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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Political Science, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill 2014
Major Field: Comparative Politics, Minor Field: Methodology

- [Dean's Distinguished Dissertation Award in Social Sciences](#) (2015)

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

Measuring Regional Authority with Liesbet Hooghe, Gary Marks, Arjan Schakel, Sandra Chapman Osterkat, and Sarah Shair-rosenfield. Oxford: Oxford University Press 2016

REFEREED ARTICLES

“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 Santiago 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 Alissandra Stoyan, Jana Morgan, Jonathan Hartlyn, and Rosario Espinal *International 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

“**Emerging Welfare States in Latin America and East Asia**” with Evelyne Huber In Stephan Leibfried et.al. eds. *The Oxford Handbook of Transformations of the State* 2015

“**El acceso al agua en Argentina**” with Fairstein *In Derecho al Agua* Spain: Prosalus 2008

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

“**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

“**Social Policies and Attribution of Responsibility in Argentina and Brazil**” *Panoramas* 2016

“**When Can Governments make Structural Reforms to their Health and Pension Systems?**” *Panoramas* 2014

“**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

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS

Multilevel Social Policies and Politics in Latin America (Book Manuscript Under Review)

“**Decentralization and Democratic Participation in Latin America**” with Alissandra Stoyan

“**Regional Authority in Latin America**” with Liesbet Hooghe, Gary Marks and Sandra Chapman

“**The Participatory Politics of Social Policies in Bolivia and Brazil**” with Santiago Anria.

“**Mixed-Methods in the Study of Welfare States**” with David Nunnally

“**The Turn to the Right and Social Policy in Argentina and Chile**” with Jennifer Pribble

GRANTS AND AWARDS

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

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

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)

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](#)

2013- [Dissertation Completion Fellowship](#), Graduate School, UNC-CH
2014

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- [ERC Grant# 249543 ‘Causes and Consequences of Multi-level Governance’](#)
2012

2011 [Off-campus Dissertation Research Fellowship](#), Graduate School UNC-CH

[Institute for Qualitative and Muti-Methods Research](#), Tuition Grant, Syracuse

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](#)

2010 [Graduate Tuition Incentive Scholarship](#), Graduate School, UNC-CH

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

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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, UNC-CH](#)

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, UNC-CH

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 Osterkat, 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

2016

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

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 Política 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 Política Social, Brasília

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

2010

“Argentina’s Contemporary History, Politics and Society”

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

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of New Mexico - Instructor

Political Development in Latin America (Undergraduate)	<i>2015, 2016</i>
Comparative Politics (Undergraduate)	<i>2016</i>
Latin America’s Big Three: The Politics of Argentina, Brazil, and Mexico (Undergraduate)	<i>2016</i>
Comparative Welfare States (Graduate)	<i>2015</i>
Pro-Seminar in Latin American Politics (Graduate)	<i>2014, 2016</i>

University of North Carolina - Teaching Assistant

Transatlantic Masters Program (Graduate)	<i>2013</i>
Introduction to Comparative Politics (Undergraduate)	<i>2013</i>
Contemporary Politics in Latin America (Undergraduate)	<i>2009-2011</i>

Universidad Torcuato di Tella - Teaching Assistant

Politics and Society in Latin America (Undergraduate)	<i>2005-2007</i>
Contemporary International Economic Problems in Asia Pacific (Undergraduate)	<i>2005-2006</i>

TEACHING INTERESTS

Comparative Politics	Qualitative and Mixed Methods
Latin American Politics	Introduction to Stata
Welfare States	Introduction to Statistics
Multilevel Governance	Time Series and Pooled Time Series

METHODS TRAINING

Ordinary Least Squares Regression
Time Series and Pooled-time Series Analysis
Maximum Likelihood Estimation
Game Theory
Qualitative Methods: Fuzzy Sets, field-research, comparative historical analysis, and process tracing
Statistical Packages & Applications: R, Stata, \LaTeX

LANGUAGES

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

SERVICE

Department of Political Science, University New Mexico

Member, Executive Committee (2016-2017)
Member, Comprehensive Exam Committee, Comparative Politics (2016)
Member, Comprehensive Exam Committee, Methods (2016)
Co-organizer, Southwest Workshop on Mixed-Methods Research (2015-2016)
Member, Committee of Studies for graduate students (2014-)
Member, Committee of Conference Ready Paper for graduate students (2014-)
Member, Dissertation Committee Kimberly Proctor (2015)

University of New Mexico

Member, University Press Committee (2015-)
Organizer, Speaker's Series Latin American and Iberian Institute (2016)
Member, Grants and Awards Committee at Latin American and Iberian Institute (2014-2015)
[Senior Fellow at Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Center for Health Policy](#) (2014-)
Member, Comprehensive Exam Committee, Latin American Studies (2015)
Coordinator of Diplomacy Lab Project on Economic Prosperity and Democracy (2014)

Service to the Profession

Co-Chair, LASA Section on Subnational Politics & Society (2016-2018)
Committee Member of REPAL Annual Conference Best Paper Prize (2016)
Member of Advisory Board: [mlgwatch](#) (2015-)
[Emerging Diversity Scholar at National Center for Institutional Diversity](#) at Univ. of Michigan (2014-)
Committee Member of Decentralization and Sub-National Governance section of LASA (2014-2015)
Comparative Politics Representative of the Political Science Department at UNC (2009-2010)

REVIEWER

The Journal of Politics	Studies in Comparative International Development
Comparative Politics	Revista de Ciencia Política
Comparative Political Studies	European Journal of Political Research
Latin American Politics and Society	Journal of Policy History
Publius: The Journal of Federalism	Public Finance Review
Policy Studies Journal	Critical Reviews on Latin American Research
Political Research Quarterly	The Latin Americanist
Public Choice	State Politics and Policy Quarterly

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Political Science Association (APSA)	Sociedad Argentina de Análisis Político (SAAP)
Latin American Studies Association (LASA)	Asociación Uruguaya de Ciencia Política (AUCiP)
International Sociological Association (ISA)	International Political Science Association (IPSA)