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- Research Interests** Latin American politics, political psychology, and political behavior.
- Education** Ph.D., Political Science, The Ohio State University, May 2017 (*expected*)
Dissertation: Challenging Democracy: The Extension of Presidential Terms from a Citizen's Perspective
Committee: Sarah Brooks (co-chair), Irfan Nooruddin (co-chair), Amanda Robinson, Thomas Nelson
- M.A. Political Science, The Ohio State University, 2014
Examinations: Comparative Politics and Political Psychology
- B.A. English, International Studies, and Spanish, West Virginia University, 2011 (with Honors), *Summa Cum Laude*
- Training** Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research (IQMR), June 15-26, 2015, Syracuse University
- Interuniversity Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) Summer Program in Quantitative Methods, June-July 2012, The University of Michigan
- Conference Presentations** Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, IL, April 8, 2016, presented "The Economics of Giving Up the Vote"
- Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, IL, April 17, 2015, presented "Democratic Dissatisfaction in Latin America"
- Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, January 15, 2015, presented "Latin America's Paradoxical Majority Voter"
- Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, IL, April 5, 2014, presented "Representation and Participation: The Symbolic Role of the Indigenous in Bolivia"
- Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, IL, April 3, 2014, presented "The Conditional Effect of Ethnic and Class Identities"
- Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, January 9, 2014, presented "Representation and Participation: The Symbolic Role of the Indigenous in Bolivia"

Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, IL
April 12, 2013, presented “The Mobilization of Ethnic Identities in
Bolivia: The Collective Power of Indigenous People”

**Professional
Service**

Co-Founder of Women in Political Science (WIPS), Department of
Political Science, The Ohio State University, 2016

ABD Representative, Parallel Graduate Studies Committee, Department
of Political Science, The Ohio State University, 2015-2016

Panel Discussant: Public Opinion in Comparative Perspective, Southern
Political Science Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, January
17, 2015

Panel Discussant: Decentralization, Bureaucracy, and Social Goods in
Latin America, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference,
Chicago, IL, April 5, 2014

Panel Chair and Discussant: Micro-Level Research in Developing
Democracies, Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting,
New Orleans, LA, January 10, 2014

**Professional
Associations**

Southern Political Science Association; Latin American Studies
Association; Midwest Political Science Association

**Relevant
Experience**

Instructor, *Politics of the Developing World*, Spring 2015, Spring 2016,
Summer 2016, Maymester 2016

Instructor, *Latin American Politics*, Autumn 2014, Summer 2015, Autumn
2015

International Election Observer, Bolivia, *Organization of American States*,
October 8, 2014 – October 14, 2014

Pre-Dissertation Fieldwork, February 27, 2014 – March 22, 2014,
Santa Cruz, Bolivia

Pre-Dissertation Fieldwork, June 12, 2013 – July 17, 2013, Cochabamba,
Bolivia, and La Paz, Bolivia

Research Assistant, Post-Conflict Reconstruction Project, Thomas
Flores, PhD, and Irfan Nooruddin, PhD, June 2011 – August
2011; March 2012

Research Scholar, Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement
Program, West Virginia University, June 2009 – May 2011

**Honors and
Awards**

The Charles and Kathleen Manatt Fellowship, July 13 – August 13, 2015,
International Foundation of Electoral Systems (IFES), Washington, D.C.,
\$5,000 stipend

Mershon Center for International Security Studies, Student Research Grant, The Ohio State University, 2015-2017, \$5,000 for dissertation research

Beginner Aymara FLAS Fellowship, Summer 2014, U.S. Department of Education, Covered summer tuition plus \$2,500 stipend

Mershon Center for International Security Studies, Student Research Grant, The Ohio State University, 2014-2016, \$4,500 for dissertation research

Advanced Quechua FLAS Fellowship, August 2013 – May 2014, U.S. Department of Education, Covered academic year tuition plus a \$15,000 stipend

Tinker Field Research Grant, Center for Latin American Studies, The Ohio State University, 2013, \$2,000 for travel associated with pre-dissertation fieldwork in Bolivia

Mershon Faculty Grant, Summer 2013, Mershon Center for International Security, The Ohio State University, \$5,000 for travel associated with pre-dissertation fieldwork in Bolivia

Departmental Grant, June – August 2013, Department of Political Science, The Ohio State University, \$5,000 stipend

Intermediate Quechua Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship, August 2012 – May 2013, U.S. Department of Education, Covered academic year tuition plus a \$15,000 stipend

Departmental Grant, June 2012 – July 2012, Department of Political Science, The Ohio State University, Covered \$2,500 tuition for Interuniversity Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) Summer Program in Quantitative Methods at University of Michigan

The Ohio State University Fellowship, September 2011- September 2012, Graduate School, The Ohio State University, Covered academic year tuition plus \$20,435 stipend

Languages

English (native)
Spanish (advanced)

Quechua (intermediate)
Aymara (beginner)

References

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