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EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

- HARVARD UNIVERSITY–Cambridge, Massachusetts
Institute for Quantitative Social Science
Visiting Scholar: 2006
- UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA-Gainesville, Florida
Doctor of Philosophy: Political Science
Major Field: Comparative Politics
Dissertation: *The Democratic Arbiter: The Role of the Judiciary in the Democratic Consolidation Process in Nicaragua and Costa Rica.*
Completion Date: December 2003
- UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA-Gainesville, Florida
Master of Arts: Latin American Studies
Thesis: *The Democratic Arbitrator: The Judiciary as a Political Institution in the Transition to Consolidated Democracy in Nicaragua*
Completion Date: June 1998
- GEORGIA COLLEGE-Milledgeville, Georgia
Bachelor of Arts: Spanish
Completion Date: June 1996
- MERCER UNIVERSITY-Macon, Georgia
Bachelor of Arts: Political Science
Completion Date: June 1982

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- American Political Science Association, Washington DC
- Comparative Section of American Political Science Association, Washington, DC
- Comparative Democratization Section of American Political Science Association, Washington, DC
- Political Methodology Section of American Political Science Association, Washington, DC
- Law and Courts Section of American Political Science Association, Washington, DC
- Latin American Studies Association, Pittsburgh PA

- International Studies Association, Denton TX
- Southern Political Science Association, Columbia SC
- Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago IL
- Member Editorial Board of *Political Analysis* for 2008 to 2010
- Member Editorial Board of *University of South Carolina Press's International Studies Series*

PUBLICATIONS

Articles

- “Delegative Democratic Attitudes and Institutional Support in Central America,” forthcoming *Comparative Politics*.
- “Institutional Viability and High Courts: A Comparative Analysis,” with Kirill M. Bumin and Kirk Randazzo, forthcoming *Australian Journal of Political Science*.
- “Elections as Focusing Events: Attitudes toward the Police and the Government in Comparative Perspective,” with Richard Waterman, University of Kentucky, *Law and Society Review*, 42(2), 2008.
- “Gender and Attitudes toward Justice System Equality in Central America,” *Latin American Research Review*, 43(2), 2008.
- “The Nicaraguan Constitutional Experience: Process, Conflict, Contradictions, and Change,” coauthored with Philip J. Williams (University of Florida) in *Framing the State in Times of Transition: A Comparative Study of the Constitution Making Process*, Washington: United States Institute for Peace, 2008.
- “Bridging Qualitative and Quantitative Approaches in Political Science: Elicited Priors for Bayesian Model Specifications,” coauthored with Jeff Gill (UC-Davis), *Journal of Politics* 67(3), 2005.
- “The Ballot as a Party System Switch: The Role of the Australian Ballot in Party System Change and Development in the United States,” *Party Politics* Volume 11(2), 2005.

Encyclopedia Articles

- “Statistical Significance,” in *Encyclopedia of Political Science*, Bertrand Badie, Dirk Berg-Schlosser and Leonardo Morlino, (Executive Editors), New York: Sage, forthcoming.
- “Hypothesis Tests and Proofs,” in *Encyclopedia of Social Measurement*, J. Scott Bentley, (Executive Editor). San Diego: Academic Press, 2004.

Invited Book Reviews

- Book Review: Hilbink, L. (2007). *Judges beyond Politics in Democracy and Dictatorship: Lessons from Chile*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. In *Comparative Political Studies*, forthcoming.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

- “Gubernatorial Elections and Attitudes Toward the Police: State Elections as Focusing Events” with Richard Waterman, University of Kentucky, Revise and Resubmit at *Electoral Studies*.
- “Explaining the Gender Gap in Support for Democracy: Evidence from Ecuador, El Salvador and Nicaragua,” under review by *World Politics*.
- *Blinding Justice in Latin America: Consolidating Criminal Justice and Public Opinion in Nicaragua, El Salvador, and Costa Rica*, to be reviewed by University of Michigan Press.
- “Descriptive Representation and Political Participation: A New Look at Individual, Aggregate and Multi-Level Explanations,” with Kenny Whitby, University of South Carolina; Chris Zorn, Penn State University; and Todd Shaw, University of South Carolina, prepared for the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, August 2008.
- “Beyond Reducing Nonresponse Bias: Modeling Nonresponse in Survey Research,” with Skyler Cramner, Harvard University.
- “Measuring Regime Preference in Latin America: Exposure to and Acceptance of the Democratic Ideal,” with Skyler Cramner, Harvard University
- “Judicial Separation and Legitimacy in Latin American Presidential Democracies.”
- “Modeling Item Non-Response as a Measure of Cross-National Response Intensity toward the Democratic State.”
- “Bayesian Approaches to Multiple Comparison of Right-skewed Data.”
- “Regime Preference, Separation of Powers and Judicial Legitimacy in Latin American.”

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- “Descriptive Representation and Political Participation: A New Look at Individual, Aggregate and Multi-Level Explanations,” with Kenny Whitby, University of South Carolina; Chris Zorn, Penn State University; and Todd Shaw, University of South Carolina, 2008 American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Boston, MA. August 28-31, 2008.
- “Measuring Regime Preference in Latin America: Exposure to and Acceptance of the Democratic Ideal,” with Skyler Cramner, Harvard University, accepted for presentation at Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, April 2008.
- “Gender and Attitudes toward Criminal Justice Equality in Central America,” paper prepared for presentation at the LASA 2007 Congress, Montreal, Canada. September 2007
- “Beyond Reducing Nonresponse Bias: Modeling Nonresponse in Survey Research,” with Skyler Cramner, Harvard University, paper presented at Society for Political Methodology Summer Meeting, Penn State University, July 2007.

- “Gender, Ideology and Corruption: Explaining Attitudes toward Judicial Separation in Latin America,” paper prepared for presentation at the 2007 Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL. April 2007
- “Separation of Powers, Judicial Legitimacy, and Regime Preference in Latin American,” 2006 American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA. August-September 2006.
- “Separation of Powers and Judicial Legitimacy in Latin American Presidential Democracies,” Midwest Political Science Association Meeting, April 2006.
- “Whom to serve and protect?: Attitudes toward the police and the government in comparative perspective,” with Richard Waterman, University of Kentucky, Midwest Political Science Association Meeting, April 2006.
- “Institutional Viability and High Courts: A Comparative Analysis,” with Kirill M. Bumín and Kirk Randazzo, University of Kentucky, Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, April, 2005.
- “The Legitimacy of Consolidating Judiciaries in Latin America: Survey Evidence from Chile, Costa Rica, and Mexico,” with Charles Davis, University of Kentucky, paper presented at the Southwestern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, March, 2005.
- “Democratization in Central America: Civil Society, the Judiciary and the Rule of Law in Nicaragua and Costa Rica,” presented at Latin American Studies Association Annual Meeting, October 2004.
- “The Justice System, Ideology, and Social Change in the Consolidation of Democracy: Evidence from Nicaragua and Costa Rica,” presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, April 2004.
- “The Rule of Law, The Judicial Institution, and Public Perception in the Transition to Consolidated Democracy: Democratization Research in Nicaragua and Costa Rica,” presented at Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, April 2003.
- “The Nicaraguan Constitutional Experience: Process, Conflict, Contradictions, and Change,” presented at Project on Constitution Making, Peace Building, and National Reconciliation (United States Institute of Peace), with Philip J. Williams (University of Florida), October, 2002.
- “The Australian Ballot as a Party System Switch: The Role of the Ballot in Party System Change and Development in the United States,” Poster presented at the Political Methodology Conference at Emory University (Atlanta, GA), 2001.
- “An Exploration into the Origin of Congressional Careerism,” presented at the Georgia Political Science Association Conference (Hilton Head, SC), 2001.
- “An Institutional Analysis of Cross-National Voter Turnout in Categorical Format,” presented at the Georgia Political Science Association Conference (Hilton Head, SC), 2000.
- “The Nicaraguan Judicial Structure and Its Reflection in Nicaraguan Public Opinion,” presented at the Institute of Latin American Studies Student Association Conference (University of Texas-Austin), 1999.

OTHER CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

- Discussant–Panel: “Judicial Power in Comparative Context,” Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting–Chicago, April, 2008.
- Discussant–Panel: “Judicial Politics and Democratic Development,” American Political Science Association Annual Meeting–Chicago, August–September 2007.
- Discussant–Panel: “Comparative Courts,” American Political Science Association Annual Meeting–Chicago, August–September 2007.
- Chair–Panel: “Migrants/Diasporas and Domestic Politics,” American Political Science Association Annual Meeting–Chicago, August–September 2007.
- Commentator–Roundtable Discussion: “Issues in the Study of Comparative Judicial Politics,” 2007 Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, January 2007.
- Discussant–Panel: “Foreign Courts,” Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, April 2006.
- Chair–Panel: “European Union Expansion,” Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, April 2005.
- Discussant–Panel: “Defining and Defending Human Rights,” Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, April 2005.
- Discussant–Roundtable Discussion of State of Democracy in Central America, Latin American Studies Association Annual Meeting, October 2004.
- Discussant–Panel: “Choice Models,” Political Methodology Section, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, April 2004.
- Discussant–Panel: Poster Session, Comparative Politics Section, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, April 2003.
- Discussant–Panel: “Bayes,” American Political Science Association Annual Meeting–Boston, August 2002.
- Commentator–“Fourth Annual Conference on Legal and Policy Issues in the Americas,” sponsored by University of Florida Levin College of Law and University of Florida Center for Latin American Studies, April 2003.

INVITED TALKS

- “Modeling Regime Preference in Latin America: Exposure to and Acceptance of the Liberal Democratic Ideal,” University of Pittsburgh, March 2008.
- “The Shadow of the Presidency: Explaining Judicial Legitimacy in Latin America,” Department of Political Science, Washington University, St Louis, September 2005.
- “The Good, the Bad, and the Ugly of Linear Estimation: A Mixed Approach To Judicial Confidence In Latin American,” Inter-Consortium of Political and Social Research, University of Michigan, July 2005.
- “Haiti: History, Class, and Institutional Instability,” UNA Chapter of the Blue Grass and Patterson School of Diplomacy, University of Kentucky, April 2004.

- “Quantitative Methods in Social Science Research,” Board of Regents Summer Program, University of Florida, 1999.

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS

- NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION, LAW AND COURTS SECTION GRANT, “The Judiciary and Democratization: A Pilot Study in Four Countries,” (Amount = \$143,300), co-PI with Donald R. Songer, University of South Carolina.
- HARVARD UNIVERSITY-The Institute for Quantitative Social Science-Visiting Scholar Fellowship, January 2006-December 2006.
- UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY-Summer Faculty Research Fellowship, Summer, 2005
- UNIVERSITY OF KENTUCKY-Summer Faculty Research Fellowship, Summer, 2004
- UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA-McLaughlin Dissertation Fellowship, Spring, 2003
- UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN-Clifford Clogg Scholarship, Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) Summer Program, 2000.
- UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA-Dauer Foundation Grant (to attend ICPSR Summer Program 2000), 2000
- UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA-Graduate Minority Fellowship, 1996-1998
- UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA-Tinker Foundation Research Grant (Field research for MA thesis), 1997
- UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA-Board of Regents Program Scholarship, 1996
- GEORGIA COLLEGE-Department of Foreign Language Outstanding Major Award, 1996

PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

- ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF POLITICAL SCIENCE–University of South Carolina, August 2006-present
- INSTRUCTOR–Introduction to Statistics and Data Analysis I, ICPSR Summer Program, University of Michigan, Summer 2008
- ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF POLITICAL SCIENCE–University of Kentucky, August 2003-June 2006
- INSTRUCTOR–Regression II, ICPSR Summer Program, University of Michigan, Summer 2006, 2007
- TEACHING ASSISTANT-Longitudinal Data Analysis, ICPSR Summer Program, University of Michigan, Summer 2002
- INSTRUCTOR, University of Florida, Summer 2001, Fall 2001, Summer 2002.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Graduate Classes
 - Quantitative Techniques for Political Research
 - Democracy and Democratization
 - The Politics of Economic Development in Latin America
 - Mathematics for Political Scientists
 - Qualitative Methods in Political Science
- Undergraduate Classes
 - Introduction to Comparative Politics
 - Third World Politics and Culture
 - Comparative Judicial Politics
 - Latin American Politics
 - American Legal Culture
 - Politics of Developing Society

JOURNAL REVIEWER

- *Political Behavior*
- *American Journal of Political Science*
- *Journal of Politics*
- *Party Politics*
- *Political Research Quarterly*
- *Political Opinion Quarterly*
- *Political Analysis*
- *Comparative Political Studies*

FIELD RESEARCH

- San José, Cartago, and Limón, Costa Rica (Dissertation research), November 2002 to April 2003
- Managua, León, and Granada, Nicaragua, (Dissertation research), February 2002 to May 2002
- Managua and León, Nicaragua, (Master thesis research), June 1997 to August 1997

LANGUAGE FLUENCY

- English
- Spanish

REFERENCES

- Available upon request