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• **EDUCATION**

- 2017 Ph.D. in Political Science, Stanford University.
Committee: Beatriz Magaloni, Alberto Diaz-Cayeros, Jeremy Weinstein,
Jens Hainmueller, and Gary Cox.
Dissertation: "Essays on the Political Economy of Violence in Mexico."
- 2013 M.A. in Economics, Stanford University.
- 2006 B.A. in Political Science (Honors), Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de
México (ITAM).
- 2006 B.A. in Economics (Honors), ITAM.
- 2006 Diploma in Dynamic Econometric Models, ITAM.

• **CURRENT APPOINTMENTS**

Program on Poverty and Governance at the Center for Democracy, Development, and
the Rule of Law (CDDRL), Freeman Spogli Institute (FSI). Stanford University.
Research Scholar. Since January 2017.

• **RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS**

Fields of Study: Comparative Politics, Political Methodology, Political Economy.
Research interests: Economics of Crime and Violence, Political Economy of
Development, Decentralization and Federalism, and Legislative Studies.

• **PUBLICATIONS**

(2016) "How the Mexican drug war affects kids and schools? Evidence on effects and
mechanisms", with Brenda Jarillo, Beatriz Magaloni, and Edgar Franco (International
Journal of Educational Development, Vol. 51, November 2016, 135-146).

(2015) "The Beheadings of Criminal Organizations and the Dynamics of Violence in
Mexico's Drug War", with Gabriela Calderon, Beatriz Magaloni, and Alberto Diaz-
Cayeros (Journal of Conflict Resolution, Vol. 59 no. 8 1455-1485).

(2013) "The Economic Consequences of Drug Related Violence in Mexico", with
Gabriela Calderon and Beatriz Magaloni. Interamerican Development Bank (IDB),
Working Paper. Available [here](#).

(2009) "Dimensiones espaciales de votación legislativa en la cámara de diputados de la
LX legislatura", 2006-2009 (Spatial Dimensions of Legislative Voting in the Mexican
Lower Chamber, 2006-2009). Gaceta de Ciencia Política, 2009. Año 6, Número 1.
Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México, ITAM.

- **CURRENT PROJECTS**

“Randomized Control Trial of the Use of Police Body-Worn Cameras in the Favela of Rocinha, Rio de Janeiro”, with Beatriz Magaloni and Vanessa Melo.

“Economic Incentives and Peer Effects in the Use of Lethal Force by the Military Police of Rio de Janeiro”, with Beatriz Magaloni.

“When are Government Interventions Effective? Political Factors in the Use of Violence in Mexico’s Drug War”, paper submitted to obtain the Ph.D. candidacy in Political Science.

“Networks of Fear: The Dynamics of Extortion in Mexico’s Criminal Insurgency”, with Beatriz Magaloni, Alberto Diaz-Cayeros, Vidal Romero, and Aila Matanock.

“Impact Evaluation of *Jóvenes con Porvenir*, 2012-2015”, a Vocational Training Program in the Municipality of Zapopan (Mexico) Targeting Out-of-School Youth, with Brenda Jarillo, Beatriz Magaloni, and Alberto Diaz-Cayeros.

- **COURSES AND TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Fall 2015 “R Workshop”, Instructor. Computational Social Science Workshop, Institute for Research in the Social Sciences (IRiSS), Stanford University, Sept 14th-16th.

Spring 2015 “Using R in Social Sciences”, Instructor. Social Sciences Data and Software (SSDS), Stanford University, May 19th, May 26th, and June 2nd, 2015

Fall 2014 “R Workshop”, Instructor. Computational Social Science Workshop, IRiSS. Stanford University, Sept 11th-12th.

Spring 2013 Political Methodology III for PhD students. TA for Professor Jonathan Wand, Political Science Department, Stanford University.

Winter 2012 Political Methodology II for PhD students. TA for Professor Douglas Rivers, Political Science Department, Stanford University.

Winter 2011 Political Methodology II for PhD students. TA for Professor Simon Jackman, Political Science Department, Stanford University.

Summer 2011 Math Camp Instructor for incoming PhD students, Stanford University.

Spring 2008 Undergraduate Seminar in Political Economy. TA for Professor Arturo Ramírez, Economics and Political Science Departments, ITAM.

Fall 2003 Economics III (Intermediate Microeconomics). TA for Professor Silvano Espíndola, Economics Department, ITAM.

Fall 2003 Economics I (Microeconomics). TA for Professor Alexander Elbittar, Economics Department, ITAM.

- **AWARDS**

2014 – 2015 Pre-Doctoral Fellowship, Center for Democracy, Development and the Rule of Law, Stanford University.

2009 – 2014 Graduate Studies Fellowship, Political Science Department, Stanford University.

2009 – 2014 Graduate Studies Fellowship, Graduate School of Business, Stanford University (declined in 2010).

2009 Ex-ITAM Research Prize. Best undergraduate thesis in Political Science.

2008 Fulbright Scholarship (declined).

- **RESEARCH GRANTS**

2012 – 2013 Inter-American Development Bank research grant on the Costs of Crime and Violence in Latin America and the Caribbean, 2012-2013.

- **REFEREE**

2016 Defense & Peace Economics.

- **WORK EXPERIENCE**

2010 – 2016 Program on Poverty and Governance, CDDRL. Stanford University. Senior Researcher.

2012 – 2016 Social Science Data and Software (SSDS). Stanford University. Statistical Software Consultant.

2006 – 2009 Protego Asesores, Evercore Partners (Investment Bank and Consulting Group). Senior Analyst of the Public Finance Group. Mexico City.

2006 Economic Planning Unit, Mexican Ministry of Finance. Research Analyst.

2005 Center for Economic Analysis and Research, ITAM. Research Analyst.

2005 Consulting Group in Sustainable Development Policies. Research Analyst.

2004 SAI Law and Economics (Consulting Group). Financial Analyst.

- **PRESENTATIONS**

“The Economic Costs of Violence in México”. Presented at the American Political Science Association (APSA) annual meeting (Sept 2016); “The Citizen Insecurity in Latin America: A Regional Challenge” conference, United Nations Development Program and ITAM (Mar 2013); “The Costs of Crime and Violence in Latin America and the Caribbean” conference, Interamerican Development Bank (Jan 2013).

“The Beheading of Criminal Organizations and the Dynamics of Violence in Mexico's Drug War”. Presented at: Center on Democracy, Development, and the Rule of Law Research Seminar (CDDRL), Stanford University (May 2015); Annual International Studies Association ISSS-ISAC Conference; “Illegal drug markets, crime and violence in Latin America” conference, UCLA Latin American Institute and America Latina Crime and Policy Network.

- **LANGUAGES**

Spanish (Native), English (Fluent)

- **SOFTWARE**

R (advanced), Stata (advanced), Microsoft Office (advanced), Latex (advanced), ArcGIS (advanced), and SPSS (intermediate).