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## Education

Ph.D. Political Science, University of California, San Diego, 2013-present  
Dissertation: Plural Governance: Race and Representation in the US  
Dissertation Committee: Marisa Abrajano (chair), Zoltan Hajnal, Gary Jacobson, Thad Kousser,  
John Skretny, and Christian Grose (University of Southern California)  
M.A. Political Science, Villanova University, 2013  
B.A. International Politics, The Pennsylvania State University, 2006

## Research Interests

Research interests include: racial/ethnic politics, elite behavior, Congress, politics of religion,  
immigration, and representation in the American and Comparative contexts.

## Research in Progress

Plural Governance: Race and Representation in the US (Dissertation)  
Classifying English Language Learners in California (Chapter in edited volume with Marisa Abrajano,  
UCSD, and Lisa García Bedolla, UC Berkeley; *under review at UC Press*)  
A Bias in Representation: How Local Communities with More Representatives Get More Discretionary  
Spending (Paper with Mona Vakilifathi, NYU)  
The Effects of the Interaction of Ethnic and Religious Identities on Latino Political Participation

## Other Research Experience

Research Assistant for Marisa Abrajano, UCSD, 2015, 2017  
Research Assistant for Emilie Hafner-Burton, UCSD, 2015-2017  
Master's Thesis: Unfocused Commitments: The Interplay of Cultural and Political Barriers  
to Turkish Acculturation in Germany, Villanova, 2013

## Awards, Grants, and Fellowships

San Diego Fellowship, UCSD, \$74,000, 2018-2020  
The Center for American Politics Graduate Student Dissertation Research Grant, UCSD, \$3,000, 2018  
Brython P. Davis Scholarship, UCSD, approx. \$5,500, 2017-2018  
Sanford Lakoff Fellowship, UCSD, \$1,500, 2017  
Brython P. Davis Scholarship, UCSD, approx. \$5,500, 2016-2017  
Travel Award, Southern Political Science Association, \$300, 2016  
Competitive Edge Fellowship, UCSD, \$3,000, 2013

## Conference Presentations

Politics of Race, Immigration, and Ethnicity Consortium, 2018, UCSD: *Plural Governance: Racial and Ethnic Diversity of U.S. House Staffers*  
Politics of Race, Immigration, and Ethnicity Consortium, 2018, Michigan State University: *Plural Governance: Racial and Ethnic Diversity of U.S. House Staffers*  
American Political Science Association, 2017, San Francisco: *Plural Governance: Race and Symbolic Representation in the US*  
Southern Political Science Association, 2016, San Juan: *Do a Greater Number of Congressional Representatives Lead to a Greater Allocation of Federal Funding?* (with Mona Vakilifathi)  
Northeastern Political Science Association, 2012, Boston: *The Effects of European Attitudes on Immigrant Integration and Anti-discrimination Policy in the European Union*

## Teaching

Perspectives on Race and Ethnicity (POLI100O), Instructor of Record, Summer 2017 and Summer 2018  
Political Inquiry (POLI30), Section Leader, Fall 2015 and Spring 2017  
Teaching Assistant, UCSD, 2014-2018  
Manheim Township High School (Lancaster, PA) Social Studies Teacher, 2008-2013

## Service

Research Mentor for Undergraduate Research Assistants, 2017-2018  
UCSD Women in Political Science Co-chair, 2015-2017  
UCSD Race, Ethnicity, and Identity Workshop Coordinator, 2015-2017  
UCSD Political Science Graduate Council Recruitment Co-Chair, 2013-2014

## Membership

American Political Science Association

## Skills

**Technical Languages:** R,  $\LaTeX$ , STATA, RMarkdown, Python, HTML

**Skills/Methods Used:** Quasi/natural Experiments, Causal Inference, Experiments, Panel Data Analysis, GLM Models, Survey, Text Analysis/Machine Learning, API querying, GIS