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## Education

*Ph.D.*, Political Science, University of Colorado Boulder. Anticipated Spring 2027.

Concentrations: Comparative Politics and Political Methodology

*MA*, Political Science, University of Colorado Boulder. 2024.

*MA*, Extension Studies (History), Harvard Extension School. 2020.

Thesis: "A Social and Cultural History of the Great Pueblo Flood of 1921, Its Aftermath, and Its Legacy."

*BA*, Political Science, University of Colorado Boulder. 2009.

Thesis: "Democracy's Effect on Social Welfare: Examining Regime Type and the Human Development Index." *Magna cum laude*

## Working Papers

"Shelter from the Storm: Using Nighttime Lights to Measure the Role of Social Capital in Disaster Recovery in Latin America"

"Who Cares About the Environment? Latin America and the Case of Guyana."

"Comparing Disaster Recovery in Democracies and Nondemocracies, 1999-2019."

## Grants, Funding, and Awards

IBS Graduate Student Summer Award. 2025. \$1,000.

Political Science Graduate Committee Grant. 2025. \$1,215.

Beverly Sears Graduate Student Research Grant Award. 2025. \$1,200.

Graduate School Travel Grant. 2025. \$650.

Graduate and Professional Student Government Travel Grant. 2024. \$500.

Yale Educator Award. 2020.

Denver Public Schools Distinguished Teacher. 2017, 2018.

## Teaching Experience

University of Colorado Boulder (Undergraduate) - *Teaching Assistant*

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- Introduction to Comparative Politics
  - Quantitative Research Methods

#### Denver Public Schools (Secondary Education) - *Teacher*

- Advanced Placement English Language and Composition
- Advanced Placement World History
- Queer Literature
- English II
- U.S. History
- U.S. History Honors
- Civics
- Geography
- Algebra I
- Pre-Algebra
- Math Intervention
- AVID Elective

### Technical Skills

Microsoft Suite, Google Suite, Stata, R, LaTeX

### Conferences and Presentations

Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting: 2026

Latin American Studies Association Annual Meeting: 2025

4 Corners Conflict Conference Annual Meeting: 2025

Paper Workshop, Tulane University: 2024

Southern Political Science Association Summer Virtual Meeting: 2024

### Service and Professional Membership

Current or Former Member, American Political Science Association, Latin American Studies Association, Southern Political Science Association, Natural Hazards Center, Institute of Behavioral Science, Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society

University of Colorado Boulder:

- Center for Teaching and Learning Lead, 2025-26
- Graduate Students in Political Science Comprehensive Exam Liaison, 2025-26
- Graduate Students in Political Science Undergraduate Committee Rep., 2024-25

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