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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. University of California, Berkeley (Political Science, 2006)
- M.A. University of California, Berkeley (Economics, 2006; Political Science, 2002)
- M.A. Stanford University (Latin American Studies, 2000)
- B.A. Brown University (Independent/Politics, 1996, with highest honors).

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

University of California, Berkeley (July 2013-present)

Robson Professor of Political Science
Faculty Director, Center on the Politics of Development (CPD)
Head Graduate Advisor, Department of Political Science (July 2014-present)

Yale University (July 2006-June 2013)

Professor of Political Science (February 2013-June 2013)
Associate Professor of Political Science (July 2009-January 2013)
(With tenure, July 2010-February 2013; without tenure, July 2009-June 2010)
Assistant Professor of Political Science (July 2006-June 2009)
Co-Director, Leitner Program in Political Economy (July 2012-June 2013)
Fellow, MacMillan Center; Affiliated Faculty, Institution for Social and Policy Studies

RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

a. Books and Monographs

- 4. *Metaketa I: The Limits of Electoral Accountability*. Forthcoming. Cambridge University Press (with Guy Grossman, Macartan Humphreys, Susan Hyde, and Craig McIntosh).
- 3. *Brokers, Voters, and Clientelism: The Puzzle of Distributive Politics*. 2013. Cambridge University Press (with Susan Stokes, Marcelo Nazareno, and Valeria Brusco).

Awards for *Brokers, Voters, and Clientelism*: Luebbert Book Award for best book in comparative politics, Comparative Politics section of APSA (2014); Best Book Award, Comparative Democratization section of APSA (2014).

2. *Natural Experiments in the Social Sciences: A Design-Based Approach*. 2012. Cambridge University Press.

**Award for *Natural Experiments in the Social Sciences*: Best Book Award,
Experimental Research Section of the American Political Science Association**

1. *Crude Democracy: Natural Resource Wealth and Political Regimes*. 2008. Cambridge University Press.

Awards for *Crude Democracy*: Best Book Award, Comparative Democratization Section of APSA (2009); Gaddis Smith Prize, for the best first book on an international subject by a Yale faculty member (2009); Mancur Olson Award for the best dissertation in previous two years (Political Economy Section of APSA, 2008).

b. Articles (including journal articles and chapters in edited volumes)

25. “Decentralization and Ethnic Diversity.” In Jonathan Rodden and Erik Wibbels, eds. *Decentralization and Development in Practice: Assessing the Evidence*. Cambridge University Press, forthcoming.
24. “Contingency and Determinism in Research on Critical Junctures: Avoiding the ‘Inevitability Framework.’” *Qualitative and Multimethod Research*, Spring 2017: 41-47.
23. “Race, Resources, and Representation: Evidence from Brazilian Politicians.” 2017. *World Politics* (69) 1: 327-65 (with Natália S. Bueno).
22. “Transparency and Reproducibility in Multi-Method Research.” 2016. *Revista de Ciencia Política* 36 (3): 773-83 (with Fernando Rosenblatt).
21. “Transparency, Replication, and Cumulative Learning: What Experiments Alone Cannot Achieve.” 2016. *Annual Review of Political Science* 19: 541-63.
20. “Improving Process Tracing: The Case of Multi-Method Research.” 2014. In Andrew Bennett and Jeffrey Checkel, eds., *Process Tracing in the Social Sciences: From Metaphor to Analytic Tool*. Cambridge University Press.
19. “Ethnic Quotas and Political Mobilization: Caste, Parties, and Distribution in Indian Village Councils.” 2013. *American Political Science Review* 107 (1): 35-56 (with Janhavi Nilekani).
18. “Natural and Field Experiments in the Study of Latin American Politics.” 2012. In Peter Kingstone and Deborah Yashar, eds., *Routledge Handbook of Latin American Politics*. Routledge (Taylor & Francis).

17. "Fighting and Voting: Violent Conflict and Electoral Politics." 2011. *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, 55 (3): 327 – 339.
16. "Instrumental Variables." 2011. In Bertrand Badie, Dirk Berg-Schlosser, Leonardo Morlino, eds., *International Encyclopedia of Political Science*. Los Angeles: Sage.
15. "Cross-Cutting Cleavages and Ethnic Voting: An Experimental Study of Cousinage in Mali." 2010. *American Political Science Review* 104 (1): 21-39 (with Lauren Harrison).

Award for "Cross-Cutting Cleavages": Runner-Up—Best Published Paper on African Politics, African Politics Conference Group of APSA/MPSA/ISA/ASA
14. "Endogenous Oil Rents." 2010. *Comparative Political Studies*. 43 (3): 379-410.
13. "Design-Based Inference: Beyond the Pitfalls of Regression Analysis?" 2010. In Henry E. Brady and David Collier, eds., *Rethinking Social Inquiry: Diverse Tools, Shared Standards*. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield, 2nd edition.
12. "Direct Action and Associational Participation: Problem-Solving Repertoires of Individuals." 2009. In Ruth Berins Collier and Samuel Handlin, eds., *Reorganizing Popular Politics: Participation and the New Interest Regime in Latin America*. University Park, PA: Penn State University Press.
11. "Model Specification in Instrumental-Variables Regression." 2008. *Political Analysis* 16 (3): 290-302.
10. "Improving Causal Inference: Strengths and Limitations of Natural Experiments." 2008. *Political Research Quarterly* 61 (2): 282-293.
9. "Natural and Field Experiments: The Role of Qualitative Methods." 2008. *Qualitative Methods* 6 (2).
8. "Modeling Selection Effects." 2007. William Outhwaite and Stephen P. Turner, eds., *The SAGE Handbook of Social Science Methodology*. London: Sage Publications (with David Freedman).
7. "The Role of Iteration in Multi-Method Research." 2007. *Qualitative Methods* 5 (1).
6. "Resource Dependence, Economic Performance, and Political Stability." 2005. *Journal of Conflict Resolution* 49 (4): 451-482.
5. "Classic Questions, New Contexts: Development in an Era of Bits and Bytes." 2005. *Studies in Comparative International Development* 40 (2): 3-8 (with Taylor Boas).

4. "Will the Digital Revolution Revolutionize Development? Drawing Together the Debate." 2005. *Studies in Comparative International Development* 40 (2): 95-110 (with Taylor Boas and Jennifer Bussell).
3. "Conditioning the Effects of Aid: Cold War Politics, Donor Credibility, and Democracy in Africa." 2004. *International Organization*, 58 (2): 409-423.
2. "From Transplants to Hybrids: Exploring Institutional Pathways to Growth." 2004. *Studies in Comparative International Development*, 38 (4) (with Grigore Pop-Eleches).
1. "Oil and the Political Economy of Conflict in Colombia and Beyond: A linkages approach." 2004. *Geopolitics*, 9 (1) (with Leslie Wirpsa).

c. Reviews:

4. "Review of Jared Diamond and James Robinson, eds., *Natural Experiments of History*." 2011. *Perspectives on Politics* 9: 201-2.
3. "Review of James Habyarimana, Macartan Humphreys, Daniel N. Posner, and Jeremy M. Weinstein, *Coethnicity: Diversity and the Dilemmas of Collective Action*." 2011. *Political Science Quarterly*. 126 (1): 161-3.
2. "Comment on Daniel Lederman and William F. Maloney, 'In Search of the Missing Resource Curse.'" 2009. *Economía* 9 (1).
1. "Review of John Gerring, *Case Study Research: Principles and Practices*, Cambridge University Press." 2008. In *The Journal of Politics*, 70 (1): 282-83.

d. Other (including work in progress):

7. *Information and Political Accountability: A New Method for Cumulative Learning*. Book project under contract with Cambridge University Press (with Guy Grossman, Macartan Humphreys, Susan Hyde, and Craig McIntosh).
6. "Do Quotas Promote Ethnic Solidarity? Field and Natural Experimental Evidence from India" (with Jennifer Bussell).
5. "Is Paying Taxes Habit-Forming? Evidence from a Tax Holiday Lottery in Uruguay" (with Felipe Monestier, Rafael Piñeiro, Fernando Rosenblatt, and Guadalupe Tuñón)
4. "Good Goals, Major Problems, Better Options: The Set-Theoretic Comparative Method." (with David Collier and Henry Brady).
3. "The Politics of Language, Race, and Class: Experimental Evidence from South Africa."

2. “Does Blocking Reduce Attrition Bias?” 2011. Newsletter of the Experimental Section of the American Political Science Association, May 2011.
1. “Impact Evaluation,” chapter for USAID decentralization handbook (2008)

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

- David Collier Mid-Career Achievement Award (2015), Qualitative and Multi-Method Section, American Political Science Association
- Luebbert Book Award (2014), for *Brokers, Voters, and Clientelism*.
Comparative Politics Section of the American Political Science Association.
- Best Book Award (2014), for *Brokers, Voters, and Clientelism*.
Comparative Democratization Section of the American Political Science Association.
- Best Book Award (2013), *Natural Experiments in the Social Sciences*
Experimental Research Section of the American Political Science Association
- Runner-Up, Award for Best Paper Published on African Politics in 2010, African Politics Conference Group of the APSA/MPSA/ISA/ASA (with Lauren Harrison)
- Honorable Mention, Best Paper Award, for best paper presented at the previous APSA meetings, Comparative Democratization Section (with Susan Stokes) (2011)
- Best Book Award (2009), *Crude Democracy*
Comparative Democratization Section, American Political Science Association
- Gaddis Smith International Book Prize (2009)
Awarded by the MacMillan Center for the best first book on an international topic by a member of the Yale faculty
- Mancur Olson Award (2008)
Given by the Political Economy Section of American Political Science Association for the best dissertation in political economy in previous two years
- Peter Odegard Memorial Award (2005)
Given annually to three graduate students in Political Science at UC Berkeley who are judged to display outstanding scholarly promise
- Allan Sharlin Memorial Fellowship, IIS, UC Berkeley (2004-2005)
- Reinhard Bendix Memorial Research Fellowship, IIS, UC Berkeley (2004-2005)
- John L. Simpson Memorial Research Fellowship, IIS, UC Berkeley (2004-2005)
- Political Science Training Fellowship in Formal Modeling, UC Berkeley (2002-2003)
- Chancellor’s Research Grant, UC Berkeley (Summer 2003)
- Political Science Departmental Fellowship, UC Berkeley (2001-02)
- Foreign Language and Areas Studies (FLAS) fellowship, Stanford (1999-2000)
Awarded by the Center for Latin American Studies to study Portuguese.

EXTERNAL GRANTS

- Principal Investigator for EGAP Metaketa Initiative (2013-2017), Center on the Politics of Development, UC Berkeley (anonymous donor) Total Award: \$1,950,000.00.
- Funding for “Engendering Compliance: Evaluating and Improving a Randomized Tax Holiday Policy in Uruguay” (2013-2016), J-PAL Governance Initiative (with Felipe Monestier, Rafael Piñeiro, Fernando Rosenblatt, and Guadalupe Tuñón) Total Award: \$295,225.00.

TEACHING

University of California, Berkeley

Department of Political Science

As Professor:

Politics of Developing Countries (research seminar)—PSLSC 292 (2015-2017)

Quantitative Methods and Research Design—PLSC 231b (Spring 2015, 2016, 2017)

Research and Writing—PLSC 290 (2014-15, 2015-26)

Major Themes in Comparative Analysis—PLSC 200a (Fall 2016), 200b (Spring 2015)

Comparative Politics Colloquium—PLSC 292AS

Pedagogy and Professional Development—PLSC 375 (Fall 2014, Fall 2015)

As Graduate Student Instructor for Professor David Collier:

Method in Comparative Analysis—PLSC 163B (Spring 2004)

- Received Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award, received by approximately 10 percent of Graduate Student Instructors at Berkeley

Department of Statistics

As Graduate Student Instructor for Professor David Freedman:

Linear Modeling: Theory and Applications—STAT 151A (Fall 2004)

- Nominated by Statistics Department for Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award

Statistical Inferences for the Social and Life Sciences—STAT 131A (Fall 2003)

Yale University

Department of Political Science

Graduate:

Quantitative Methods (Linear Models/Causal Inference) (Spring 2010, 2013)

Research & Writing (Fall 2012-Spring 2013)

Quantitative Methods (Research Design/Causal Inference) (Spring 2012)

Comparative Politics I (Fall 2011)

Formal Models of Comparative Politics (Spring 2007, Fall 2009, Spring 2012)

Undergraduate:

Cause and Effect: Research Design in the Social Sciences (Fall 2012)

Democracy and Development (Fall 2008)

Senior Seminar in International Studies (Spring 2007-Fall 2008)

Researching Ethnic Politics (Spring 2007)

Ethnic Politics in Comparative Perspective (Fall 2006)

Additional teaching

Institute on Qualitative Research Methods, Arizona State and Syracuse University

Faculty member; led one- or two-day annual courses on natural experiments, multi-method research, and other topics (2005-2015).

University of Copenhagen

Taught course on research design and quantitative methods to political science Ph.D. students (July 2015)

Mixed-Method Summer Research Institute, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile

Faculty member; taught course on natural experiments (January 2013)

American Political Science Association (APSA)

Taught short courses on natural experiments and research design at the annual meetings of APSA (2005-2011).

USAID Democracy and Governance Officers Workshop

Taught workshop on impact evaluation methods, including randomized trials, to 75 Democracy and Governance officers at USAID, Washington, D.C. (June 9-10, 2008, co-taught with Devra Moehler).

Hydrocarbon Executive Education Program, IESA, Caracas, Venezuela

Lectured on the politics of natural resource wealth (August 2005).

UNIVERSITY AND DEPARTMENT SERVICE

Doctoral Committees, Berkeley (Advisee, year of Ph.D., *=chair):

Natalia Garbiras Dias, 2020 (anticipated)*

Chris Carter, 2019 (anticipated)*

Guadalupe Tuñón, 2018 (anticipated) *

Mathias Poertner, 2018 (anticipated)* (co-chair)

Danny Donghun Choi, 2018 (anticipated)

Rahul Verma, 2018 (anticipated)

Lucas Novaes, 2016

Andrew Bertolli, 2016

Pre-candidacy Ph.D. advisees, Berkeley (date of program entry)

Anna Callis (2015)

Anirvan Chowdhury (2015)

Carlos Schmidt-Padilla (2015)

Doctoral Committees, Yale (Advisee, year of Ph.D., current placement; *=chair):

Natalia Bueno, 2017 (anticipated), Emory University*

Nikhar Gaikwad, 2017 (anticipated), Columbia University

Steve Rosenzweig, 2017, Boston University*

Pia Raffler, 2017, Harvard University*

Germán Feierherd, 2016, Yale University (post-doc)*

Jason Stearns, 2016 (anticipated)

Michael Weaver, 2016 (anticipated)

Luis Schiumerini, 2015, Notre Dame (post-doc)*

Malte Lierl, 2015, Yale University (post-doc)*

Selim Erdem Aytac, 2015, Koç University, Istanbul, Turkey

Rebecca Nielsen, 2015 (co-chair), Bush School, Texas A&M (visiting lecturer)*

Sarah Pallas, 2015 (School of Public Health, Yale)

Erica De Bruin, 2014, Hamilton College

Cameron Ballard-Rosa, 2014, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

Madhavi Devasher, 2014, University of New Hampshire
Brian Fried, 2013, Brandeis University (post-doc)
Calvert Jones, 2013, University of Maryland, College Park
Juan Rebolledo, 2012, Ministry of Finance, Mexico
Rory Truex, 2014, Princeton University*
Sheree Bennett, M.A. 2009, International Refugee Committee
Edwin Camp, 2012, Vanderbilt/Dartmouth (post-docs)
Allison (Sovey) Carnegie, 2012, Columbia University
Xiaobo Lu, 2011, University of Texas-Austin

University Committees and Service (University of California, Berkeley)

Faculty Director and Founder, Center on the Politics of Development (July 2013-present)
Founded CPD to build programming and rigorous multi-method research on politics and political economy of developing countries. Through the CPD, led \$1.8 million EGAP “Metaketa” initiative designed to foster collaboration and cumulation in experimental research on information and political accountability.
Advisory Board member, Social Science Matrix (Spring 2015-present)
Member, Bernard Moses Memorial lectures committee (2014-2015)
Affiliated Faculty, Center for Effective Global Action (CEGA)

Departmental Committees and Service (University of California, Berkeley)

Head Graduate Advisor (Director of Graduate Studies) (Fall 2014-present)
Chair of tenure promotion committee (Fall 2016)
Chair of hiring committee, target of opportunity search (Spring-Fall 2015)
Chair of hiring committee, Comparative Politics/methods search (Fall 2015)
Graduate Studies Committee member (Fall 2014-present)
Member, graduate admissions committee (Winter/Spring 2017)
Department coordinator, Comparative Politics Colloquium (2014-2015)
Department coordinator, Institute for Qualitative and Multimethod Research (2014-present)

University Committees and Service (Yale University)

Co-Director, Leitner Program in Political Economy (with Giovanni Maggi, 2012-2013)
Co-Organizer, Leitner Seminar (with Alex Debs and Giovanni Maggi, 2012-2013)
Co-Organizer, Leitner Seminar (with Ken Scheve, 2011-2012)
Member, Human Subjects Committee (2011-2013)
Member, Course of Study Committee, Yale College (Fall 2011, Fall 2012)
Member, Advisory Committee, Center for the Study of Globalization (2012-2013)
Member, Dean’s Research Fellowship selection committee, Yale College (Spring 2012)
Member, MacMillan Center diss. and pre-diss. grant selection committee (Spring 2012)
Member, Advisory Council, Latin American and Iberian Studies Council (2010-2013)
Reader, Graduate Applications, International Relations M.A. program (2010, 2008)
Member, Search Committee for University Librarian (2009-2010)
Member, Committee on Majors, Yale College (2009-2010)
Director of Undergraduate Studies (DUS), International Studies major (2007-2008)
Member, Residential College Seminars Committee (2007-2008)
Member, Selection committee (South America), World Fellows program (2007-2008)

Member, Selection committee, Les Aspin Fellowship (2007-2008)
Member, Selection committee, Coca-Cola World Fund Fellowship (2007-2008)
Member, Selection committee, Tristan Perloth Prize (2007-2008)
Director of Undergraduate Studies, International Studies Major (2007-2008)

Departmental Committees and Service (Yale, Political Science)

Member, Omnibus Search Committee in American, IR, Methods (2012-2013)
Co-Organizer, Comparative Politics Workshop (with Tariq Thachil, 2011-2012)

Ph.D. Exam Committees:

Quantitative Methods (August 2012, Chair; January 2012)
Political Economy Exam Committee (August 2012, Chair; January 2012, Chair;
August 2011; January 2010, Chair; Fall 2007)
Formal Theory Exam Committee (Fall 2007, Fall 2010)
Comparative Politics (Spring 2007)

Member and diversity rep., South Asian Politics Junior Search Committee, (2009-2010)

Intermittent Attendee:

American Politics Workshop (2006-2011)
Comparative Politics Workshop (2006-2011)
ISPS Graduate Experiments Lunch (2007-2011)
International Relations Workshop (2006-2011)
ISPS Faculty Lunch Seminar (2006-2011)
Leitner Political Economy Seminar (2006-2011)
Order, Conflict, and Violence Workshop (2006-2011)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND OTHER EXPERIENCE

Chair-elect, Experimental Research Section, American Political Science Association
(effective August 2016)

Chair, inaugural Metaketa initiative, Evidence in Governance and Politics (EGAP) group
(coordinated experimental research on information and political accountability)

Founding Member and Member of Executive Committee, Evidence in Governance and
Politics (EGAP) network.

Editorial Board Member, Cambridge Studies in Comparative Politics series, Cambridge
University Press

Editorial Board Member, journals (past or present)

Comparative Political Studies, Comparative Political Economy eJournal, Political
Science Network (PSN) of the Social Science Research Network (SSRN), Journal of
Experimental Political Science

Discussant, Book-in-Progress Workshops

Rachel Brulé (NYU, November 2015); Rafaela Dancygier (Stanford, April 10, 2015);
Ken Scheve and David Stasavage (Berkeley, September 2014); Stephen Kaplan
(George Washington University, April 23, 2010); Kate Baldwin (University of Florida,
January 17, 2013); Gabi Kruks-Wisner (Harvard Academy for International and Area
Studies, September 28, 2013).

Conference Organizer

“Violence: Electoral Conflict in Comparative Perspective,” University of California,

Berkeley (February 2016, planned)

“Brokering Votes: Clientelism in Comparative Perspective,” University of California, Berkeley (February 2015)

“Fighting and Voting: Violent Conflict and Electoral Politics,” Yale University (May 2009)

Visiting Researcher

Department of Government, University of Texas at Austin, 2010-2011

Institute for Quantitative Social Science (IQSS), Harvard University, Fall 2009

Center for Energy and Environmental Studies, Instituto de Estudios Superiores de Administración (IESA), Caracas, Venezuela (April-August, 2005)

Prize Committee Member

Nominating Committee, APSA’s Qualitative and Multi-Method Research Section (2010, 2014)

Best Book Award, APSA’s Comparative Democratization Section (2010, 2012)

Journal Referee

American Economic Review, American Political Science Review, American Journal of Political Science, Comparative Political Studies, International Organization, The Journal of Conflict Resolution, Journal of Politics, Political Psychology, Political Research Quarterly, Studies in Comparative International Development, World Politics

Book referee

Cambridge University Press

Advisor/Consultant

Open Society Foundation (Transparency/Accountability Initiative) (August 2012)

Develop quality assurance templates for impact evaluations

USAID Outcome Lead Expert—Impact Evaluations (May 2012-present)

Advise USAID on evaluating the impact of development interventions

Formal Small-N Qualitative Methods Workshop (Booz Allen Hamilton)

Contributed memo on the use of qualitative methods (September 2011)

World Bank (wrote on the politics of natural resources for the flagship report on commodities of the Chief Economist for Latin America and Caribbean; and East Asia group)

Wrote chapter on Impact Evaluation for USAID decentralization handbook (2008)

Assisted in the selection of municipalities for USAID decentralization Assisted a committee of the National Academy of Sciences in making recommendations on improving USAID program evaluation, including advice on the introduction of randomized impact evaluations. Methodological consultant on a field visit to Peru, June 2007.

Assisted USAID programming and evaluation in Albania, with randomized assignment of treatment and control municipalities (2008)

Assisted the law firm of Morrison & Foerster and Professor Terry Karl, Stanford University, in preparation of expert testimony for *Romagoza et al v. Garcia and Vides Casanova* (2000-2002) (Salvadoran generals found liable for human rights abuses).

Editorial assistant, *Studies in Comparative International Development (SCID)*
UC Berkeley (2002-2005)

Coordinator, Positive Political Theory Seminar
Institute for Government Studies, UC Berkeley (2002-03)

ADDITIONAL EDUCATION

Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models (EITM)

University of California, Berkeley (June-July 2005). An NSF-funded project designed to improve the integration of theoretical models and empirical research in political science.

Institute on Qualitative Research Methods (IQRM)

Arizona State University (January 2004). A project of the Consortium on Qualitative Research Methods designed to improve qualitative research in political science.

Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR)

University of Michigan (Summer 2002). Summer program on statistical methods.

LANGUAGES

Fluent, research-level French, Spanish, and Portuguese. Some Mandarin Chinese.

INVITED TALKS AND CONFERENCES

- 2018 University of Pennsylvania, Comparative Politics Workshop (April 2018)
(planned) Columbia University, Comparative Politics Workshop (April 2018)
 Vanderbilt, Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions (April 2018)
- 2017 University of California, Los Angeles, Public Policy (June 2017)
 Yale University, Political Science methodology workshop (April 2017)
 Duke University, DevLab/Cambridge Series in Comp. Politics (April 2017)
 University of Virginia, Statistics/Quantitative Collaborative (March 2017)
 University of Michigan, Comparative/Political Economy (March 2017)
- 2016 Princeton University, Comparative Politics Workshop
 Harvard University, Comparative Politics Workshop
 University of California, Berkeley, Comparative Politics Workshop
- 2015 Indiana University, The Ostrom Workshop
 CIDE, "Política y Gobierno" series, Political Science, Mexico City
 Evidence in Governance and Politics (EGAP) conference
 University of California, Berkeley, Center for Latin American Studies
 Princeton Identity and Inequalities conference
 Harvard, Comparative Politics Speaker Series
 McGill University, Centre for the Study of Democratic Citizenship
 American Political Science Association conference
 University of Pennsylvania, Comparative Politics Workshop

- 2014 Berkeley Institute on Transparency in Social Sciences summer institute
Columbia University, CSDS Development Seminar
Stanford University, Comparative Politics Workshop
University of California, Berkeley, Comparative Politics Colloquium
University of Toronto, Political Science Department seminar
University of Rochester, Comparative Politics Workshop
University of Southern California, Department seminar
West Coast Experiments conference, Claremont Graduate University
American Political Science Association conference
- 2013 Massachusetts Institution of Technology, Political Science dept. seminar
University of California, Berkeley, Political Science dept. seminar
American Political Science Association conference
University of Chicago, Methodological Innovations series
Universidade de São Paulo, Political Science department seminar
- 2012 New York University, Political Economy Workshop
Harvard University, Latin American Politics Seminar
University of California, Berkeley, Political Science Department
University of British Columbia, Experiments in Development Workshop
Columbia University, Political Economy Seminar
Harvard University, Ruling Politics Conference
American Political Science Association conference
- 2011 Merton College, Univ. of Oxford, Redistributive Preferences Conference
University College, University of Oxford, Political Economy Seminar
London School of Economics, Political Economy Seminar
University of Essex, Political Economy Seminary
Indian Institute of Management-Bangalore/U. of Pittsburgh conference
American Political Science Association conference
Columbia University, Political Economy Seminar
Harvard University, Ruling Politics Conference
- 2010 University of Texas at Austin, Government Department
Columbia University, CSDS Development Seminar
University of Texas at Austin, LBJ School, Ph.D. Colloquium
Latin American Studies Association, Toronto, Canada
University of Michigan, Comparative Politics Workshop
American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C.
University of California San Diego, African Politics Seminar
University of California Los Angeles, Comparative Politics Workshop
Dartmouth, Comparative Democracy Series
Georgetown University, Comparative Politics Workshop
Harvard University, Harvard-MIT-Brown Seminar on South Asian Politics
Princeton University, Department of Politics

Princeton University, Center for the Study of Democratic Politics
New York University, CAPERS African Political Economy conference

- 2009 Kellogg Institute, University of Notre Dame
University of British Columbia, Political Science
American Political Science Association, Toronto, Canada
Sociedad Argentina de Análisis Político, Santa Fe, Argentina
Yale University, Political Methodology Society meetings
Yale University, "Fighting and Voting" conference
Yale University, Experiments in Governance and Politics (EGAP)
Princeton University, Faculty Colloquium in Comparative Politics
- 2008 Washington University in St. Louis, Political Economy Workshop
Stanford University, Comparative Politics Workshop
Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Comparative Politics Workshop
American Political Science Association meetings
Yale University, Economía meetings
Duke, Methodological Advances in Comparative Politics workshop
Columbia University, Comparative Politics Workshop
- 2007 Yale University, Conference on Venezuela
The University of Chicago, Comparative Politics Workshop
University of Rochester, Wallis Institute of Political Economy
Latin American Studies Association meetings
American Political Science Association meetings
Stanford, Center on Democracy, Development and the Rule of Law
Stanford University, Comparative Politics Workshop
Yale University, Council on Latin American Studies
Harvard University, Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies
Brown University, Colloquium on Comparative Research
Yale University, Comparative Politics Workshop
- 2006 American Political Science Association conference
- 2005 University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, political science department
New York University, political science department
Ohio State University, political science department
University of Chicago, political science department
Columbia University, political science department
Yale University, political science department
University of Virginia, political science department
American Political Science Association conference
Instituto de Estudios Superiores de Administración, Caracas, Venezuela
- 2003 Conference on Natural Resources and War, McGill University
Conference on civil conflict settlement, Santa Fe Institute, Bogotá, Colombia

International Political Science Association conference, Durban, South Africa

2002 International Studies Association conference, New Orleans, Louisiana

2001 UC Davis, Hemispheric Institute on the Americas
Latin American Studies Association meetings, Washington, D.C.