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Academic Appointments

- 2022– Present **Assistant Professor**, *LBJ School of Public Affairs*, The University of Texas at Austin
- 2022– Present **Associate Director for Research**, *Center for the Study of Race and Democracy*, The University of Texas at Austin
- 2015–2022 **Assistant Professor**, *Department of Government and Latina/o Studies*, Cornell University

Professional Appointment

- 2019– Present **Director of Polling and Data**, *Univision News*

Education

- 2015 **PhD**, **University of Washington**, Political Science
- 2013 **MA**, **University of Washington**, Political Science
- 2010 **MA**, **University of Texas at El Paso**, Political Science
- 2007 **BBA, BA**, **University of Texas at El Paso**, Economics, Philosophy

Publications

Book Manuscript

- *Identity Portfolios: A Study of Persistent and Situational Identities among Latino Immigrants*. Book manuscript.

Peer-Reviewed Articles

- 2025. “Neighboring Groups and Political Attacks.” *Political Research Quarterly* 78(4): 1474–1490. (with Randy Besco, Julius Lagodny, Nazita Lajevardi, Kassra A. R. Oskooii, and Erin Tolley.) [PDF](#)
- 2024. “The 2024 Presidential Election Through Latino Lenses: Priorities and Vote Choice.” *The Forum* 22(2–3): 369–391. (with Angela E. Gutierrez, Angela X. Ocampo, and Angie N. Ocampo-Roland.) [PDF](#)
- 2024. “Generational Differences in Issues Salience among Latino Voters: 2006–2022.” *Public Policy & Aging Report* 34(3): 101–104. (with Jacqueline L. Angel.)
- 2023. “The Participatory Implications of Racialized Policy Feedback.” *Perspectives on Politics* 21(3): 932–950. (with Nazita Lajevardi, Kassra A. R. Oskooii, and Hannah L. Walker.)
- 2022. “Fight Not Flight: The Effects of Explicit Racism on Minority Political Engagement.” *Electoral Studies* 80: 102515. (with Randy Besco, Julius Lagodny, Nazita Lajevardi, Kassra A. R. Oskooii, and Erin Tolley.)
- 2022. “Relative Group Discrimination and Vote Choice among Blacks, Latinos, Asians, and Whites.” *Politics, Groups, and Identities* 10(3): 410–429. (with Justin A. Berry and Colin Cepuran.)
- 2021. “Háblame de ti: Latino Mobilization, Group Dynamics, and Issue Prioritization in the 2020 Election.” *The Forum* 18(4): 531–558. (with Angela X. Ocampo and Angela E. Gutierrez.)
- 2019 “Estimating Candidate Support in Voting Rights Act Cases: Comparing Iterative EI & EI-RxC Methods” *Sociological Methods and Research* (with Loren Collingwood, Kassra Oskooii, and Matt Barreto)
- 2018 “Direct and Indirect Xenophobic Attacks: Unpacking Portfolios of Identity” *Political Behavior* (2018): 1–24. (with Francisco Pedraza and Bryan Wilcox Archuleta.)
- 2017 “El Peso del Voto Latino en 2016.” *Foreign Affairs Latinoamérica* 17(1): 11–15. (with Ángela X. Ocampo, Tyler Reny, and Bryan Wilcox-Archuleta.)
- 2016 “eiCompare: Comparing Ecological Inference Estimates across EI and EI:RxC.” *The R Journal*. (with Loren Collingwood, Kassra Oskooii, and Matt Barreto.)

- 2016 “Politicized Immigrant Identity, Spanish-Language Media, and Political Mobilization in 2012.” In Jones-Correa and McCann (eds.), *Immigrants Inside Politics/Outside Citizenship. RSF: The Russell Sage Foundation Journal of the Social Sciences* 2(3). (with Matt Barreto.)
- 2014 “Revisiting Latino Voting: Cross-Racial Mobilization in the 2012 Election.” *Political Research Quarterly* 67(4). (with Loren Collingwood and Matt Barreto.)
- 2012. “El poder del voto latino en Estados Unidos en 2012.” *Foreign Affairs Latinoamérica* 12(4). (with Matt Barreto.)
- 2011 “The Politics and Policy of the Economic Determinants of Civic Participation on Latino Communities.” *Journal of Public Administration and Management*. (with Stephen A. Nuño.)

Other Academic Publications

- 2024. “The Need for a Recurring Large-Scale Benchmarking Survey to Continually Evaluate Sampling Methods and Administration Modes: Lessons from the 2022 Collaborative Midterm Survey.” (with Peter K. Enns, Colleen L. Barry, James N. Druckman, David C. Wilson, and Jonathon P. Schuldt.) [PDF](#)

Edited Volume Book Chapters

- 2011 “Economic Policy Matters: Incentives that Drive Mexicans Northward.” In Mechthild Baumann, Astrid Lorenz, and Kerstin Rosenow (eds.), *Crossing and Controlling Borders: Immigration Policies and Their Impact on Migrants’ Journeys*. Budrich UniPress. (with Kathy Staudt.)

Papers under Review and Working Papers

- “Moving Beyond the White-Black Binary: Investigating Latino Ethno-racial Resentment” (with Angela Ocampo) [Under Review]
- “The Effect of Treatment Mode on Survey Respondents’ Perceptions and Attitudes: An Experimental Design” [Under Review]
- “A Novel Approach and New Measure of Latino Ethno-racial Resentment.” (with Angela Ocampo) [Working Paper]

Selected Public Writing

- Biden Wants to Unite the Country. How Can He Do It? Politico [PDF](#)
- “What 2020 taught us about the Latino vote” NY DailyNews [PDF](#)
- “Fleeing or Flocking? Challenges to the Asian American Political Identity in the Age of COVID-19” University of Michigan - National Center for Institutional Diversity [PDF](#)
- “Here’s what the Democrats need to do to get the DREAM Act through Congress” (with Kassra Okooii and Hannah Walker). London School of Economics USAPP Blog [PDF](#)
- “Allies in name only? Latino-only leadership on DACA may trigger implicit racial biases among White liberals” (with Kassra Okooii and Hannah Walker). London School of Economics USAPP Blog [PDF](#)
- “No, Trump didn’t do surprisingly well among Latino voters: Let’s once and for all dispense with that exit-poll-based fiction” (with Tyler Reny). NY Daily News - January 2017 [PDF](#)
- “Trump’s Future and the ‘Jorge Ramos Effect’ ” Univision - March 2016 [PDF](#)
- Spanish Version: [PDF](#)
- “Hosting SNL Could Hurt Donald Trump With Voters” TIME - November 2015 [PDF](#)
- “The ‘Jorge Ramos Effect’ Could Hurt Donald Trump” TIME - August 2015 [PDF](#)

Software Package

- 2016 eiCompare: Compares estimates from three ecological inferences routines, based on King et. al.’s approach.

Awards

- 2021 MPSA Latino Caucus Early Career Award
- 2019 APSA Adaljiza Sosa-Riddell Award for Exemplary Mentoring of Latino/a Junior Faculty in Political Science

Research Grants and Fellowships

- 2021 Cornell Migrations Initiative, multiple projects - \$127,000
- 2019 ISS Cornell Grant - \$6,000
- 2018 APSA Centennial Research Grant - \$4,200
- 2014 Center for Social Science Computation and Research Fellowship - \$45,000
- 2014 Center for Democracy and Voting Rights Fellowship - \$5,000
- 2013 Center for Democracy and Voting Rights Fellowship - \$5,000
- 2011 Russell F. Stark Fellowship - \$4,000
- 2010 WISER Survey Research Fellowship - \$20,000
- 2010 University of Washington, Political Science Summer Fellowship - \$4,000
- 2010 Graduate Opportunities & Minority Achievement Fellowship - \$25,000
- 2010 Donald R. Matthews Fellowship, University of Washington - \$40,000

Teaching Experience

The University of Texas at Austin

- PA 311N Data Analysis for Public Policy
- PA 397C Survey Design and Analysis
- PA 394 Research Design and Methods
- PA 388K Race, Inequality, and Public Policy
- PA 388 Immigration Policy

Cornell University

- GOVT 6029 Advanced Regression Analysis
- GOVT 4999 Honors Thesis Seminar
- GOVT 4283 Latino Politics as Racial Politics
- GOVT 4032 Immigration and Politics Research Seminar
- GOVT 3990 Puzzle Solving with Data
- GOVT 1101 Race & Ethnicity in U.S.

University of Texas at El Paso

- POLS 2311 American Government and Politics, **Lecturer**

Research Appointments

- 2022-Present Center for the Study of Race and Democracy *Associate Director for Research*
- 2014-2016 The Center for Social Science Computation and Research (CSSCR) - *Consultant*
- 2012-2016 Center for Democracy and Voting Rights *Research Fellow*

Affiliated Research Centers

- Center for the Study of Race and Democracy | The University of Texas at Austin

Past Affiliations

- Roper Center | Cornell University
- Center for Statistics and Social Sciences (CSS&S)
- Center for Social Science Computation and Research (CSSCR)
- 2012-2016 The Washington Poll - *Senior Researcher*

Software and Programming

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| ◦ R | ◦ L ^A T _E X |
| ◦ RStudio | ◦ ArcGIS |
| ◦ Stata | ◦ SAS |
| ◦ SPSS | ◦ EViews |

Language Skills

Spanish Native proficiency

Selected Professional Presentations & Invited Talks

- U.S.-Mexico Forum 2024: Decoding the Path to the Presidency in Mexico and the U.S. UC San Diego School of Global Policy and Strategy, 2024.
- The Annenberg Roundtable: Latino Voters, Latino Media. USC Center on Communication Leadership and Policy, 2024.
- Racism in America: Education and Housing. Cornell University. November 2020
- Between the Polls: How Voters Decide. Cornell University. October 2020
- The Power of the Latina/o/x Vote! Cornell University. October 2020
- Clarity or Chaos? The Democratic Primaries at Super Tuesday Cornell University. March 2020
- 2020 Iowa Caucus, Shambaugh Conference. University of Iowa. February 2020
- Immigration, Migration, and Refugee Policies under the new Administration - Cornell University. June 2017
- History in the Making: Cornell Perspectives on Election 2016. Cornell University. November 2016
- Love Trumps Hate: The impact of the Latino Vote in the 2016 Election. University of Texas El Paso. September 2016
- Latino Vote in the Time of Trump, Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, Syracuse University, September 2016.
- Foro: El Voto Latino de las elecciones de 2016 en E.U. Implicaciones para México, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM), Mexico City, August 2016.
- National Conference on Latino Politics, Power and Policy, Brown University, October 2009
- Border Social Forum, Universidad Autónoma de Ciudad Juárez, Ciudad Juárez, MX, 2007

Service

2022-2024 APSA Latina/o Caucus Treasurer

2019-2020 MPSA - REP section chair

2014-2016 APSA Committee for The Study of Race, Ethnicity, and Politics, *Graduate Student Representative*

Peer-Reviewer

American Political Science Review

American Journal of Political Science

Politics, Groups, and Identities

Political Behavior

Political Research Quarterly

International Migration Review

The Sociological Quarterly