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EDUCATION

University of California, Irvine, Irvine, California

Ph.D. in Political Science, In Progress, (expected Spring 2018)

Focus: International Relations, International Political Economy, and Research Methodology

Dissertation: A Comparative Analysis of the Narco-economies and Drug Control Policies in Latin America

Committee: Dr. Etel Solingen (Chair), Dr. Caesar Sereseres, Dr. Rudy Torres, and Dr. Marek Kaminski

University of California, Irvine, Irvine, California

Master of Arts in Political Science, December 2016

Overall GPA: 3.85

California State University, Bakersfield, Bakersfield, California

Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, June 2012

Magna Cum Laude Major GPA: 3.86 Overall GPA: 3.72

Dean's List Winter 2010 - Spring 2012

Bakersfield College, Bakersfield, California

Associate of Arts in Liberal Studies, June 2009

Cum Laude Overall GPA: 3.53

Dean's List 2006-2009

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTEREST

Latin American Drug Control Policies, International Relations Theory, Politics of Mexico and Latin America, International Political Economy of the Illegal Drug Trade, U.S. Foreign Policy, Global Security Issues, International Political Economy of Growth and Development, International Organizations, Quantitative and Qualitative Research Methodologies, American Government, and Race and Ethnicity in American Politics

ACADEMIC TEACHING EXPERIENCE

California State University, Bakersfield —Department of Political Science, Bakersfield, CA

Adjunct Professor for American Foreign Policy, Latin American Politics, and American Government, Fall 2017-Present

University of California, Irvine—Department of Political Science, Irvine, CA
Part-time Lecturer for Legal Implications of the Drug Trade, Summer 2017

University of California, Irvine—School of Social Sciences, Irvine, CA
Teaching Assistant, Summer 2013-Fall 2018

Courses: U.S. Homeland Security, U.S. Foreign Policy, Introduction to American Government (On Campus & Online), Introduction to Transnational Gangs, Legal Implications of the Drug Trade, Introduction to Race and Ethnicity in U.S. Politics (Online), Introduction to Juvenile Gangs (Online), Introduction to International Relations, and Racial and Ethnic Politics in the U.S.

FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS, AND AWARDS

Eugene Cota-Robles Fellow, University of California, Irvine, 2012-2018

American Political Science Association Minority Fellow, 2012 – 2014

Outstanding Graduate in Political Science, California State University, Bakersfield, 2012

Ronald E. McNair Scholar, California State University, Bakersfield, 2010 - 2012

American Political Science Association's Ralph Bunche Summer Institute Scholar, Duke University, 2011

Outstanding Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science, CSUB, 2010 - 2011

Pi Sigma Alpha Political Science Honors Society, California State University, Bakersfield, Spring 2011

Intelligence Community Scholar (IC-ACE/IC-CAE), 2010 - 2012

GRANTS

External:

Research Travel Grant, International Studies Association, March 2016, \$300

American Political Science Association Minority Fellowship Grant, Fall 2012-Spring 2014, \$4,000

Internal:

Research Grant, Center for Global Peace and Conflict Studies, University of California, Irvine, April 2017, \$1,500

Graduate Student Research Grant, Department of Political Science, University of California, Irvine, Summer 2016, \$988

Travel Grant, School of Social Sciences, University of California, Irvine, Spring 2016, \$400

Graduate Student Research Grant, Department of Political Science, University of California, Irvine, Summer 2015, \$644

Graduate Student Research Grant, Department of Political Science, University of California, Irvine, Summer 2014, \$596

Research Travel Grant, Associated Graduate Students, University of California, Irvine, Spring 2014, \$600

Graduate Student Research Grant, Department of Political Science, University of California, Irvine, Summer 2013, \$750

WORKING PAPERS

“Medical Marijuana Owners and Employees Opinions on Recreational Marijuana in Orange County California”

“Medical Marijuana Access in California: Perspectives from Patients in Orange County”

“The impact of the War on Drugs on Economic Growth and Development in Latin America”

“America’s War on Drugs: A War for Mexico’s Future”

“Where’s the Pluralism? The Lack of Methodological Pluralism in Political Science and International Political Economy”

“Latino Group Consciousness and Political Participation: A Generational Analysis”

RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS AND CONFERENCES

Presenter, International Studies Association Annual Convention, March 2016, Atlanta, Georgia, Topic: An Analysis of Traditional Economic Growth Factors through the Lens of New Growth Theory

Presenter, International Studies Association’s West Annual Meeting, September 2015, Pasadena, California, Topic: Are We Still Growing? A Re-analysis of Traditional Economic Growth Factors

Presenter, International Studies Association Annual Convention, March 2014, Toronto, Canada, Topic: What's the Best Way to Promote Economic Growth? A 25 Year Global Analysis of Political Freedom, Public Institutions, and Economic Stability

Presenter, International Studies Association’s West Annual Meeting, September 2013, Pasadena, California, Topic: What's the Best Way to Promote Economic Growth?

Presenter, International Studies Association Annual Convention, April 2012, San Diego, California, Topic: Political Freedom, Public Institutions, and Economic Growth: A Global Analysis Since the Fall of the Soviet Union

Poster presenter, American Political Science Association Annual Research Conference, September 2011, Seattle, Washington, Topic: Political Freedom, Corruption, Public Institutions, and Economic Growth: A Global Analysis Since the Fall of the Soviet Union

GUEST LECTURES AND INVITED TALKS

“Bureaucratic Politics and American Foreign Policy” Homeland Security, University of California, Irvine, Feb. 22, 2017

“Graduate School Opportunities for Political Science Undergraduates” Department of Political Science, California State University, Bakersfield, Feb. 16, 2017

“Opportunities for underrepresented students in graduate school” International Studies Honors Seminar, University of California, Irvine, Nov. 9, 2016

“The Role of the Bretton Woods System after WWII” U.S. Foreign Policy I, University of California, Irvine, Oct. 19, 2016

TEACHING EXPERIENCE OUTSIDE OF THE ACADEMY

Critical Reading and Writing ACT Instructor, Elite Education Institute of Fullerton, Summer Session 2017

Critical Reading and Writing PSAT Instructor, Elite Education Institute of Fullerton, Summer Session 2016

Critical Reading SAT Instructor, Elite Education Institute of Fullerton, Fall Session 2015

Critical Reading SAT Instructor, Elite Education Institute of Fullerton, Summer Session 2015

ADDITIONAL PEDAGOGICAL TRAINING

Course Design Certificate Program in Student-Centered Course Design, Center for Engaged Instruction, University of California, Irvine, Winter 2016

SERVICE

Mentor, American Political Science Association Mentoring Program, Fall 2014- Present

Graduate Student Mentor, Department of Political Science, University of California, Irvine, Fall 2013- Present

Graduate Student Mentor, Undergraduate Summer Research Opportunity Program (Diversity Program), University of California, Irvine, Summer 2015

Peer Mentor, Competitive Edge Summer Research Program, University of California, Irvine, Summer 2013

Graduate Student Mentor, Undergraduate Summer Research Opportunity Program (Diversity Program, University of California, Irvine), Summer 2013

SERVICE OUTSIDE OF THE ACADEMY

Human Rights Committee Member, Bethesda Lutheran Communities, October 2015- Present, Orange County, California

Volunteer, Orange County Food Bank, Garden Grove, California

REFERENCES

Dr. Etel Solingen

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