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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Assistant Professor of Political Science: July 2016 – Today

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, NC, USA

Visiting Associate Research Scholar at Q-APS: September 2015 – January 2017

Princeton University, NJ, USA

Assistant Professor of Political Science: August 2013 – May 2016

University of Miami, FL, USA

Instructor of Social Sciences: August 2005 – May 2006

Colegio San Carlos, Bogotá, Colombia

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Political Science, May 2013

Washington University in St. Louis, USA

M.A. Political Science, May 2010

Washington University in St. Louis, USA

B.A. Political Science (*Cum Laude*), April 2006

Universidad de los Andes, Colombia

RESEARCH

Peer-Reviewed Publications

- Olivella, S., and Montgomery, J. B. (2018). “Tree Based Methods for Political Science” *American Journal of Political Science*, (Forthcoming).
- Uscinski, J. and Olivella, S. (2017). “The Conditional Effect of Conspiracy Thinking on Attitudes toward Climate Change” *Research & Politics* October-December 2017: 1–9.
- Olivella, S., Kanthak, K. and Crisp, B. (2017). “...And Keep Your Enemies Closer: Cosponsorship Patterns as Reputation Building.” *Electoral Studies* 46(1): 75–86.
- Montgomery, J., Olivella, S., Potter, J., and Crisp, B. (2015). “An Informed Forensics Approach to Detecting Vote Irregularities” *Political Analysis*, 23(4): 488–505.
- Potter, J. and Olivella, S. (2015). “Electoral strategy in geographic space: Accounting for spatial proximity in district-level party competition” *Electoral Studies*, 40(1): 76–86.
- Atkinson, M., Mann, C., Olivella, S., Simon, A. and Uscinski, J. (2014). “(Where) Do Campaigns Matter? The Impact of National Party Convention Location” *The Journal of Politics*, 76(4): 1045–1058.
- Crisp, B., Olivella, S., Potter, J. and Mishler, W. (2014). “Elections as Instruments for Punishing Bad Representatives and Selecting Good Ones” *Electoral Studies*, 31(1): 1–15.
- Olivella, S. and Tavits, M. (2013). “Legislative Effects of Electoral Mandates.” *British Journal of Political Science*, 44(2): 301–321.
- Crisp, B., Olivella, S., Malecki, M. and Sher, M. (2013). “Vote-Earning Strategies in Flexible List Systems: Seats at the Price of Unity.” *Electoral Studies*, 32(4): 658–669.
- Crisp, B., Olivella, S., and Potter, J. (2013). “Party System Nationalization and the Scope of Public Policy.” *Comparative Political Studies*, 46(4): 431–456.

- Crisp, B., Olivella, S., and Potter, J. (2012). “Electoral contexts that impede voter coordination.” *Electoral Studies*, 31(1): 143–158.
- Olivella, S. and Vélez, C. (2006). “Will Uribe’s coalition survive?” (in Spanish). *Colombia Internacional*, 64(2): 194–205.

Selected Additional Publications

- Olivella, S., Botero, F. (2014). “El Voto preferente en Colombia” in Lina Cano (Ed.) *Reforma Estructural del equilibrio de poderes en Colombia*. Medellín: Universidad de Antioquia.
- Crisp, B., Olivella, S., and Potter, J. (2013). “Comparación de distintos indicadores de consolidación de sistemas de partidos” in Torcal, M. (Ed.) *Institucionalización de los Sistemas de Partidos en América Latina*. Barcelona: Editorial Tauros.
- Olivella, S. (2011). “Cross-Tabular Analysis.” in Badie B. et al. (Eds.) *International Encyclopedia of Political Science*. Los Angeles, CA.: SAGE Publications.
- Olivella, S. and Gill, J. (2011). “Parallel Gibbs Sampling with `snowfall`.” *The Political Methodologist*, 19(1).

Recent Conferences & Invited Talks

- “Bayesian latent variable model of electoral discrimination”, presented at the Metric Geometry of Redistricting Meeting at SFU, 15 – 17 April 2018.
- “Placing citizens and politicians in the same ideological scale”, presented at the Latin American PolMeth Meeting, November 14 2017
- “Tree-based models for Political Science Data”, presented at the joint Oxford Duke conference (Duke University), 19 – 20 May 2017.
- “The Mediating Impact of Conspiracy Thinking on Climate Change Attitudes” and “Pivotal Policy Makers and Policy Outcomes in Presidential Systems” presented at the American Political Science Association Meeting, 1 – 4 September 2016.
- “Tree-based models for Political Science Data”, presented at the Political Methodology Research Seminar (Q-APS Princeton), 13 November 2015.
- “Machine Learning”, Chair and discussant at the American Political Science Association Meeting, 3 – 6 September 2015.
- “Turnout and distance to the polling place in Hungary”, presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Meeting, 16 – 19 April 2015.

TEACHING

- 2017 – Today Instructor, UNC-Chapel Hill** Intermediate (POLI784; graduate) and Advanced Quantitative Methods (POLI787; graduate) in Political Science, Introduction to Bayesian Modeling (POLI891; graduate).
- 2017 Instructor, CESS Santiago, Chile** Introduction to Causal Inference
- 2016 Instructor, Princeton University** Applied Quantitative Analysis (POL346; undergraduate)
- 2015, 2016 Instructor, Escuela de Invierno, Universidad Católica del Uruguay** Bayesian Statistics for the Social Sciences (five day professional course).
- 2013–2016 Instructor, University of Miami** Advanced Statistical Methods in Political Science (POL 595T; graduate), Introductory Statistical Methods in Political Science (POL 517; undergraduate), Logic and Practice of Political Science (POL 301; undergraduate) and Comparative Political Institutions (POL598S; undergraduate).

ADDITIONAL SKILLS

Languages Native Spanish; Fluent English; Proficient German.

Software and Programming Languages C++, R, JAGS, Stan, Stata, NetLogo, ArcGIS.

REFERENCES

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