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Education

Ph.D., Texas A&M University, 2009.
Fields: International Relations and Comparative Politics
Committee: Nehemia Geva (Chair), Ahmer Tarar, Alex Pacek, Matthew Hoddie, and Arnold Vedlitz
Dissertation Title: *Public Support for Military Interventions across Levels of Political Information and Phases of Intervention*
B.A., Bogazici University, Istanbul, Turkey, 2003.

Academic Appointments

Associate Professor (with Tenure), University of Texas at El Paso, 2014-present
Assistant Professor, University of Texas at El Paso, 2009-2014
Lecturer, Texas A&M University, 2008-2009.

Grants, Honors, and Awards

TeachTech Research Program, Academic Technologies, University of Texas at El Paso, 2014 (\$2,000).
Most Distinguished Faculty Member Award, Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETaL), University of Texas at El Paso, 2014.
Next Generation Project Texas Fellow, The Robert S. Strauss Center for International Security and Law at the University of Texas at Austin, 2014.
Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETaL) Fellow, University of Texas at El Paso, 2014-2017.
The University of Texas System Regents' Outstanding Teaching Award, 2013 (\$25,000).
College of Liberal Arts Grant Proposal Preparation Program (GPPP), University of Texas at El Paso, 2013.
University Research Institute (URI) Grant, University of Texas at El Paso, 2012 (\$5,000).
College of Liberal Arts (CLA) Dissertation Research Award, Texas A&M University, 2007 (\$5,000).
Prestage-Cook Travel Award, Southern Political Science Association, 2007.
Travel Grant, College of Liberal Arts, Texas A&M University, 2006.

Journal Publications

- “Examining the Distinct Effects of Emotive Triggers on Public Reactions to International Terrorism.” *Terrorism and Political Violence* 25, 5 (2013): 709-733, with Nehemia Geva.
- “Analyzing the Determinants of Group Identity among Alevis in Turkey: A National Survey Study.” *Turkish Studies* 14, 1 (2013): 74-91.
- “Examining the Role of Identity in Negotiation Decision Making: The Case of Cyprus.” *International Journal of Conflict Management* 23, 4 (2012): 413-439.
- “Public Support for Military Interventions across Levels of Political Information and Stages of Intervention: The Case of the Iraq War.” *Armed Forces & Society* 38, 2 (2012): 252-272.
- “Agenda Setting from the Oval Office: An Experimental Examination of Presidential Influence over the Public Agenda.” *International Journal of Public Opinion Research* 24, 1 (2012): 21-41, with José D. Villalobos.
- “From Nixon’s War on Drugs to Obama’s Drug Policies Today: Presidential Progress in Addressing Racial Injustices and Disparities.” *Race, Gender & Class* 18, 3-4 (2011): 82-99.
- “Examining the Effects of Political Information and Intervention Stages on Public Support for Military Interventions: A Panel Experiment.” *Acta Politica* 46, 3 (2011): 261-293.
- “Is it Cohesion or Diversion? Domestic Instability and the Use of Force in International Crises.” *International Political Science Review* 32, 3 (2011): 303-321.
- “Where Does the Buck Stop? Applying Attribution Theory to Examine Public Appraisals of the President.” *Presidential Studies Quarterly* 41, 2 (2011): 334-357, with José D. Villalobos.
- “Scarcity-Induced Domestic Conflict: Examining the Interactive Effects of Environmental Scarcity and ‘Ethnic’ Population Pressures.” *Civil Wars* 13, 2 (2011): 122-140.
- “Political Information and Emotions in Ethnic Conflict Interventions.” *International Journal of Conflict Management* 22, 1 (2011): 35-59, with José D. Villalobos and Nehemia Geva.

Other Publications

- “Environmental Protection, U.S. Influence on Latin American Policy.” In the *Encyclopedia of U.S.-Latin American Relations*, Thomas M. Leonard, ed. Washington, DC: CQ Press (2012): 322-324.
- “Identity Politics.” In *The Routledge Companion to Race and Ethnicity*, Stephen M. Caliendo and Charlton D. McIlwain, eds. New York: Routledge (2010): 151-155.
- “Interest in Politics” In the *Encyclopedia of U.S. Campaigns, Elections, and Electoral Behavior*, Kenneth F. Warren, ed. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications (2008): 324-325.
- “Marital Status and Voting Behavior.” In the *Encyclopedia of U.S. Campaigns, Elections, and Electoral Behavior*, Kenneth F. Warren, ed. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications (2008): 392-393.

Conference Papers

- “Social Causes and Political Consequences of Group Empathy,” with Nicholas A. Valentino and José D. Villalobos. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, August 2014.

- “Group Empathy Theory: Examining U.S. Intergroup Attitudes vis-à-vis the Cases of Racial Profiling and Immigrant Detention,” with José D. Villalobos and Nicholas A. Valentino. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2014. Also presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, Rome, Italy, July 2014.
- “Exploring the Effects of Emotive Stimuli in Presidential Policy Appeals,” with José D. Villalobos. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Seattle, WA, April 2014, and at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, January 2014.
- “Formation of Identity among Minorities in Turkey: Evidence from a National Field Survey.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2013.
- “Examining Levels of Political Trust within the Minority Alevi Community in Turkey.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Los Angeles, March 2013.
- “Presidential Rhetoric and Perceptions of Risk and Support,” with José D. Villalobos. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, Chicago, July 2012.
- “Analyzing the Determinants of Group Identity among Alevis in Turkey: A National Survey Study.” Presented at the Turkish Studies Political Psychology Workshop and Mini Conference, co-sponsored by the International Society of Political Psychology and TOBB Economy and Technology University, Ankara, Turkey, May 2012. Also presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, Chicago, July 2012.
- “Feeling European: Examining Identity Transformations of Ethnic Minorities in Turkey.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, Istanbul, Turkey, July 2011.
- “Changing Dynamics of War: Public Opinion on the U.S. Involvement in Iraq.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Political Science Association, Las Vegas, March 2011. Also presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, San Antonio, April 2011.
- “From Nixon’s War on Drugs to Obama’s Drug Policies Today: Presidential Progress in Addressing Racial Injustices and Disparities.” Presented at the Race, Gender & Class Conference, co-hosted by the Southern University at New Orleans and the University of New Orleans, New Orleans, March 2011.
- “Public Support for the Wars in Iraq and Afghanistan: The Impact of Political Information and Intervention Stages.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2010.
- “Glasnost or Need-to-Know? Examining How Strategic Management at the Policy Development Stage and Information Framing at the Proposal Stage Influence Presidential Policy Performance,” with José D. Villalobos. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2010.
- “Attributions of Responsibility: Exploring How Policy Domain, Policy Condition, and Partisanship Influence Public Appraisals of the President,” with José D. Villalobos. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2009.

- “Examining the Influence of Issue Salience and Bipartisan Signaling on Public Opinion in Presidential Policy Making,” with José D. Villalobos and Belinda Bragg. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2009.
- “Public Support for Military Interventions across Levels of Political Sophistication and Phases of Intervention: A Statistical Analysis.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, August 2008.
- “Internal versus External Attributions: Testing the Impact of Policy Domain, Policy Condition, and Partisanship on Public Appraisals of the President,” with José D. Villalobos. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, August 2008.
- “Constraint versus Control: Variations in Autocracies and Casualties,” with Michael T. Koch. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2008.
- “Reactions to International Terror: Thematic Relevance of Negative Affect,” with Nehemia Geva. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association, San Francisco, April 2008.
- “Public Support for Military Interventions across Levels of Political Sophistication and Phases of Intervention: A Formal Model.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2008.
- “The Effects of Proportional Representation and Minority Size on Scarcity-Induced Domestic Conflict,” with Zowie Hay. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, August 2007.
- “The Impact and Thematic Relevance of Negative Emotions on Foreign Policy Preferences Concerning Terror,” with Nehemia Geva and Keren Sharvit. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, Portland, July 2007.
- “Is it Diversion or Cohesion? The Utility of the External Use of Force and the Source of Domestic Instability.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2007.
- “Political Sophistication and Negative Emotions in Ethnic Conflicts: an Experimental Analysis.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, Barcelona, Spain, July 2006.
- “Detours to Ethnic Conflict: The Diversionary Effect of Domestic Socio-Political Unrest.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2006.
- “A Duet of Identities: European Identity alongside Nationality in the Postcommunist World.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2006.

Other Conference and Panel Activities

- Chair and Discussant, Panel on Institutional Influences on Political Behavior, Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2013.
- Chair and Discussant, Panel on Presidential Communication and the Public Agenda, Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Los Angeles, March 2013.
- Discussant, Turkish Studies Political Psychology Workshop and Mini Conference, co-sponsored by the International Society of Political Psychology and TOBB Economy and Technology University, Ankara, Turkey, May 2012.

Discussant, Panel on Kazakhstani Law, Politics, and U.S. Relations, hosted by the University of Texas at El Paso Law School Preparation Institute, the Open World Leadership Center, and the Federal Bar Association, El Paso, October 2011.

Chair and Discussant, Panel on Political Culture, Identity, and Language, Annual Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, Istanbul, Turkey, July 2011.

Chair, Panel on Electing Minorities to Public Office, Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Political Science Association, Las Vegas, March 2011.

Discussant, Panel on Changes in Representation, Attitudes, and Policy under the Obama Administration, Race, Gender & Class Conference, co-hosted by the Southern University at New Orleans and the University of New Orleans, New Orleans, March 2011.

Discussant, Panel on Conflict in Comparative Perspective, Annual Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, Portland, July 2007.

Discussant, Roundtable on Increasing the Use of Experimental Methodology in Political Science Research, Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, January 2007.

Research Experience and Working Groups

Participant, National Institutes of Health (NIH) Grant Writing Workshop, University of Texas at El Paso, February 2014.

Participant as Fellow, Next Generation Project Texas Assembly, “Surveillance, Security, and Privacy from a Texas Perspective,” organized by the Robert S. Strauss Center for International Security and Law, Houston, January 2014.

Participant, CoProd’2013: 6th International Workshop on Constraint Programming and Decision Making, sponsored by the National Science Foundation and hosted by the University of Texas at El Paso, November 2013.

Participant, Interdisciplinary Decision Research Group Symposium (with Vladik Kreinovich, Valeri Reyna, and James Stahl as keynote speakers), University of Texas at El Paso, February 2013.

Participant, National Science Foundation (NSF) Career Proposal Workshop, University of Texas at El Paso, February 2013.

Member, Interdisciplinary Decision Research Group, University of Texas at El Paso, Fall 2012-present

Member, Department of Political Science Research Circle, University of Texas at El Paso, 2010-2012.

Member, “Group Identity, Conflict, and Cooperation” Working Group of Psychology and Political Science Researchers, University of Texas at El Paso, 2009-2011.

Certified Researcher, University of Texas at El Paso, Institutional Review Board, 2009-present

Participant, Short Course on “Multi-Method Research,” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, August 2008.

Participant, Workshop on Grant Writing, “How to Write Proposals and Win Research Funding: Strategies for Starting Your Career as a Researcher,” Texas A&M University, October 2006.

Participant, Workshop on Social Choice, by T. Clifton Morgan, Winter Institute of Foreign Policy Decision Making, Texas A&M University, January 2005.

Certified Researcher, Texas A&M University, Institutional Review Board, 2005-2009.

Research Assistant to Nehemia Geva, professor of political science, Texas A&M University, Fall 2005-Summer 2008. Responsibilities included data collection, research, and co-directing experimental and computerized process-tracing projects.

Research Assistant to Robert Harmel, professor of political science, Texas A&M University, Fall 2004-Fall 2006. Responsibilities included data collection, research, and coding for the Party Change Project (co-directed by Robert Harmel and Kenneth Janda, see <http://janda.org/ICPP/ICPP1990/index.htm>).

Courses Developed and Taught

POLS 2310: Introduction to Politics, Department of Political Science, University of Texas at El Paso, Summer I 2009, Fall 2009, Summer I and II 2010, Fall 2010, Spring 2011, Summer I 2011, Fall 2011, Summer I 2012, Fall 2012, Summer I 2013, Spring 2014, Fall 2014.

POLS 2312: The Study of Politics, Department of Political Science, University of Texas at El Paso, Spring 2012, Summer I 2012, Spring 2013.

POLS 3500: Research in Political Science, Department of Political Science, University of Texas at El Paso, Spring 2014.

POLS 3360: International Relations, Department of Political Science, University of Texas at El Paso, Spring 2010, Fall 2010, Summer I 2011, Spring 2013, Spring 2014.

POLS 3361: International Security, Department of Political Science, University of Texas at El Paso, Fall 2009, Fall 2011, Fall 2014.

POLS 5300: Seminar in Quantitative Research Methods I, Department of Political Science, University of Texas at El Paso, Fall 2013.

POLS 5302: Seminar in Quantitative Research Methods II, Department of Political Science, University of Texas at El Paso, Spring 2012.

POLS 5330: Seminar in International Politics, Department of Political Science, University of Texas at El Paso, Fall 2012.

POLS 5332: Foreign Policy Decision Making, Department of Political Science, University of Texas at El Paso, Spring 2011.

POLS 312: Ethnic Conflict, Department of Political Science, Texas A&M University, Fall 2008, Spring 2009.

Graduate Thesis Committee Work

Co-Chair, MA Thesis Committee, Yahve Gallegos, "Authoritarian Regimes, Domestic Terrorism, and Civil War: An Explanation of Authoritarian Regime Classifications and Civil Strife, 1970-2007." Successfully defended in May 2014.

Chair, Final Project Committee, Brenda B. Berumen, "Examining the Relationship between Non-Market Values and Environmental Attitudes in the El Paso Region: An Interdisciplinary Analysis." Successfully defended in December 2013.

Chair, Final Project Committee, Allam Salamah, "Examining the Effects of Political Sophistication and Propaganda on Public Perceptions of and Knowledge about Islam." Successfully defended in July 2013.

Member, MA Thesis Committee, Janette Galvan, "9/11 and the War on Terror: Iraq War Narratives and the Sacrifice Model." Successfully defended in July 2013.

Chair, MA Thesis Committee, Rebeca B. Puentes, "Tea Party Movement Mobilization: Examining the Role of Emotive Cues and Strategic Appeals." Successfully defended in May 2013.

- Member, MA Thesis Committee, Joseph A. Jastrzembski, "Traditionalism, Institutions, and Rational Bargaining in Sub-Saharan African Civil Conflict." Successfully defended in May 2013.
- Member, MA Thesis Committee, Stephenie M. Falcon, "Victims or Criminals: The Role of Children in the Mexican Drug War." Successfully defended in May 2013.
- Member, Doctoral Dissertation Committee, Linsa Nishad Jabeen, "The Antecedents and Consequences of Trust in Authorities for Protection against Cartel Violence and Terrorism Threat." Successfully defended in May 2013.
- Member, MA Thesis Committee, Matthew W. Richardson, "Al-Shabaab's American Recruits: A Comparative Analysis of Two Radicalization Pathways." Successfully defended in April 2012.
- Chair, MA Thesis Committee, Ijtsuri A. Viveros, "Transferability of Child Labor Norms: Examining the Link between Foreign Direct Investment and Child Labor Practices in Developing Countries." Successfully defended in December 2011.
- Chair, MA Thesis Committee, Aldo Lopez, "Political Socialization through Education as a Form of State Building and Democratization." Successfully defended in May 2011.

Teaching Projects/Grants

- Co-investigator, "The Large Class Project," under the leadership of Provost Junius J. Gonzales and Dr. Charles Ambler, University of Texas at El Paso, Fall 2012-Spring 2013.
- Principal investigator, proposal for creating the U.S.'s first "Civil Conflict and Genocide Studies Certificate Program" for face-to-face and online students. Prepared for submission to the U.S. Department of Education Undergraduate International Studies and Foreign Language (UISFL) Program (Budget requested: \$196,975).

Teacher Training and Other Teaching-Related Experiences

- Participant, Fall Faculty Retreat (with Larry Lesser, Krista D. Glazewski, and Gamze Ozogul as keynote speakers), Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETaL), University of Texas at El Paso, August 2014.
- Participant, Teaching Online Academy, Academic Technologies, University of Texas at El Paso, June 2014.
- Participant, Large Class Seminar Series, Panel of Peer Leaders, Teaching Assistants, and Assistant Instructors Sharing Their Experiences in Large Class Settings, sponsored by the Office of the Provost, University of Texas at El Paso, April 2014.
- Organizer and Discussant, Roundtable entitled "Women as Educators: Gendered Experiences and Expectations in Teaching and Learning," International Sun Conference on Teaching and Learning, hosted by the Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETaL), University of Texas at El Paso, March 2014.
- Participant, International Sun Conference on Teaching and Learning (with Arthur T. Benjamin as keynote speaker), hosted by the Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETaL), University of Texas at El Paso, March 2014.
- Presenter, Large Class Seminar Series, "Incorporating Research to Boost Interactive Engagement in Large Classes," sponsored by the Office of the Provost, University of Texas at El Paso, November 2013.

Participant, Large Class Seminar Series, “Invitational Pedagogy in the Large Class,” by Richard Pineda, sponsored by the Office of the Provost, University of Texas at El Paso, October 2013.

Participant, Workshop on “Motivating Students to Prepare and Participate,” Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETaL), University of Texas at El Paso, September 2013.

Participant, Workshop on “Classroom Leadership and Moral Obligations When Teaching,” Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETaL), University of Texas at El Paso, September 2013.

Participant, Workshop on “Addressing Language and Cultural Differences through Effective Mentoring,” by Juan Guerra, Excellence in Mentoring Lecture Series, co-sponsored by the Graduate School and the PUENTES Program, University of Texas at El Paso, September 2013.

Participant, Fall Faculty Retreat (with Laura Madson as keynote speaker), Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETaL), University of Texas at El Paso, August 2013.

Participant, Large Class Seminar Series, “Teaching Introductory Science to Non-majors in the Large Classroom Setting,” by Diane Doser, sponsored by the Office of the Provost, University of Texas at El Paso, April 2013.

Participant, Large Class Seminar Series, “Risk and Interventions in Large Classroom Courses: A Preliminary Analysis,” by Gaspare Genna, Charles Ambler, and Brad Cartwright, sponsored by the Office of the Provost, University of Texas at El Paso, March 2013.

Organizer and Discussant, Roundtable entitled “Teaching and Research Intertwined: Who Says They Must Compete?” International Sun Conference on Teaching and Learning, hosted by the Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETaL), University of Texas at El Paso, March 2013.

Participant, International Sun Conference on Teaching and Learning (with Marsha Lovett and Richard D. Pineda as keynote speakers), hosted by the Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETaL), University of Texas at El Paso, February-March 2013.

Participant, Large Class Seminar Series, “Engaging Diverse Student Interests in the Large Classroom,” by Kristin Gosselink, sponsored by the Office of the Provost, University of Texas at El Paso, February 2013.

Participant, Workshop on Softchalk tool, “Enhance Your Class with SoftChalk 7,” Instructional Support Services, University of Texas at El Paso, February 2013.

Participant, Workshop on Blackboard Learn, “Blackboard Learn Training,” Instructional Support Services, University of Texas at El Paso, February 2013.

Participant, Large Class Seminar Series, “Tickets to Class; Reflections on Teaching,” by Guillermina Gina Núñez-Mchiri, sponsored by the Office of the Provost, University of Texas at El Paso, October 2012.

Participant, Large Class Seminar Series, “Peer-Led Team Learning,” by James Becvar and Juan Noveron, sponsored by the Office of the Provost, University of Texas at El Paso, September 2012.

Participant, Fall Faculty Retreat (with David Pace as keynote speaker), Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETaL), University of Texas at El Paso, August 2012.

Presenter, "Teaching Genocide and Ethnic Conflict by Employing a Theoretical versus 'Just-the-Facts' Approach." Presented for the Teaching the Holocaust and Genocide: Educators' Conference, hosted by the El Paso Holocaust Museum and Study Center, April 2012.

Participant, Teaching the Holocaust and Genocide: Educators' Conference, The El Paso Holocaust Museum and Study Center, April-May 2012.

Co-organizer and Discussant, Roundtable entitled "Balancing Rigor with Empathy in the Classroom," International Sun Conference on Teaching and Learning, hosted by the Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETaL), University of Texas at El Paso, March 2012.

Participant, International Sun Conference on Teaching and Learning (with José Bowen and Pat C. Hoy as keynote speakers), hosted by the Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETaL), University of Texas at El Paso, March 2012.

Participant, Fall Faculty Retreat (with Arvind Singhal and Henri Lipmanowicz as keynote speakers), Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETaL), University of Texas at El Paso, August 2011.

Participant, Teaching the Holocaust and Genocide: Educators' Conference, The El Paso Holocaust Museum and Study Center, May 2010.

Protégé (with Kathleen Staudt and Irasema Coronado serving as program mentors), Collaborative Faculty Mentoring Program (CFMP), facilitated by the Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETaL), University of Texas at El Paso, Fall 2009-Spring 2010.

Graduate Teaching Academy Teaching Certificate, Texas A&M University, April 2008.

Fellow, Graduate Teaching Academy, Texas A&M University, 2007-2008.

Participant, Teaching Assistant Training and Evaluation Program (TATEP), Texas A&M University, August 2008.

Participant, Graduate Seminar on Teaching Political Science at the Undergraduate and Graduate School Level, "POLS 681: Teaching Political Science," by Guy Whitten, Texas A&M University, Spring 2008.

Participant, Graduate Workshop on Writing Syllabi, "Writing Syllabi that Engage and Motivate Students," Center for Teaching Excellence, Texas A&M University, August 2007.

Participant, Graduate Workshop on Teaching, "Alternatives to Lecture: Using Simulations and Other Techniques in the Classroom," by Michael T. Koch, Texas A&M University, March 2007.

Supervision of Student Organizations

Faculty co-advisor (with Charles R. Boehmer), Global Relations Organization, University of Texas at El Paso, January 2013-present

Student Performances and Presentations Supervised

Mentor, Brenda Berumen, "The Aesthetic, Socio-Psychological, and Temporal Dimensions of Environmental Dilemmas: An Interdisciplinary Analysis of the Relationship between Non-Market Values and Environmental Attitudes in the El Paso Region." Student poster presentation at the Graduate Research Expo, University of Texas at El Paso, February 2013.

- Mentor, Rebeca Puentes, "Tea Party Movement Mobilization: Examining the Role of Emotive Cues and Strategic Appeals." Student poster presentation at the Interdisciplinary Decision Research Group Symposium (with Vladik Kreinovich, Valeri Reyna, and James Stahl as keynote speakers), University of Texas at El Paso, February 2013.
- Judge, Student Panel, Contemporary Political Rhetoric and Reality Conference, hosted by the Epsilon Epsilon Chapter of Pi Sigma Alpha at the University of Texas at El Paso, April 2012.
- Mentor, Richard Flores, "Explaining the Merida Initiative through the *Essence of Decision*." Student presentation at the "Emerging Scholars in Political Science" Conference at the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, September 2011.

Textbook Development

- Contributor, Instructor Test Banks for *Essentials of American and Texas Government: Roots and Reform 2011 Edition*, Karen O'Connor, Larry J. Sabato, Alixandra B. Yanus, L. Tucker Gibson Jr., and Clay Robison. New York: Pearson (2011), with José D. Villalobos.

Invited Talks (External)

- "Inspired Learning and Inspired Teaching." Presented to the University of Texas System Board of Regents, Austin, August 2013.
- "Discussing Genocide across Cultural Contexts." Presented for Genocide Awareness Month, the El Paso Holocaust Museum and Study Center, April 2013.
- "Employing Experimental Methods in Political Psychology Research." Guest lecture at TOBB Economy and Technology University, Turkish Studies Political Psychology Workshop and Mini Conference, co-sponsored by the International Society of Political Psychology and TOBB Economy and Technology University, Ankara, Turkey, May 2012.
- "Teaching Genocide and Ethnic Conflict by Employing a Theoretical versus 'Just-the-Facts' Approach." Presented for the Teaching the Holocaust and Genocide: Educators' Conference, hosted by the El Paso Holocaust Museum and Study Center, April 2012.
- "Genocide in Srebrenica: The Largest Mass Murder on European Soil since the Holocaust." Presented for the El Paso Holocaust Museum Lecture Series, March 2011.
- "Political Psychology of Ethnic Conflict and Genocide." Presented to the El Paso Electric Company Retirees Group, February 2010.

Other Talks and Guest Lectures

- "Presidential Rhetoric and Perceptions of Risk and Support," with José D. Villalobos. Presented for the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute "Our Changing World" Seminar Series, University of Texas at El Paso, April 2012. Also presented for the Interdisciplinary Decision Research Group, University of Texas at El Paso, November 2012.
- "Where Does the Buck Stop? Applying Attribution Theory to Examine Public Appraisals of the President," with José D. Villalobos. Presented for the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute "Our Changing World" Seminar Series, University of Texas at El Paso, May 2011.
- "The Effects of New Technologies on Domestic and International Politics." Presented for the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute "Our Changing World" Seminar Series, University of Texas at El Paso, November 2010.

- “Examining the Interactive Effect of Environmental Scarcity and ‘Ethnic’ Population Pressures on Civil War.” Presented for the Department of Political Science Research Circle, University of Texas at El Paso, October 2010.
- “Turkey: A Mosaic of Cultures.” Presented for the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute “Our Changing World” Seminar Series, University of Texas at El Paso, May 2010.
- “Examining the Effect of Information Framing on Public Support for Presidential Policy Initiatives: An Experimental Analysis.” Presented to the Group Identity, Conflict, and Cooperation Working Group of Psychology and Political Science Researchers, University of Texas at El Paso, February 2010.
- “A Nuclear Iran: Regional Risk or Stability?” Presented at the public forum organized by the Global Relations Organization, University of Texas at El Paso, November 2009.
- “Examining Turkey’s Candidacy for Membership in the European Union.” Presented for the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute “Our Changing World” Seminar Series, University of Texas at El Paso, November 2009.
- “Decision Making Approaches: Rational Choice.” Guest lecture for “POLS 413: American Foreign Policy,” Texas A&M University, September 2008.
- “Military Interventions.” Guest lecture for “POLS 331: Introduction to World Politics,” Texas A&M University, September 2008.
- “Civil and Ethnic Conflict.” Guest lecture for “POLS 331: Introduction to World Politics,” Texas A&M University, July 2008.
- “Research Examples.” Guest lecture for “POLS 209: Introduction to Political Science Research,” Texas A&M University, December 2006.
- “Statistical Tests for Association.” Guest lecture for “POLS 209: Introduction to Political Science Research,” Texas A&M University, November 2006.
- “EU’s Close Encounters with Turkey: Fact versus Fiction,” Presented for the panel, “Europe in Turkey, Turkey in Europe?” sponsored by the European Union Center of Excellence and Department of European and Classical Languages and Cultures, Texas A&M University, October 2005.

Professional, Departmental, College, and University Service

- Section Chair and Program Planning Committee Member, selected to help organize the “International Politics: Conflict and Security” section panels in preparation for the 2015 Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association.
- Member, Graduate School Outstanding Thesis and Dissertation Selection Committee, University of Texas at El Paso, 2014.
- Mentor, Refinement Committee for the University of Texas System Regents’ Outstanding Teaching Award, University of Texas at El Paso, 2014.
- Reviewer and Moderator, International Sun Conference on Teaching and Learning, hosted by the Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETaL), University of Texas at El Paso, 2014.
- Fellow, Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning (CETaL) Council of Fellows, University of Texas at El Paso, 2014-2017.
- Member, Women’s Advisory Council to the President, University of Texas at El Paso, 2013-present
- Member, Professional Achievement Report (PAR) Reform Committee, Department of Political Science, University of Texas at El Paso, Fall 2013.

Member, Liberal Arts Curriculum Committee, University of Texas at El Paso, 2012-present
Faculty Senator, Department of Political Science, University of Texas at El Paso, 2011-present
Member, Graduate Committee, Political Science Graduate Program, University of Texas at El Paso, 2011-present
Library Liaison, Department of Political Science, University of Texas at El Paso, 2009-present
Member, Student Enhancement and External Relations (SEER) Committee, Department of Political Science, University of Texas at El Paso, 2010-2011.
Member, Undergraduate Committee, Political Science Undergraduate Program, University of Texas at El Paso, 2009-2010.
Graduate Student Representative, Search Committee in International Relations, Department of Political Science, Texas A&M University, 2007-2009.

Reviewer

American Journal of Political Science
American Political Science Review
Armed Forces & Society
Ethnopolitics
International Journal of Conflict Management
International Political Science Review
International Studies Quarterly
International Studies Review
Journal of Conflict Resolution
Political Psychology
Political Research Quarterly
Turkish Studies

Professional Memberships

American Political Science Association
International Studies Association
International Society of Political Psychology
Midwest Political Science Association
Southern Political Science Association
Southwestern Political Science Association
Western Political Science Association

Computer Skills

Microsoft Office Programs: Word, Excel, PowerPoint, and Outlook
Statistical Analysis Programs: STATA, SPSS, and StatView
Webpage Design and Management:
Blackboard 9.1 Workshops, "Getting Started," "Interactive Tools," Evaluation Tools," and "Grade Center," Certificate of Completion, Instructional Support Services, University of Texas at El Paso, February 2013.
DNN Workshop, "Basic" and "Administrative" Modules, Certificate of Completion, Faculty Instructional Technology, University of Texas at El Paso, September 2009.
Dreamweaver, Essentials, CSS, Forms, and Assets, Certificate of Completion, "Creating Your Personal Webpage," Center for Employee Education, Texas A&M University, June 2008.

Language Skills

English – high proficiency in speaking, reading, and writing

Turkish – high proficiency in speaking, reading, and writing

Spanish – intermediate-level skills in speaking, reading, and writing

French – intermediate-level skills in speaking, reading, and writing

German – basic skills in speaking, reading, and writing