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| RESEARCH INTERESTS | Comparative political behavior, democratization in post-conflict and developing countries, subnational regimes, local politics, and spatial data analysis. | |
| EDUCATION | University of Houston , Houston, TX, USA | |
| | Ph.D., Political Science, <i>Expected</i> : Spring 2016 | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dissertation: <i>Are Ethnically Heterogeneous Cities More Democratic? Explaining the Subnational Component of Consociationalism in Post-Conflict Countries</i> In this project I investigate the dynamics of subnational democratization in post-conflict countries, taking into account the role of ethnic heterogeneity at the local and individual levels. I argue that ethnic diversity at the local level is associated with greater levels of electoral competitiveness, and favours the de-ethnification of political contestation by increasing the electoral vote share of multi-ethnic parties. The subnational focus seeks to analyze institutional and behavioral aspects that are usually overlooked in the literatures of power-sharing and democratization in post-conflict countries. I use the critical case of Bosnia and Herzegovina to test the implications of this theory. This is a case dominated by journalistic descriptions emphasizing protracted ethnic grievances, which is a hard test for my empirics.• Advisors: Eduardo Alemán, Ph.D and Tanya Bagashka, Ph.D (Co-chairs), Jim Granato, Ph.D, and Sam Whitt, Ph.D | |
| | M.A., Political Science, December 2013 | |
| | Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile , Santiago, Chile | |
| | M.A., International Relations, July 2008 | |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> | |
| | B.A., Political Science, Dec 2006 | |
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| RESEARCH AND TEACHING EXPERIENCE | Research Assistant Hobby Center for Public Policy, University of Houston Supervisor: Jim Granato, Ph.D | Aug 2015 to present |
| | Teaching Assistant Department of Political Science, University of Houston International Political Economy and Introduction to International Relations Supervisor: Pablo Pinto, Ph.D | Aug 2014 to May 2015 |
| | Fieldwork research Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina | Mar 2014 to Jun 2014 |
| | Research Assistant Department of Political Science, University of Houston Supervisors: Tanya Bagashka, Ph.D and Eduardo Alemán, Ph.D | Summer 2011 |

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| REFEREED JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. “Interethnic Tolerance, Demographics, and the Electoral performance of Multiethnic Parties in Post-war Bosnian Municipalities” <i>Nationalities Papers</i>, (Review and Resubmit). 2. Diego Díaz, Pilar Giannini, Juan Pablo Luna Ph.D, and Rodrigo Núñez “El secreto de mi xito. Seis caminos para llegar y permanecer en Valparaso” (“The Secret of my Success. Six Paths to Get and Stay in Valparaiso”). <i>Revista de Ciencia Política</i>, Vol. 26, Number 1, 2006 pp. 169-190. |
| PAPERS IN PREPARATION | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Rodrigo Núñez Donoso, and Roska Vrgova “Geopolitics of the Macedonian Political Crisis: Local, Regional, and Global Shaping of Reality.” |
| AWARDS | <p>External Awards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fulbright Scholarship to pursue doctoral studies in the US 2010-2014 <p>Travel Awards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conference & Research Grant. Institute for Humane Studies April 2014 <p>Student Awards — University of Houston,</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presidential Fellowship 2010-2012 |
| PRESENTATIONS | <p>International Conferences</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Association for the Study of Nationalities, NY, NY Apr 2015 • Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL Apr 2015 • EITM Summer School, Houston, TX Jun 2014 • Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL Apr 2013 • Southern Political Science Association, Orlando, FL Jan 2013 |
| SOFTWARE SKILLS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \LaTeX; Stata; R; Quantum GIS; Microsoft Office |
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| PRE DOCTORAL POSITIONS | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, College UC Jun 2009 to Mar 2010 • Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Chile. Consultant Dec 2007 to 2008 |
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