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EDUCATION

Stanford University
P.h.D., Political Science — Expected June 2027
Committee: Lauren Davenport (chair), Hakeem Jefferson, Justin Grimmer, Vicky Fouka, Aliya Saperstein
Fields: American Politics, Quantitative Methods, Political Theory

Stanford University
M.A., Political Science — 2023

Princeton University
A.B., Politics and Latino Studies minor — 2021
Phi Beta Kappa, summa cum laude

RESEARCH INTERESTS

American politics; political behavior; racial-ethnic politics; ethnoracial boundaries; Latinx politics; survey methods

WORKING PAPERS

"La Raza (Des)Unida: Blackness, Whiteness, and Latinx Racial Politics Beyond Panethnicity."

Job Market Paper

"The Limits of Panethnicity: A Framework for Understanding Latinx Ethnoracial Identities." (Revised and Resubmitted at *Social Forces*)

Winner of MPSA Best Graduate Student Paper in Latino Politics Award (2024)

"Who Changes Their Race, and Why?"

"Who's Talking about Latinos? How Democrats and Republicans Target Latinos in Televised Campaign Advertising from 2000 to 2016," with Ali Valenzuela and Derek Wakefield.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

"The Effect of Protests and Immigration Enforcement on Latinx Racial Self-Classifications."

"More Inclusive Categories Do Not Increase Black Self-Classification among Latinxs."

"Leaders, Not Followers: Party Cues Do Not Alter Latinos' Immigration Attitudes."

TEACHING

Teaching Assistant, POLISCI 102: Introduction to American Politics. — Winter 2024
Stanford University (Instructors: Hakeem Jefferson and Adam Bonica)

Teaching Assistant, POLISCI 121L: Racial-Ethnic Politics in the U.S. — Fall 2022, 2023
Stanford University (Instructor: Lauren Davenport)

Teacher, Latin American Literatures; Inciting Joy; Intro Spanish — Winter 2023 - May 2025
Stanford Jail and Prison Education Program

GRANTS AND AWARDS

Centennial Teaching Assistant Award, Stanford University ($1,200) 2026

Community Impact Award, Stanford Alumni Association 2026

Graduate Scholar-in-Residence, El Centro Chicano y Latino, Stanford University 2025-26

Midwest Political Science Association Latino Caucus Best Graduate Student Paper 2024

Stanford Center for American Democracy Fellowship ($2,000) 2023, 2024

National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship 2023

Laboratory for the Study of American Values Grant ($5,000) 2023

Stanford Center for Philanthropy and Civil Society Small Grant ($1,000) 2022

Enhancing Diversity in Graduate Education Fellowship, Stanford University ($12,800) 2021

John G. Buchanan Prize in Politics, Princeton University ($18,100) 2021

Awarded to the senior with the highest standing in the Department of Politics

David F. Bowers Prize in American Studies, Princeton University ($2,000) 2021

Caroline M. Picard Prize in Politics, Princeton University ($3,000) 2020
Awarded for senior thesis research funding

Princeton Research in Experimental Social Science Grant ($1,500) 2020

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Politics of Race, Immigration, and Ethnicity Consortium 2026

American Political Science Association 2023, 2024, 2025

Midwest Political Science Association 2023, 2025, 2026

Intercoastal Graduate Conference on Race and Ethnicity 2023

Western Political Science Association 2022, 2023

OTHER INVITED TALKS AND PANELS

A Conversation with Elena Sheppard about *The Eternal Forest: A Memoir of the Cuban Diaspora*. Association of Latino Princeton Alumni Event, 2026

"El Complejo Industrial Penal." Guest Lecture for HUMRTS108: Advanced Spanish Service-Learning: Migration, Asylum, and Human Rights at the Border, Stanford University
Spring 2025, Fall 2025, Winter 2026

SERVICE AND MENTORSHIP

Reviewer for *Social Forces*

Stanford Political Science Graduate Student Association:

Co-President 2024-25

Social Chair 2022-23

Mentor, James M. Montoya Frosh and Transfer Scholars Program 2024 - Present

Mentor, Stanford Enhancing Diversity in Graduate Education Program 2024-25

Mentor to First-Year PhD Students, Stanford Political Science 2023-25

English Tutor to Campus Dining Workers, Stanford Habla Program 2022-23

PROFESSIONAL AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (IDEA) June - Dec 2020
Consultant and Intern

Research Assistant, Ali Valenzuela May 2020 - Feb 2021
Princeton University

SKILLS

Programming: R, Qualtrics, LaTeX
Language: Spanish (native fluency); Portuguese (advanced proficiency); French (intermediate proficiency)