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Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

The University of Chicago, The Department of Political Science (*Chicago, IL*)

Ph.D. Candidate *Expected 2009*
M.A. in Political Science *June 2005*

Harvard University, John F. Kennedy School of Government (*Cambridge, MA*)

M.P.A. in International Development *June 2002*

Instituto Tecnológico y de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey (*Monterrey, Mexico*)

B.A. in Economics *June 1995*

DISSERTATION

Title: *Distributive Politics and the Poor*

Committee: Susan C. Stokes (Chair), Carles Boix, Roger B. Myerson, Luis F. Medina

FIELDS OF INTEREST

Comparative Political Economy and Political Methodology, with special interests in Distributive Politics, the Political Economy of Development and Poverty Alleviation, and Politics of International Development.

WORKING PAPERS

“A Wealthy Median Voter?” *September 2007*

“Political Feasibility of Poverty Alleviation Programs in Developing Countries” *April 2005*

- “Trade Flows among Federal States in Mexico, a Network Analysis” *December 2003*
- “Allocating Financial Institutions Regulatory Authorities: A Proposal for the Organizational Structure of Financial Regulation and Supervision in Mexico” *May 2002*
- “Central Bank Independence, the Central Bank of Mexico” *April 2001*
- “Micro-finance: Self-employed Women in Major Urban Areas of Mexico” *December 2001*

CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP PAPERS

- “Elites and Democracy: Is there a Wealthy Median Voter in Latin America?” *August 29, 2008*
Paper presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Boston MA
- “Elites and Democracy: Is there a Wealthy Median Voter in Latin America?” *April 5, 2008*
Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association 66th Annual National Conference, Chicago IL
- “A Wealthy Median Voter?” Paper presented at the Comparative Politics Workshop, The University of Chicago, Chicago IL *September 26, 2007*
- “Redistributive Politics and the Poor” Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association 65th Annual National Conference, Chicago IL *April 13, 2007*
- “Distributive Politics and the Poor” Paper presented at the Summer Institute on the Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models, The University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI *July 13, 2006*
- “Distributive Politics and the Poor” Paper presented at the Political Economy Workshop, The University of Chicago, Chicago IL *April 25, 2006*
- “Democratic Redistribution and the Poor” Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association 64th Annual National Conference, Chicago IL *April 22, 2006*
- “Politics of Poverty Alleviation Programs in Developing Countries” Paper presented at the Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies Graduate Student Conference, Princeton NJ *April 7, 2006*
- “Distributive Politics and the Poor” Paper presented at the Comparative Politics Workshop, The University of Chicago, Chicago IL *February 15, 2006*
- “The Political Feasibility of Poverty Alleviation Programs in Developing Countries” Paper presented at the Comparative Politics Workshop, The University of Chicago, Chicago IL *April 20, 2005*

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

The University of Chicago

- Preceptor and Lecturer*, Public Policy Studies 2007-2008
BA Thesis
- Lecturer*, International Studies Program Spring 2007
Undergraduate Course: INST 29308 “International Development”
- Lecturer*, The Department of Political Science Winter 2007
Undergraduate Course: PLSC20611 “The Political Economy of Poverty Alleviation”
- Preceptor*, The Department of Political Science 2006-2007
Master’s Degree Paper
- Lecturer*, The Department of Romance Languages and Literatures Winter and Spring 2006
Undergraduate Course: SPAN20300 “Language, History, and Culture III”
- Teaching Assistant*, The Harris School of Public Policy. Winter 2006
Graduate Course: PPHA31600 “Political Institutions and the Policy Process”
Professor Christopher Berry
- Teaching Assistant*, The Department of History Spring 2004
Graduate Course: HIST36202 “Comparative Political Foundations of Ibero-American Independence”
Visiting Tinker Professor Jose Carlos Chiaramonte

Harvard University

- Teaching Fellow*, John F. Kennedy School of Government Summer 2002
Executive Program: “Macroeconomic Policy and Management”
Professor Richard Goldman

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Harvard University

- Research Assistant*, John F. Kennedy School of Government Summer 2002
Research on policies, reforms and activities for achieving pro-poor, poverty-reducing economic growth.
Professor Joseph J. Stern
- Research Assistant*, John F. Kennedy School of Government Spring 2001
Research on economic policies and performance in Poland and Romania.
Visiting Professor Georges de Menil

AWARDS AND HONORS

<i>International Studies Prize Lectureship</i> , The University of Chicago	<i>Spring 2007</i>
<i>Grodzins Prize Lectureship</i> , The University of Chicago	<i>Winter 2007</i>
<i>Social Sciences Division Scholarship</i> , The University of Chicago	<i>2006-2007</i>
<i>NSF Grant</i> , EITM Summer Institute, University of Michigan	<i>Summer 2006</i>
<i>CLAS Field Research Travel Grant to Peru</i> , The University of Chicago	<i>Summer 2005</i>
<i>CONACYT Fellowship</i>	<i>2003-2006</i>
<i>Joint Japan/World Bank Graduate Scholarship Program</i> , World Bank	<i>2000-2002</i>
<i>Banco de México Fellowship Program</i> , Central Bank of Mexico	<i>2000-2002</i>
<i>Fundación México en Harvard Grant</i>	<i>2000-2002</i>
<i>Kokkalis Program on Southeastern and East-Central Europe</i>	<i>Summer 2001</i>

CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP PARTICIPATION

Chair and Discussant, "Inequality and Education" Panel. Midwest Political Science Association Annual National Conference, Chicago IL	<i>April 14, 2007</i>
Discussant, "The Determinants of Economic Growth" Panel. Midwest Political Science Association Annual National Conference, Chicago IL	<i>April 20, 2006</i>
Discussant, "Religious Competition and Popular Mobilization" by Guillermo Trejo. Comparative Politics Workshop, The University of Chicago, Chicago IL	<i>February 22, 2006</i>
Discussant, "Red States, Blue States, and the Welfare State: Political Geography, Representation, and Government Policy Around the World" by Jonathan Rodden. Joint session Political Economy Workshop and Comparative Politics Workshop, The University of Chicago, Chicago IL	<i>May 4, 2005</i>
Discussant, "When Does Democracy Matter? Evidence from the Post-Civil War United States" by Nikola Mirilovic. Comparative Politics Workshop, The University of Chicago, Chicago IL	<i>February 9, 2005</i>
Discussant, "Club Goods and Group Identity: Evidence from Islamic Resurgence During the Indonesian Financial Crisis" by Daniel L. Chen. Comparative Politics Workshop, The University of Chicago, Chicago IL	<i>October 20, 2004</i>
Discussant, "Income Support, Labor Legislation, and Collective Action in Democracies" by Luis Fernando Medina. Comparative Politics Workshop, The University of Chicago, Chicago IL	<i>March 31, 2004</i>

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND SERVICE

Member, Methods Hiring Committee, The University of Chicago 2005-2006
American Political Science Association
Midwest Political Science Association
The Academy of Political Science

NON-ACADEMIC PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Chief Financial Researcher (on leave), Central Bank of Mexico (*Mexico City*) 2002-Present
Visiting Economist, Central Bank of Bulgaria (*Sofia, Bulgaria*) Summer 2001
Economist, Central Bank of Mexico (*Mexico City*) 1997-2000
Credit Analyst, Bancomer (*Mexico City*) 1996-1997

REFERENCES

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