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ACADEMIC POSITION *Visiting Assistant Professor, Government* August 2018-May 2019
Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT

EDUCATION *Doctor of Philosophy, Political Science* August 2018
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, IL
Concentration: Comparative Politics
Minor Subfield: American Politics
Graduate Minor: Latin American and Caribbean Studies

Bachelor of Arts, Government and Law and International Affairs May 2013
Lafayette College, Easton, PA
Minor: Mathematics

VISITING SCHOLAR **University of São Paulo**, São Paulo, Brazil Spring-Summer 2017

RESEARCH INTERESTS Comparative politics, political institutions, decentralization, subnational fragmentation, democratic quality and stability, political economy, social policy, corruption, political behavior, gender politics, Latin American politics, methodology

PUBLICATIONS

- “Winners and Losers of the Ballot: A Study of the Effects of Electronic and Traditional Paper Ballot Voting Systems in Brazil.” With Rodrigo Schneider. 2018. *Latin American Politics and Society* 60(2): 41-60.
- “Continuity and Change in Public Attitudes Toward Corruption.” With Matthew Winters and Rebecca Weitz-Shapiro. 2018. In Barry Ames, ed. *Routledge Handbook of Brazilian Politics*. New York: Routledge.
- “Corruption in Brazil.” With Matthew Winters. 2018. In Barney Warf, ed. *Handbook on the Geographies of Corruption*. Cheltenham, UK: Edward Elgar Publishing.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- “The Nuts and Bolts of Interviewing Legislators: An Interview with Stefanie Bailer.” 2016. *The Legislative Scholar*. Essay.

BOOK MANUSCRIPT “Does Decentralization Work? An Assessment of the Causes and Consequences of Subnational Fragmentation in Brazil”

- Dissertation Advisers: José Cheibub (Texas A&M University) and Matthew Winters (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign)

WORKING PAPERS

- “The Electoral Buzz: Evaluating Gender Stereotypes and the Politics of the Zika Epidemic in Brazil.” With Rodrigo Schneider. *Under Review*.
- “Back to the Basics: A Democracy-Dictatorship Dataset Reprise for Latin America.” With Lorena G. Barberia. *Under Review*.
- “Decentralization and Brazilian Education Infrastructure”
- “Payouts Before Polls? Democratization, Social Spending, and Elections in Latin America.” With Lorena G. Barberia and George Avelino.
- “Political Polarization: A Measurement Analysis.” With Charla Waeiss.

INVITED TALKS & CONFERENCES

University of Texas at Dallas (Dallas, TX)	Scheduled October 2018
APSA Meeting (Boston, MA)	August 2018
Grinnell College (Grinnell, IA)	April 2018
Midwest Political Science Association Meeting (Chicago, IL)	April 2018
University of Notre Dame (South Bend, IN)	October 2017
University of Illinois Faculty Student Seminar (Urbana, IL)	September 2017
APSA Meeting (San Francisco, CA)	August 2017
University of São Paulo Research Group (São Paulo, Brazil)	June 2017
Universidade Federal do ABC (São Bernardo, Brazil)	May 2017
University of São Paulo Research Group (São Paulo, Brazil)	April 2017
Midwest Political Science Association Meeting (Chicago, IL)	April 2017
University of Illinois Faculty Student Seminar (Urbana, IL)	February 2017
Washington University in St. Louis (St. Louis, MO)	April 2016
Midwest Political Science Association Meeting (Chicago, IL)	April 2016
Tinker Fellowship Conference (Champaign, IL)	October 2015
Midwest Political Science Association Meeting (Chicago, IL)	April 2015

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

<i>Research Assistant</i>	
• Cline Center for Democracy	Summer 2016-Fall 2016
• Evidence in Governance and Politics (EGAP)	Summer 2015-Spring 2016
• Sarah Hummel and Damarys Canache	Fall 2014-Spring 2015
• Seo-Hyun Park and Elizabeth Suhay	January 2011 - Summer 2012

ACADEMIC HONORS & AWARDS

ICPSR Summer Program , Ann Arbor, MI	
<i>Warren E. Miller Fellowship</i>	Summer 2018
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign , Urbana, IL	
Political Science Department	
<i>William T. Bernhard Graduate Student Award</i>	Spring 2017
• The William T. Bernhard Graduate Student Award is awarded to the University of Illinois Political Science Ph.D. student with the best dissertation prospectus in the last two calendar years.	
<i>Rita and Leonard Ogren Award for Academic Excellence</i>	Fall 2014-Spring 2015
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign , Urbana, IL	
<i>UIUC Dissertation Completion Fellowship</i>	Fall 2017-Spring 2018
<i>Avery Brundage Scholarship</i>	Fall 2016-Spring 2017

Lemann Institute for Brazilian Studies

Lemann Graduate Student Fellowship

Fall 2017

Lemann Graduate Student Fellowship

Spring 2016-Summer 2017

United States Department of Education

Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship

Fall 2016-Spring 2017

Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship

Fall 2015-Spring 2016

Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship

Summer 2014

Tinker Foundation Incorporated

Tinker Fellowship

Summer 2015

Lafayette College, Easton, PA

Minerva and Emil V. Novak Prize

Spring 2013

Eugene P. Chase Government Prize

Spring 2013

Henry Richard Jahn Trophy

Spring 2013

George Wharton Pepper Prize Finalist

Spring 2013

James F. Bryant '40 Excellence Award

Spring 2012

Latin American and Caribbean Studies Award

Spring 2012

**TEACHING
EXPERIENCE**

Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT

Visiting Assistant Professor

2018-2019 Academic Year

- GOVT 157: Democracy and Dictatorship (Fall 2018, Spring 2019)
- GOVT 309: Contemporary Challenges in Latin American Politics (Fall 2018)
- GOVT 271: Political Economy of Developing Countries (Spring 2019)

International Political Science Association (IPSA)

University of São Paulo (USP), São Paulo, Brazil

IPSA-USP Summer Methods School

Teaching Fellow

January 2018

- Basics of Quantitative Methods for Public Policy Analysis (Winter 2018)
- Basics of Multi-Method Research: Integrating Case Studies and Regression (Winter 2018)
- Advanced Issues in Multi-Method Research: Integrating Case Studies and Contemporary Methods for Causal Inference (Winter 2018)

APSA Pedagogy Workshop, San Francisco, CA

American Political Science Association

Participant

August 2017

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Champaign, IL

Center for Teaching and Excellence

Recipient of the Graduate Teacher Certificate

Spring 2016

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Champaign, IL

Political Science Department

Teaching Assistant

Spring 2015, Fall 2013

- Introduction to Comparative Politics in Developing Countries (Spring 2015)
 - Recognized on List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent by Their Students
- Introduction to Comparative Politics in Developed Countries (Fall 2013)
 - Recognized on List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent by Their Students

ADDITIONAL TRAINING **ICPSR Summer Program**, Ann Arbor, MI
Miller Fellowship Summer 2018

Middlebury College, Middlebury, VT
Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship Summer 2014
• Portuguese Summer Language School Participant

FIELDWORK Brazil (2015,2017)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS American Political Science Association, Midwest Political Science Association, Brazilian Studies Association, Latin American Studies Association

SKILLS *Methods:* Regression Analyses, Regression Discontinuity Designs, Difference-in-Difference Analyses, Matching, Multi-Level Modeling, Time Series, Survey Experiments, Interviews, Field and Archival Research
Software: R, \LaTeX , Stata
Languages: English, Portuguese, Spanish

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE *Journal Reviewer*
Electoral Studies, Journal of Latin American Politics

Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT
Faculty Team Mentor for Track and Field 2018-2019 Academic Year

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Champaign, IL
Political Science Department
Graduate Student Grievance Committee Sept 2015-Aug 2016

VOLUNTEER & ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE **Illinois Science & Technology Institute**, Chicago, IL
Mentor Matching Engine Mentor Fall 2017-Spring 2018

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Champaign, IL
Irwin Academics Center
Academic Coach January 2015-Spring 2017

Urbana School District, Urbana, IL
Mentor August 2013-Spring 2017

Lafayette College, Easton, PA
Varsity Division I Track and Field Athlete Fall 2009-Spring 2013
Track Captain Fall 2012-Spring 2013

References Matthew Winters
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