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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

University of Michigan

2025 - Present Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science

2025 - Present Faculty Associate, Center for Political Studies, Institute for Social Research

University of Texas at Austin

2022 - 2025 Assistant Professor, Department of Government

Faculty Fellow, Politics of Race and Ethnicity Lab, 2022 - 2025

Faculty Associate, Lozano Long Institute for Latin American Studies, 2023 - 2025

University of Georgia

2019 - 2022 Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science

University of Pennsylvania

2018 - 2019 Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Center for the Study of Ethnicity, Race, and Immigration

EDUCATION

University of Chicago

2018 Ph.D., Political Science

2014 M.A., Social Science

University of Texas-San Antonio

2012 M.A., Political Science

Texas State University

2006 B.A., History, Summa Cum Laude

RESEARCH INTEREST

Race, Ethnicity & Politics, Latinx Politics, Political Socialization, Immigration, Immigration Enforcement, Political Behavior, and Public Opinion

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

BOOK

Carlos, Roberto F. (Forthcoming May 2026). “*Information Brokers: Political Socialization in Latino Immigrant Families*” University of Chicago Press

JOURNAL ARTICLES

Carlos, Roberto F., Hajer Al-Faham, and Michael Jones-Correa. (2025). “When Co-Ethnic Attachments Get Trumped: Unpacking Latinx Voter Preferences in the 2020 U.S. Presidential Election” *Political Behavior*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11109-025-10060-4>

Blasingame, Elise N.,* Christina L. Boyd, Roberto F. Carlos, and Joseph T. Ornstein. (2024). “How the Trump Administration’s Quota Policy Transformed Immigration Judging” *American Political Science Review*, <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0003055423001028>

APSA Law and Courts Section Award Best Conference Paper, APSA 2023

Evan Ringquist Award for Best Paper on Political Institutions, MPSA 2023

Boyd, Christina L., Roberto F. Carlos, Margaret H. Taylor, Matthew Baker,* and Elise N. Blasingame.* (2023). “Congressional Constraint? Reviewing In Absentia Immigration Removal Orders in the Federal Circuit Courts” *Political Research Quarterly*, <https://doi.org/10.1177/10659129231164947>

Carlos, Roberto F., Geoffrey Sheagley, and Karlee Taylor.* (2022). “Tolerance for the Free Speech of Outgroup Partisans” *PS: Political Science & Politics*, <https://doi.org/10.1017/S1049096522001202>

Carlos, Roberto F. (2021). “Politics of the Mundane” *American Political Science Review*, <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0003055421000204>

Boldt, Ethan, Christina Boyd, Roberto F. Carlos, and Matthew Baker.* (2021). “The Effects of Judge Race and Sex on Pretrial Detention Decisions” *Justice System Journal*, <https://doi.org/10.1080/0098261X.2021.1881665>

Carlos, Roberto F. (2018). “Late to the Party: On the Prolonged Partisan Socialization Process of 2nd Generation Americans.” *Journal of Race, Ethnicity, and Politics*, <https://doi.org/10.1017/rep.2018.21>

Wilson, Walter, and Roberto F. Carlos. (2014). “Do Women Representatives Regender Legislative Bureaucracy? Assessing the Effect of Representative Sex on Women’s Presence among Congressional Staff.” *The Journal of Legislative Studies* 20 (2): 216-235, <https://doi.org/10.1080/13572334.2013.833392>

*Denotes student co-author at the time of writing.

BOOK REVIEWS

Carlos, Roberto F. 2023. “Efrén Pérez and Margit Tavits. Voicing Politics: How Language Shapes Public Opinion.” *Public Opinion Quarterly* 97 (4): 1056–1058,1056-1058.

MANUSCRIPTS SUBMITTED

Blajer de la Garza, Yuna., Carlos, Roberto F., and Geoffrey Sheagley. “How The Psychological Wage of Whiteness Drives Opposition to Public Policies When They Benefit Immigrants”

APSA Racial and Ethnic Politics Section Best Paper Award, APSA 2024

Carlos, Roberto F., Chris Cassella,* Vanessa Cruz Nichols, Vianney Gomez,* Miranda Sullivan,* Allison Verrilli,* Clinton Willbanks,* and Ethan Yoo. * “Latinx Attitudes on Immigration”

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Blajer de la Garza, Yuna., Roberto F. Carlos, and Geoffrey Sheagley. “How The Psychological Wage of Whiteness Drives Opposition to Public Policies When They Benefit Immigrants” Book project.

Boyd, Christina L., Roberto F. Carlos, and Michael J. Nelson. “Immigration Courts and Public Opinion” Book project in preparation.

Boyd, Christina L., Roberto F. Carlos, and Miranda Sullivan* “Campus Tragedies and Immigration Politics” manuscript is in preparation.

Carlos, Roberto F., Melissa Baker, Álvaro Corral, Bryan Gervais, Matt Lamb, Tanika Raychaudhuri, and Linette Sanchez* “Reciprocal Socialization: A Field Experiment” manuscript in preparation.

Carlos, Roberto F., Vladimir E. Medenica, and Francisco, I. Pedraza. “The Contours of Parenthood: Experimental Evidence of Support for Child Separation Policies Among Parents”

Carlos, Roberto F., Mashail Malik, and Marcel Roman. “The Role of Migration Motive in Immigrant Political Incorporation” manuscript in preparation.

AWARDS, GRANTS AND RECOGNITION

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| 2025 | MPSA Latino/a Caucus Early Career Award |
| 2024 | APSA Latin@/x Caucus Emerging Scholar Award |
| 2024 | APSA Racial and Ethnic Politics Section Best Paper Award for “Cutting Off Your Nose to Spite Your Face.” |
| 2023 | APSA Law and Courts Section Best Conference Paper Award for “How the Trump Administration’s Quota Policy Transformed Immigration Judging.” |
| 2023 | Evan Ringquist Award for Best Paper on Political Institutions “How the Trump Administration’s Quota Policy Transformed Immigration Judging.” |
| 2023 | Government Department Research Grant Winner with University of Texas Graduate Students: Chris Cassella,* Megan Dias,* Vianney Gomez,* Miranda Sullivan,* Allison Verrilli,* Clinton Willbanks,* and Ethan Yoo.* |

2021	Knight Foundation Freedom of Expression Survey Access
2021	Susette M. Talarico Award for Excellence in Teaching by a Junior Faculty Member in Political Science, University of Georgia
2020 - 2022	University of Georgia Lilly Teaching Fellow
2018	Latino Caucus APSA Travel Grant
2017	Latino/a Caucus Best Graduate Student Paper, MPSA
2017 - 2018	Ford Fellowship Dissertation Grant Alternate, Honorable Mention
2017	American Political Science Association Annual Meeting Travel Grant
2017	Graduate Council Travel Fund Award, University of Chicago
2015 - 2016	Division of Social Sciences at the University of Chicago Long Term Research Grant Recipient
2015	Center for the Study of Race, Politics, and Culture at the University of Chicago Research Grant Recipient
2015	John A. Garcia Scholarship for ICPSR
2012 - 2017	University of Chicago Fellowship
2010	Yale University Educator Recognition Award for Outstanding Teaching
2009 - 2012	Honoree at the Superintendent's Summa Cum Laude Reception

CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS

2025	The Midwest Political Science Association, " <i>How Embarrassment within the Latinx Community Impacts Attitudes Toward Immigration</i> " with Chris Cassella,* Vanessa Cruz Nichols, Miranda Sullivan,* Allision Verrilli,* Clinton Willbanks,* and Ethan Yoo*
2024	The American Political Science Association, " <i>Cutting Off Your Nose to Spite Your Face? How The Psychological Wage of Whiteness Drives Opposition to Public Policies When They Benefit Immigrants</i> " with Yuna Blajer de la Garza and Geoffrey Sheagley
2024	The American Political Science Association, " <i>Anti-Immigrant and Attitudes Pro-Immigrant in the Latinx Community</i> "? with Chris Cassella,* Vanessa Cruz Nichols, Miranda Sullivan,* Allision Verrilli,* Clinton Willbanks,* and Ethan Yoo*
2024	Latine Identity and Opinion Symposium at Brown University, " <i>Reciprocal Socialization Among Immigrant and Non-Immigrant Families</i> " with Melissa Baker, Álvaro Corral, Bryan Gervais, Matt Lamb, Tanika Raychaudhuri, and Linette Sanchez*
2024	The Midwest Political Science Association, " <i>Anti-Immigrant and Attitudes Pro-Immigrant in the Latinx Community</i> "? with Chris Cassella,* Vanessa Cruz Nichols, Miranda Sullivan,* Allision Verrilli,* Clinton Willbanks,* and Ethan Yoo*

- 2024 The Midwest Political Science Association, “Cutting Off Your Nose to Spite Your Face: Do Americans Forgo Democratic Protections to Ensure Others Cannot Enjoy Them”? with Geoffrey Sheagley
- 2024 The Southern Political Science Association, “Cutting Off Your Nose to Spite Your Face: Do Americans Forgo Democratic Protections to Ensure Others Cannot Enjoy Them”? with Geoffrey Sheagley
- 2023 Politics of Gender, Diversity, and Representation at the University of Houston “Cutting Off Your Nose to Spite Your Face: Do Americans Forgo Democratic Protections to Ensure Others Cannot Enjoy Them”? with Geoffrey Sheagley
- 2023 The Midwest Political Science Association, “How the Trump Administration’s Quota Policy Transformed Immigration Judging” with Elise N. Blasingame*, Christina L. Boyd, and Joseph T. Ornstein
- 2023 Representation and Identity Politics Workshop at Rice University, “Testing Co-ethnic Ties among Latinos” with Hajer Al-Fahm and Michael Jones-Correa
- 2022 The American Political Science Association “Reciprocal Socialization in the Latinx Households”
- 2022 The Western Political Science Association “Cutting Off Your Nose to Spite Your Face: Do Americans Forgo Democratic Protections to Ensure Others Cannot Enjoy Them”? with Geoffrey Sheagley
- 2022 The Midwest Political Science Association, “Looking for Evidence of Reciprocal Socialization in the Latinx Community”
- 2022 The Midwest Political Science Association, “The Trump Effect on Immigration Court Case” with Elise Blasingame*, Christina L. Boyd, and Joseph Ornstein
- 2021 The American Political Science Association “Trump Support Among Latinxs in an Election Year: An Experimental Approach” with Hajer Al-Faham and Michael Jones-Correa
- 2021 Politics of Race, Immigration, and Ethnicity Consortium at Arizona State University “The American Political Science Association “The Boundaries of Parenthood: Experimental Evidence of Support for Child Separation Policies Among Parents”
- 2020 The American Political Science Association “The Morality of Child Separation”
- 2019 The American Political Science Association
“Children Lead: An Experimental Approach to Political Socialization”
- 2018 Politics of Race, Immigration, and Ethnicity Consortium at Cornell University
- 2018 The American Political Science Association
“The Kids Are Alright: The Heightened Efficacy of 2nd Generation Americans”
- 2018 The Midwest Political Science Association “The Kids Are Alright: The Heightened Efficacy of 2nd Generation Americans”
- 2017 The American Political Science Association
“Kids Say the Darndest Things: The Political Work the Children of Immigrants Do in the Household.”

- 2017 The Western Political Science Association “The Politics of Children: The Political Influence Children Are Having on their Immigrant Parents.”
- 2017 The Midwest Political Science Association “The Politics of Children: The Political Influence Children Are Having on their Immigrant Parents.”
- 2014 The Western Political Science Association
“Partisan Pathways Beyond Parent Transmission: An Investigation into the Partisan Attainment of 2nd Generation Latinos.”
- 2014 The Midwest Political Science Association
“The Rising Conservative Latino? A Look into the Political Socialization of 2nd Generation Latino Military Members.”
- 2010 The Midwest Political Science Association
“Prospects for Moving from Passive to Active Representation? An Analysis of Sex and Ethnic Characteristics of Congressional Staff.”

INVITED TALKS & IN-RESIDENCE TALKS

- 2024 The Centre for the Study of Democratic Citizenship (CSDC), Belonging and Integration: Diverse Perspectives on the Children of Immigrants, Concordia University, CA, “*From Familial Obligation to Political Action*”
- 2024 Identity and Inequality Conference at the Center for the Study of Democratic Politics, Princeton University, “*From Familial Obligation to Political Action*”
- 2024 University of Texas El Paso Polarizing Policy, Political Attitudes, and Political Behavior in Contentious Topics Series “Socialization Reimagined”
- 2024 University of Texas Rio Grande Valley Political Science Colloquium “Socialization Reimagined”
- 2023 Teresa Lozano Long Institute of Latin American Studies University of Texas at Austin
“How the Trump Administration’s Quota Policy Transformed Immigration Judging”
- 2023 Understanding Politics Seminar Series: University of California, Merced Department of Political Science “Testing Co-ethnic Ties among Latinos”
- 2021 Dialogues in Diversity from the Office of Institutional Diversity, University of Gregoria
“The Politics of the Mundane”

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2024 - 2025 Instructor: Political Behavior (Graduate Seminar) at the University of Texas at Austin
- 2023 - 2025 Instructor: Introduction to American Politics Undergraduate Honors at the University of Texas at Austin
- 2023 - 2025 Instructor: Latinx Politics (Graduate Seminar) at the University of Texas at Austin
- 2022 - 2025 Instructor: Introduction to American Politics (Undergraduate) at the University of Texas at Austin

2022 - 2025	Instructor: Race, Ethnicity, and Politics (Undergraduate Seminar) at the University of Texas at Austin
2021 - 2022	Instructor: Race, Ethnicity, and Politics (Undergraduate Seminar) at the University of Georgia
2019 - 2022	Instructor: Race, Ethnicity, and Politics (Graduate Seminar) at the University of Georgia
2019 - 2022	Instructor: Introduction to American Politics Honors (Undergraduate) at the University of Georgia
2019 - 2022	Instructor: Introduction to American Politics (Undergraduate) at the University of Georgia
2016 - 2018	Instructor: Social Science Inquiry III at the University of Chicago
2007 - 2012	Advance Placement U.S. Government and U.S. History Teacher, North East ISD-San Antonio, TX. Winston Churchill High School

SERVICE

2025	Junior Americanist Workshop Series Discussant May
2025	APSA Law and Courts Best Graduate Student Paper committee member
2024 -	APSA REP Section Website Administrator
2024 - 2025	College of Liberal Arts Thematic Graduate Fellowship selection committee member, University of Texas at Austin
2024	Dean's Distinguished Graduate Awards selection committee member, University of Texas at Austin
2024	Pi Sigma Alpha/Malcolm Jewell Award for Best Graduate Student Paper, SPSA Committee
2024	Junior Americanist Workshop Series Discussant November
2023	Best Book Award Committee Member, APSA Latino Caucus, APSA
2023	Best Paper Award Committee Member, REP Section, APSA
2021- 2024	Midwest Political Science Association Latina/o Caucus Newsletter Editor
2020	Co-Coordinator of the Emerging Issues in Political Science Speakers Series, University of Georgia
2020	Roundtable Host at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting Career Fair
2019- 2020	Faculty Executive Committee Member, University of Georgia
2019	Roundtable Host at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting Career Fair
2017-	Reviewer for American Politics Science Review; British Journal of Political Science; Electoral Studies; Journal of Elections, and Public Opinion & Parties; Journal of Politics; Journal of

Race, Ethnicity, and Politics; Perspectives on Politics; Political Behavior; Political Research Quarterly; Politics, Groups, and Identities; Public Opinion Quarterly

2014 – 2016 Co-Coordinator, American Politics Workshop, University of Chicago

Student Mentorship

Graduate Students

Ph. D. Dissertation Co-Chair:
Miranda Sullivan, UT-Austin 2024 -

Ph. D Dissertation Committee Member:
Matt Baker, PH.D. – UGA 2023, Megan Dais, Ph.D. -UT-Austin 2024, and Mackenzie Vaughn, A.B.D. -UGA)

Master Thesis Advisor:
Elyse Hatch-Rivera, UT-Austin
Miranda Sullivan, UT-Austin
Elizabeth Farnum, UGA

Graduate Advisor:
Elyse Hatch-Rivera, Michigan 2025 -
Stephanie Garza, UT-Austin 2023 - 2025
Maria Mosquera, UT-Austin 2024 -2025
Linette Sanchez, UT-Austin 2023 -2025

Undergraduate Students

Undergraduate Honors Thesis at the University of Texas.
Advisor to Julian Montalvo

Center for Undergraduate Research Opportunities (CURO) at the University of Georgia.
Advisor to Danielle St. Amand

Young Dawgs Faculty Mentor at the University of Georgia.
Advisor to Vivian Sekandi

INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

2010 United States Congressman Charles Gonzalez of San Antonio, TX
Congressional Staff Internship

RESEARCH SKILLS

R Proficient / STATA Proficient

LANGUAGES

Bilingual, Fluent Spanish

REFERENCES

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Christina L. Boyd
Professor of Law and Political Science
Washington University in St. Louis
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E-Mail: mjcorrea@sas.upenn.edu

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