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Academic Appointments

2025–Present	Professor, Claremont Graduate University
2025	Director, Division of Politics and Economics
2019–2025	Associate Professor, Claremont Graduate University
2018–Present	Co-Director, Inequality and Policy Research Center
2019–2022	Associate Dean, School of Social Science and Policy Evaluation
2019–2021	Chair, Department of International Studies (2019-2020) and Division of Politics and Economics (2021)
2011–2019	Assistant Professor, Claremont Graduate University

Education

2005–2010	Ph.D. in Political Science, University of California San Diego
2003–2005	M.A. University of California San Diego
1997–2001	A.B. Brown University

Books

2022	<i>Geography, Capacity, and Inequality I: Spatial Inequality</i> . Cambridge University Press (w/ Pablo Beramendi)
2015	<i>The Politics of Place and the Limits to Redistribution</i> . Routledge Press

Peer Reviewed Journal Articles

31	Measuring Voter Equity at the Local Level. (2026). <i>Election Law Journal</i> (w/ Jean Schroedel, Joseph Dietrich, Tessa Provins)
30	Indian Boarding Schools for the Gain of White Settlers: A Case Study of Rapid City Indian School. (2026). <i>American Indian Research and Culture Journal</i> (w/ Jean Schroedel, Edward Headington)
29	The Modifiable Areal Unit Problem in Political Science. (2025) <i>Political Analysis</i> (w/ Dong Wook Lee, Hillel Soifer)
28	Vote Your Region or Your Income? (2025) <i>Territory, Politics, and Governance</i> (w/ Dong Wook Lee)
27	Federal Incarceration and Native American Felon Disenfranchisement in the US West (2024). 5(2): 259-283. <i>Journal of Political Institutions and Political Economy</i> (w/ Jean Schroedel, Joseph Dietrich)
26	Decentralization and the Spatial Distribution of Infant Mortality in Less Developed Nations. (2024). <i>Regional Studies</i> (w/ Pablo Beramendi and Soomin Oh)
25	Revisiting the Origins of Felony Disenfranchisement in the United States. (2024). <i>Studies in American Political Development</i> 38(1): 103 - 116. (w/ Jean Schroedel, Joseph Dietrich, Blake Garcia)
24	Achieving Electoral Equity After Brnovich: A Case Study in Native Activism in Nevada. (2024) <i>Social Science Quarterly</i> 105(3): 567-581. (w/ Jean Schroedel, Joseph Dietrich, David Lindgren)
23	The Political Origins of Urban Deconcentration: Evidence from 50 Years of Nightlight Data. (2024) <i>Regional Studies, Regional Science</i> 11(1):1-21. (w/ Soha Hammam)
22	Democracy, Economic Development, and Health Inequalities. (2023). <i>Studies in Comparative International Development</i> , 58(3): 511-537. (w/ Ana Salazar, Javier Rodriguez, Rena Salayeva)
21	Structural Racism, the USPS and Voting by Mail On-and Off-Reservation in Arizona. <i>Studies in American Political Development</i> (2023) 37: 111-126. (w/ Jean Schroedel, Joseph Dietrich).
20	Inequalities in Vote by Mail for Native Americans in the West. <i>Journal of Historical Political Economy</i> (2023) 2(4) (w/ Jean Schroedel, Joseph Dietrich)
19	Measuring the Rural Continuum in Political Science, <i>Political Analysis</i> (2021) 29(3): 267-286 (w/ Zoe Nemerover)
18	Federalism and the Welfare State in Latin America, <i>Regional and Federal Studies</i> (2021) 31(1): 163-184.
17	Federalism and Inequality in Risk-Taking, <i>Frontiers in Political Science</i> (2021) (w/ Yuzhu Zeng, Andrew Marx, Mia Poynor, Morgan Lu)
16	Assessing the Efficacy of Early Voting Access on Indian Reservations, <i>Politics, Groups, and Identities</i> (2020) 10(1): 81-99 (w/ Jean Schroedel, Joseph Dietrich, Savannah Johnston, Aaron Berg)

- 15 Fiscal Decentralization and the Distributive Incidence of the Great Recession, *Regional Studies* (2020) 54(7): 881-896 (w/ Pablo Beramendi)
- 14 When Militant Organizations Lose Militarily but Win Politically, *Cooperation and Conflict* (2020) 55(3): 365-387 (w/ Benjamin Acosta)
- 13 Measuring Geographic Distribution for Political Research, *Political Analysis* (2019) 27(3): 263-280 (w/ Dong Wook Lee)
- 12 Inter-regional Inequality and the Dynamics of Government Spending, *Journal of Politics* (2019) 81(2): 487-504. (w/ Dong Wook Lee)
- 11 Intra-elite Competition and Long-run Fiscal Development, *Journal of Politics* (2019) 81(1): 49-65. (w/ Pablo Beramendi, Mark Dincecco)
- 10 Disparate Geography and the Origins of Tax Capacity, *Review of International Organizations* (2018) 16(1):213-327 (w/ Pablo Beramendi)
- 9 What's Left to Tax? Partisan Reallocation of Trade Taxation in Less Developed Countries, *Political Research Quarterly* (2017) 70(3): 495-508 (w/ Eunyoung Ha)
- 8 Barriers Against the Egalitarian Turn. *Latin American Research Review*, (2017) 52(4): 529-551 (with Pablo Beramendi, Alberto Díaz-Cayeros)
- 7 Analysis of Panamanian DMSP/OLS Nightlights Corroborates Suspicions of Inaccurate Fiscal Data, *Remote Sensing Applications: Society and Environment* (2017) (November, v8): 99-104 (w/ Andrew Marx)
- 6 Taxing with Dictators and Democrats: Regime Effects, Transfers, and Revenue in Argentina's Provinces. *Journal of Politics in Latin America* (2014) 6(1): 3-44
- 5 Income Taxation and the Validity of State Capacity Indicators. *Journal of Public Policy* (2013). 34(1): 1-24 (w/ Nicholas Weller)
- 4 National Leverage: Partisan Constraints on Reform in Sub-National Bureaucracies. *Revista Sul America de Ciência Política* (2013) 1(1): 112-137
- 3 Democracias Liberal E Illiberal Na América Latina. (reprint in Portuguese) *Opinião Pública* (2009) 15(2): 356-385 (w/ Peter Smith)
- 2 Liberal and Illiberal Democracy in Latin America. *Latin American Politics and Society* (2008) 50(1): 31-57 (w/ Peter Smith)
- 1 Governmental Performance and Political Regimes: Latin America in Comparative Perspective, 1990-2004. *Taiwan Journal of Democracy* (2008) 3(2): 101-117 (w/ Peter Smith)

Other Peer Reviewed Publications

- 7 "On the Spatial Dimension of Redistributive Politics." In Olivier Jacques and Alain Noël, ed. *Inequality and Redistribution Across Territories*. (2024) McGill University Press
- 6 "Book Review: Spending to Win." *Perspectives on Politics* 19(1).
- 5 "Inequality and Democratic Representation in Latin America." In Dolores Trevizo and Joe Foweraker, ed. *Democracy and Its Discontents in Latin America*. (2016) Lynne Rienner Press
- 4 "Book Review: The Fire Next Door: Mexico's Drug Violence and the Threat to America." *Trends in Organized Crime* (2013) 16(2): 249-250
- 3 *The Taxation Tango: State Capacity in Argentina's Provinces*. (2010) UMI Dissertation Publication
- 2 "Illiberal and Liberal Democracy in Latin America." In William Smith, ed. *Latin American Democratic Transformations*. (2010). Cambridge: Blackwell Publishers
- 1 *From Peace to Governance: Police Reform and the International Community* Washington, D.C.: Washington Office on Latin America (2002).

Under Review

- | Democracy Distorted (w/ Pablo Beramendi, Carles Boix, Marc Guinjoan)
Distance to Government: County Seats and Native American Voting Access (w Jean Schroedel)
- | Assessing the Impact of Precinct Location and Police Division Management on Crime Response in Dallas (w/ Ben Feingold, Spencer Mueller, Rina Nagashima)
- | Democracy Against the State? Commodity Booms and the Politics of Capacity Building (w/ Pablo Beramendi, Victoria Paniagua)
- | Justice System Encounters and Native American Voting Behavior (w/ Jean Schroedel, Joseph Dietrich, and Edward Headington)
- | The Curse of Malapportionment (w/ Pablo Beramendi)
- | Geographic thresholds for reliable inference in policy-relevant spatial units (w/ Javier Rodriguez, Dong Wook Lee, and Soha Hammam)

Book Manuscripts

- | *Spatial Segregation and Political Exclusion of Native Americans in the United States* (w/ Jean Schroedel)

University Leadership Roles

Associate Dean, School of Social Science, Policy, and Evaluation: 2019-2022
Co-Director, Inequality and Policy Research, Center of the Institute for Democratic Renewal: 2018-Present
Director, Division of Politics and Economics: 2021, 2025
Department Chair, Department of International Studies: 2019-2020
Chair, Faculty Research Committee (University Level): 2020-Present
American Politics Field Chair: 2020-Present
Comparative Politics Field Chair: 2015-Present
Claremont Faculty Leadership Program: 2020
Founder and Director, CGU Inequality Lab: 2016-2018
Academic Search Committee Chair: 2020 (3 Positions)
Academic Search Committee Member: 2014, 2016, 2017, 2019
Admissions and Financial Aid Committee (Division Level): 2011-Present
Transdisciplinary Program Advisory Committee (University Level)
Budget Committee (University Level)
Academic Standards Committee (University Level)
Board Chair's Advisory Group (University Level)

Recent Awards

Haynes Foundation Faculty Fellowship 2025, Urban Relocation of Native Americans in Los Angeles (\$16,000)
Fletcher Jones Foundation Award 2024, Felony Disenfranchisement of Native Americans (\$8,000)
New Perspectives in Studies of American Governance 2024 (\$14,692, w/ Joseph Dietrich, Jean Schroedel)
Public Agenda Project Democracy Renewal Project Grant 2024 (\$50,000; w/ Joseph Dietrich, Jean Schroedel, Tessa Provins)
American Philosophical Society 2024, Phillips Fund for Native American Research (\$3,200)
Andrew Carnegie Fellows Program Senior Faculty Nominee 2023, Theme: Political Polarization
Lincoln Land Initiative, 2023: Support for projects on Police Geography, Gender Effects of Deindustrialization, and the Local Political Economy Conference (\$15,000)
Institute for Humane Studies 2023: Conceptualizing and Measuring Geographic Polarization (\$2,500; w/ Zoe Nemerever)
Health and Human Services: ADRD Program, 2021 (\$45,000, with Javier Rodriguez, Sandra Garcia, Dong Wook Lee)
ICPSR Workshop 2021 "Ethical Collection, Dissemination, and Use of Data on American Indian and Alaska Native Populations"
BLAIS Research Grant, 2018-2019 (\$15,750)
Visiting Fellow, UCSD Center for U.S. Mexican Studies 2018
Fletcher Jones Research Grant, Claremont Graduate University 2017 (\$7,258; with Andrew Marx)
Big Data Faculty Research Award, Claremont Graduate University 2015 (\$3,500)
Fletcher Jones Research Grant, Claremont Graduate University 2015 (\$6,400)
BLAIS Research Grant, 2013-2014 (\$24,876)
Fletcher Jones Research Grant, Claremont Graduate University 2012 (\$7,100)
Avery Fellow, Claremont Colleges 2012-2013, 2015-2016, 2019-2020 (\$6,000)

Post-Doctoral Fellowship, University of Southern California 2010-2011 (Declined)
 Post-Doctoral Fellowship, Center for U.S. Mexican Studies 2010-2011 and 2011-2012 (Declined)
 Senior Vice Chancellor's Fellowship, Academic Year 2009-2010
 National Science Foundation Dissertation Research Grant, 2007-2009 (\$12,000)

Service to the Profession

Council	American Political Science Association Council (Elected) (2024-) APSA Council Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee (2024-) APSA Audit Committee (2024-)
Chair	Political Methodology Society Diversity Committee (2022-) APSA Political Economy Section Best Book Award Committee (2022) APSA 2025 Political Economy Section
Organizer	Class and Inequality Conference (2026) Southern California Political Institutions and Political Economy Conference (2024) PRIEC at CGU (2024) Local Political Economy Conference (2023) California Workshop in Empirical Political Science (CaliWEPS IV, 2022) CGU-UCR Job Market Workshop 2022 Class and Inequality Conference (2022) Visions in Methodology Conference, Political Methodology Society (2021) Southern California Comparative Political Institutions (2012, 2017, 2019) Department of International Studies Student Conference (2018, 2019) Politics of Race Immigration Ethnicity Consortium (2019)
Evaluator	Advancement, Tenure, and Promotion decisions, 2019 (1), 2023 (2), 2025 (2)
Editor	APSA's Representation and Electoral Systems Newsletter
Mentor	Midwest Political Science Association (2018)
Faculty Mentor	"The Current Global Regime and its Great Challenges towards 2050," UCSD and Fundación BBVA (2023-Present)
Panelist	Best Graduate Student Paper, MPSA 2020
Panel Chair	Western Political Science Association 2013, 2019, 2020 Midwest Political Science Association 2012, 2017, 2019
Discussant	Historical Political Economy Workshop 2020 & 2021 Political Institutions & Political Economy Collaborative 2022, 2023 American Political Science Association 2019 & 2020 Council for European Studies 2015 Southern California Comparative Political Institutions 2011, 2012 Midwest Political Science Association 2012 (2); 2013 (3); 2015; 2016 (2); 2017 (2); 2020 Western Political Science Association 2013, 2016, 2019, 2020
Reviewer	<i>American Political Science Review, American Journal of Political Science, British Journal of Political Science, Journal of Politics, International Studies Quarterly, Trends in Organized Crime, Journal of Public Policy, Political Research Quarterly, Comparative Politics, Comparative Political Studies, Journal of Politics in Latin America, Political Science Research and Methods, International Interactions, Political Analysis, Studies in Comparative International Development, Environment and Planning C, Latin American Research Review, Electoral Studies, International Security, Publius, Regional and Federal Studies, Review of International Organizations, Comparative Economic Studies, American Sociological Review, World Development, Political Behavior, Nature Cities, Journal of Comparative Economics</i>

Ph.D. Student Placement

Committee Chair

Academic, Tenure Track

Shawnika Johnson (Pitzer College), Alma Bezares (Pitzer College, Economics), Zeyad Elkelani (Cairo University, Data Science), Giacomo DiPasquale (Wagner College, Economics), Amy Nantkes (Point Loma Nazarene), Noemi Alexander (Cal Baptist Univ), Yuzhu Zeng (La Sierra University), Lily Rowen (Laramie County Community College), Hajer Basodan (King AbdulAziz University), Lama Shaiekh (King AbdulAziz University), Abdurraof Elakder (University of Tripoli), Sally Albar (King AbdulAziz University)

Academic, Post Doc/Fellowship/Teaching

Public Sector	Soha Hammam (Harvard University), Mark Smith (Loyola Marymount), Timothy Milosch (Biola University), Simon Tang (CSU Fullerton), Gary Hawk (Copper Mountain College), Lauren Shaffer (CSU Northridge), Gia Honnen (Pepperdine), Mona Shadia (Chapman)
Private & Non-Profit Sector	Jennifer Cervantez (City Manager, Rancho Santa Margarita), Chris Freeland (City Manager, Indian Wells), Abdulaziz Albinali (Govt of Bahrain), Jake Campbell (Department of Veteran Affairs, LA County Dept of Public Health), Roger Chin (Washington State), Brian Jewett (Laguna Beach Water District), Zaid Alkdidi (Govt of Saudi Arabia), Glenn Steinback (US Navy), Noemi Alexander (Riverside Unified School Board), Amad Abukkazam (Govt of Libya), Inseon Roh (Govt of South Korea), Zeyad Elkelani (Chief Data Scientist, Ministry of the Economy of Egypt), Ibrahim Alsuhaibani (Government of Saudi Arabia)
Committee Member	
Academic, Tenure Track	Carlos Echeverria-Estrada (National Opinion Research Center), Byron Ramirez (Economist, BPM), Lara Steele (Biogen), Lisa Jene (U.S. Overseas Cooperative Development Council), Shawn Matioossian (Disney), Adriana Mendoza (AARP)
Academic, Post Doc/Fellowship/Teaching	Dong Wook Lee (Adelphi University), Joseph Dietrich (Towson University), Kerstin Fisk (Loyola Marymount), Rachelle Walker (Vanguard Univ), Sumaia Alkohlani (United Arab Emirates University), Linda Alvarez (CSU Northridge), Carlin Cristanti (UNC Charlotte), Charupol Ruangsuwan (Thammasat University), Benjamin Acosta (LSU, IDC-Herzliya), Se Kwen Kim (College of Wooster)
Public Sector	Minjae Yun (Assistant Director, Lowe Institute, Claremont McKenna College), Chungwon Koo (Post Doc, Inequality Center South Korea), Joseph Lake (CSU San Bernadino), Jessica McGuire, Ning Li, Benjamin Smith (Sacramento State)
Private & Non-Profit Sector	Paul Pulido (LA Govt), Ichsan Zulkarnaean (Govt of Indonesia), Morgan Stockman (CDC), Miriam Sierra Aguilar (Washington State), Rainita Nerender (Riverside Co Prosecutor's Office), Francis Assenga (Ministry of the Economy of Tanzania)
Private & Non-Profit Sector	Kristoffer Wikstrom (Neilson), Maryah Garner (Economist, Coleridge Initiative), Yunie Le (Economist, Coleridge Initiative), Jingjing An (Acumen), Sara Kazemian (Acumen), Morgan Stockman (Economist, Blisspoint Media), Eveline Gnabasik, Norvell Thomas, Michael Merino (US Green Building Council), Maria Morales (MIM Consulting), Ben Feingold, Spencer Mueller

Media Participation

Australian National Public Radio: "Malapportionment and Gerrymandering"

Association for Economic Research on Indigenous Peoples Blog: "Distance as an Impediment to Voting Access for Voters in Indian Country"

Voice of America: "Despite Gains, Native Americans Still Face Voting Barriers"

The Economist: "Punching above their weight"

Washington Post "Monkey Cage": "Is your town urban or rural? A lot of money rides on the government's answer—which may soon change"

Dallas Morning News, January 2020

NPR's Marketplace, December 2, 2019

Washington Post "Monkey Cage" "What keeps Native Americans from voting...and what could change this?"

Panoramas Website: Taxing with Dictators and Democrats

Selected Working Papers

- Native Voting and Disenfranchisement Policy in the US West (w/ Jean Schroedel, Joseph Dietrich)
- Endogenous Borders (w/ Pablo Beramendi, Dong Wook Lee)
- Conceptualizing and Quantifying Geographic Polarization in the American States (w/ Zoe Nemerever)
- Inter-elite Competition and Fiscal Development in the US States (w/ Pablo Beramendi, Travis Cassidy, Mark Dincecco)
- The Suburbs (w/ Jorge Fernandes)
- Data Centers and Rural Environmental Disamenities: Issues in Indian Country (w/ Jean Schroedel, Jessica Geiger)
- Voter Equity in Indian Country (w/Tessa Provins, Joe Dietrich, Jean Schroedel)
- Boosters and Barracks: Congressional Credit Claiming and the Political Economy of Indian Schools (w/Tessa Provins, Jean Schroedel)

Teaching Experience

Claremont Graduate University

Wealth, Poverty, and Inequality
Parties and Elections
Comparative Political Economy
Theories and Issues in Comparative Politics
Democracy and Development
Comparative Political Institutions
Qualitative and Mixed-Methods Research
Politics of Non-Democratic Countries
Foreign Policy of Latin America
Politics of Developing Countries
Political and Econ Development in Latin America

Pitzer College

Democracy and Development
Wealth, Poverty, and Inequality

Scripps College

Wealth, Poverty, and Inequality

University of California, San Diego

The U.S. Congress
Politics of the Southern Cone
Latin American Politics

Thunderbird School of Management

Guest Lecturer, U.S. Foreign Policy and the Latin American Business Climate

Invited Talks

May 2026	Rural Issues Conference, Arkansas State University
May 2026	PIPE American Political Economy Conference, USC
January 2026	UC Berkeley Comparative Politics Colloquium
December 2025	Coalition of Large Tribes Annual Meeting
November 2025	Asymmetric Federalism International Workshop, Santiago De Compostela
October 2025	USC Historical Political Economy Conference
October 2025	Democracy Reform Summit: Removing Barriers to Native Political Participation, Brennan Center at ASU
July 2025	Stanford Hoover Institute Book Workshop: Hans Luedders
June 2025	Harvard: Workshop on Regional Inequality and Innovation
April 2025	Auburn University's Election Center
January 2025	Stanford University: The Political Economy of Geographic Polarization in Rich Democracies
October 2024	University of Arizona School of Government and Public Policy
October 2024	Native Candidate Forum, Phoenix
March 2024	Brennan Center: Convening on Voting Rights, NYU
March 2024	USC: PIPE Workshop on The Political Economy of Native Policy
January 2024	Bocconi University: Conference on Regional Inequalities
September 2023	MIT: Conference on Electoral Administration,
May 2023	Bocconi University: DONDNA Center
May 2023	Bocconi University: Department of Social and Political Sciences
April 2023	UQaM: Montréal Inequality and Federalism Conference
March 2023	UCSD: Empirical Study of Gender Research Network
March 2023	Polarization Research Lab Annual Meeting, Stanford
December 2022	USC: Political Institutions and Political Economy Conference
December 2022	University of Houston: Hobby School of Public Affairs
November 2022	USC: Political Institutions and Political Economy Workshop
September 2022	USC: Comparative Politics Workshop
May 2022	Seminar on Fiscal Federalism, Buenos Aires, Argentina
May 2022	Politics of Crisis Workshop, Santiago de Compostela, Spain
May 2022	Princeton: Book Workshop
May 2022	USC: Historical Political Economy of the US West
April 2022	Inequality Conference, Konstanz, Germany
April 2022	USC: Book Workshop
February 2022	UCSB Political Economy Workshop
February 2022	UC Riverside Political Behavior Workshop
October 2021	IPRC Workshop
February 2021	CGU Tuesday Talk Series
May 2020	UCSD Democracy and Inequality Workshop
May 2020	UC Riverside: Political Behavior Workshop
February 2020	London School of Economics: Comparative Politics Workshop
October 2019	University of Mannheim: The Political Economy of Reforms
July 2019	Peking University: Taxation and Fiscal Capacity Workshop
June 2019	QOG & VDEM (U Gothenburg): State Capacity- Measurement Innovations, Gaps and Challenges Workshop
April 2019	Duke University: State Capacity- Causes and Consequences
December 2018	The Carter Center: Native American Participation in U.S. Elections
October 2018	Center for US-Mexican Studies, UCSD
January 2018	California Police Chief's Executive Leadership Institute
October 2017	Claremont University Club: U.S. Elections in Comparative Perspective
March 2017	University of Amsterdam: Workshop on the Sub-National State in Latin America
March 2017	Texas A&M: Taxation, Fiscal Capacity and Revenue Workshop
March 2017	UC Riverside: Graduate Colloquium
November 2016	CGU Tuesday Talk: "A Natural Experiment of GDP Underreporting using Nightlights Data"
October 2016	CGU Taking the Constitution Seriously Series
September 2016	CGU Tuesday Talk Series: "Intra-elite Competition and Long-run Fiscal Development"
May 2016	SUNY Buffalo: Workshop on the Politics of Redistribution
January 2016	UCLA Comparative Politics Series: "Geography, Elite Competition, and the Origins of Tax Capacity"
April 2015	Stanford University Comparative Politics Workshop: "Geography, Capacity, and Inequality"
February 2014	Occidental College: "Regional Inequality in Latin America"
October 2013	UC San Diego: "Inequality, Electoral Institutions, and Government Spending"
October 2013	CGU Tuesday Talk Series: "Shifting the Burden in Global Markets"
November 2013	IELA: "Regional Inequality within Latin America"

Legal Training

Redistricting Expert Witness Training, Native American Rights Fund, May-September 2021

Recent Conference Presentations

American Political Science Association, September 2025
Justice System Encounters and Native American Voting Behavior

European Political Science Association, June 2025
Elite Interests and Fiscal Development in US States
The Suburbs

American Political Science Association, September 2024
Elite Interests and Fiscal Development in US States
Comparative Internal Migration

Electoral Integrity Conference, July 2024
Measuring Voter Equity in US Counties

Electoral Science, Reform, and Administration Conference, May 2024
Measuring Voter Equity in US Counties

American Political Science Association, September 2023
Political Parties and the Geography of Economic Preferences
Measuring Voter Equity in US Counties
The Curse of Overrepresentation
Commodity Booms, State Capacity, and Enfranchisement

Polarization Research Lab, March 2023
Conceptualizing and Quantifying Geographic Polarization in the American States

American Political Science Association, September 2022
Political Parties and the Geography of Economic Preferences
Conceptualizing and Quantifying Geographic Polarization in the American States
Political Origins of Urban Concentration in Latin America

Midwest Political Science Association, April 2022
Voting Your Pocketbook or Voting Your Place?
Political Origins of Urban Concentration in Latin America

American Political Science Association, September 2021
Voting Your Pocketbook or Voting Your Place?
Democracy Distorted
Structural Racism, the USPS and Voting by Mail On-and Off-Reservation in Arizona
Political Origins of Urbanization

Royal Geography Society, September 2021
Political Origins of Urban Change in Latin America

American Political Science Association, September 2020
Voting Your Pocketbook or Voting Your Place?
The Modifiable Areal Unit Problem in Political Science

Western Political Science Association, April 2020
Voting Your Pocketbook or Voting Your Place?

State Politics Conference, March 2020
Intra-elite Competition and Long-run Fiscal Development in the U.S. States

Southern California Political Methods, September 2019
Measuring Rural Populations in Political Science

American Political Science Association, September 2019
The Politics of Death

Visions in Methodology, May 2019
Measuring Geographic Distribution for Political Research

Western Political Science Association, April 2019
Economic Geography, Industrialization, and Redistribution
Geography, Capacity, and Inequality

Midwest Political Science Association, April 2019
Economic Geography, Industrialization, and Redistribution
Building Subnational State Capacity in Mexico

American Political Science Association, September 2018
Economic Geography and Redistribution

Midwest Political Science Association, April 2018
 Nascent Bureaucracies
 Measuring Geographic Distribution for Political Research

Electoral Integrity Project, September 2017
 Assessing the Efficacy of Early Voting Access on Indian Reservations

American Political Science Association, September 2017
 From Losers to Winners
 Economic Geography and the Politics of Redistribution
 What's the Right Answer to Trade Liberalization?

Midwest Political Science Association, April 2017
 Commodity Shocks, State Capacity, and the Politics of Redistribution
 Measuring Regional Inequality for Political Research
 Economic Geography and State Capacity

Southern California Comparative Political Institutions Conference, September 2016
 Measuring Regional Inequality for Political Research

American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, September 2016
 Intra-elite Competition and Long-Run Fiscal Development

Latin American Studies Association, New York, May 2016
 Inequality and Democratic Representation in Latin America

Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2016
 Regional Inequality and Dynamics Government Expenditure

Western Political Science Association, San Diego, March 2016
 NAFTA's Opportunities
 Shifting the Burden

Council for European Studies, Paris, July 2015
 Geography, Capacity, and Inequality

Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2015
 Bringing Regions Back In
 Comparing Inequalities

Southern California Comparative Political Institutions Conference, September 2014
 Comparing Inequalities

Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2014
 Regional Inequality and Political Party Representation
 Bringing Home the Bacon or Serving the Homemade Bread

American Political Science Association, Chicago, September 2013
 Regional Inequality and Political Parties

International Studies Association-Peace Science Society, Budapest, July 2013
 Bringing Regions Back In

Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2013
 Regional Income Inequality and Government Spending
 Federalism and Regional Income Inequality

International Studies Association, San Francisco, April 2013
 Shifting the Burden: Partisan Effects on Tax Reform

Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2012
 Uneven Development, Unequal Education
 Trading for Development: Local Interests and National Policy Salience

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