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EMPLOYMENT Tulane University, New Orleans, Louisiana

Postdoctoral Fellow, The Center for Inter-American Policy and Research

(CIPR), 2024-2025

EDUCATION The University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, North Carolina USA

Ph.D., Political Science, 2024

M.A., Political Science, 2020

Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, Santiago, Chile

M.A., Sociology, 2016

B.A., Sociology, 2016

Interests Political Psychology · Comparative Politics · Latin American Politics · Public

Opinion · Party Politics

PUBLICATIONS de la Cerda, Nicolás and Jacob Gunderson. 2023. "Are party families in Europe

ideologically coherent today?" European Journal of Political Research.

Martínez-Gallardo, Cecilia, Nicolás de la Cerda, Jonathan Hartlyn, Ryan Bakker, Liesbet Hooghe, and Gary Marks. 2023. "Revisiting Party System Structuration in Latin America and Europe: Economic and Socio-Cultural Dimen-

sions". Party Politics. 29(4), 780-792.

de la Cerda, Nicolás and Cecilia Martínez-Gallardo. 2022. "Mexico: A Politically Effective Populist Pandemic Response". Book chapter in *Populists and the Pandemic: How Populists Around the World Respond to COVID-19.*

Lucio Renno and Nils Ringe, eds. Routledge.

de la Cerda, Nicolás. 2022. "Unstable Identities: The Decline of Partisanship

in Contemporary Chile." Journal of Politics in Latin America. 14(1), 3-30.

Bargsted, Matías and Nicolás de la Cerda. 2019. "Ideological Preferences and Evolution of the Religious Cleavage in Chile, 1998–2014." Latin American

Research Review. 54(2), 348–365.

Bargsted, Matías, Sebastián Valenzuela, Nicolás de la Cerda and Bernardo Mackenna. 2013. "Participación ciudadana en las elecciones municipales 2012:

diagnóstico y propuestas en torno al sistema de voto voluntario." In Ignacio Irarrázaval, María de los Ángeles Morandé, and Magdalena Letelier (eds),

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Propuestas para Chile, chapter 1, pages 23–50.

WORK IN PROGRESS

- A Global Scale of Economic Left-Right Party Positions: Exploring the Cross-National and Cross-Expert Perceptions of Party Placements (with Ryan Bakker, Ruth Dassonneville, Seth Jolly, Jelle Koedam, Patrick Leslie, Jonathan Polk, Jill Sheppard, and Roi Zur). *Invited to revise and resubmit at the Journal of Politics*.
- Affect, Not Ideology The Psychological Mechanisms of Partisan Information Processing (with Sam Fuller and Jack T. Rametta). *Invited to revise and resubmit at Political Behavior*.
- Programmatic and Non-Programmatic Bases of Partisan Responses to the Covid-19 Pandemic in Latin America (with Jonathan Hartlyn and Cecilia Martínez-Gallardo). *Invited to revise and resubmit at the Journal of Politics in Latin America*.
- Beyond Partisanship: Political Identity Profiles in Latin America. Under review.
- To Blur or not to Blur: Disentangling Populist Ideology and Electoral Strategy in Europe and Latin America (with Jacob Gunderson). *Under Review*.
- The Case for Non-Partisan Political Cueing: Experimental Evidence from Peru. Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association 2024 Annual Conference.
- Political Identities and Belief Networks in Comparative Perspective. Presented at the American Political Science Association 2023 Annual Conference, Los Angeles.
- Programmatic and Non-Programmatic Party System Structuration in Latin America (with Jonathan Hartlyn and Cecilia Martínez-Gallardo). Presented at the American Political Science Association 2023 Annual Conference, Los Angeles.
- Beyond an Instrumental Exchange: The Effect of Clientelism on Expressive Partisanship in Mexico (With Rodrigo Castro Cornejo). Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association 2024 Annual Conference.
- Partisan Profiles in Democracies and Non-Democracies: Evidence from 101 Countries (with Courtney Blackington). Presented at the Southern Political Association 2021 Annual Meeting.

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

- 2024 Mellon Conference Travel Award, UNC Institute for the Study of the Americas (\$500).
- 2023 Uhlman Fellow, UNC Department of Political Science (\$3,275).
- 2023 MPSA Graduate Student Travel Scholarship (\$500).
- 2022 James W. Prothro Award for Outstanding Research, Best Graduate Stu-

dent Paper, UNC Department of Political Science.

2022 - Carolina Latinx Center Innovation Award, UNC Carolina Latinx Center.

2022 – Mellon Dissertation Award, UNC Institute for the Study of the Americas (\$3,000).

2022 – Summer Research Fellowship, UNC Department of Political Science (\$3,000).

2022 – Thomas F. Ferdinand Summer Research Fellowship, UNC Graduate School (\$5,000).

2021 – Summer Research Collaboratory Program, UNC Department of Political Science (\$5,000).

2020 – Graduate Research Award, UNC Institute for the Study of the Americas (\$1,500).

2020 - Uhlman Fellow, UNC Department of Political Science (\$2,250).

2020 – Pre-dissertation Field Research Grant, UNC Institute for the Study of the Americas (\$1,500) [Cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic].

2020 – John Frechione award support for lodging, Latin American Social and Public Policy Conference (LASPP) [Cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic].

Conference Presentations

The Case for Non-Partisan Political Cueing: Experimental Evidence from Peru – 2024 Midwest Political Science Association Meeting.

Beyond an Instrumental Exchange: The Effect of Clientelism on Expressive Partisanship in Mexico (With Rodrigo Castro Cornejo)

- 2024 Midwest Political Science Association Meeting.

To Blur or not to Blur: Disentangling Populist Ideology and Electoral Strategy in Europe and Latin America.

(with Jacob Gunderson)

 Current Perspectives on Party Competition Workshop, MZES, University of Mannheim. February 2024.

Political Identities and Belief Networks in Comparative Perspective.

- 2023 American Political Science Association Meeting.

Programmatic and Non-Programmatic Party System Structuration in Latin America

(with with Jonathan Hartlyn and Cecilia Martínez-Gallardo).

- 2023 American Political Science Association Meeting.

Fujimorismo and anti-Fujimorismo in Comparative Perspective.

- 2023 Latin American Studies Association Meeting.

Programmatic and Non-Programmatic Party System Structuration in Latin America.

(with with Jonathan Hartlyn and Cecilia Martínez-Gallardo).

- 2023 Latin American Studies Association Meeting.

A global scale of economic left-right party positions: exploring the cross-national and cross-expert perceptions of party placements.

(with Ryan Bakker, Ruth Dassonneville, Seth Jolly, Jelle Koedam, Patrick Leslie, Jonathan Polk, Jill Sheppard, and Roi Zur).

- 2023 Midwest Political Science Association Meeting.

Are party families in Europe ideologically coherent today? (with Jacob Gunderson).

- 2023 Midwest Political Science Association Meeting.

Identifying Identities: Uncovering Partisanship in Electoral Authoritarian Regimes. (With Courtney Blackington).

- 2021 Southern Political Science Association Meeting.

Ideological Preferences and Evolution of the Religious Cleavage in Chile, 1998–2014. (With Matías Bargsted).

- 2015 World Association for Public Opinion Research Meeting.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Research Assistant, Jonathan Hartlyn

March 2019 – Present

- Statistical analysis for constitutional data.
- Questionnaire design for CHES Latin America.
- Data collection for CHES Latin America.

Research Assistant, Cecilia Martínez-Gallardo

May 2020 - Present

- Survey Design.
- Questionnaire translation.
- Qualtrics programming.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Instructor

- POLI 209: Analyzing Public Opinion (F2021)
- POLI 209: Analyzing Public Opinion (Summer I)
- POLI 130: Comparative Politics (S2021)

Teaching Assistant

- IDST 128L: Data Literacy Lab, Caitlin Smith (S2024)
- IDST 123L: Data Literacy Lab, Caitlin Smith (F2023)
- IDST 113L: Data Literacy Lab, Caitlin Smith (S2023)
- IDST 123L: Data Literacy Lab, Caitlin Smith (F2022)
- POLI 203: Race, Innocence, and the Decline of the Death Penalty, Frank R. Baumgartner (S2022)
- POLI 130: Comparative Politics, Rahsaan Maxwell (F2020)
- POLI 130: Comparative Politics, Ashley Anderson (S2020)
- POLI 130: Comparative Politics, Andrew Reynolds (F2019)

Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile

Instructor

- SOL 107: Social Ethics (March-July, 2018)
- SOL 107: Social Ethics (March-July, 2017)
- SOL 100: Sociological Paradigms (March-July, 2016)
- SOL 107: Social Ethics (March-July, 2016)
- SOL 107: Social Ethics (March-July, 2015)

Teaching Assistant

- SOL (3070) Data Analysis (August-December, 2015)
- SOL (3000) Design and Analysis of Social Research (March-July, 2013)

Universidad Alberto Hurtado

Instructor

• Statistic II (March-July, 2016)

Professional Experience

Ekhos Consulting Firm (Chile)

Research Associate

March 2016 – June 2018

- Survey polling for political campaigns and private firms.
- Political campaign consultant.

Professional Service and

ACTIVITY

Discipline:

Referee: Bulletin of Latin American Research · Latin American Research Review · Political Research Quarterly · Journal of Politics in Latin America · Journal of Elections, Public Opinion & Parties

Department:

Program Coordinator, Latin American Working Group, UNC (2019 — 2023) Comparative Politics Subfield Representative and Comparative Working Group Organizer, UNC-Political Science Department (2022 — 2023)

METHODS TRAINING

Ordinary Least Squares Regression \cdot Generalized Linear Models \cdot Multilevel Models \cdot Causal Inference \cdot Psychometry \cdot Machine Learning \cdot Bayesian Models

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Statistical computing in R, Stan, Python, and Stata; IATEX; Qualtrics

Professional Associations

American Political Science Association · International Society of Political Psychology · Latin American Studies Association

References

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Cecilia Martínez-Gallardo Associate Professor of Political Science University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill cmg@email.unc.edu Liesbet Hooghe W.R. Kenan Dist. Professor of Poli. Sc. University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill hooghe@email.unc.edu

Ryan Bakker Reader in Comparative Politics University of Essex r.bakker@essex.ac.uk