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## EDUCATION

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- 2012 Ph.D., Political Science, University of New Mexico  
Subfields: Comparative Politics, International Relations (with distinction)
- 2006 M.A., Latin American Studies, University of New Mexico  
Subfields: Political Science and History (with distinction)
- 1997 B.A., Reed College (Portland, OR)

### **Additional Training**

- 2011 Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research. University of Michigan
- 2009 Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research. Syracuse University

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## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

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- 2014-Present University of Toronto, Munk School of Global Affairs (Toronto, ON)  
Research Fellow, Innovation Policy Lab
- 2013-14 Scripps College, Department of Politics and Int. Relations (Claremont, CA)  
Visiting Assistant Professor  
Courses: Comparative Politics; Senior Seminar (Research Design); Markets & Politics in Latin America; Politics of Development; Democracy and Development (at Claremont Graduate University)
- 2012-13 University of Notre Dame, Kellogg Institute for International Studies (Notre Dame, IN)  
Post-Doctoral Fellow  
Course: States and Markets in Latin America (2013)
- 2010 University of New Mexico, Political Science Department (Albuquerque, NM)  
Teaching Fellow (Instructor of Record)  
Course: Introduction to International Politics (2010)

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## PUBLICATIONS

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### **Peer-Reviewed**

- [2017] Samford, Steven. "Networks, Brokerage, and State-Led Technology Diffusion in Small Industry." *American Journal of Sociology*.
- 2016 Samford, Steven. "Small Enterprise and the Low-Innovation Trap: Evidence from Environmental Regulation of Industry in Mexico." Kellogg Institute *Working Paper Series* #409.
- 2015 Samford, Steven. "Innovation and Public Space: The Developmental Possibilities of Regulation in the Global South." *Regulation and Governance* 9(3): 294-312.
- 2014 Samford, Steven and Priscila Ortega Gómez. "Subnational Politics and Foreign Direct Investment in Mexico." *Review of International Political Economy*. 21(2): 467-496.

- 2013 Adhikari, Prakash and Steven Samford. "The Nepali State and the Dynamics of Maoist Insurgency." *Studies in Comparative International Development*. 48 (4): 457-481.
- 2010 Samford, Steven. 2010. "Averting 'Disruption and Reversal': The Logic of Rapid Trade Reform in Latin America." *Politics and Society* 38 (3): 373-407.

### **Book Review**

- 2012 Samford, Steven. "Review: John A. Donaldson, *Small Works: Poverty and Economic Development in Southwestern China* (Cornell UP, 2011)." *Journal of Politics* 74(4).

### **Other Writing**

- 2015 Samford, Steven. "Structure, Meaning, and Network Causality." *Qualitative and Multi-Method Research* 13(2): 9-13.
- 2011 Samford, Steven. 2011. "From Tradition to Trade: The Challenges of Upgrading Mexican Ceramics of World Markets." *Americas Quarterly: The Policy Journal for Our Hemisphere* 5(1).

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### **SELECTED WORKS IN PROGRESS**

#### **Book Manuscript**

*High-Road Development in Low-Tech Industry*

#### **Selected Working Papers**

"Public and Private Goods in Developing Advanced Manufacturing Capacity" (with Peter Warren & Elena Goracinova, Uni. of Toronto) [Under Review]

"The Failure of the Assembly Model in Latin America" (with Dan Breznitz, Uni. of Toronto)

"Investment-Led Development in Mexico and China" (with Michael Murphree, Moore School of Business, Uni. South Carolina; Dan Breznitz, Uni. of Toronto;)

"The Development of Local Industrial Policy in Mexico"

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### **AWARDS**

- 2013 Virginia M. Walsh Dissertation Award American Political Science Assoc., STEP Section
- 2013 Best Dissertation Award, Latin American Studies Association, Mexico Section
- 2013 Early Career Paper Award, Latin American Studies Assoc., Economics & Politics Section
- 1994-7 Commendation for Excellence in Scholarship, Reed College

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### **GRANTS**

- 2015 Mexican Agency for International Cooperation and Development (AMEXCID), Excellence Grant for Foreign Scholars
- 2010-12 National Science Foundation, Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant
- 2010-11 Social Science Research Council, International Dissertation Research Fellowship
- 2010-11 Fulbright US Student Program, Fulbright-García Robles Grant – Mexico
- 2010 Mellon/American Council of Learned Societies, Dissertation Fellowship (Declined)
- 2011-12 Latin American & Iberian Institute (University of New Mexico), Doctoral Fellowship

- 2011 Office of Graduate Studies (University of New Mexico) Future Faculty Grant
- 2010 Tinker Foundation/LAII (UNM), Field Research Grant
- 2009 Department of Political Science (University of New Mexico), Travel Grant
- 2009 Graduate Student Assoc. (University of New Mexico), Specialized Travel Grant
- 2009, 11 Graduate Student Assoc. (University of New Mexico), Research Allocation Grant

**PRESENTATIONS**

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**Invited Talks**

- 2016 Watson Institute for International Studies, Brown University (February 2016)
- 2015 Ministry of Innovation, Science, & Technology, State of Jalisco (Mexico)
- 2013 University of Notre Dame, Kellogg Institute for International Studies
- 2012 Cornell University, Latin American Studies Program
- 2011 Fulbright-Garcia Robles Conference (Mexico City, Mexico)

**Conference Presentations (Selected)**

- 2016 “Business Networks and the Failure of the Maquiladora Model in Jalisco, Mexico”  
REPAL Annual Conference (MIT)
- 2016 “The Development of Local Industrial Policy in Mexico”  
Latin American Studies Association Meeting (New York, NY)
- 2014 “The Failure of the Assembly Model in Latin America”  
Cardiff Business School, Workshop Comparing Latin American and Asian Political  
Economy (Cardiff, Wales)
- 2014 “Technological Innovation and Social Regulation in Developing Economies”  
American Political Science Association Meeting (Washington, D.C.)
- 2014 “Small Enterprises as Shapers of Environmental Regulation”  
“Economics and Politics Section Panel: Latin American Political Economy”  
Latin American Studies Association Meeting (Chicago, IL)
- 2014 “Collective Action and the Regulation of Microenterprises”  
International Studies Association Meeting (Toronto, ON)
- 2013 Panel Discussant: Immigration, Political Economy  
“Indigenous Production in the Era Market Integration: Evidence from Mexico”  
Midwest Political Science Association Meeting (Chicago, IL)
- 2012 “Embedded Autonomy Revisited: Brokering Technology Diffusion”  
American Sociological Association Meeting (Denver, CO)
- 2012 “Getting the Lead Out: Facilitating Compliance in the Mexican Ceramics Sector”  
Latin American Studies Association (San Francisco, CA)
- 2012 “State-Led Brokerage and Technology Diffusion in Small Industry”  
Ford Foundation/LASA Conference on Rewarding Regulation (Albuquerque, NM)
- 2012 “Co-Producing Innovation: The Politics of Productive Ideas”

- Social Science Research Council IDRF Conference (Savannah, GA)
- 2011 “The Subnational Politics of Foreign Direct Investment in Mexico” (with Priscila Ortega)  
 “Networks and Innovation in the Mexican Ceramics Sector”  
 American Political Science Association Meeting (Seattle, WA)
- 2011 “Public-Private Dynamics and Upgrading Work Conditions”  
 UCLA conference on Labor in the Global South (Los Angeles, CA)
- 2010 “Historical Dynamics of the Maoist Insurgency in Nepal” (with Prakash Adhikari)  
 Western Political Science Association Conference (San Francisco, CA)
- 2010 “Latin American Customs Unions and Transnational Crime”  
 International Studies Association Meeting (New Orleans, LA)
- 2009 “Assessing Rapid Trade Liberalization with Fuzzy-Set Methods, 1970-2000”  
 Latin American Studies Association Congress (Rio de Janeiro, Brazil)
- 2009 “Toward a Theory of Trade Strategy Variation in Latin America”  
 Western Political Science Association Conference (Vancouver, BC)

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### **POLICY CONSULTING**

- 2015 State of Jalisco (Mexico), Ministry of Innovation, Science, & Technology  
 “Cultivating Technology in Jalisco’s Tech Hub”
- 2016 Inter-American Development Bank, Competitiveness and Innovation Division  
 “Innovation Agencies: The Road Ahead”

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### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

#### **Professional Associations**

- American Political Science Association  
 Science, Technology, and Environmental Politics Award Committee (2015)
- American Sociological Association  
 Development Sociology Awards Committee (2013)
- Industry Studies Association
- Latin American Studies Association  
 Economics and Politics Executive Council / Secretary-Treasurer (2013-Present)  
 Economics and Politics Early Career Award Committee (2014)  
 Economics and Politics Open Article Award Committee (2016)
- Society for Advancement of Socio-Economics

#### **Manuscript Reviewer**

*American Journal of Political Science, Journal of Development Studies, Economics and Politics, Studies in Comparative International Development, Latin American Politics and Society, Kellogg Institute for International Studies Working Paper Series*

#### **Scripps College**

- 2013 Fulbright Interview Committee (2013)

#### **University of New Mexico**

- 2007-11 Grant Reader (Research Allocation Committee, Specialized Travel, and Graduate Research Development Grants)  
2010 Member, Grants Committee, UNM Graduate and Professional Student Association  
2008-09 Graduate Student Representative, UNM Faculty Senate Scholarship Committee  
2007-10 Officer, Political Science Graduate Student Association  
2007-10 Political Science Representative, UNM Graduate and Professional Student Association

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#### **RELATED EMPLOYMENT**

- 2006-10 Teaching/Research Assistant, Department of Political Science, University of New Mexico  
William Stanley (peacekeeping in Central America)  
Benjamin Goldfrank (participatory democracy in South America)  
Kathy Powers (international trade organizations and security)  
Gary Goertz, University of Arizona/Notre Dame (trade organizations)
- 2004-06 Graduate Assistant, Latin American and Iberian Institute, University of New Mexico  
LAI's educational outreach programs, Latin American Database

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#### **MISCELLANEOUS**

##### **Languages**

Spanish – Advanced

Portuguese – Basic

##### **International Experience**

Mexico (fieldwork), 2010-2011, 2012, 2015

Ecuador (teaching), 2003-2004

El Salvador (teaching), 2001-2003