SARA NIEDZWIECKI

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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Associate Professor, Politics Department, University of California, Santa Cruz *2021-Present*

Visiting Fellow, Kellogg Institute for International Studies, University of Notre Dame *2020-2021*

Assistant Professor, Politics Department, University of California, Santa Cruz *2017-2021*

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of New Mexico *2014-2017*

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Political Science, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill *2014*

M.A. in Political Science, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill *2010*

B.A. in International Relations, Universidad Torcuato di Tella, Buenos Aires *2005*

BOOKS

The Political Economy of Segmented Expansion. Latin American Social Policy in the 2000s with C. Arza, R. Castiglioni, J. Martínez Franzoni, J. Pribble, and D. Sánchez-Ancochea
Cambridge: Elements in Politics and Society in Latin America *2022*

- 2024 Published in Spanish, Cambridge University Press

Uneven Social Policies: The Politics of Subnational Variation in Latin America
Cambridge: Cambridge University Press (Paperback 2020) *2018*

- 2021 Donna Lee Van Cott Best Book Award, LASA Political Institutions and Processes Section
- 2021 IPPA Best Book Award, International Conference on Public Policy (ICPP)

Measuring Regional Authority with L. Hooghe, G. Marks, A. Schakel, S. Osterkatz, and S. Shair
Oxford: Oxford University Press *2016*

REFEREED ARTICLES

"Immigrants Barriers to Accessing Social Policy in Argentina and Chile"
International Migration Review *2025*

"Workshopping Mixed Methods: Ten Years of the Southwest Workshop for Mixed Methods Research" *PS: Political Science and Politics* *2025*

"Social Policy Expansion and Retrenchment in Latin America: Causal Paths to Successful Reform" with J. Pribble *Journal of Social Policy (In-print in 2025,Vol.54, Issue 1, pp.1 - 21) 2023*

"Multi-level governance and subnational research: Similarities, differences, and knowledge accumulation in the study of territorial politics"
with A. Giraudy *Regional and Federal Studies (32, no. 3, 393-411)* *2022*

"Language difference and regional authority" with S. Shair-Rosenfield, A. Schakel, G. Marks, L. Hooghe, and S. Chapman-Osterkatz *Regional and Federal Studies* *2020*

"Participatory Social Policies: Diverging Patterns in Brazil and Bolivia"
with S. Anria *Latin American Politics and Society (61, no. 2, 115-137)* *2019*

- 2020 Best Article Award Presented by the Economics and Politics section, LASA

"The RAI travels to Latin America: Measuring regional authority under regime change"
with S. Osterkatz, L. Hooghe, G. Marks *Regional and Federal Studies (31, no.2, 235-260)* *2018*

"Argentina 2017: la dinámica intertemporal de la reestructuración económica"
with C. Freytes *Revista de Ciencia Política (38, no.2,125-158)* *2018*

"Changing Systems of Social Protection in the Context of the Changing Political Economies since the 1980s" with E. Huber *Ciência & Saúde Coletiva (23, no.7,2085-2094)* *2018*

"Virtues and pitfalls of subnational comparison" with L. Hooghe, G. Marks, A. Schakel, S. Osterkatz, and S. Shair *Territory, Politics, Governance* *2018*

"Decentralization and Democratic Participation: The Effect of Subnational Self-Rule on Voting in Latin America and the Caribbean" with A. Stoyan *Electoral Studies (52, 26-35) 2018*

"Social Policies and Center-Right Governments in Argentina and Chile"
with J. Pribble *Latin American Politics and Society (59, no.3, 72-97)* *2017*

"Mixed-Methods Research in the Study of Welfare States" with D. Nunnally
PS: Political Science and Politics (50, no.4, 1028-1030) *2017*

"Social Policies, Attribution of Responsibility, and Political Alignments. A Subnational Analysis of Argentina and Brazil" *Comparative Political Studies (49, no.4, 457-498)* *2016*

- REPAL Annual Conference Best Paper Prize (2015)

"Social Movements and Social Policy: The Bolivian Renta Dignidad" with S. Anria *Studies in Comparative International Development (51, no.3, 308-327)* *2016*

"Trust in Government Institutions: The Effects of Performance and Participation in the Dominican Republic and Haiti" with A. Stoyan, J. Morgan, J. Hartlyn, and R. Espinal *Internati-*

onal Political Science Review (37, no.1, 18-35) *2016*

"Social Policy Commitment in South America. The Effect of Organized Labor on Social Spending from 1980 to 2010" *Journal of Politics in Latin America (7, no.2, 3-43)* *2015*

"The Effect of Organized Civil Society on Social Policy Reform. Pension and Health Reforms in Argentina and Brazil (1988-2008)" *Latin American Politics and Society (56, no.4, 22-48)* *2014*

CHAPTERS IN EDITED VOLUMES

"Social Policy and State Capacity from a Subnational Perspective" with J. Pribble In K. Baehler, D. Besharov, and N. Gilbert (Eds.), The Oxford International Handbook of Governance and Management for Social Policy *2023*

"Emerging Welfare States in Latin America and East Asia" with E. Huber In S. Leibfried et.al. eds.*The Oxford Handbook of Transformations of the State* *2015*

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Book review of Mobilizing Teachers. Education Politics and the New Labor Movement in Latin America by Christopher Chambers-Ju *Political Science Quarterly* *2025*

"How Political Science Explains Countries' Reactions to COVID-19" with Agustina Giraydy and Jennifer Pribble *Americas Quarterly* (translated to Spanish and Portuguese) *2020*

Book review of When Democracies Deliver: Governance Reform in Latin America By Katherine Bersch and Movement-Driven Development: The Politics of Health and Democracy in Brazil By Christopher L. Gibson *Perspectives on Politics (18, no.1, 296-298)* *2020*

Book review of Un imán de bienestar en el sur? Migración y política social en Costa Rica by Koen Voorend
Anuario de Estudios Centroamericanos, Universidad de Costa Rica (45, 709-712) *2019*

"A turning point in argentine politics: demands for change and territorial cleavages in the 2015 presidential election" with Carlos Freytes *Regional and Federal Studies (26, no.3)* *2016*

Book review of Crafting Policies to End Poverty in Latin America: The Quiet Transformation by Ana Lorena De La O *Latin American Politics and Society (58, no.2)* *2016*

"Soziale Sicherungssysteme in Lateinamerika und Ostasien: Hin zu einer universellen Grundsicherung?" with Evelyne Huber *Zeitschrift fuer Sozialreform* (59, Heft 2, S 255-274) *2013*

Book review of Wealth, Health, and Democracy in East Asia and Latin America by James McGuire *Critical Reviews on Latin American Research (3, 63)* *2013*

AWARDS

2023 Clarence Stone Award, Section on Urban and Local Politics, American Political Science Association

2022 Best Article Prize, Regional and Federal Studies, S. Shair-Rosenfield, A. Schakel, G. Marks, L. Hooghe, S. Niedzwiecki, S. Chapman, "Language difference and regional authority"

2021 Donna Lee Van Cott Award for the best book on Latin American Politics and Institutions, LASA

IPPA Best Book Award Public Policy and/or Public Administration Best Book Award, Association's International Conference on Public Policy (ICPP)

Kendra Koivu Paper Award "Reconceptualizing Social Policy Expansion and Retrenchment South America after the Commodity Boom" APSA Qualitative and Multi-Method Section

2020 Best Article Award Presented by the Economics and Politics section, LASA

Summer Mercator Visiting Fellow, CRC Global Dynamics of Social Policy, University of Bremen ($18,000) (postponed due to Covid-19)

2016 **"Social Policies, Attribution of Responsibility, and Political Alignments"** and **"Regional Self-Rule and Voting Participation in Latin America"** (with A. Stoyan) Voted "Papers of the Month" at MLGWatch

2015 REPAL Annual Conference Best Paper Prize, Red para el Estudio de la Economía Política de América Latina

Dean's Distinguished Dissertation Award in Social Sciences, Graduate School, UNC-CH

2014 Junior Fellowship Hanse-Wissenschaftskolleg, Delmenhorst, Germany (Declined)

Decentralization and Subnational Governance Best Paper LASA Prize

2011 Prothro Award for Best Master's Thesis, Political Science Department, UNC-CH

GRANTS

2024 UCSC Santa Cruz Institute for Social Transformation Sprout Grant ($12,300)

UCSC COR Large Grants ($12,000)

2022 UCSC Office of Research Seed Funding for Early Stage Initiatives ($40,000)

UCSC Research Center for the Americas ($1,500)

UCSC Committee on Research (COR) Scholarly Meeting Travel (SMT) ($1,000)

UCSC Committee on Research (COR) Faculty Research Grant (FRG) ($2,000)

2020-3 Special Projects Fund, American Political Science Association for Southwest Workshop on Mixed Methods Research (with M. Brookes, J. Cyr, and N. Weller) ($23,400)

2020 UCSC Santa Cruz Institute for Social Transformation Sprout Grant ($10,300)

UCSC Committee on Research (COR) Faculty Research Grant (FRG) ($2,500)

2019 Hellman Fellows Program ($15,000)

UCSC Santa Cruz Institute for Social Transformation Seed Grant ($2,500)

UCSC Committee on Research (COR) Faculty Research Grant (FRG) ($2,000)

APSA Centennial Center for Political Science and Public Affairs, Marguerite Ross Barnett Fund ($2,500)

2018 University of Costa Rica grant for Co-Directing PolSoc ($20,000)

2016 Methodology, Measurement, and Statistics Program at the National Science Foundation through PolMeth for Mixed Methods Research Workshop ($7500)

Proyecto ANPCYT- PICT 2427-2012: El rol de los gobernadores en la formación de la coalición legislativa del presidente. El caso argentino (2003-2012). Instituto Gino Germani (UBA)

2014 Dissertation Completion Fellowship, Graduate School, UNC-CH

2013 Mellon Conference Travel, Institute for the Study of the Americas, UNC-CH

Summer Research Fellowship, Graduate School, UNC-CH

Latin American Studies Association (LASA) Conference Student Fellowship

2012 American Political Science Association (APSA) Conference Travel Grant

2011 Off-campus Dissertation Research Fellowship, Graduate School UNC-CH

Institute for Qualitative and Muti-Methods Research, Tuition Grant, Syracuse

ERC Grant# 249543 'Causes and Consequences of Multi-level Governance'

Uhlman Summer Fellowship Award, Department of Political Science, UNC-CH

Prothro Award for Best Master's Thesis, Political Science Department, UNC-CH

European Research Council Fellowship, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam

2009 Pre-Dissertation Field Research, Institute for the Study of the Americas, UNC-CH

2008 Fulbright Scholarship, Argentina

Graduate Tuition Incentive Scholarship, Graduate School, UNC-CH

2004 Japan International Cooperation Agency Fellowship to Keio University, Tokyo, Japan

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

2025

Workshop Co-Organizer
Bay Area Workshop in Empirical Comparative Politics, Stanford University

Immigrants and the Welfare State in Latin America
LASA, San Francisco

Discussant and Roundtable Participant
Southwest Workshop on Mixed Methods Research, University of California- Irvine

Book Presentation - The Political Economy of Segmented Expansion
Diálogo entre libros. Universidad Nacional de General Sarmiento and Universidad de Buenos Aires

2024

Book Discussant: Mobilizing Teachers by Christopher Chambers-Ju
REPAL, Washington D.C.

Immigrants Barriers to Accessing Social Policy in Argentina and Chile
APSA First Virtual Research Meeting, Migration and Citizenship Research

Immigrants Barriers to Accessing Social Policy in Argentina and Chile
The Interdisciplinary Immigration Workshop, University of California, Berkeley

2023

Immigration and Welfare Deservingness. A Survey Experiment of Transfers and Services in Brazil (with Z. Ponce de Leon), Western Political Science Association, San Francisco

Roundtable: Present and future of institutional studies in Latin America
LASA (Virtual Participation)

2022

Social Policy Expansion and Retrenchment after Latin Americas Commodity Boom (with J. Pribble), LASA (Virtual Meeting)

2021

Immigrants' Social Policy Inclusion in Argentina
APSA (Virtual Meeting)

Immigrants' Social Policy Inclusion (ISPI). A Case Study of Argentina
REPAL (Virtual Meeting)

La Política Detrás de las Políticas Sociales en América Latina
VII Congreso Uruguayo de Ciencia Poltica (Virtual Meeting)

Immigrants Social Policy Inclusion in Argentina
LASA (Virtual Meeting)

Social Policy Expansion and Retrenchment after Latin America's Commodity Boom (with J. Pribble) Latin American Politics and Party Competition Workshop, Duke University

Welfare States and Immigration: Immigrants' Inclusion to Social Policy in Argentina
Work-in-Progress Seminar, Kellogg Institute for International Studies, University of Notre Dame

Welfare States and Immigration in Latin America: Partisanship and Barriers for Accessing Social Policy in Argentina, ISA Forum for Sociology, RC 19 (Virtual Meeting)

2020

Re-conceptualizing social policy expansion and retrenchment (with J. Pribble)
APSA (Virtual Meeting)

Covid-19 in Latin America. Government Responses in Argentina, Brazil, and Mexico
Flash Talks on Social and Economic Dimensions of the COVID-19 Pandemic, UCSC

Immigrants' Access to Social Protection in Latin America (with K. Voorend)
LASA, Guadalajara (Cancelled due to Covid-19)

Social Policy Expansion and Retrenchment in Latin America (with J. Pribble)
Red Temática Política Social, Universidad de Costa Rica, San Jose (Cancelled due to Covid-19)

2019

Immigration and Social Policy (with K. Voorend)
Southwest Workshop on Mixed-Methods Research, Mexico City

Re-conceptualizing Social Policy Expansion and Retrenchment (with J. Pribble)
Sociedad Argentina de Análisis Político, Buenos Aires

Social Policy in Latin America after the Commodity Boom (with J. Pribble)
La Derecha y Las Políticas Sociales en América Latina, Chile

2018

Latin American Social Policy after the Commodity Boom
Global Dynamics of Social Policy, Bremen

Book Presentation: Uneven Social Policies
REPAL, Bogotá

Social Policy and State Capacity in Latin America: A Subnational Perspective
with J. Pribble. LASA, Barcelona

2017

Social Policies and Center-Right Governments in Argentina and Chile with J. Pribble
APSA, San Francisco

Mixed Methods in Political Science (Chair)
Southwest Workshop on Mixed-Methods Research, Riverside

Updating the Regional Authority Index
Causes and Consequences of Multilevel Governance, Chapel Hill

2016

Mixed Methods in the Study of Welfare States with David Nunnally
Southwest Workshop on Mixed-Methods Research, Tucson

Community, Scale and Regional Governance and **Regional Authority in Latin America**
with Liesbet Hooghe, Gary Marks, Arjan Schakel, Sandra Chapman, and Sarah Shair-rosenfield
APSA, Philadelphia

An Analysis of Multilevel Social Policies and Political Alignments
ISA Forum of Sociology, San Jose, Costa Rica

The Participatory Politics of Social Policies: Bolivia and Brazil with S. Anria
Red para el Estudio de la Economía Política de América Latina (REPAL), Boston

Social Movements, Social Policy, and the Bolivian Renta Dignidad with S. Anria
LASA, New York

Panel: Negotiating Race, Ethnicity, and Identity in the Field (Moderator)
UNM, Albuquerque

2015

Mixed-Methods and Multilevel Case Studies: Social Policies in Argentina and Brazil
Southwest Workshop on Mixed-Methods Research, Albuquerque

Regional Self-Rule and Voting Participation in Latin America with A. Stoyan
APSA, San Francisco

Panel: Policy and Accountability in Multilevel Systems (Discussant)
European Consortium for Political Research, Montréal

Social Policies, Attribution of Responsibility, and Political Alignments
Red para el Estudio de la Economía Política de América Latina (REPAL), Montevideo

2014

Decentralization and Democratic Participation: The Effect of Regional Self-Rule on Voting in Latin America and the Caribbean with Alissandra Stoyan. MPSA, Chicago

Decentralization and the Politics of Service Delivery
Association of Public Policy Analysis and Management, Albuquerque

The Uneven Implementation of Health Care in Decentralized Countries.
The Case of Brazil's Primary Health Policy. APSA, Washington DC

Cash Transfers, Healthcare, and Partisan Alignments. A Statistical Analysis of States in Brazil and Argentina. LASA, Chicago

2013

Mixed-Methods and Multilevel Research Design. An Analysis of Four States and Eight Municipalities in Argentina and Brazil. APSA, Chicago

Protección social en múltiples niveles territoriales.Políticas de transferencia y de salud en Argentina y Brasil. Sociedad Argentina de Análisis Político, Entre Rios

How Our Measure Compares.Validation of the Regional Authority Index
Arjan Schakel, Gary Marks, and Sarah Sahir-Rosenfield. Conference of Europeanists, Amsterdam

Social Policy Performance in Multi-level Contexts: The Cases of Brazil and Argentina. LASA, Washington D.C.

2012

Protección Social en Países Descentralizados. Los Casos de Argentina y Brasil
Congreso Uruguayo de Ciencia Política, Montevideo

Regional Authority in Latin America: Analysis of 27 Countries (1950-2010)
with Liesbet Hooghe, Gary Marks and Sandra Chapman Osterkatz. APSA, New Orleans

Social Protection on Multiple Levels. Non-Contributory Social Policies in Mendoza and San Luis. ISA Forum of Sociology, Buenos Aires

Regional Authority in Latin America with Sandra Chapman Osterkatz, Liesbet Hooghe and Gary Marks. Causes and Consequences of Multilevel Governance, Amsterdam

The changing nature of social protection in developing countries: Latin America, East Asia with Evelyne Huber. Transformations of the State, Chapel Hill

The Effect of Organized Civil Society Groups on Social Policy Reform. Pension and Health Reforms in Argentina and Brazil (1988-2008). APSA, Seattle

2011

Dualization in Argentina. Social Protection and Labor Markets, Chapel Hill

Trust in Government Institutions.The Dominican Republic and Haiti
with Alissandra Stoyan, Jonathan Hartlyn, Jana Morgan, Rosario Espinal. MPSA, Chicago

2010

Latin American Regional Authority Index with Sandra Chapman Osterkatz, Liesbet Hooghe and Gary Marks. Causes and Consequences of Multilevel Governance, Berlin

Social Protection in Argentina. Social Protection and Labor Markets: Latin America and Southern Europe Compared, Collegio Carlo Alberto, Torino

Social Spending in South American Democracies
North Carolina Political Science Association, North Carolina Central University, Durham

INVITED TALKS

2025

Speaker: Gathering for Change Gala
Institute for Social Transformation, University of California, Santa Cruz

2024

"Immigrants and the Welfare State in Latin America"
University of Bremen, Germany

"Immigrants and the Welfare State in Latin America: Barriers for Access"
GIGA German Institute of Global and Area Studies ILAS, Hamburg, Germany

2022

"Políticas sociales desiguales. Política subnacional en Brasil y Argentina"
Empanadas Lunch Seminar, World Bank Social Protection and Jobs (Virtual Presentation)

Gobernanza Multinivel y Análisis Subnacional. Mesa de cierre:
Política Subnacional en América Latina, Lima (Virtual Meeting)

The Pandemic Challenge to Inductive Research. Roundtable Participant
(REPAL), Buenos Aires, Argentina

Book presentation: "Uneven Social Policies"
Political Science Department, University of North Carolina, Charlotte (Virtual)

2021

"Inmigración y Política Social en América Latina: Argentina en Perspectiva Comparada" Seminario de Política, Universidad de los Andes (Virtual Presentation)

Book presentation: "Uneven Social Policies"
Social Protection and Jobs Seminar Series, Social Safety Nets GSG, World Bank Group (Virtual)

Book presentation: "Uneven Social Policies" Charlemos: The Story Behind Critical Research in Latin America, Latin American Studies Association, LASA 2021 (Virtual)

2020

Book presentation: "Uneven Social Policies"
Comparative Politics Colloquium, Department of Political Science, UC Berkeley (Virtual)

Book presentation: "Uneven Social Policies"
Latin American Working Group, Department of Political Science, MIT (Virtual Presentation)

Book presentation: "Uneven Social Policies"
Maestría de Política Social de la Universidad de Buenos Aires, Argentina (Virtual Presentation)

How Political Science Explains Countries' Reactions to COVID-19
(with A. Giraudy and J. Pribble), Charlemos: The Story Behind Critical Research in Lat. America
Hosted by the Political Institutions and Processes Section of LASA (Virtual Presentation)

"Democracies in the COVID-19 Crisis",
Kellogg Institute for International Studies (Virtual Panel)

Book presentation: "Uneven Social Policies"
Comparative Politics Colloquium, University of California, Berkeley (Cancelled due to Covid-19)

Book presentation: "Uneven Social Policies"
Bremen University, Germany (Cancelled due to Covid-19)

Book presentation: "Políticas sociales desiguales (Uneven Social Policies)"
Universidad Católica del Uruguay, Uruguay (Virtual Presentation)

Book presentation: "Políticas sociales desiguales (Uneven Social Policies)"
Pontificia Universidad Católica del Peru, Peru (Virtual Presentation)

2019

Book discussant: "Non-Policy Politics by E. Calvo and M. V. Murillo"
Universidad Torcuato di Tella, Departamento de Ciencia Política y Estudios Internacionales

Book presentation: "Uneven Social Policies"
Tulane University, Center for Inter-American Policy and Research (CIPR)

2018

Book presentation: "Uneven Social Policies"
UCSC, Latin American and Latino Studies Graduate Students' Colloquium

Guest lecture: "Neoliberalism and its Consequences "
UCSC, Introduction to Latin American and Latino Studies

Book presentation: "Políticas Sociales Desiguales "
UCSC, El Coloquio de Spanish Studies

Book presentation: "Políticas sociales desiguales (Uneven Social Policies)"
Universidad Torcuato di Tella, Departamento de Ciencia Política y Estudios Internacionales

"Implementación Desigual de Políticas Sociales en América Latina"
Universidad de San Andrés, Departamento de Ciencias Sociales

2017

"Uneven Social Policy Implementation"
Villanova University, Department of Political Science

2016

"Service Provision in Decentralized Contexts: Argentina and Brazil"
Brown University, Brown International Advanced Research Institutes (BIARI)

"Multilevel Social Policies and Politics in Latin America"
University of Miami, Department of Political Science

2015

"La Política y las Políticas a Nivel Subnacional: Reflexiones sobre Argentina y Brasil"
Universidad de Buenos Aires, Facultad de Ciencias Sociales

"Políticas Sociales en Argentina y Brasil: Con Etiquetas o sin Oposición"
Departamento de Ciencia Poltica y Estudios Internacionales, Universidad Torcuato di Tella

"Introduction to STATA" Escuela de Invierno de Métodos, Universidad Católica del Uruguay

2014

"Mixed-Methods Research Design for the Study of Social Policy Implementation in Argentina and Brazil"Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Center for Health Policy, UNM

2013

"Social Policy Implementation, Federalism, and Partisan Alignments"
Department of Political Science, Marquette University

Social Protection across Multiple Levels of Governance. Non-contributory Cash Transfers and Healthcare in Argentina and Brazil Uhlman Seminar, UNC-CH

2012

"Ciclos de Debates: Sistemas de Proteção social no Brasil e na Argentina"
Núcleo de Estudos e Pesquisas em Politica Social, Brasília

"Proteção social em países descentralizados. Os casos de Argentina e Brasil"
Pontifícia Universidade Católica do Rio Grande do Sul, Porto Alegre

Guest Lecturer UNC Kenan-Flagler Business School. Prof. David Hartzell

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of California, Santa Cruz - Instructor

Latin American Politics (Graduate)	*2020*
Foundations and Frontiers in Comparative Politics (Graduate)	*2022*
Latin American Politics (Undergraduate)	*2018-*
Doing Research (Qualitative Methodology, Undergraduate)	*2019-2022*
The Politics of Social Policies (Undergraduate)	*2018-*
Senior Seminar on Latin American Social Policy (Undergraduate)	*2018-2023*

University of New Mexico - Instructor

Political Development in Latin America (Undergraduate)	*2015, 2016, 2017*
Comparative Politics (Undergraduate)	*2016, 2017*
Latin America's Big Three: The Politics of Argentina, Brazil, and Mexico (Undergraduate)	*2016*
Comparative Welfare States (Graduate)	*2015*
Pro-Seminar in Latin American Politics (Graduate)	*2014, 2016*

LANGUAGES

Spanish: Native
English: Near Native
Portuguese: Advanced
Italian: Intermediate
Japanese: Basic. Intensive Course in Keio University, Tokyo (Spring 2004)

SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

Co-organizer, Bay Area Workshop in Empirical Comparative Politics (2025-Present)
Co-Founder and co-organizer, Southwest Workshop on Mixed-Methods Research (2015-2022)
Co-Director, Red Latinoamericana de Análisis de Política Social (2018-Present)
Series Co-editor, Latin American Political Economy, Palgrave Macmillan (2020-Present)
Member, Steering Committee, Red para el Estudio de la Economía Política de Am. Lat. (REPAL) (2023-Present)
Editorial Board Member, Journal of European Social Policy (2025-Present)
Editorial Board Member, International Political Science Review (2023-Present)
Editorial Board Member, Latin American Politics and Society (2022-Present)
Editorial Board Member, Revista de Ciencia Política (2021-)
Council Member, American Political Science Association Federalism Section (2021-)
At-large member, Qualitative and Mixed Methods Research section, American Political Science Association (2023-2025)
Mentor, APSA Mentoring Program (2024)
Chair, Martha Derthick book award, APSA Federalism and Intergovernmental Relations section (2024)
Chair, Clarence Stone Scholar Award, APSA Urban and Local Politics Section (2024)
Committee Member, William Anderson Award Committee, Best dissertation in federalism or intergovernmental relations, APSA (2023)
Chair, APSA qualitative and multi-method section (2020)
Reviewer, Fulbright Argentina Political Science M.A. and PhD Scholarship (2020)
Committee Member, Best Book and Article Award, Asociación Uruguaya de Ciencia Política (AUCiP) (2019)
Co-Chair, LASA Section on Subnational Politics & Society (2016-2018)
Committee Member, REPAL Annual Conference Best Paper Prize (2016)

SERVICE TO UCSC

Service to the University of California, Santa Cruz
Board Member, UCSC Institute for Social Transformation (2024-)
Chair, Divisional Committee on Academic Personnel (DivCap) (2022-2023)
Member, Blum Center Advisory Board (2018-Present)
Member, Dolores Huerta Advisory Board (2022-Present)
Reviewer, Hellman Fellows Program (2024)
Reviewer, Deans' and Chancellor's Undergraduate Research Awards (2023)
Reviewer, UCDC Program (2017-2022)
Faculty Fellow, Merrill College (2021-Present)

Politics Department, University of California, Santa Cruz
Member, Colloquium Committee (2019-Present)
Organizer, IR/Comparative Working Group (2018-2019)
Member, Undergraduate Committee (2017-Present)

Member, Undergraduate Awards Committee (2017-2020)

Advising - Doctoral Students

- Tasca, Tiago (in progress). Chair Dissertation Committee
- Gallagher, Nick (in progress). Chair Dissertation Committee
- Edenhofer, Nathan (in progress). Committee Member
- Vitale, Lucia (in progress). Committee Member
- Miller, Kayd (in progress). Committee Member
- Ocampo, Tomas (in progress). Committee Member
- Martinez, Adan (in progress). Committee Member, UC Berkeley
- Kinzel, Ian (in progress). Committee Member, UC Riverside
- Carvalho, Juliana (Fall 2025). Adviser, Doutorado Sanduiche
- Ganis, Alberto (2024). "Explaining cross-regional variation in territorial governance: the case of the Italian regions", UCSC. Accepted a tenure-track position in Cal Poly
- Brumat, Leiza (2022-2023). Advisory Board Member for the Project "Policy Implementation in Global South Regionalism", Institute for Minority Rights of Eurac Research, Bolzano
- Vera-Adrianzen, Fiorella (2015-2022): Reparative Justice in Peru. Committee Member, University of New Mexico
- Prieto, Juan Diego (2019): "Nudging the State: Economic Hotspots, Societal Coalitions, and State Territorial Reach in Colombia". (Politics Department, UC Santa Cruz, Commitee Member). Accepted a position in SUNY Cortland.
- Proctor, Kimberly (2016): "Becoming Gay: The Formation and Meaning of LGBT Political Identity". Political Science Department, University of New Mexico, Committee Member

REVIEWER

Cambridge University Press (Book Reviewer)
Oxford University Press (Book Reviewer)
American Political Science Review
American Journal of Political Science
The Journal of Politics
Comparative Politics
Comparative Political Studies
British Journal of Political Science
State Politics and Policy Quarterly
Latin American Politics and Society
Political Research Quarterly
Publius: The Journal of Federalism
Studies in Comparative International Development
European Journal of Political Research
Perspectives on Politics
Policy Studies Journal
Public Choice
Qualitative and Multi-Method Research

World Development
Journal of Latin American Studies
Global Social Policy
Social Policy and Administration
Latin American Research Review
Policy and Society
Revista de Ciencia Política
Journal of Social Policy
Democratization
Journal of Comparative Policy Analysis
Journal of Policy History
Public Finance Review
Critical Reviews on Latin American Research
Colombia Internacional
Bulletin of Latin American Research
Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Politics
The Latin Americanist
Routledge
Centro de Investigación y Estudios Políticos (UCR)
Journal of Immigrant and Refugee Studies

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Political Science Association (APSA)
Latin American Studies Association (LASA)
International Sociological Association (ISA, RC19)
Red para el Estudio de la Economía Política de Amrica Latina (REPAL)
Southwest Workshop of Mixed Methods Research (SWMMR)