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## Education

**University Wisconsin-Madison**
Ph.D., Political Science (Expected 2029)
- *Fields:* Comparative Politics, Quantitative Methods

**University of Wisconsin-Madison**
M.A., Political Science, 2025

**University of Chicago**
M.A., Social Sciences, 2022

**Universidad de Chile**
J.D., 2019

**Universidad de Chile**
B.A., Law and Social Sciences, 2013

## Affiliations

Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA)
Elections Research Center, University of Wisconsin-Madison

## Work in Progress

"Compulsory for Whom? Uneven Enforcement of Compulsory Voting in Chile" (with Eli Rau).

"Shattered Politics: Political Fragmentation and Democracy Erosion."

## Grants and Awards

Tinker-Nave Field Research Grant, Latin American, Caribbean and Iberian Studies Program (LACIS), University of Wisconsin–Madison *(2026)*

Maroon Graduate Fellowship, University of Chicago *(2020-21)*

Director Scholarship, University of Chicago *(2020)*

## Research Experience

**Research Associate**, Chicago Center on Democracy, The University of Chicago *(2022–2024)*

**Research Assistant, Interviewer, and Editor** *(2019)*
Araujo, Kathya. *La política en tiempos de transformación* [Politics in Time of Transformations]. Friedrich Ebert Foundation.

## Teaching

**Teaching Assistant, University of Wisconsin–Madison**
International Law and Politics (Prof. Genevieve Bates), Fall 2025
Introduction to Comparative Politics (Prof. Steven Brooke), Spring 2025; (Prof. Rikhil Bhavnani) Spring 2026

**Guest Lecturer, Universidad de Chile**
Modern Social and Economic Thought, Faculty of Economy and Business *(2014–2016)*

**Teaching Assistant, Universidad de Chile**
Introduction to Political and Economic Thought (Prof. Oscar Landerretche) *(2013–2014)*
Introduction to Political Theory (Prof. Roberto Bruna) *(2013–2014)*
History of Philosophy of Law; Moral Philosophy; Theory of Justice (Prof. Juan Ormeño Karzulovic) *(2012–2015)*

## Guest Lectures

"Constitutional and Legislative Law in the Political Process." Guest lecture for Law in Action (Legal Studies 444), University of Wisconsin–Madison *(Summer 2025)*

"Democratic Backsliding, Populism and Cultural Diplomacy." Guest lecture for the Diploma on Cultural Diplomacy, Instituto de Estudios Internacionales, Universidad de Chile *(Summer 2025)*

"The Perils of Presidentialism: Linz, Fukuyama, and the Conditions for Democratic Functioning." Guest lecture for Introduction to Comparative Politics (Prof. Steven Brooke), University of Wisconsin–Madison *(Spring 2025)*

## Additional Training

ICPSR 2025, Institute for Social Research, University of Michigan *(2025)*

- Data Science and Text Analysis (Instructor: Yaoyao Dai)
- Time-Series, Panel, and Longitudinal Data Analysis (Instructors: Mark Pickup and Andy Philips)

## Languages

Spanish (Native), English (Fluent), Portuguese (Intermediate), German (Intermediate reading proficiency)

## Service

Coordinator, Political Science Graduate Workshop (PSGW), Department of Political Science, University of Wisconsin–Madison *(2025–)*

Coordinator, Latin American Politics Reading Group, University of Chicago *(2021–2022)*

## Mentorship

Henri Stilling, undergraduate student, Political Science, University of Wisconsin–Madison *(2025)*
Research mentor through the Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship Program (Fall 2025), Department of Political Science.

Gabriela Madriz, undergraduate student, Washington University in St. Louis *(2025)*
Supervised internship at Rumbo Colectivo Foundation (Chile); provided academic and professional mentorship.

## Related Work Experience

**Program Manager**, Center for Latin American Studies, University of Chicago *(2022–2024)*

**Legislative Director and Policy Advisor**, Senate of Chile *(2019–2020)*

**Project Director & Editor**, Friedrich Ebert Foundation, Santiago, Chile *(2015–2019)*

**M&A Research Assistant**, Chilean National Economic Prosecutor *(2012–2014)*

## References

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