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Education

- 2003 Ph.D. University of California, Los Angeles – Political Science
- 2001 M.A. University of California, Los Angeles – Political Science
- 1997 M.A. University of California, Los Angeles – Latin American Studies
- 1994 B.S. San Francisco State University – Business Administration

Academic Appointments

Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Houston, 2010-present
Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Houston, 2004-2010
Faculty Instructor, Summer School, Universidad del Rosario, Colombia 2016
Faculty Instructor, ECPR Summer School, Universidad de Salamanca, Spain 2011
Teaching Fellow, Department of Political Science, UCLA, 2004

Books

- Alemán, Eduardo. 2020. *Latin American Politics*. Washington DC: Sage/CQ Press.
- Alemán, Eduardo and George Tsebelis (eds.) 2016. *Legislative Institutions and Lawmaking in Latin America*. New York: Oxford University Press.
- Wilkie, James W., Eduardo Alemán, and José Guadalupe Ortega (eds.) 1998-2002. *Statistical Abstract of Latin America*, Volumes 34-38, Los Angeles: UCLA Latin American Center Publications, University of California.

Journal Publications

- Alemán, Eduardo, Tiffany D. Barnes, Juan Pablo Micozzi, and Sebastián Vallejo Vera. (forthcoming). “Gender, Institutions, and Legislative Speech.” *Comparative Politics*.
- Alemán, Eduardo, Pablo Valdivieso, and Sebastián Vallejo Vera. (forthcoming). “Speech Targeting and Constituency Representation in Open-List Electoral Systems.” *Electoral Studies*.
- Alemán, Eduardo, Patricio Navia, Gabriel Negretto, and Ezequiel González-Ocantos. 2024. “Gambling on the Constitution: Abortion Rights and the 2023 Constitution-Making Process in Chile” *Research & Politics*, 1-17. <https://doi.org/10.1177/20531680241303754>
- Alemán, Eduardo and Andrés Dockendorff. 2024 “Seeking Friends and Influencers: Business and Labor Groups Lobbying in the Chilean Congress.” *Business and Politics*, 26(4): 665-705.

- Alemán, Eduardo and Saadet Konak Unal. 2023. "Penalizing Women MPs: the Approval of Women-Initiated Bills in the Turkish Parliament." *The Journal of Legislative Studies*, 1–19. <https://doi.org/10.1080/13572334.2023.2195142>
- Alemán, Eduardo, Juan P. Micozzi, and Sebastián Vallejo Vera. 2023. "Congressional Committees, Electoral Connections, and Legislative Speech." *Political Research Quarterly*, 76(2): 994-1011.
- Alemán, Eduardo and Patricio Navia. 2023. "Chile's Failed Constitution: Democracy Wins." *Journal of Democracy*, 34(2): 90-104.
- Alemán, Eduardo and Juan P. Micozzi. 2022. "Parliamentary Rules, Party Norms, and Legislative Speech." *International Political Science Review*, 43(5): 719-729.
- Alemán, Eduardo, Nicolás Mimica, and Patricio Navia. 2022 "Bicameral Lawmaking: Analyzing the Choices of Revising Chambers." *Parliamentary Affairs*, 75(2): 362-381.
- Alemán, Eduardo and Paula Clerici. 2022. "Centrality and Legislative Productivity in the Argentine Chamber of Deputies, 1983-2019." *Revista de Ciencia Política*. 42(1): 1-23.
- Alemán, Eduardo, José M. Cabezas, and Ernesto Calvo. 2021. "Coalition Incentives and Party Bias in Chile." *Electoral Studies*. 72, 102362 (<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.electstud.2021.102362>)
- Alemán, Eduardo, Juan P. Micozzi, Pablo M. Pinto, and Sebastián M. Saiegh. 2021 "Constituency Effects and Legislative Dissent under Closed-List Proportional Representation." *Latin American Politics and Society*, 63(2): 78-99.
- Alemán, Eduardo, Juan P. Micozzi, Pablo M. Pinto, and Sebastián M. Saiegh. 2018. "Disentangling the Role of Ideology and Partisanship in Legislative Voting: Evidence from Argentina." *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, 43(2): 245-273.
- Alemán, Eduardo, Juan P. Micozzi, Margarita M. Ramírez. 2018. "The Hidden Electoral Connection: Analyzing Parliamentary Questions in the Chilean Congress." *The Journal of Legislative Studies*, 24(2): 227-244.
- Alemán, Eduardo, Margarita M. Ramírez, and Jonathan B. Slapin. 2017. "Party Strategies, Constituency Links, and Legislative Speech." *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, 42(4): 637-659.
- Alemán, Eduardo and Marisa Kellam. 2017. "The Nationalization of Presidential Elections in the Americas." *Electoral Studies*, 47: 125-135.
- Alemán, Eduardo and Yeaji Kim. 2015. "The Democratizing Effect of Education." *Research & Politics*, November 2(4):1–7, DOI: 10.1177/2053168015613360.
- Alemán, Eduardo. 2015. "Coauthorship Ties in the Colombian Congress, 2002-2006." *Colombia Internacional*, 83(1): 23-42.
- Alemán, Eduardo and Sebastián M. Saiegh. 2014. "Political Realignment and Democratic Breakdown in Argentina, 1916-1930." *Party Politics*, 20(6): 849-863.

- Alemán, Eduardo. 2013. "Latin American Legislative Politics: A Survey of Peer-Reviewed Publications in English." *Journal of Politics in Latin America*, 5(1):15-36.
- Alemán, Eduardo and Ernesto Calvo. 2013. "Explaining Policy Ties: A Network Analysis of Bill Initiation Data." *Political Studies*, 61(2): 356-377.
- Alemán, Eduardo, Aldo Ponce, and Iñaki Sagarzazu. 2011. "Legislative Parties in Volatile Non-Programmatic Party Systems: The Peruvian Case in Comparative Perspective." *Latin American Politics and Society*, 53(3): 57-81.
- Alemán, Eduardo and George Tsebelis. 2011. "Political Parties and Government Coalitions in the Americas." *Journal of Politics in Latin America*, 3(1): 3-28.
This article was reprinted in *Política*, 50(2): 5-32, 2012 [SPANISH - Chile].
- Alemán, Eduardo and Ernesto Calvo. 2010. "Unified Government, Bill Approval, and the Legislative Weight of the President." *Comparative Political Studies*, 43(4): 511-534.
- Alemán Eduardo and Patricio Navia. 2009. "Institutions and the Legislative Success of 'Strong' Presidents: An Analysis of Government Bills in Chile." *The Journal of Legislative Studies*, 15(4):401-419.
- Alemán, Eduardo. 2009. "Institutions, Political Conflict, and the Cohesion of Policy Networks in the Chilean Congress, 1961-2006." *Journal of Latin American Studies*, 41(3): 467-491.
- Alemán, Eduardo, Ernesto Calvo, Mark P. Jones, and Noah Kaplan. 2009. "Comparing Cosponsorship and Roll-Call Ideal Points." *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, 34(1):87-116.
- Alemán, Eduardo. 2008. "Policy Positions in the Chilean Senate: An Analysis of Coauthorship and Roll Call Data." *Brazilian Political Science Review*, 2(2): 74-92.
- Alemán, Eduardo and Marisa Kellam. 2008. "The Nationalization of Electoral Change in the Americas." *Electoral Studies*, 27(2): 193-212.
- Alemán, Eduardo and Mónica Pachón 2008. "Conference Committees in the Legislative Process of Chile and Colombia." *Política & Gobierno*, 15(1): 3-33, [SPANISH - Mexico].
- Alemán, Eduardo and Sebastián M. Saiegh. 2007. "Legislative Preferences, Political Parties and Coalition Unity in Chile." *Comparative Politics*, 39(3): 253-272.
- Alemán, Eduardo. 2006. "Policy Gatekeepers in Latin American Legislatures." *Latin American Politics and Society*, 48(3): 125-155.
- Alemán, Eduardo and Thomas Schwartz. 2006. "Presidential Vetoes in Latin American Constitutions." *Journal of Theoretical Politics*, 18(1):98-120.
- Tsebelis, George and Eduardo Alemán. 2005 "Presidential Conditional Agenda Setting Power in Latin America." *World Politics*, 57(3): 396-420.
This article was reprinted in *PostData*, 12: 77-106, August 2007 [SPANISH - Argentina].
- Alemán, Eduardo and George Tsebelis. 2005. "The Origins of Presidential Conditional Agenda Setting Power in Latin America." *Latin American Research Review*, 40(2): 3-26.

Book Chapters

- Alemán, Eduardo, Juan Pablo Micozzi, and Iñaki Sagarzazu. 2021. "Examining Differences in Speech Participation in the Chilean Chamber of Deputies," in Hanna Back, Marc Debaus, and Jorge M. Fernandes (eds.), *The Politics of Legislative Debates Around the World*, Oxford University Press.
- Alemán, Eduardo and George Tsebelis. 2016. "Introduction: Legislative Institutions and Agenda Setting," in Eduardo Alemán and George Tsebelis (eds.), *Legislative Institutions and Lawmaking in Latin America*, New York: Oxford University Press, pp. 1-31.
- Alemán, Eduardo and Patricio Navia. 2016. "Presidential Power, Legislative Rules, and Lawmaking in Chile," in Eduardo Alemán and George Tsebelis (eds.), *Legislative Institutions and Lawmaking in Latin America*, New York: Oxford University Press, pp. 92-121.
- Alemán, Eduardo and George Tsebelis. 2016. "Conclusions," in Eduardo Alemán and George Tsebelis (eds.), *Legislative Institutions and Lawmaking in Latin America*, New York: Oxford University Press, pp. 225-236.
- Alemán, Eduardo. 2015. "Legislative Organization and Outcomes," in Jennifer Gandhi and Rubén Ruiz-Rufino (eds.), *The Routledge Handbook of Comparative Political Institutions*, London: Routledge. Chapter 11, pp. 145-161.
- Alemán, Eduardo. 2013. "Reflections on the Effectiveness and Representativeness of the Chilean Congress," in Moira B. MacKinnon and Ludovico Feoli (eds.), *Representativeness and Effectiveness in Latin American Democracies: Congress, Judiciary and Civil Society*, Routledge/Taylor & Francis Group, pp. 21-39.
- Alemán, Eduardo. 2009. "Legislative Parties and Sponsorship Networks" in Magna Inácio and Lucio Rennó (eds.) *Estudos Legislativos em Perspectiva Comparada*, Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais Press [PORTUGUESE – Brazil]
- Alemán, Eduardo and Ernesto Calvo. 2008. "Analyzing Legislative Success in Latin America: The Case of Argentina," in Guillermo O'Donnell, Joseph S. Tulchin, and Augusto Varas, eds. with Adam Stubits, *New Voices in the Study of Democracy in Latin America*, Woodrow Wilson Center Reports on the Americas No. 19, pp. 7-37.
- Alemán, Eduardo and Daniel Treisman. 2005. "Fiscal Politics in 'Ethnically Mined', Developing, Federal States: Central Strategies and Secessionist Violence" in Philip G. Roeder and Donald Rothchild (eds.), *Sustainable Peace: Power and Democracy after Civil Wars*, Ithaca: Cornell University Press, pp.173-216.

Other Publications

- Alemán, Eduardo. 2024. "The Importance of Bicameralism for the Presidential System of Government." In *Diseño Institucional, Atribuciones y Retos de las Cámaras Altas*, Instituto Belisario Domínguez, pp. 23-34. Proceedings from an International Forum, Senate of the Republic of Mexico. [SPANISH – Mexico]
- Alemán, Eduardo. Book Review "Institutions on the Edge: The Origins and Consequences of Inter-Branch Crises in Latin America. By Gretchen Helmke, Cambridge University Press, 2017, *Perspectives on Politics*, 16(3): 865-866, 2018.
- Alemán, Eduardo and Sebastián M. Saiegh. 2018. "Chief Executives' Statutory Policymaking and Gridlock." *The Legislative Scholar*, 3(1): 9-11.
- Alemán, Eduardo. Book Reviews "Dual Transitions from Authoritarian Rule: Institutionalized Regimes in Chile and Mexico, 1970–2000. By Francisco E. González. Baltimore: Johns Hopkins University Press,

2008; *The Illusion of Civil Society: Democratization and Community Mobilization in Low-Income Mexico*. By Jon Shefner. University Park: Pennsylvania State University Press, 2008; *Savage Democracy: Institutional Change and Party Development in Mexico*. By Steven T. Wuhs. University Park: Pennsylvania State University Press, 2008.” *Perspectives on Politics*, 8(2): 702-704, 2010.

Alemán, Eduardo. Book Review “*Transforming Latin America: The International and Domestic Origins of Change* by Craig Arceneaux and David Pion-Berlin, University of Pittsburgh Press, 2005,” *Perspectives on Politics*, 4(3): 607-608, 2006.

Alemán, Eduardo and Martin DiNatale. “The Press in Argentina” in *World Press Encyclopedia*, (2nd edition) Gale, 2003.

Work in Progress

Abortion Rights and the Failure of the 2023 Constitution-Making Process in Chile (with, Patricio Navia, and Gabriel Negretto) – under review

Party Monitors and Election Integrity: Evidence from Argentina (with Juan Pablo Micozzi and Adrian Luccardi).

Building Linkages in Constitution-Writing Processes: Elected members versus Appointed Experts.

Book: Political Institutions and Party System Change: From Realignment to Breakdown in Chile’s Post-Authoritarian Era – under review.

Edited Book Project: The Chilean Constitution-Making Experiment: Lessons from a Failed Process (with Sebastián Soto).

Invited Talks

2023 Committee on Political System, Constitutional Reform, and State Structure of the Constitutional Council elected to draft the final version of Chile’s constitution.

2023 Democracia & Progreso (think tank), Chile

2023 Departamento de Estudios Políticos, Universidad de Santiago de Chile.

2023 Subcommittee on Political System, Constitutional Reform, and State Structure of the Expert Committee in charge of drafting a constitutional blueprint for Chile.

2023 Instituto de Estudios Internacionales, Universidad de Chile.

2023 Great Decisions Discussion Program, Foreign Policy Association, Clear Lake, TX.

2022 Libertad y Desarrollo (think tank), Conversations About the Constitutional Proposal Series, Chile.

2021 Universidad de Chile, Asia-Pacific Rim University Exchange Programme (APRU), Chile.

2021 Instituto de Estudios Internacionales, Universidad de Chile.

2020 Universidad Diego Portales, Escuela de Ciencia Política, Chile.

2018 Universidad Diego Portales, Escuela de Ciencia Política, Chile.

2017 Universidad Diego Portales, Escuela de Ciencia Política, Chile.

2016 Kellogg Institute for International Studies, University of Notre Dame.

2016 Universidad de Salamanca, Ciencia Política y de la Administración, Spain.

- 2015 Instituto de Ciencia Política, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile.
- 2015 Institute of Social and Political Studies, State University of Rio de Janeiro (UERJ).
- 2014 The Houston Seminar, Presentation titled “Politics and Violence in South America.”
- 2012 Instituto de Asuntos Públicos - Universidad de Chile.
- 2012 University of New Orleans, Department of Political Science and Latin American Studies.
- 2012 World Affairs Council of Houston, Educators Workshop on Argentina.
- 2011 Centro de Estudos Legislativos, Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais, Brazil.
- 2010 Pontificia Universidad Javeriana, Departamento de Ciencia Política, Bogotá, Colombia.
- 2010 Universidad de los Andes, Departamento de Ciencia Política, Bogotá, Colombia.
- 2010 World Affairs Council of Houston, Seminar titled “Portrait of Argentina.”
- 2009 Universidad Di Tella, Departamento de Ciencia Política y Estudios Internacionales Seminar, Buenos Aires, Argentina.
- 2009 Universidad Argentina de la Empresa (UADE), Comparative Politics Seminar, Buenos Aires, Argentina.
- 2003 New York University, Department of Politics Seminar, NY.

Invited Talks (workshops)

- 2024 Symposium: Institutional Design, Powers, and Challenges of Upper Chambers. Senate of the Mexican Republic.
- 2023 Symposium: The Current Political Juncture in Argentina and Chile. Universidad de San Andrés, Buenos Aires, Argentina.
- 2022 Political Science Symposium. Austral University, Buenos Aires, Argentina.
- 2022 Symposium “Bicameralism or Unicameralism: International Experience and the Case of Chile.” Senate of the Republic of Chile and University of Chile, Santiago, Chile.
- 2019 Symposium “Democracy in Latin America: Presidents, Legislatures and Elections.” Waseda Institute for Political Economy, Tokyo, Japan.
- 2019 Workshop “The Politics of Legislative Debate,” University of Mannheim and Mannheim Centre for European Social Research (MZES), Mannheim, Germany.
- 2018 Workshop on Latin American Legislatures, ALACIP-GEL, Mexico City, Mexico.
- 2016 Economic Issues of Constitutional Changes, Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) and Finance Ministry of Chile, Santiago, Chile
- 2016 Workshop on Latin American Legislatures, ALACIP-GEL, Santiago, Chile.
- 2016 CEFOR, Brazilian Chamber of Deputies. Seminar on “Thirty Years of Coalition Presidentialism,” Brasilia, Brazil.
- 2015 CIDE, División de Estudios Políticos. Workshop on “Political Institutions and Freedom of the Press in Latin America,” Mexico City, Mexico.

- 2015 University of Zurich. Conference on “The Nationalization of Electoral Politics,” Zurich, Switzerland.
- 2013 Global Citizenship Series: “Latin America and North America: The Future of the Relationship,” Stephen Austin University, Houston, TX.
- 2011 Workshop on Latin American Legislatures, ALACIP-GEL and CEL-UFMG, Belo Horizonte, Brazil.
- 2011 University of Michigan, Department of Political Science and Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies, Conference on Latin American Institutions, Politics, and Policies.
- 2011 Tulane University, Symposium on “Representativeness and Effectiveness in Latin American Institutions and Democracies,” New Orleans, LA.
- 2008 *Fundación Chile 21* and *Centro de Estudios para el Desarrollo*, Seminar on “La Concertación de Partidos por la Democracia: Análisis de una exitosa experiencia exitosa y proyecciones”, Santiago, Chile.
- 2007 Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Chile. Seminar on “Like-Minded Countries Project: The Political Economy of Development of Small-Open Economies,” Santiago, Chile.
- 2006 U.S. Embassy in Colombia, Houston Series, “Democracy in Latin America,” Santa Marta, Colombia.
- 2005 Texas A&M, Regional Latin Americanist Conference, College Station, TX.
- 2002 Conference on Frontiers in Latin American Political Economy, Stanford University.
- 2001 Conference on Powersharing and Peacemaking, UCSD, San Diego, CA.

Conference Participation – Paper Presenter

AMERICAN POLITICAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION

- 2024 Panel: “The Consequences of Electoral Laws and Administration.”
- 2023 Panel: “Rules of Legislative Procedure in Comparative Perspective”
- 2022 Panel: “(Social) Media and Legislative Politics.”
- 2021 Panels: “Class, Gender, and Legislative Behavior in Comparative Environments” and “Policy Preferences, Conflict, and Legislative Speech.”
- 2020 Panel: “Electoral Systems as a Source of Bias.”
- 2019 Panels: “The Legislative Process in Comparative Perspective” and “Representation in Comparative Legislative Politics.”
- 2018 Panels: “Electoral Systems, Parties, and Representation” and “Corporate and Business Interests in Politics.”
- 2016 Panel: “Legislative Procedures: Lessons from Brazil.”
- 2015 Panel: “Loyalty, Unity, and Parliamentary Behavior.”
- 2014 Panels: “Voting Behavior in the Developing World” and “Representational Roles of MPs in Comparative Perspective.”
- 2013 Panel: “Comparative Legislative Networks.”
- 2011 Panel: “Social Network Analysis in the Study of Legislatures.”

- 2010 Panel: “Political Transitions.”
- 2009 Panel: “Legislators’ Preferences and Voting Across Legislatures.”
- 2008 Panel: “Comparative Legislative Institutions.”
- 2007 Panel: “Parties and Legislatures in Comparative Perspective.”
- 2006 Panels: “Checks and Balances and Executive-Legislative Relations in Presidential Democracies,” and “Modeling Contextual Variation in Electoral Accountability.”
- 2005 Panel: “Institutions, Legislative Preferences and Agenda Control.”
- 2004 Panels: “Constitutional Design and Policymaking in Latin America,” and “Parliaments, Presidents, and Partisans.”
- 2003 Panels: “Legislative Institutions, Coalition Building and Policy Change in Latin America,” and “New Perspectives on Veto Players.”
- 2002 Panel: “Agenda Setting in Latin American Presidential Democracies.”

MIDWEST POLITICAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION

- 2024 Panel: “Particularistic Politics.”
- 2023 Panel: “Interest and Advocacy: The Impact of Voters, Interest Groups, and Elites.”
- 2021 Panel: “Electoral Politics in Latin American Countries.”
- 2019 Panels: “Comparative Legislative Behavior” and “Executives and Legislatures in Latin America: The Power Game.”
- 2017 Panel: “Parties, Politics, and Institutions in Latin America.”
- 2016 Panel: “Transparency and Accountability in Developing Nations.”
- 2015 Panel: “Building Governing Coalitions in Latin America.”
- 2014 Panels: “The Electoral Connection,” and “Structural Determinants of Democracy and Democratization.”
- 2013 Panel: “Legislative Networks.”
- 2012 Panel: “Legislative Politics in Latin America.”
- 2011 Panel: “Party Systems in Latin American Countries.”
- 2010 Panels: “Social Networks and Legislative Behavior: A Comparative Look,” and “Legislatures and Legislators in Latin America.”
- 2009 Panel: “Regime Change.”
- 2008: Panel: “Coalition Politics.”
- 2007: Panels: “Measuring Ideological Dimensions and Partisan Preferences,” and “Institutional Influences in Legislatures.”
- 2004 Panel: “Electoral Rules and Electoral Change in Latin America.”
- 2003 Panel: “Political Economy of Institutions and Interest Groups in Developing Countries.”

OTHER CONFERENCES

- 2023 XIV Conference of the Chilean Political Science Association, Universidad de Santiago de Chile, Chile.

- 2023 Annual Meeting of the International Political Science Association. Panel: Issues in Contemporary Governance, Buenos Aires, Argentina.
- 2019 Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. Panel: “Bicameral Games: Analyzing the Choices of Revising Chambers.” Austin, TX.
- 2018 XXXVI International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association, Barcelona, Spain.
- 2016 XXXIV International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association, New York, NY.
- 2014 University of Houston, Department of Political Science, Conference on “Analyzing Latin American Politics,” Houston, TX.
- 2013 Meeting of the Latin American Political Science Association (ALACIP), Bogota, Colombia.
- 2010 Meeting of the Latin American Political Science Association (ALACIP), Buenos Aires, Argentina.
- 2009 Annual Meeting of the International Political Science Association, Santiago, Chile.
- 2009 Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. Panel: “Recent Advances in the Study of Legislatures in Latin American.” New Orleans, LA.
- 2007 Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. Roundtable: “The Electoral Year in Latin America: An Assessment of Political Change.” New Orleans, LA.
- 2006 XIII Conference of the Chilean Political Science Association, Pontificia Universidad Católica, Santiago, Chile.
- 2006 XXVI International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association, San Juan, Puerto Rico.
- 2006 Conference on Democracy in Latin America, FLACSO, Santiago, Chile.
- 2005 International Congress for Vernacular, Hispanic, Historical, American, and Folklore Studies, Universidad de las Américas, Puebla, Mexico.
- 2004 Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. Panel: “Constitutional Design and Presidential Policy Success in Latin America.” New Orleans, LA.
- 2004 XXV International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association, Las Vegas, NV.
- 2003 XXIV International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association, Dallas, TX.

Teaching

- Winner of the 2023 Teaching Excellence Award given by the Office of the Provost, University of Houston.
- Winner of the 2023 Ross M. Lence Teaching Excellence Award given by the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, University of Houston.

Graduate seminars: *Comparative Political Institutions; Comparative Political Analysis; Comparative Parliaments; Latin American Politics.*

Undergraduate courses: *Comparative Politics; Political Institutions; Introduction to Latin American Politics; Latin American Political Institutions; Political Parties in Latin America; Legislative Politics in Latin America; Central American Politics; Politics of Globalization.*

Graduate Student Recruitment Leader, 2021-2022.

Graduate Student Placement Director, 2015 and 2016

Advisor SURF paper award winner (Maria Ferreira, 2015 UH Undergraduate Research Day)

Chair of Dissertation/Thesis Committee:

Pablo Valdivieso Kastner (MA 2023); Yu-Ceng Liao (PhD 2021); Saadet Konak (PhD 2018); Margarita M. Ramírez (PhD 2017); Yeaji Kim (PhD 2017); Rodrigo Núñez-Donoso (PhD 2016); Marina Lacalle (PhD 2013); Verónica Caro (PhD 2013); Amalia Mena-Mora (PhD 2013); Aldo Ponce (PhD 2012); Thanapan Laiprakobusup (PhD 2011); Federica Sanchez Staniak (MA 2011); Julinda Abdi (MA 2010).

Current advisees: Liliana Veloz (PhD student) and Roberto F. Alas (PhD student)

University and College Service

College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics Dean Review Committee, 2020

UH Faculty Senate:

Senator elected by the Department of Political Science, 2016-2023.

Senator elected by CLASS, 2012-2014

Faculty Affairs Committee, 2014, 2016-2023

Community and Government Relations Committee, 2013

College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences (CLASS):

Lence Teaching Award Committee, 2024

Faculty Governance and Advisory Committee, 2012-2013, 2023-2024.

Grievance Committee, 2015-2017, 2024-2025.

Search Committee for Director of India Studies Program, 2018 and 2019-2020

Department of Political Science Service

Executive Committee, 2010-2011, Spring 2012, 2013, 2017-2018, Spring 2019, Fall 2020-Spring 2022.

Graduate Committee, 2006-2007, 2010-2013, 2015-2016, 2019-2020, 2021-2024.

Undergraduate Committee, 2008-2010, and 2014-2015

Faculty search committee:

Comparative Politics 2007, 2011-2012 (chair), 2020, and 2024 (chair)

International Relation 2013 (chair), 2017, 2022

Political Theory 2014 and 2021

Post-Doctoral Scholar 2018-2019

American Politics 2004, 2005 and 2010

Methods 2007

Endowed Chair 2005

Judicial Politics 2004

Field Chair for Comparative Politics, 2016-2019, 2023-2024.

Ad-hoc Committees: Annual Report, 2013; Outreach & Assessments, 2010-2011; Reforming the MA program, 2023-2024.

Organizer: conference “Analyzing Latin American Politics,” University of Houston, 2014; Latin American Workshop, University of Houston, 2007-2011

Professional Service

National Science Foundation (NSF) Panels in 2019, 2020, and 2021

Research proposal reviewer: Comisión Nacional de Investigación Científica y Tecnológica, FONDECYT (Chile); Fonds de la Recherche Scientifique, FNRS (Belgium); National Science Center (Poland); and Israel Science Foundation (Israel).

Editorial Board Member: *Journal of Legislative Studies*; *Estudios Internacionales* (Chile), *Legislative Studies Quarterly* (2015-2019).

Conference Section Organizer: APSA 2020 (Legislative Studies); MPSA 2021 (Political Networks), 2017 (Economic Development), and 2016 (Comparative Institutions).

Panel Chair: for APSA 2024, 2020, 2016, 2014, 2006, 2005, and 2002.; MPSA 2009 and 2015; SPSA 2004; and SWPSA 2008.

Panel Discussant: for APSA 2021, 2020, 2018, 2015, 2014, 2011, and 2006; LASA 2006; MPSA 2024, 2021, 2015, 2014, 2009, and 2007; SPSA 2009; and comparative posters in MPSA 2011.

Reviewed articles for the following journals: *American Political Science Review*; *American Journal of Political Science*; *The Journal of Politics*; *World Politics*; *Comparative Politics*; *Comparative Political Studies*; *British Journal of Political Science*; *Electoral Studies*; *Legislative Studies Quarterly*; *Political CNN Studies*; *Political Research Quarterly*; *Party Politics*; *The Journal of Legislative Studies*; *Parliamentary Affairs*; *Acta Politica*; *European Political Science Review*; *Democratization*; *Presidential Studies Quarterly*; *Party Politics*; *Social Science Quarterly*; *Latin American Research Review*; *Latin American Politics & Society*; *Journal of Politics in Latin America*; *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion & Parties*; *World Development*; *Quarterly Journal of Political Science*; *Economics & Politics*; *Journal of Law, Economics and Organization*; *Journal of East Asian Studies*; *European Political Science*; *Italian Political Science Review*; *Brazilian Political Science Review*; *Política y Gobierno*; *Revista de Ciencia Política*; *Revista Uruguaya de Ciencia Política*. Book reviewer for Lynne Rienner, Springer, Oxford University Press, and Palgrave Macmillan.

Grants and Awards

2023	Faculty Travel Award, Provost, University of Houston
2022	Book Completion Award, CLASS, University of Houston
2018	Faculty Travel Award, Provost, University of Houston
2017	Faculty Travel Award, Provost, University of Houston
2010	Small Research Grant, Division of Research, University of Houston.
2007	Small Research Grant, Division of Research, University of Houston.

- 2005/06 Junior Post-Doctoral Scholar in the Study of Democracy, Latin American Program of the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars and Ford Foundation (shared with Ernesto Calvo).
- 2005 New Faculty Research Program, University of Houston.
- 2004 Professional Development Award, UCLA.
- 2003/04 Post-doctoral Teaching Fellowship, Department of Political Science, UCLA.
- 2002/03 Dissertation Year Fellowship, Graduate Division, UCLA
- 2002 International Studies and Overseas Programs (ISOP), Small Grant for Dissertation Fieldwork, UCLA
- 2001/02 Graham Fellowship, Department of Political Science, UCLA.
- 2000/01 Graduate Division Fellowship (Project 88), UCLA
- 2000 Graduate Studies Committee Fellowship, Department of Political Science, UCLA
- 1999 Latin American Center, small grant for summer fieldwork, UCLA
- 1998 Tinker Foundation Field Research Fellowship, Latin American Center, UCLA
- 1997/98 Graduate Division Fellowship (Project 88), UCLA
- 1996 Foreign Language and Areas Studies Fellowship (Title VI), UCLA

Newspapers: op-eds and personal interview articles

- La Tercera* (Chile) – April 12, 2023. Opinion. Title: “La reforma política y la política responsable”
- Perfil*(Argentina) – Octubre 31, 2024. Personal Interview Article. Title: “Analista en EEUU: La elección esta super pareja.”
- Perfil* (Argentina) – August 21, 2024. Personal Interview Article. Title: “Analista en EEUU: Los mercados no están contentos ni con Trump ni con Kamala.”
- El Mercurio* (Chile) – May, 5, 2023. Opinion. Title: “La censura ministerial como instrumento politico” (with Arturo Fontaine Talavera)
- La Tercera*(Chile) – April 26, 2023. Opinion. Title: “Preservar la libertad de formar pactos electorales” (with Adrián Albala)
- El Mercurio* (Chile) – April 19, 2023. Opinion. Title: “Sobre los Pactos Electorales”
- La Tercera* (Chile) – April 12, 2023. Opinion. Title: “El veto presidencial en la propuesta de la Comisión Experta”
- La Política Online* (US edition) – December 19, 2022. Personal Interview Article. Topic: US politics in the aftermath of the 2022 midterm election.
- El Mercurio* (Chile) – August 27, 2022. Opinion. Title: “La Hora de Decidir”
- El Mercurio* (Chile) – July 22, 2022. Opinion. Title: “Sobre la Igualdad Sustantiva en el Texto Constitucional”
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Eyewitness News at 10 pm (Houston’s ABC affiliate) – 5/6/21. Topic: Social Protests in Colombia.

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Informe Capital (TV Ciudad, public channel in Uruguay) – 1/20/21. Topic: Start of Joe Biden’s Presidency.

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Noticiero Univision (Univision National News) – 10/31/20. Topic: Upcoming Elections in Texas.

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Noticias 45 at 10 pm (Houston’s Univision affiliate) – 3/13/20. Topic: Announcement of a National Emergency.

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Noticias 45 at 10 pm (Houston's Univision affiliate) – 9/12/19. Topic: Democratic Party Primary Debate.

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Noticias 45 at 10 pm (Houston's Univision affiliate) – 12/7/17. Topic: U.S. Recognizes Jerusalem as Israel's Capital.

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Noticias 45 at 10 pm (Houston's Univision affiliate) – 11/8/16. Topic: U.S. Presidential Election.

Noticias 45 at 10 pm (Houston's Univision affiliate) – 10/19/16. Topic: U.S. Presidential Debate.

Noticias 45 at 10 pm (Houston's Univision affiliate) – 10/4/16. Topic: U.S. Vice Presidential debate.

Noticias 45 at 10 pm (Houston's Univision affiliate) – 9/26/16. Topic: U.S. Presidential Debate.

Conexión Texas (Houston's Univision affiliate) – 9/25/16. Topic: Texas Hispanics Polls.

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Channel 51 "Usted tiene el Poder" (Houston's Azteca America affiliate) – 10/21/12. Topic: Immigration.

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TVN (National Television, Chile) – 7/25/12. Topic: Institutional Reforms in Chile.

Noticias 45 at 5 pm (Houston's Univision affiliate) – 1/19/12. Topic: Governor Perry's Presidential Campaign.

Noticias 45 at 5 pm (Houston's Univision affiliate) – 8/14/11. Topic: Governor Perry's Presidential Campaign.

Noticias 45 at 5 pm (Houston's Univision affiliate) – 4/7/11. Topic: Colombia-US free-trade agreement.

Noticias 45 at 5 pm (Houston's Univision affiliate) – 5/21/10. Topic: Immigration.

Noticiero Azteca America (Houston's Azteca America affiliate) – 2/5/08. Topic: Latinos in US primaries.

Noticias 45 at 10 pm (Houston's Univision affiliate) – 3/26/07. Topic: Venezuela-US Relations.

Noticias 45 at 5 pm (Houston's Univision affiliate) – 3/18/07. Topic: War in Iraq.
Eyewitness News at 6 pm (Houston's ABC affiliate) – 9/5/06. Topic: Mexico-US relations.
Fox 26 News at 7 pm (Houston's Fox affiliate) – 8/1/06. Topic: Regime Change in Cuba.
Local 2 News at 5 pm (Houston's NBC affiliate) – 7/3/06. Topic: Elections in Mexico.
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