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- ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS **University of Virginia**  
Assistant Professor, Department of Politics, 2016 -
- EDUCATION **University of California, Berkeley**  
Ph.D., Political Science, 2016  
*Dissertation:* “The Organizational Weapon: Ruling Parties in Authoritarian Regimes”  
*Committee:* Leonardo Arriola (co-chair), Robert Powell (co-chair), Jason Wittenberg, Frederico Finan  
M.A., Economics, 2014  
M.A., Political Science, 2010  
B.A., Political Science, 2009
- PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS “Ruling Parties in Authoritarian Regimes: Rethinking Institutional Strength.” Forthcoming at the *British Journal of Political Science*.  
“Gerrymandering Opposition: Minority-Concentrated Districts and Electoral Competition in Mexico.” 2017. *Studies in Comparative International Development* 52:64-86. (with Brian Palmer-Rubin)
- BOOK PROJECT *Tying the Big Man’s Hands: From Personalized Rule to Institutionalized Regimes* (under review)
- WORKING PAPERS “Accessing the State: Executive Constraints and Credible Commitment in Dictatorship” (R&R at *The Journal of Theoretical Politics*)  
*2016 Best Paper Award, Comparative Democratization Section of the American Political Science Association*  
“Autocratic Constitutions and Leadership Succession: Evidence from Africa” (under review)  
“The Law and Politics of Presidential Term Limit Evasion” (under review, with Mila Versteeg, Tim Horley, Mauricio Guim, and Marilyn Guirguis)  
“Legacies of Violence: Independence Wars and Coup-Proofing in Africa”  
“Elite Cooptation and Opposition Fragmentation in Electoral Authoritarian Regimes” (with Leonardo Arriola and Jed DeVaro)

WORK IN PROGRESS	<p>“At Risk: Thresholds of Democratic Breakdown” (with Benjamin Helms, Jonathan Kropko, and David Leblang)</p> <p>“Elite Promotion Within President Cabinets: Evidence from Sub-Saharan Africa”</p>
OTHER PUBLICATIONS	<p>“A Case for Case Studies: A Multi-Method Strategy for Ecological Inference.” 2012. <i>Qualitative and Multi-Method Research</i> 10(2): 21-26.(with Brian Palmer-Rubin)</p>
RESEARCH GRANTS AND AWARDS	<p>University of Virginia Summer Research Funding, 2018, 2019</p> <p>Best Paper Award, Comparative Democratization Section of the American Political Science Association, 2016</p> <p>Dean’s Normative Time Fellowship, 2014-2015</p> <p>John L. Simpson Memorial Research Fellowship in International and Comparative Studies, 2013-2014</p> <p>Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award, 2012-2013</p> <p>Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models, 2012</p> <p>UC Berkeley Center for Chinese Studies Summer Research Grant, 2011</p> <p>Jacob K. Javits Fellowship, 2010-2014</p> <p>UC Berkeley Political Science Departmental Citation Recipient, 2009</p> <p>Phi Beta Kappa, 2008</p> <p>UC Berkeley California Alumni Association Leadership Scholarship, 2005-2009</p>
TEACHING	<p><b>University of Virginia</b></p> <p>Democratic Erosion (undergraduate), Spring 2018, Fall 2018, Spring 2019</p> <p>Authoritarian Regimes (undergraduate), Fall 2016, Spring 2018, Fall 2018, Spring 2019</p> <p>Game Theory (graduate), Spring 2018</p> <p>Institutions in the Developing World (graduate), Spring 2017</p> <p>Political Violence and Revolution (undergraduate), Fall 2016</p> <p><b>University of California, Berkeley</b></p> <p>Instructor:</p> <p>Math Camp (graduate), Summer 2015</p> <p>Graduate Student Instructor:</p> <p>Math Camp (graduate) with Robert Powell, Summer 2014, Summer 2013</p> <p>Game Theory in the Social Sciences (undergraduate) with Robert Powell, Fall 2012, Fall 2013</p>
INVITED PRESENTATIONS	<p>Washington University in St Louis, Comparative Politics Conference, April 2019</p>

University of Gothenburg, V-Dem Institute, April 2019  
 University of Rochester, Department of Political Science, February 2019  
 University of Michigan, Department of Political Science, October 2018  
 Cornell, Symposium on Democratic Backsliding in Africa, April 2018  
 Higher School of Economics (Moscow), Political Economy Group, September 2017  
 University of Maryland, Department of Government and Politics, March 2017  
 University of Chicago, Harris School of Public Policy, October 2016  
 Ohio State University, Workshop on the Comparative Dimensions of Colonialism, May 2016  
 University of Virginia, Department of Politics, November 2015

CONFERENCE AND  
 WORKSHOP  
 PARTICIPATION

APSA: 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018  
 MPSA: 2012, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017  
 SPSA: 2018, 2019  
 WPSA: 2018  
 African Studies Association: 2016, 2018  
 Society for Institutional & Organizational Economics: 2018  
 Virtual Workshop on Authoritarian Regimes (VWAR): 2016, 2017, 2018  
 D.C. Area Comparative Politics Workshop: 2017  
 D.C. Area Economic History Workshop: 2017  
 Visions in Methodology: 2015  
 University of Virginia (Quantitative Collaborative Workshop): 2016  
 UC Irvine (Conflict and Development Conference): 2016  
 UCLA (Comparative Politics Graduate Student Conference): 2014  
 UC Berkeley (International Relations Seminar): 2013, 2015  
 UC Berkeley (Comparative Politics Colloquium): 2013  
 Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research Author's Workshop: 2012  
 Asia Policy Assembly, 2010

PROFESSIONAL  
 EXPERIENCE

Research Intern, Henry L. Stimson Center, Washington, D.C., Summer 2009  
 Research Intern, National Defense University: Institute of National Strategic Studies, Washington, D.C., Summer 2008

ADDITIONAL  
 TRAINING

Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models (EITM), Princeton, NJ, Summer 2012

SERVICE

**University of Virginia**

Co-director, Lansing B. Lee/Bankard Seminar in Global Politics (2016-2018)

Steering Committee member, Quantitative Collaborative (2016- )

**Discipline**

Malcolm Jewell Award committee, SPSA (2019)

Secretary, APSA Comparative Democratization Section (2018- )

Co-organizer of “Undemocratic Political Economy” mini-conference, Western Political Science Association Meeting (2018)

Best Paper Award Committee Chair, APSA Comparative Democratization Section (2017)

Reviewer for: *American Journal of Political Science*, *American Political Science Review*, *Comparative Political Studies*, *International Organization*, *Journal of Peace Research*, *Journal of Theoretical Politics*, *Political Research Quarterly*, *Studies in Comparative International Development*, *The Journal of Politics*