](#).” 2020. Policy Brief. Institute for Transportation Studies, U.C. Berkeley.

Karen Trapenberg Frick, Tanu Kumar, and **Alison E. Post**. “[Background Paper: The General Transit Feed Specification \(GTFS\) Makes Trip-Planning Easier—Especially During a Pandemic—Yet its Use by California Agencies is Uneven](#).” 2020. Institute for Transportation Studies, U.C. Berkeley.

Alison E. Post. “The Paradoxical Politics of Water Metering in Argentina.” 2009. *Poverty in Focus*. No. 18, August 2009 [reissued in Spanish, December 2010]

WORKING PAPERS AND CURRENT PROJECTS

“Explaining the Adoption of ‘Smart City’ Technologies by Police Agencies” (with Ángel Ross and Ishana Ratan) (*R&R*)

“Funding Protection from Natural and Manmade Hazards: Presenting Risks over Longer Time Frames Increases Voter Support” (with Tim Marple) (*Under Review*)

“Pork Politics and City Size: Evidence from Brazil” (with Isabella Montini). (*Working Paper*)

REVIEWS AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS

“Informality and Politics in the Global South: Three Perspectives.” 2022. *Perspectives on Politics*. 20(4).

Review of “Political Competition, Partisanship and Policy Making in Latin American Public Utilities” by Maria Victoria Murillo (2009). *Political Studies Quarterly*. Summer 2011.

Review of “The Political Economy of Water and Sanitation,” by Matthias Krause. 2010. *Governance*. 23(2): 365-368.

AWARDS

Paul Sabatier Award for the best paper on Science, Technology, and Environmental Politics at the 2022 American Political Science Association Annual Meeting

Carol D. Soc Distinguished Graduate Student Mentoring Award for Junior Faculty, U.C. Berkeley, 2015 (campus-wide award with one recipient per year)

Clarence Stone Young Scholar Award, Urban Politics Section, American Political Science

Association, 2012
 Norton Long Developing Scholar Award, Urban Politics Section, American Political Science Association, 2012
 William Anderson Prize, American Political Science Association, for the best dissertation in the general field of federalism or intergovernmental relations, state and local politics, 2009
 Golden Medal in the Humanities and Creative Arts, Stanford University, 1997 (1-2 awarded per department for undergraduate theses)
 Phi Beta Kappa, Stanford University, 1997

GRANTS

Co-Principal Investigator (with Jennifer Bussell), Global Democracy Commons Lab, Social Science Matrix, U.C. Berkeley, \$50,000. 2024-2025.
 Principal Investigator, “City Size and Public Service Delivery in Comparative Perspective,” National Science Foundation, 2023-2025. \$350,000.
 Co-Principal Investigator (with Jeffrey Paller, George Bob-Milliar, Intissar Kherigi, Ellen Lust), “Political Change and Local Governance in Emerging Cities,” Swedish Research Council. Swedish krona 12,000,000 (~\$US 1,163,187), 2023-2025.
 Co-Principal Investigator (with Francesca Jensenius), “David and Goliath Urbanize: City Size and Public Service Delivery in India.” Peder Sather Center for Advanced Study, U.C. Berkeley. 2022. \$20,000.
 Principal Investigator, “Benchmarking ‘Smart City’ Technology Adoption in California,” Institute for Transportation Studies, U.C. Berkeley (from SB-1 Program funds), 2020, \$55,356
 Principal Investigator, “The Cybersecurity of ‘Smart’ Urban Infrastructure Systems,” Center for Long-Term Cybersecurity, U.C. Berkeley, 2020, \$15,000 (Hewlett Foundation grant)
 Principal Investigator, “Benchmarking ‘Smart City’ Technology Adoption in California, Institute for Transportation Studies, U.C. Berkeley (from SB-1 Program funds), 2019 \$24,921
 Principal Investigator, “The Cybersecurity of ‘Smart’ Urban Infrastructure Systems,” Center for Long-Term Cybersecurity, U.C. Berkeley, 2019, \$98,486 (Hewlett Foundation funds)
 Principal Investigator, “Cybersecurity for Urban Infrastructure,” Center for Long-Term Cybersecurity, U.C. Berkeley, 2018, \$15,000 (Hewlett Foundation funds)
 Principal Investigator, “Mapping Water Intermittency,” Development Impact Laboratory (USAID Cooperative Agreement AID-OAA-A-13- 00002), U.C. Berkeley, 2016, \$55,000
 Principal Investigator, “Information as a Management Tool for Intermittent Water Supplies: An Impact Evaluation from Bangalore, India.” Development Impact Laboratory (USAID Cooperative Agreement AID-OAA-A-13- 00002), U.C. Berkeley, 2014-2015, \$196, 518
 Principal Investigator, “Water, Sanitation, and Transport Provision in the Global South: Integrating the Informal and Formal Sectors,” Research Seed Grant from the Global Metropolitan Studies program, U.C. Berkeley, Spring-Fall 2014, \$14,000
 “Urban Inequality and Local Democracy”, Program grant from the Institute for International Studies, U.C. Berkeley, 2013 (with Leonardo Arriola), \$40,000
 Publication Assistance Grant, Abigail Reynolds Hodgen Publication Fund, U.C. Berkeley, Winter 2012, \$2,700
 Research Enabling Grant, Committee on Research, U.C. Berkeley, Fall 2010, 2012, \$1500
 Institute for International Studies, U.C. Berkeley, Junior Faculty Fellowship, Spring 2010, \$5000
 Institute for International Studies, U.C. Berkeley, Manuscript Conference Grant, Spring 2010, \$5000
 Course Development Grant, U.C. Berkeley, Spring 2010, \$900
 Real Estate Academic Initiative, Harvard University, Research Grant, 2008, \$2200

David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies, Harvard University, Term-Time Research Grant, 2007, \$800
Institute for Quantitative Social Science, Harvard University, Research Grant, 2006-7, \$2200
Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University Mid-Dissertation Grant, 2005 (declined)
David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies, Harvard University, Summer Research Grant, 2004
Westengard Summer Research Grant, Harvard University, 2004

FELLOWSHIPS

W. Glenn Campbell and Rita Ricardo-Campbell National Fellow, Hoover Institution, Stanford University, July 2022- June 2023
Postdoctoral Fellowship, Committee on Global Thought, Columbia University, 2008-2009
Eliot Dissertation Completion Fellowship, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Harvard University, 2007-8
Project on Justice, Welfare and Economics Dissertation Fellowship, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University, 2006-7
Sheldon Traveling Fellowship, General Committee on Scholarships, Harvard University, 2005-6
Foreign Language and Area Studies Dissertation Fellowship (Latin America), 2005-6 (declined)
Foreign Language and Area Studies Academic Year Fellowship (Latin America), 2004-2005
Harvard Department of Government Fellowship, 2001-3
Marshall Scholar, British Marshall Aid Commemoration Commission, 1998-2000

INTERNATIONAL ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS

Visiting Scholar, Political Science Department, Universidad Torcuato Di Tella, Argentina, June – August 2023
Research Associate, Governance and Local Development Institute, University of Gothenburg, 2023 - present
Visiting Fellow, CEDES (Centro de Estudios de Estado y Sociedad), Buenos Aires, Argentina, 2005-2006 academic year
Research Fellow, ECLAC (U.N. Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean), Santiago, Chile, Summers 2003 and 2004
Researcher, L.S.E. London Centre for Urban and Metropolitan Research, London School of Economics, 1999-2000

SELECTED INVITED PRESENTATIONS

Global Development Program seminar, Georgia Tech University, February 7, 2025
Hankin Fund Speaker Series on Local Politics and Policy, Emory University, February 6, 2025
Carnegie Endowment for International Peace/ UN-Habitat, “Building People-Centered Smart Cities,” October 1, 2024
Keynote panel presentation, “Latin American Political Economy,” REPAL, July 2024
Research Seminar, Norwegian Institute for Urban and Regional Research, Oslo Metropolitan University, Norway, May 27, 2024
Seminar, Universidad Católica de Salta, Argentina, May 2, 2024
Research Seminar, Department of Political Science, Di Tella University, Argentina June 27, 2023

Research Seminar, Department of Political Science, Universidad de San Andrés, Argentina, June 8, 2023
 Comparative Politics Workshop, Stanford University, April 25, 2023
 Latin America Tuesday Seminar Series, David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies, Harvard University, April 25, 2023
 Political Economy Lunch Group (PELG), University of California, San Diego, March 7, 2023
 Hoover Institution, Stanford University, February 14, 2023
 Center on Democracy, Development, and the Rule of Law, Stanford University, January 17, 2023
 Center for Information Technology and Society (CITRIS), U.C. Berkeley, September 21, 2022
 “Cities Back in Town” Webinar/Seminar, Sciences Po, Paris, May 31st, 2022
 Department of Political Science and Center for Latin American Studies, Columbia University, November 10th, 2021
 Center for Latin American Studies, Stanford University, September 24, 2021
 IPSA-USP (University of Sao Paulo) Summer School in Concepts, Methods, and Techniques in Political Science, February 25, 2021
 Seoul National University, Graduate School of International Studies, January 14, 2021
 CRITICS (Current Research on Issues and Topics in Comparative Scholarship) seminar series, Department of Government, Georgetown University, February 3, 2020
 Institute for Social Science, University of Tokyo, December 10, 11, 2019
 Blum Center Faculty Salon Series, “Digital Transformation of Development.” U.C. Berkeley. March 19, 2019
 The Resilience Shift Roundtable: City-scale Modeling and Simulation for Infrastructure Resilience, U.C. Berkeley – ARUP, January 25, 2019
 Latin American Cities Initiative, Luskin School, UCLA, January 10, 2019
 #FacultyAsWriters Panel, Student Learning Center, U.C. Berkeley, November 2, 2019
 Bay Area Latin America Forum, U.C. Berkeley, September 13, 2018
 Urban Governance and Cityness: The Production of Alternate Forms of Order in the 21st Century Metropolis Workshop, Canadian Institute for Advanced Research, August 27-28, 2018
 Brown-Harvard-MIT Seminar on South Asian Politics, April 27, 2018
 Democracy Seminar, Ash Center for Democratic Governance and Innovation, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University, April 26, 2018
 Bose seminar, Department of Political Science, University of Iowa, February 23, 2018
 Energy and Resources Group Colloquium, U.C. Berkeley, October 11, 2017
 “India at 70: Balancing Governance and Democratic Challenges,” Claremont McKenna College, April 14, 2017
 Social Solidarity Workshop, U.C. Berkeley – Sciences-Po, October 21-22, 2016
 “Global Risks, Security and Violence in Latin America” seminar, Stanford University-ITAM (Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de Mexico), July 15, 2016 (in Spanish)
 Development Impact Laboratory, U.C. Berkeley, Principal Investigator’s Meeting, May 26, 2016
 Urban Poverty Workshop, Duke University, May 20, 2016
 “Contemporary Challenges to Inclusion and Representation in Latin America” Conference, Stanford University (Hoover Institution and CDDRL), May 16, 2016
 Comparative Politics Workshop, Stanford University, May 2, 2016
 Comparative Politics Colloquium, U.C. Berkeley, April 28, 2016
 Environmental Institutions Seminar, Nicholas School of the Environment, Duke University, April 1, 2016
 USAID Workshop on Decentralization, Duke University, February 5, 2016
 Methodological Innovation in Urban Political Research Workshop, American University, October 28-29, 2015
 “Compensating for the State’s Inability to See: Methodological Innovation in Urban Political Research” workshop, U.C. Berkeley, April 29, 2015

Global Metropolitan Studies and Institute for International Studies, U.C. Berkeley; Workshop on urban infrastructure, January 28, 2015

Center for Democracy, Development, and the Rule of Law (CDDRL) and the Bill Lane Center for the American West, Stanford University, January 9, 2015 (Book presentation)

Inter-American Development Bank, Political Economy Group and Water and Sanitation Division, Washington D.C., October 16, 2014 (Book presentation)

CRITICS (Current Research on Issues and Topics in Comparative Scholarship) seminar series, Department of Government, Georgetown University, October 15, 2014 (Book presentation)

IPFRI (International Food Policy Research Institute) Governance seminar series, Washington D.C., October 14, 2014 (Book presentation)

Department of Government seminar series, University of Texas, Austin, September 19, 2014

Political Economy Seminar Series, Universidad del CEMA, Buenos Aires, Argentina, June 12, 2014 (Book presentation) (in Spanish)

Red de Economía Política de America Latina (REPAL) Annual Conference, Santiago de Chile, June 9, 2014 (Book presentation)

Guest presenter, “State Building and Governance” Dissertation Proposal Development Program, Social Science Research Council, June 6, 2014

Comparative Politics Workshop, University of Chicago, February 12, 2014

Leitner Workshop in Political Economy, Yale University, January 13, 2014

Frontiers in Latin American Political Economy Conference, Tulane University, April 2013 (Book presentation)

Center for Latin American Studies, U.C. Berkeley, March 2013

Global Metropolitan Studies seminar series, U.C. Berkeley, November 2013

Political Science Seminar Series, Universidad Torcuato di Tella, Argentina, November 2012 (in Spanish)

Global Freshwater Seminar, Stanford University, May 2012

Conference on “The 21st Century City in India,” Delhi, India, March 2011

Energy Resources Group Seminar Series, U.C. Berkeley, February 2011

Conference on “The Rise of the Regulatory State in the Global South,” Delhi, India, January 2011

Public Law Seminar, U.C. Berkeley, April 2010

Center for Latin American Studies, U.C. Berkeley, November 2009

Department of Political Science, Columbia University, November 2008

David Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies, Harvard University, February and October 2007

INVITED DISCUSSANT ROLES (outside of major conferences)

Discussant, Book Manuscript conference for Alice Xu, University of Pennsylvania, May 22-23, 2025 (scheduled)

Discussant, Book Proposal Workshop for Paula Ganga, Institute for Humane Studies, June 25th, 2021

Discussant, Manuscript conference for Nikhar Gaikward, Gareth Nellis, and Anjali Thomas, April 28th, Georgia Tech, 2021

Discussant, Book manuscript conference for Emmerich Davies, Stanford University, May 20th, 2020 (To be rescheduled)

Discussant, Book manuscript conference for Adam Auerbach and Tariq Thachil, Vanderbilt University, October 4, 2019

Discussant, Southwest Workshop on Mixed Methods Research, U.C. Santa Cruz, November 8-9, 2018

Discussant, Book manuscript conference for Emily Clough (Stanford), May 21, 2018

Discussant, Book manuscript conference for Shelby Grossman (CDDRL, Stanford), May 26, 2017

Expert consultation session on water and sanitation regulation, United Nations Special Rapporteur on the Human Right to Water and Sanitation (in preparation for report to the Human Rights Council), Rio de Janeiro, May 22-23, 2017

Discussant, Book manuscript conference for Karen Chapple and Sergio Montero (U.C. Berkeley), May 15, 2017

Discussant, Book manuscript conference for Matthew Amengual (Sloan School, MIT), Brown University, October 2013

OTHER CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Governance and Local Development Institute Annual Conference, University of Gothenburg, 2024

American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2005, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025

International Studies Association, 2018

Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2007, 2014, 2025

Latin American Studies Association International Congress, 2006, 2007, 2009, 2010, 2012, 2013, 2017, 2022, 2025

Red de Economía Política de América Latina Conference, 2014, 2017, 2022

Regional Studies Association Conference, December 2013

Urban Affairs Association Annual Meeting, April 2022

Law & Society Association Annual Conference, June 2011

Society for Political Methodology Annual Summer Conference, 2002

International Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene Symposium, U.C. Berkeley, 2014; Stanford, 2016

COURSES TAUGHT

Latin American Politics Field Seminar (Doctoral seminar), Department of Political Science, U.C. Berkeley, Spring 2014, Spring 2017, Fall 2019, Fall 2024

Latin American Politics (Upper division undergraduate), Department of Political Science, U.C. Berkeley, Fall 2010, Spring 2014, Spring 2017, Spring 2019, Fall 2019, Spring 2021, Fall 2024

The Latin American City: Politics and Policy (Upper division undergraduate seminar), Department of Political Science, Spring 2018

Global Metropolitan Studies: Introduction to Theories, Histories, & Methods (Doctoral seminar), Global Metropolitan Studies, Spring 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2025

Research Seminar in Comparative Urban Studies, (Doctoral Seminar), Global Metropolitan Studies and City and Regional Planning, U.C. Berkeley, Spring 2011, 2013, 2016

Urban and Subnational Politics in Developing Countries, (Upper division undergraduate lecture course), Department of Political Science, U.C. Berkeley, 2010, 2011, 2013, 2016, 2017, 2020, 2021

Urban and Subnational Politics in Developing Countries (Doctoral seminar), Department of Political Science, U.C. Berkeley, 2009, 2011, 2013, 2016, 2021

Latin American Politics Research Workshop (Doctoral seminar), Department of Political Science, U.C. Berkeley, Fall, 2009

Cities in Developing Countries: Problems, Politics, and Policies (MPA course), School of International Affairs, Columbia University, Spring 2009

Quantitative Methods for Political Scientists I, Harvard University, Fall 2004 (Government Department graduate statistics sequence) (Teaching Fellow)

- Received the *Harvard Certificate for Distinction in Teaching* for performance in the class Quantitative Methods for Political Scientists II, Harvard University, Spring 2004 (Government Department graduate statistics sequence) (Teaching Fellow)

DISSERTATION, THESIS, AND ORALS COMMITTEES

Dissertation Committees (current)

Clara Bicalho, Political Science

Juan Campos, Political Science

Priscila Coli, City & Regional Planning (Asst. Professor, Catholic University, Rio de Janeiro)

Ritika Goel, Political Science (Postdoctoral Fellow, Harvard KSG)

Joseph Greenbaum, Political Science

Pranav Gupta, Political Science

Adan Martínez, Political Science (Chair)

Lily Medina, Political Science (Co-Chair)

Vanessa Navarro Rodríguez (Co-Chair) (Asst. Professor, University of Colorado, Denver)

Ishana Ratan, Political Science (Co-Chair) (Asst. Professor, University of Mississippi)

Johanna Reyes, Political Science

Christopher Sullivan, History

Dissertation committees (previous)

Anustubh Agnihotri, Political Science (Assistant Professor, Ashoka University)

Ben Allen, Political Science (Co-Chair) (Technical Advisor, Catholic Relief Services)

Tomás Bril-Mascarenhas, Political Science (Co-Chair) (FUNDAR, Argentina)

Junius Brown, Political Science (Duke University, Kunshan (China))

Anna Callis, Political Science (Co-Chair), (Assistant Professor, Lafayette College)

Christopher Carter, Political Science (Asst. Professor, University of Virginia)

Anirvan Chowdhury, Political Science (Asst. Professor, U of Louisville)

Adam Cohon, Political Science (Co-Chair) (Health care consulting)

Asavari Devadiga, City & Regional Planning

Irene Farah Rivadeneyra, City & Regional Planning (Co-Chair) (Asst. Professor, UIUC)

Hernán Flom, Political Science (Co-Chair) (Visiting Asst. Professor, Trinity College)

Makoto Fukumoto, Political Science (Asst. Professor, Waseda University)

Julie Gamble, City & Regional Planning (Assistant Professor, Vanderbilt University)

Nicholas Goedeking, Environmental Science, Policy and Management (Postdoc, Sussex)

Monica Guerra, City & Regional Planning (Urban Planning consulting)

Veronica Herrera, Political Science (Co-Chair) (Associate Professor, UCLA)

Mark Huberty, Political Science (Data scientist, Lyft)

Nirvikar Jassal, Political Science (Co-Chair) (Assistant Professor, London School of Economics)

Tanu Kumar, Political Science (Assistant Professor, Claremont Graduate University)

Florence Larocque, Political Science, Columbia University (Asst. Professor, ENAP)

Bora Park, Political Science (Assistant Professor, University of Colorado)

Lisa Rayle, City & Regional Planning (Data scientist, Facebook)

Pedro Peterson, City & Regional Planning (Dept. Urban Planning, City of San Francisco)

Armando David Rodríguez, Law

Lana Salman, City & Regional Planning (Asst. Professor, University of Toronto)

Andrés Schipani, Political Science (Assistant Professor, Universidad de San Andrés)

Oscar Sosa, City & Regional Planning (Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Georgia)

Matthew Stenberg, Political Science
Alice Sverdlik, City & Regional Planning (Lecturer, University of Manchester)
Guadalupe Tuñón, Political Science (Assistant Professor, Princeton University)
Denise Van der Kamp, Political Science (Associate Professor, Oxford University)

Orals/Qualifying Exam Committees (those requiring directed readings)

Javiera Barandiaran (LA Political Economy, Environmental Science and Policy Management)
Deborah Cheng (Governance and Natural Resources, Environmental Resources Group)
Julie Gamble (Urban and Subnational Politics, City & Regional Planning)
Sergio Montero (Urban and Subnational Politics, City & Regional Planning)
Pedro Peterson (Political Economy of Development, City & Regional Planning)
Lana Salman (Decentralization, City & Regional Planning)
Oscar Sosa (Urban and Subnational Politics, City & Regional Planning)
Alice Sverdlik (Urban Politics in Developing Countries, City & Regional Planning)
Monica Villalobos (Urban and Subnational Politics, City & Regional Planning)

Masters Essays Supervised

Agustina Calatayud (Latin American Studies, Spring 2011)
Christopher Carter (Political Science, Spring 2014)
Makoto Fukumoto (Political Science, Spring 2017)
Eugenia Giraudy (Political Science, Spring 2010)
Christopher Hyun (Energy and Resources Group, Spring 2015)
Adan Martínez (Political Science, Spring 2020)
Tomás Bril Mascarenhas (Political Science, Spring 2011)
Lucas Novaes (Political Science, Spring 2010)
Carlos Schmidt Padilla (Political Science, Spring 2017)
Matthew Stenberg (Political Science, Spring 2014)

Undergraduate Theses Supervised

David Herrera (Political Science, McNair Program, Spring 2011)
Benjamin Huber (Political Science, 2013-2014 academic year)
Megan Otsuka (Public Health, 2016-2017 academic year)
Galen Tsongas (Political Science, 2016-2017 academic year)
Andrew Campbell (Political Science, 2018-2019 academic year)
Seth Bertolucci (Political Economy, 2018-2019 academic year)
Eva Shapiro (Political Science, 2019-2020 academic year)
Tanya Mahadwar (Political Science, 2020-2021 academic year)
Dominic Moscatello (Political Science, 2021-2022 academic year)
Rafael Boronsonik (Political Science, 2022-2023 academic year)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND SERVICE

Professional Service to the Discipline, Memberships

Editorial Board, *Business and Politics*, 2014 –
Editorial Board, Latin American Politics & Society series, Cambridge University Press, 2017 –
Editorial Board, *Urban Affairs Review*, 2022 –

Service to the Profession

Chair, Steering Committee, Red para el Estudio de la Economía Política de América Latina (Repal), July 2020 – July 2023

Organizing Committee, Urban Politics in the Global South (Online Conference), October 2022, 2023

Chair, Susan Clarke Young Scholar award committee, Urban and Local Politics Section, American Political Science Association, 2023

President, Urban and Local Politics Section, American Political Science Association, 2020-2021 Academic Year

Nominating Committee Member, Qualitative and Multi-Method Research Section, American Political Science Association, 2020

Program Co-Chair, Red para el Estudio de la Economía Política de América Latina (Repal), 2019 conference, Tulane University

Co-organizer, Bay Area Comparative Urban Politics Workshop, U.C. Berkeley, March 2019

Steering Committee Member, Red para el Estudio de la Economía Política de América Latina (Repal), 2018 – 2024.

Chair, 2018 Sage Best Paper Prize Committee, Qualitative and Multi-Method Research Section, American Political Science Association Annual Meeting

Program Co-Chair, Political Economy Section, 2017 American Political Science Association Annual Meeting

Executive Committee, Urban Politics Section, American Political Science Association (2015-2017)

Member, Best Dataset Prize Committee, Comparative Politics Section, American Political Science Association, 2015

Program Co-Chair, Urban Politics Section, 2015 American Political Science Association Annual Meeting

Program Chair, Urban and Local Politics Section, 2014 Midwestern Political Science Association Annual Meeting

Chair, Committee for Best Paper at the 2013 American Political Science Annual Meeting, Urban Politics Section

Member, SAGE APSA Paper Award Committee, Qualitative and Multi-Method Research Section, American Political Science Association, 2010-2011

Reviewer for

American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Association (small grants program), American Political Science Review, British Journal of Political Science, Business and Politics, Cambridge University Press, Comparative Political Studies, Comparative Politics, Economics & Politics, Inter-American Development Bank, International Studies Quarterly, Journal of Comparative Policy Analysis, Journal of Policy History, Journal of Politics, Latin American Politics & Society, Law & Social Inquiry, National Science Foundation, New Political Economy, Perspectives on Politics, Public Administration and Development, Oxford University Press, Review of International Political Economy, Regulation & Governance, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Studies in Comparative International Development, Transport Policy, Urban Affairs Review, Utilities Policy, World Development, World Politics

Member of

American Political Science Association
Latin American Studies Association

University Service and Affiliations (U.C. Berkeley)

Departmental Service

Member, Strategic Planning Committee, Department of Political Science, Fall 2024 -
Chair, Equity and Inclusion Committee, Department of Political Science, Fall 2021 – July 2023
Equity Advisor, Department of Political Science, Fall 2021 – July 2023
Comparative Politics Subfield Coordinator, Department of Political Science, Fall 2017 – Summer 2021

Member, Equity and Inclusion Committee, Department of Political Science, Fall 2017 – Fall 2021
Policy and Planning Committee, Department of Political Science, Fall 2015 –Spring 2016
Graduate Studies Committee, Department of Political Science, Fall 2013 – Spring 2017
Departmental Citation Committee, Department of Political Science, Spring 2016
Faculty Search Committee (IR-Comparative), Department of Political Science, 2010-2011

Co-Director, Global Metropolitan Studies Program, July 2017 – 2020, July 2024 - present
Website redevelopment coordination, Global Metropolitan Studies, 2016 – 2017, 2020
Global Metropolitan Studies, Summer Fellowship Award Committee, Spring 2015
Global Metropolitan Studies Seminar Series Organizer, Spring 2011, Spring 2013, Spring 2016
Steering Committee, Global Metropolitan Studies program, July 2009 - present

Campus Service

Member, Matrix Research Team Selection Committee, Social Science Matrix, Spring 2025
Member, Simpson Pre-Dissertation Grant Selection Committee, Institute for International Studies, Spring 2023
Member, FLAS Scholarship Selection Committee, Center for Latin American Studies, Spring 2021
Member, Advisory Board, Social Science Matrix, Fall 2019 – present
Member, Search Committee, Social Science Matrix Director, Spring 2019
Member, Working Group on Support for Research on Urban Sustainability and the Built Environment, Fall 2017 – Spring 2017
Executive Committee, Institute for International Studies, Fall 2010 – Spring 2019
Faculty Advisory Committee, Global Studies MA program, Spring 2017 – present
Center for Latin American Studies, FLAS Academic Year Fellowship Selection Committee (Spring, 2013)
Center for Latin American Studies, Graduate Summer Travel Grant Selection Committee (Spring, 2010)
Institute for International Studies, Simpson Graduate Fellowship Selection Committee (Spring, 2010)

Campus Affiliations

Berkeley Institute for Data Science
Berkeley Water Center (Fall 2015 – present)
Center for Political Development (Fall 2013 – present)
CITRIS (Center for Information Technology Research in the Interest of Society), Principal Investigator (Spring 2015 – present)
Development Impact Laboratory, Blum Center for Developing Economies, Faculty Affiliate (Spring 2014 – present)
Energy and Resources Group, Faculty Affiliate, U.C. Berkeley (December 2009 – present)
Global and Metropolitan Studies program (Core faculty, July 2009 - present)
Latin American Studies Graduate Group, U.C. Berkeley (May 2010 – present)

LANGUAGE AND TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Spanish (fluent), German (proficient; Goethe Institut Oberstufe certification),
Portuguese (intermediate)

Statistical Software / Programming: R, Stata, Various mapping/GIS programs

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