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**EDUCATION**

**Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile**

**PhD** Political Science (March, 2019)

Santiago, Chile

2019

Dissertation: *“Three Studies on Inequality and Democracy: Elites, States, and Bounded Rationality in Latin America and Beyond”*

Dissertation Committee: Prof. Juan Pablo Luna (Universidad Católica), Prof. David Altman (Universidad Católica), Prof. Frances Hagopian (Harvard University).

Supervisor: Prof. Juan Pablo Luna

**Harvard University**

Cambridge, MA, USA

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2018

Supervisor: Prof. Steven Levitsky

**Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile**

Santiago, Chile

**M.A.** Political Science

2016

**Federal University of Rio de Janeiro**

**M.A.** Sociology and Anthropology

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Supervisor: Prof. Elisa Reis

(2012)

**Federal University of Rio de Janeiro**

**Bachelor** Social Sciences

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

(2009)

## POSITIONS

- 2018-2021 Wenner-Gren Postdoctoral fellow at Uppsala University, Sweden. Sponsor: Markus Holdo  
2018-2021 Visiting fellow at Lund University, Sweden. Sponsor: Jan Teorell  
2021- present Postdoctoral researcher in the project “How elites shape unequal democracies”. PI: Graziella Moraes Silva

## PUBLICATIONS

“Assessing the risk of democratic reversal in the United States: A reply to Kurt Weyland.”(2021) *PS: Political Science and Politics*. [First author, with Juan Pablo Luna]

DOI: 10.1017/S1049096521000329

“Economic and Cultural Determinants of Elite Attitudes toward Redistribution” *Socio-Economic Review* (2020) [First author, with Graziella Moraes Silva, Chana Teeger, and Pedro Marques].

DOI: 10.1093/ser/mwaa015

“Politics and Inequality in Comparative Perspective: A Research Agenda.” *American Behavioral Scientist* 64.9 (2020): 1199-1210. [First author, with Joshua K. Dubrow]

DOI: 10.1177/0002764220941234

“State Segmentation and Democratic Survival in Latin America.” *American Behavioral Scientist*, 64.9 (2020): 1242-1270.

DOI: 10.1177/0002764220941244

“Elites, states, and inequality in Latin America” *Sociology Compass* 12.8 (2018)

DOI: 10.1111/soc4.12598

“Elite Framing of Inequality in the Press: Brazil and Uruguay Compared.” *Brazilian Political Science Review* 10.1 (2016).

DOI: 10.1590/1981-38212016000100002

“Elite perception of inequality as a threat to democracy in six Latin American countries.” In Joshua K. Dubrow (ed) *Political Inequality in an Age of Democracy: Cross-national Perspectives*. London: Routledge (2015): 65-109

DOI: 10.4324/9780203797907

Book review: “Mainwaring, Scott, and Anibal S. Pérez-Liñán. *Democracies and Dictatorships in Latin America: Emergence, Survival, and Fall*”. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2013. *Revista de Ciencia Política* 35.2 (2015), 427-431

DOI: 10.4067/S0718-090X2015000200009

“Brazilian people in the eyes of elites: repertoires and symbolic boundaries of inequality.” *Sociologia & Antropologia* 5.1 (2015). [Second author, with Moraes Silva, Graziella]

DOI: 10.1590/2238-38752015v517

“Elite Theory” *Sociopedia.isa* (2013) available at [sagepub.net/isa/](http://sagepub.net/isa/)

DOI: 10.1177/20568460131112

“The state of poverty: Elite perceptions of the poor in Brazil and Uruguay.” *International Sociology* 28.3 (2013): 351-370.

DOI: 10.1177/0268580913484346

**UNDER REVIEW**

“Unexpected expropriators: elite support for agrarian reform in Brazil”

(R&R in *Journal of Latin American Studies*)

“Response rates in random vs non-probabilistic samples of elites”

(under review in *Quality and Quantity*)

“Inequality, democratic erosion, and types of populist rule”

[First author, with John Higley]

(under review in *Dados*)

### **WORKING PAPERS**

“The electoral appeal of far-right populism among white male voters in Brazil from Enéas to Bolsonaro”

(Working paper)

“White trash in the tropics: unrecognized whiteness among poor whites in Brazil”

(Working paper)

“What corrupt elites think of corruption: answers from those caught in Operation Car Wash (Lava Jato)”

(Working paper)

“Elite Perceptions of Cash Transfer Programs in Brazil and South Africa” [with Graziella Moraes Silva, Chana Teeger, and Luciana Leão]

(Working paper)

### **PUBLICATIONS IN LANGUAGES OTHER THAN ENGLISH**

“Las élites, los pobres y la calidad de la democracia en América Latina [*Elites and the quality of democracy in Latin America*]” In Marianne Kneuer and Leonardo Morlino (eds) *La calidad de la democracia en América Latina*. Santiago: Fondo de Cultura Económica (2020) [First author, with Maria Marta Maroto]

ISBN: 9789562892032

“Interdependência entre as elites e os pobres em contextos de alta desigualdade: questões conceituais e empíricas. [Interdependence between elites and the poor in contexts of high inequality: conceptual and empirical questions]” *Perspectivas: Revista de Ciências Sociais* 53 (2019).

“Cultura política e Estado na América Latina e Filipinas. [Political culture and stateness in Latin America and the Philippines]” *Século XXI–Revista de Ciências Sociais* 5, no. 2 (2015): 109-136. [Second author, with Mario Luis Grangeia]

DOI: 10.5902/2236672521591

“Ideologia e utopia no Chile: os usos sociais do exílio e da arte. [Ideology and Utopia in Chile: social uses of exile and art]” *Cadernos de Pesquisa Interdisciplinar em Ciências Humanas* 11, no. 98 (2010): 462-480.

DOI: 10.5007/1984-8951.2010v11n98p462

“Desigualdade e Política: Resenha de The Great Gap [Inequality and politics: book review of The Great Gap]” *Sociologia & Antropologia* 5.1 (2014): 279-283

DOI: 10.1590/2238-38752014v4112

## INSTRUCTIONAL PUBLICATIONS AND SCIENCE COMMUNICATION

“Teaching & Learning Guide for: States, Elites, and Inequality in Latin America.” *Sociology Compass* (2018)

DOI: 10.1111/soc4.12598

“Acting against their own interest: Why elites should be more progressive than they typically are”. *Think Series* United Nations Research Institute for Social Development. Available at [http://www.unrisd.org/unrisd/website/newsview.nsf/\(httpNews\)/749246B9239F4AB4C12583A2003E0581?OpenDocument](http://www.unrisd.org/unrisd/website/newsview.nsf/(httpNews)/749246B9239F4AB4C12583A2003E0581?OpenDocument) (2019)

“Elites care about inequality, but probably not the way you think.” *IPSA-ISA Political Inequality Working Group Blog*. available at <https://politicalinequality.org/2016/10/18/elites-care-about-inequality-but-probably-not-in-the-way-that-you-think/> (2016)

## SERVICE AND AFFILIATIONS

- Postdoctoral Researcher Albert Hirschman Centre on Democracy IHEID (2021)
- Visiting Researcher Department of Political Science Lund University (2019-2020)
- Wenner-Gren Postdoctoral Researcher Uppsala University (2019-2021)
- Guest Editor with Joshua K. Dubrow of the special issue of *American Behavioral Scientist* “*Why Political Inequality Endures: Elites, Contestation and Participation in Modern Democracies*” 4.9 (2020)
- Associate Researcher, Weatherhead Research Cluster on Comparative Inequality and Inclusion, Harvard University (2017-to date)
- Chair, panel “Methodological Challenges in studies of Elite Populations.” Back to the Future? European Progressions and Retrogressions Midterm Conference of the RN32 – Political Sociology, Maynooth University (2020)
- Pre-doctoral Fellow, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University (2017-2018)
- PhD candidate Associated to the Millennium Nucleus for the Study of Stateness and Democracy in Latin America, Political Science Institute, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile (2014-2019)
- Associated researcher, Interdisciplinary Network for the Study of Inequality (NIED), Brazil (2010-to date)
- Program officer in VII Summer School of mixed-methods, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile (2017)
- Chair and presenter at the panel “Elites in contexts of high inequality: will democracy hold?”. Presenters: Juan Bogliaccini, Luis Garrido, Maria Marta Maroto at the COES conference, Center for Social Conflict and Cohesion Studies (2016)
- Discussant at the book workshop for Fernando Rosenblatt’s “Party Vibrancy and Democracy in Latin America”. (2018) Oxford University Press (2014)
- Assistant Editor, *Current Sociology*, Sage (2011-2014)
- Program officer SEPOCS (Social science graduate students conference), Federal University of Rio de Janeiro (2011)
- Reviewer for: *Energy Policy* (Elsevier), *Journal of Human Development and Capabilities* (Routledge), *Qualitative Sociology* (Sage), *Latin American Politics and Society* (Wiley), *The Latin Americanist* (Wiley), *Journal of Politics in Latin America* (Sage), *Revista de Ciencia Política* (ICP-PUCC)

## GRANTS, AWARDS AND HONORS

- FNS grant and postdoctoral fellowship in the project “How elites shape unequal democracies” (2021-2024)
- Wenner-Gren Foundations (Sweden), postdoctoral fellowship (2019-2021)
- American Political Science Association Travel Grant (2018)

- Visiting predoctoral scholar fellowship Weatherhead Center for International Affairs at Harvard University (2017-2018)
- Research Grant, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, Research Office [circa USD 2,700] (2017)
- Travel Grant, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, Research Office (2016)
- Research Grant CONICYT, Finance Ministry of Chile [circa USD 15,000] (2017)
- Field Research Grant CONICYT, Finance Ministry of Chile [circa USD 4,000] (2017)
- Foreign student scholarship CONICYT, Finance Ministry of Chile (2014-2019)
- Latin American Studies Association Travel Grant (2016)
- Millennium Nucleus for the Study of Stateness and Democracy in Latin America - Publication award for the paper “Elite framing of inequality in the press in Brazil and Uruguay” (2015)
- FAPERJ Research Assistance Grant (2012-2014)
- CNPQ (Brazilian National Research Council), Ministry of Science and Technology of Brazil, Masters scholarship (2011)
- Sociologist of the Future Award - Honorary Mention at the Brazilian Sociological Association for the paper “Estado, Mercado e pobreza na visão das elites no Brasil e no Uruguai” (2011)

### **INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH AND STUDY**

- Survey Practicum - Department of Government, Harvard University. Instructor: Prof. Chase Harrison (Spring, 2018)
- GIS Institute - Center for Geographic Analysis, Harvard University. Instructor: Prof. Scott Bell (June 2018)
- Methods for Interpretation and Analysis of Regression Discontinuity Designs. Instructor: Prof. Rocio Titiunik (University of Michigan) - Methods Winter School at Universidad Católica del Uruguay (July 2016)
- Fieldwork in Brazil, Chile, and Uruguay for PhD dissertation (July to February 2016)
- Fieldwork in Brazil and Uruguay for the Interdisciplinary Network for the Study of Inequality (NIED) project “Elite perceptions of poverty and inequality” (October 2013)
- Summer Mixed Methods School, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, Instructors: Gary Goertz (Notre Dame), Thad Dunning (Yale), and Andrew Bennett (Georgetown University) (January 2013)
- Mixed Methods Design, International Political Science Association’s Summer School at Universidade de São Paulo, Instructor: Prof Max Bergman (University of Basel) (February 2011)
- Intensive Training in Quantitative Methods, Winter school on quantitative methods at UFMG (July 2011)

### **TEACHING**



- Instructor, Workshop on Case Studies and Process Tracing, Universidad de Chile (online) (September 16, 17, and 18, 2020)
- Instructor, Political Data Analysis (undergraduate course), Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile (2019)
- Instructor, Qualitative Methods for Public Administration (Undergraduate course), Universidad de Chile (2018)
- TA, Research Design, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, (2015)
- Workshop on the use of qualitative software - Fundação Getulio Vargas, Brazil (2014)
- TA, Research Methods, Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, (2011)

### **INVITED AND PAYED TALKS**

- Converging toward unequal democracy? Trends in inequality, citizenship rights and support for democracy in the United States, Australia, and their neighbors. Australian and New Zealand Studies Association of North America, Guadalajara (February 9, 2018)
- Elites and Redistribution. Seminario de Altos Estudios del Desarrollo, UNAM, Mexico City, (February 6, 2018)
- Unpacking inequality, democracy, and elites. Allbington Center for the Study of Public Life, Wesleyan University, (November 8, 2017)
- Special lecture on Process Tracing at IHEID (special session in Prof Graziella Moraes Silva's course on research project) (2017)
- Elites and distribution: a cultural approach. SOC\_DL - Sociologiska Institutionen Seminar (October 16, 2017)
- *Elite strategies of state bifurcation* (with Juan Pablo Luna). Presented at "Declining inequality in Latin America: are good times over?" at the Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs at Brown University (2015)

### **SELECTED PRESENTATIONS**

- Sampling strategy, mode and response rate in surveys with business elites. European Sociological Association midterm conference "Back to the future? European progressions and retrogressions European." Online event, (2020)
- Why do the rich support democracy in unequal settings? Presentation in the V Repal Meeting in Bogotá, Colombia, (2018)

- Unexpected expropriators: elite support for agrarian reform in Brazil. Presentation in the Political Economy Seminar at Harvard University (2018)
- Elites and redistribution: a cultural approach. Presentation in the Comparative Politics Seminar at Harvard University (2017)
- Elites and redistribution: a cultural approach. Presentation at the Sociology Seminar at Lund University, Lund, Sweden (2017)
- Unpacking inequality, elites, and democracy. Presentation at Democracy Now! seminar at Wesleyan University, CI, USA (2017)
- Authoritarian bureaucracies: distrust and social distance among bureaucratic elites in South America. Presented at the IV Repal Meeting in Lima, Peru (2017)
- Welfare with adjectives. Presented at the XXXVI LASA conference in Lima, Peru (2017)
- Inequality, revolutionary threats and regime change: a design based reconsideration. presented at the III Repal meeting at MIT (2016)
- Bureaucratic elites after bureaucratic-authoritarianism: preferences, values, and beliefs vis-a-vis voters and market. Presented at the XXXV LASA conference in New York (2016)
- *Elite strategies of state bifurcation* (with Juan Pablo Luna). Presented at II Repal in Montevideo.
- *O “povo brasileiro” visto pelas elites*. ANPOCS, ST 23 Elites e espaços de poder (2014)

### **SKILLS**

- Proficient in comparative research and management of large research teams
- Proficient in statistical and qualitative analysis and software (Atlas.Ti, SPSS and R)
- Basic use of Geographic Information Systems and related software (ArcGIS and R)
- Advanced Portuguese and English, native Spanish, instrumental French, basic German (A2)

### **REFERENCES**

#### Prof. Steven Levitsky

Director, David Rockefeller  
Center for Latin American  
Studies; David Rockefeller  
Professor of Latin American  
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#### Prof. Juan Pablo Luna

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