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Education

Johns Hopkins University

Ph.D. Candidate in Political Science

Fields: Comparative Politics and American Politics.

Advisors: Dawn Teele and Sebastián Mazzuca.

Dissertation: “Tamed Democracy: Officeholding Requirements and Redistribution during the First Wave”

Research Interests: Democratization, Historical Political Economy, and Comparative Historical Analysis.

Universidad de San Andrés, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

MA in Historical Studies

Universidad de Buenos Aires, Argentina

BA in Political Science

Publications

Articles

“Officeholding Requirements and the Fiscal Consequences of Democratization”. Revise and Resubmit in *World Politics*.

Book Chapters

“State Power in Argentina” coauthored with Sebastian Mazzuca. Forthcoming in *The Oxford Handbook of Argentine Politics*.

Essays, Reports, and Reviews

“Multiple Research Cycles, One Grammar of Time: Navigating Methodological Debates in Comparative Historical Analysis.” Invited symposium discussing Markus Kreuzer *The Grammar of Time: A Toolbox for Comparative Historical Analysis Qualitative and Multi-Method Research* 23(1): 92–94.

Mazzuca, Sebastián. “Latecomer State Formation. Political Geography and Capacity Failure in Latin America”. *Cuadernos de Historia Contemporanea*, 2021, (43), 433-436.

Saguir, Julio. “Una grieta de doscientos años. Conflictos y debates constituyentes en la Argentina (1816-1827)”. *Revista SAAP*, 2020, 14(1), 94-96.

Fellowships and Grants

Spring Centennial Center Research Grant

2.4k

American Political Science Association

July 2024

Graduate Student Research Grant

1k

APSA’s Representation and Electoral Systems Section

July 2024

Graduate Student Research Grant

2k

SNF Agora Institute

May 2024

Scholarship for Political Science Research

Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research

Summer 2024

Academic Experience

Editorial Assistant

Comparative Political Studies

2023-2025

Research Assistant

Tommi Laitio, Bloomberg Center for Public Innovation

Dawn Teele, SNF Agora Institute

Sebastian Mazzuca, Johns Hopkins University

Awards

Outstanding Service and Exceptional Performance as Research Assistant <i>Johns Hopkins University Experiential Learning</i>	<i>2023</i>
Best Paper in Comparative Politics <i>Sociedad Argentina de Análisis Político</i>	<i>2021</i>

Graduate Training

Frontiers of Empirical Political Science	<i>Spring 2024</i>
Writing for Research	<i>Fall 2023</i>
Development of American Political Institutions	<i>Spring 2023</i>
Quantitative Methods for the Study of Politics	<i>Fall 2020</i>
Political Economy of Development	
Introduction to Causal Inferences	
Data Analysis for Social Science I & II	<i>Spring 2022</i>
Qualitative Research	
World-Historical Sociology	
American Political Development	<i>Fall 2021</i>
The Politics of Finance	
Theories of Comparative Politics	
Research & Inquiry in the Social Sciences	

Additional Training

ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods	<i>Summer 2024</i>
Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research (IQMR)	<i>Summer 2023</i>

Presentations

CES Graduate Student Workshop	<i>2025</i>
Latin American Studies Association	<i>2025</i>
Yale ISPS Work-in-Progress Workshop: <i>Ballots and Borders</i>	<i>2025</i>
Toronto Political Development Workshop	<i>2025</i>
CES Historical Study of States and Regimes (HSSR) Research Network	<i>2024</i>
Social Science History Association	<i>2023</i>
Latin America in a Globalizing World Workshop	<i>2023</i>
XV Congreso Nacional, Sociedad Argentina de Análisis Político	<i>2020</i>

Languages

English, Spanish, and Portuguese