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RESEARCH INTERESTS International political economy & comparative politics of Latin America

EDUCATION *Ph. D.*, Politics expected spring 2018
Princeton University, Princeton, NJ
Helen Milner (Chair), Deborah Yashar, Faisal Ahmed
General Exam Fields: Comparative Politics, International Relations, Formal and Quantitative Methods

Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies 2016 - 2017
Graduate Fellow

M. A., Politics 2013
Princeton University, Princeton, NJ
M. A. Thesis: “The Determinants of Support for Democracy in Latin America: Perceptions and Performance”

The Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research (IQMR) Summer 2013
Summer Institute at Syracuse University

International Scholars Program, University of São Paulo Summer 2012
Visiting Scholar in the Department of Political Science

Bachelor of Arts, Economics and International Relations 2008
Stanford University, Palo Alto, CA
Goldman Interschool Honors in Environmental Science, Technology, and Policy

DISSERTATION TITLE “Multinational Investment and Domestic Policymaking in Latin America”

DISSERTATION ABSTRACT My three-essay dissertation examines the impact of international investment and financial flows on democratic policymaking in Latin America. The first paper examines how international oil companies negotiate with host states in order to capture the different dynamics of the state-firm bargaining process. The second essay examines how firm activity, specifically the character and location of FDI, affects public perceptions of government performance across Latin America. The third essay addresses the question of how stock market performance affects democratization. Together, the essays form a unified effort to understand how firms, as they invest in different states and regions in the developing world, shape the preferences of citizens and options available to policymakers.

WORKING PAPERS “Bargaining Power and State Capacity: Evidence from Multinational Investment in the Oil Sector”

“Foreign Investment and Perceptions of Government Performance: Evidence from Latin America”

“When Investing Is “Winner Take All”: Interstate Competition for Investment and the Use of Incentives” (with Sarah Bauerle Danzman)

WORKS IN PROGRESS

“Stock Market Performance and Democratization”

“The Politics of Multinational Firms and Citizenship in Brazil”

“In the Talons of the “Tweeting” Eagle: The Trump Effect and the Mexican Peso”

“The International Political Economy of Emergent Brazil” (with Helen Milner, Daniela Campello, and Amâncio de Oliveira)

Survey of business elites in Brazil in partnership with the University of São Paulo and the Getúlio Vargas Foundation (to be completed December 2017)

“Investment Facilitation Priorities in Complex Policy Environments” (with Sarah Bauerle Danzman)

A survey of more than 300 investment promotion agencies, paired with a second survey of multinational corporations regarding preferences towards investment policies, in partnership with the World Association of Investment Promotion Agencies (WAIPA)

“Facilitating Private Investment to Achieve the Sustainable Development Goals” (with Sarah Bauerle Danzman and Geoffrey Gertz)

“Political Decentralization and Investment Flows” (with Ben Graham and Sarah Bauerle Danzman)

“Foreign Direct Investment and Environmental Attitudes” (with Celeste Beesley)

PUBLICATIONS Review of *Bounded Rationality and Economic Diplomacy: The Politics of Investment Treaties in Developing Countries* by Lauge N. Skovgaard Poulsen. October 2016. *Journal of Politics*, Volume 78, Number 4, e22-33.

Thurber, M. C., C. Warner, L. Platt, A. Slaski, R. Gupta, and G. Miller. 2013. “To Promote Adoption of Household Health Technologies, Think Beyond Health.” *American Journal of Public Health*. Vol. 103, issue 10, 1736-40.

Shrimali, G., A. Slaski, M. C. Thurber, and H. Zerriffi. 2011. “Improved Stoves in India: A Study of Sustainable Business Models,” *Energy Policy*. Volume 39, Issue 12, 7543-7556.

“The Economic and Environmental Effects of Eliminating the U. S. Tariff on Ethanol.” American Enterprise Institute Center for Regulatory and Market Studies, Washington, D.C.

TEACHING*Assistant Instructor at Princeton:*

Politics 345: Introduction to Quantitative Social Science (Undergraduate) Fall 2017
Head Preceptor. Instructor: Marc Ratkovic

Politics 385: International Political Economy (Undergraduate) Spring 2016
Instructor: Faisal Ahmed

Politics 230: Introduction to Comparative Politics (Undergraduate) Fall 2015
Head Preceptor. Instructor: Grigore Pops-Eleches

Making Government Work in Hard Places Spring & Fall 2015, Spring 2017
 Massive Open Online Course (MOOC) sponsored by the Woodrow Wilson School
Enrollment included more than 5,000 students and professionals from around the globe.
Instructor: Jennifer Widner

Politics 523: Comparative Political Economy of Development (Graduate)
Gateway development course in Woodrow Wilson School Fall 2014, 2015, 2016
Instructor: Atul Kohli

Politics 311: The Politics of Development (Undergraduate) Fall 2014
Instructor: Jennifer Widner

Assistant Instructor at Stanford:

Law 227: Political Economy of Energy Policy (Graduate) Winter 2010
Instructor: David G. Victor

Economics 155: Environmental Economics and Policy (Undergraduate) Winter 2008
Instructor: Lawrence Goulder

GRANTS AND AWARDS

Ostrom Workshop (Indiana University Bloomington) Faculty and Graduate Student
 Research Award Program (\$10,000) 2017
 Dean's Fund for Scholarly Travel (\$600) Spring 2016, Fall 2016
 Princeton Research in Experimental Social Science Grant (\$450) 2015
 Stafford Fund Conference Travel Grant (\$600) 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017
 Mamdouha S. Bobst Center for Peace and Justice Research Grant (\$5,000) 2015
 Mamdouha S. Bobst Center for Peace and Justice Travel Grant (\$350) 2017
 Niehaus Center for Globalization and Governance Grant (\$4,700) 2015 - 2016
 Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies Grant (\$2,000) 2012
 Program for Latin American Studies Grant (\$600) 2012
 Princeton University Graduate Fellowship 2011 - 2016

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Project Manager for Strategic Partnership with University of São Paulo 2012 - 2017
 Princeton Center for International Teaching and Research (\$300,000)
Primary designer for survey of business elites in Brazil, coordinated exchange of students and visiting scholars

Research Assistant for Professor Faisal Ahmed 2017

Research Assistant for Professor Deborah Yashar 2012

Program on Energy and Sustainable Development (PESD) 2008 - 2010

Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies at Stanford University
Head of Research Platform on Energy Access in the Developing World

World Resources Institute, Washington, DC Summer 2005
Research Assistant in the Institutions and Governance Program

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND ADVISING Princeton University Resident Graduate Student, Wilson College 2012 - 2016
Part of a team of 10 graduate students that provided academic programming and development for more than 500 students in Princeton's Wilson residential college

Co-leader, "Pizza and Politics" Weekly Graduate Reading Group 2014 - 2016
Sponsored by The Niehaus Center for Globalization and Governance

Stanford Residential Education 2007 - 2008
Resident Assistant, Kairos Co-operative Dormitory

CONFERENCES *As Conference Organizer:*

"The Politics of Multinational Firms, Governments, and Global Production Networks"
 (September 30th - October 1st, 2016 at Princeton University)

"Comparative and International Political Economy of the Emergent Nations" (March 15th - 17th, 2015 in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil)

"The International Politics of Economic Globalization and Emerging Market Economies"
 (March 18th - 20th, 2015 in São Paulo, Brazil)

As Conference Participant:

International Political Economy Society Annual Meeting	2014, 2015, 2016, 2017
American Political Science Association Annual Meeting	2016, 2017
Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting	2016, 2017
International Studies Association Annual Meeting	2016, 2017

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP American Political Science Association, International Political Economy Society, Midwest Political Science Association, Network of Latin American Political Economy (REPAL), International Studies Association

FIELD RESEARCH	Brazil	Fall & Winter 2014, Summer 2015, Summer 2016
	India	Winter 2009
	Uganda, South Africa	Summer 2009
	Oaxaca, Mexico (Instructor for Stanford International Service Seminar)	2008
	Chile (Overseas Study in Santiago)	Fall 2007
	Singapore (Stanford International Seminar)	Summer 2007

COMPUTING SKILLS R, Stata, L^AT_EX, Qualtrics, Beamer, MTurk, ArcGIS

LANGUAGES English (Native), Spanish and Portuguese (Fluent)

REFERENCES

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