

# Franshelly M. Martinez-Ortiz

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## EDUCATION

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### Ph.D. Candidate in Political Science and Public Policy

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

American Politics and Public Policy

Committee: Nicholas Valentino (chair), Mara Cecilia Ostfeld, Vincent Hutchings.

### Master of Arts in Political Science

The Ohio State University

American Politics and Quantitative Methodology

Advisors: Nicole Yadon (co-chair), William Minozzi (co-chair), Thomas J. Wood

### Bachelor of Arts in Political Science

Universidad de Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras

Comparative Politics

Advisors: Luis R. Cámara Fuertes, Mayra Vélez Serrano.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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### Research Assistant

Fall 2025

American National Election Studies

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

### Research Assistant

Summer 2025

Prof. Nicholas Valentino

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

### Research Fellow

Fall 2023 - Present

Center for Racial Justice, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy.

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

### Research Assistant

Summer 2023

Prof. William Minozzi

The Ohio State University

### Research Assistant

Fall 2022 - Summer 2024

Dr. Mara Cecilia Ostfeld

University of Michigan

### Research Assistant

Spring 2020

Colegio de Profesionales del Trabajo Social de Puerto Rico (CTPSR).

Universidad de Puerto Rico, Recinto de Rio Piedras

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### Graduate Student Instructor Consultant

Present

Center for Research on Learning and Teaching

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

### Graduate Student Instructor

Winter 2025

Latin American Politics (including the **Spanish** speaking section),

Prof. Edgar Franco Vivanco

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

### Grader

Fall 2024

Prof. Vincent Hutchings

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

### Graduate Student Instructor

Fall 2024

Election Law, Professor Jowei Chen

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

### Graduate Teaching Assistant

Fall 2022 and Spring 2023

Prof. Thomas J. Wood

The Ohio State University

## PUBLICATIONS

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Martinez-Ortiz, Franshelly (2020). “Trump and Facebook: The Effectiveness of CrookedHillary in the Electorate in 2016.” In: *Revista INgenios*, *Peer reviewed*.

Martinez-Ortiz, Franshelly and Mara Cecilia Ostfeld (2024). “Conspiratorial Thinking or Rational Cynicism?: How Familiarity with Government Harm and Identification with Harmed Groups Shapes Government Suspicion in Michigan”. In: *Center for Racial Justice Policy Briefs*. URL: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/104dZmneAIBuoRyDRyZtj0-GMLqpToVYc/view>.

## PUBLIC SCHOLARSHIP

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*In Michigan, conspiracy thinking can be rooted in real historic harm.* Center for Political Studies Blog. March 2025.

## MEDIA

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*Government Suspicion, Conspiratorial Thinking Linked to Historical Harm in 3 Communities, U-M Report Finds*, University of Michigan News, February 2025.

## WORKING PROJECTS

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Martinez-Ortiz, Franshelly. Enduring Wounds: The Role of State Violence in Shaping Democratic Engagement among Black Communities. *In Progress*.

*Martinez-Ortiz, Franshelly* and Francy Luna Diaz. Lost in Translation: Language and Perception of Misinformation for Latinxs in the U.S. *In Progress*.

Salinas, Ignangeli and *Franshelly M. Martinez-Ortiz*. Perceptions of Probability and Quantity in Spanish Survey Response Options. *In Progress*.

*Martinez-Ortiz, Franshelly*, Nicholas Valentino, Mario Villegas and Francy Luna-Diaz. Seeing Us, but Not All of Us: In-Group Empathy and the Racial Boundaries of Latino Identity in the Trump Era. *In Progress*.

*Martinez-Ortiz, Franshelly* and **Eugenia Quintanilla**. The Political Consequences of Anti-Blackness among U.S. Latines. Book project. *In Progress*.

## PRESENTATIONS

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**Enduring Wounds: The Role of State Violence in Shaping Democratic Engagement among Black Communities.**

American Political Science Association, Fall 2025.

**The Political Consequences of Anti-Blackness among U.S. Latines.** with Eugenia Quintanilla.

The Politics of Race, Immigration and Ethnicity, Fall 2024. The Ohio State University.

**Lost in Translation: Language and Perception of Misinformation for Latinxs in the U.S.** with Francy Luna-Diaz.

Midwest Political Science Association, 2024.

**Voting no more: Indifference and alienation in Puerto Rico's participation rate.**

Southern Political Association. January 2024.

Southern Political Association. January 2025.

**Trump and Facebook: The Effectiveness of CrookedHillary in the Electorate in 2016.**

The Politics of Race, Immigration and Ethnicity, 2022. University of Texas at Austin.

Atlanta Symposium for Political Science, 2022. Georgia State University.

Emerging Scholars, University of Michigan, 2020.

## HONORS, GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS

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### External

SPSA Prestage-Cook Travel Award, 2025.

APSA Spring Centennial Center Research Grant Program (with Francy Luna Diaz), Spring 2024.

APSA Diversity Fellow, Spring 2022.

**The Society for Political Methodology's Undergraduate Expansions Initiative.** Summer, 2020.

Internal

Rackham PACE Fellowship for Graduate Student-Faculty Mentor Pairs. Winter 2026.  
Rackham Research Grant. University of Michigan, 2025.  
National Center for Institutional Diversity, Anti-Racism Graduate Student Research Grant. 2025.  
Best Poster. Year of Democracy, Civic Empowerment, and Global Engagement, University of Michigan. 2025.  
Converse-Miller Fellowship. Center for Political Studies. University of Michigan, 2025.  
Student Academic Multicultural Initiatives (SAMI) Travel Grant, 2025.  
Joan B. Kessler Scholar, University of Michigan, 2024.  
Rackham Travel Grant. University of Michigan, 2024 & 2025.  
Autumn Student Travel and Research Grant recipient. Center for Ethnic Studies, The Ohio State University, 2022.

SERVICE

Undergraduate Honor Thesis Committee member, The University of Michigan.	2025
Masters Application Reviewer, Departments of Astronomy and Statistics, The University of Michigan.	2025
PhD Application Reviewer, Gerald Ford School of Public Policy, The University of Michigan.	2025
Co-organizer, The Interdisciplinary Workshop in Race, Ethnicity, and Politics.	2024
Reviewer, Revista InGenios, Universidad de Puerto Rico.	2023

SKILLS

Survey Methodology, Text Analysis.  
R, STATA, LaTeX.  
**Languages:** Spanish (native), Brazilian Portuguese (fluent).

CERTIFICATES

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Certificate	2025
U-M Graduate Teacher Certificate	2025
International Society of Political Psychology Academy	2024
ICPSR Summer Program	2020

REFERENCES

Dr. Mara Cecilia Ostfeld	mostfeld@umich.edu
Prof. Nicholas Valentino	nvalenti@umich.edu
Prof. Vincent Hutchings	vincenth@umich.edu