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Appointments

Assistant Professor of Political Science, University of Connecticut, 2012-
Affiliate Faculty, Institute of Latina/o, Caribbean and Latin American Studies, 2012-

Visiting Scholar, University of California, Berkeley, Center for Latin American Studies, 2011-2012

Education

Ph.D., Political Science, University of California, Berkeley, 2011
Committee: Ruth Collier and Alison Post (Co-Chairs), David Collier, Kent Eaton (UC Santa Cruz), and Isha Ray (Energy and Resources Group)
Fields: Comparative Politics, Latin America, and Research Methods

M.A., Political Science, University of California, Berkeley, 2005

B.A., Political Science, Swarthmore College, 2003 (High Honors)

Books

Forthcoming 2017. *Water and Politics: Clientelism and Reform in Urban Mexico*. Ann Arbor, Michigan: University of Michigan Press.

Peer Reviewed Articles

Forthcoming. "From Participatory Promises to Partisan Capture: Local Democratic Transitions and Citizen Water Boards in Mexico." *Comparative Politics*.

- *Winner of Best Paper Award, Urban Politics Section, American Political Science Association, 2014*

2014. (with Alison Post). "Can Developing Countries both Decentralize and Depoliticize Urban Water Services? Evaluating the Legacy of the 1990s Reform Wave." *World Development*. Volume 64 (December). pp. 621-641

2014. "Does Commercialization Undermine the Benefits of Decentralization for Local Services Provision? Evidence from Mexico's Urban Water and Sanitation Sector." *World Development*. Volume 56. (April). pp. 16-31

- *Selected for inclusion in the National Science Foundation funded "Qualitative Data Repository" pilot project on Active Citations, <https://qdr.syr.edu/discover/browse/QDR:10050>*

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Works in Progress

(with Kelly Delaney) “Triangulation for Qualitative Political Research: On Meaning, Measures, and Method (manuscript to be submitted for review)

“Social Networks and Environmental Action in Argentina and Colombia” (journal article, research ongoing)

“The Global Sewage Crisis and Collective Responses in the Global South” (journal article, research ongoing)

“The Politics of Pollution: Environmental Inequality and Collective Action in Latin American Cities” (book manuscript, research ongoing)

Other Publications

2014. Review of “Practical Authority: Agency and Institutional Change in Brazilian Water Politics” by Rebecca Neera Abers and Margaret E. Keck. *Latin American Politics and Society*. Summer. 56 (2)

2012. “When Decentralization Matters: Subnational, Municipal, and New Inter-tier Relations.” *Latin American Politics and Society*. 54 (2). 153-163. (review essay)

2008. (with Céline Kauffmann). “Analyses of Private Participation of the Water and Sanitation Sector in Select Latin American Countries,” 2008 OECD Working Paper, OECD Investment Division, Water Investment Project

2008. "New Actors, Old Problems: The Rise of Special Interests in Mexico," Center for Latin American Studies, UC Berkeley.

2007. “The Persistence of Peronism,” *Berkeley Review of Latin American Studies*. Center for Latin American Studies, UC Berkeley.

2005. “Fujimori’s Quiet Coup d’Etat and the Restoration of Peru’s Constitutional Court,” Center for Latin American Studies, UC Berkeley.

Fellowships and Awards

Career Enhancement Fellowship for Junior Faculty, Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation, 2016-2017

Humanities Institute Fellowship, University of Connecticut, 2016-2017 (declined)

Competitive Large Grant, Research Excellence Program, Office of the Vice President, UCONN, \$24,403, 2015-2016

SHARE Award (Social Sciences, Humanities and Arts Research Experience), UCONN, 2015

Best Paper Award, Urban Politics Section, American Political Science Association, 2014

Clarence Stone Early Career Award, Urban Politics Section, American Political Science Association, 2013

SSRC Dissertation Completion Grant, SSRC-Mellon Mays Graduate Initiatives Program, 2010

Finishing Year Fellowship, Political Science, UC Berkeley, 2010

Dean's Normative Time Fellowship, Political Science, UC Berkeley, 2009

Simpson Memorial Fellowship, Institute for International Studies, UC Berkeley, 2008

Dissertation Research Fellowship, UC Mexus, 2008

Fulbright Fellowship, Institute for International Education, Mexico, 2007-2008

Summer Grant, Graduate Division, UC Berkeley, 2007

Teaching Effectiveness Award, Graduate Division, 2007

Academic Progress Award, Graduate Division, UC Berkeley, 2007

Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor, Graduate Division, 2006

Summer Grant, National Science Foundation, 2005

Graduate Division First Year Fellowship, Political Science, UC Berkeley, 2004-2005

High Honors, Political Science, Swarthmore College, 2003

Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellow, Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, 2002-2003

Frances Reiner and Stephen Girard Lax Scholar, Swarthmore College, 2002

Professional Activities

Research Presentations

American Political Science Association: 2016, 2014, 2013, 2010, 2009
Latin American Studies Association: 2016, 2015, 2013, 2012, 2010, 2007
Midwest Political Science Association: 2010

Discussant

American Political Science Association: 2016, 2015

Invited Speaker or Presentation

Short Course, American Political Science Association, Drexel University, 2016
Author's Workshop, Ash Center, Harvard Kennedy School, 2016
Swiss Agency for Cooperation and Development, Political Economy Workshop, Lima, Peru, 2015
Short-Course, American Political Science Association, Woodrow Wilson Center, 2014
Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, Watson Institute, Brown University, 2013
Global Urban Studies Program, Michigan State University, 2013
Shanghai Jiao Tong University, Shanghai, China, 2012
Center for Latin American Studies, Stanford University, 2011
Comparative Politics Colloquium, University of California, Berkeley, 2010
Latin American Politics Lecture, University of California, Berkeley, 2009, 2006

Additional Experience

Field Research: Mexico (2007-2008, 2012), Argentina (2016), Colombia (2016)

Contributor to Qualitative Data Repository Pilot Project, Consortium for Qualitative and Multi-Methods Research, Maxwell School of Syracuse University (NSF Funded), 2013-2014

Research Consultant, OECD Water and Sanitation Investment Division, 2009

Professional Service

Reviewer

Canadian Journal of Latin American and Caribbean Studies, Comparative Politics, Journal of East Asian Studies, Journal of Human Rights, National Science Foundation, Latin American Politics & Society, Utilities Policy, World Development

Qualitative Transparency Deliberations Committee Working Group Member on Text Based Sources, American Political Science Association's Qualitative and Multi-Method Research Section (NSF Funded), 2016

Best Paper Award Selection Committee, Political Institutions, Latin American Studies Association, 2016

Nominating Committee for Executive Council, Urban Politics Section, American Political Science Association, 2016

Chair, Best Paper Award Selection Committee, Urban Politics Section, American Political Science Association, 2015

Panel Organizer

American Political Science Association: 2014, 2013
Latin American Studies Association: 2015, 2013

UCONN

Elected Member, Department Executive Committee, Department of Political Science (2015-2016, 2014-2015)

Member, Political Science Comparative Politics Search Committee (2015)

Member, Political Science Colloquium Committee (2012-2015)

Affiliate Advisory Board, El Instituto: Institute of Latina/o, Caribbean and Latin American Studies (2015-2017)

Member

American Political Science Association

Section Membership: Comparative Politics, Urban Politics, Qualitative and Multi-Methods, Science, Environment & Technology

Latin American Studies Association

Section Membership: Political Institutions, Subnational Politics and Society, Environment