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## APPOINTMENTS

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### University of Essex

Assistant Professor (Lecturer), Department of Government, May 2020

## EDUCATION

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### University of Colorado at Boulder

Ph.D., Political Science, 2020

Concentrations: Comparative Politics, International Relations, Latin America, Methodology

Dissertation title: *Protesting for More: Corruption, Democracy and the Making of Demands*

Dissertation committee: Carew Boulding (Chair), Andy Baker, David Brown, Moises Arce, Rachel Rinaldo

### University of Colorado at Boulder

M.A., Political Science, 2015

Thesis: "The Effect of Protest on Economic Growth"

### University of Kansas

B.A., Economics and Political Science, 2012

## RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

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Comparative Politics, International Relations, Latin American Politics, Political Corruption, Global Development, Political Behavior, Contentious Politics, Comparative Political Economy, Political and Economic Inequality in Latin America, Informal Markets, Research Methodology.

## PUBLICATIONS

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### Peer-Reviewed Publications

John D. Griffin, Chad Kiewiet de Jonge and **V. Ximena Velasco-Guachalla** "Deprivation in the Midst of Plenty: Citizen Polarization, and Political Protest" *British Journal of Political Science*, (2020) 1-17

David H Bearce and **V. Ximena Velasco-Guachalla** (2019) "Can We Explain Regime Type Differences If Citizens Don't Vote Based on Foreign Economic Policy?" *Foreign Policy Analysis*, 16(3), 492-503.

Andy Baker and **V. Ximena Velasco-Guachalla** (2018) "Is the Informal Sector Politically Different? (Null) Answers from Latin America." *World Development*, 102, 170-182.

Carew Boulding, Raymond Foxworth, Jamie Nelson-Nuñez, and **V. Ximena Velasco-Guachalla** (2019) "Indigenous Attitudes toward the Political System in Bolivia" *Revista Latinoamericana de Opinión Pública*, 8, 41-81.

## Other Publications

Andy Baker, Carew Boulding, Shawna Mullenax, Galen Murton, Meagan Todd, **V. Ximena Velasco-Guachalla**, and Drew Zackary (2017). “[Maintaining Civic Space in backsliding Regimes.](#)” Research and Innovation Grants Working Papers Series. Washington, D.C.: United States Aid Agency and International Institute of Education.

Calla Hummel and **V. Ximena Velasco-Guachalla**. “[Corruption, Fraud, and Statistics in Bolivia’s Disputed Election.](#)” *Mischief of Faction*. November 25th, 2019.

Carew Boulding, Ray Foxworth, Calla Hummel, Jami Nelson-Nunez, and **V. Ximena Velasco-Guachalla**. “[The real story behind Bolivia’s protests.](#)” *The Monkey Cage* in the *WashingtonPost*. November 20th, 2019.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### Instructor of Record

*Corruption*. Spring 2021

*Authoritarianism*. Fall 2020

*Democracy, Inequality and Violence in Latin America*. Fall 2018; Spring 2019.

*Global Development*. Summer 2018.

*Introduction to Comparative Politics*. Summer 2017.

*Revolutions and Political Violence*. Fall 2016.

### Teaching Assistant

*Global Development*. Spring 2018, Spring 2016.

*Introduction to International Affairs*. Fall 2015.

*Introduction to Comparative Politics*. Spring 2014, Fall 2014, 2015 and 2017.

*Revolutions and Political Violence* Fall 2013.

### Mentoring

*Undergraduate Research Fellowship Program* . Fall 2017, Spring 2018.

*Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program*. Spring 2017.

## WORKING PAPERS

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Calla Hummel, **V. Ximena Velasco-Guachalla**, Jami Nelson-Nuñez, Carew Boulding (2020) *Bolivia: Lessons from the first six months of the new coronavirus pandemic.* (Under Review)

Calla Hummel, **V. Ximena Velasco-Guachalla**, Jami Nelson-Nuñez, Carew Boulding (2020) *Decentralization, Polarization, and Protest during the SARS-CoV-2 Pandemic: Evidence from Bolivia.* (Under Review)

Carew Boulding and **V. Ximena Velasco-Guachalla** (2020) “*Presidential Turnover and the Legitimacy Gap in Latin America*” (Working paper)

V. Ximena Velasco-Guachalla. (2019) “*Authoritarian Repression, Concessions and Protest Demands*” (working paper)

V. Ximena Velasco-Guachalla. (2019) “*Protesting for More: Corruption and Demand Fractionalization.*” (working paper)

V. Ximena Velasco-Guachalla. (2019) “*Structural Drivers of Differentiated Protest Demands.*” (working paper)

Carew Boulding and V. Ximena Velasco-Guachalla. (2019) "Pre-and-Post Electoral Protests and their Effect on Support for the Political System" (Working Paper)

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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V. Ximena Velasco-Guachalla. "Democracy and Human Rights in South America" Presented for the Latin American Studies Center. University of Colorado at Boulder. Boulder, CO. December 2020.

V. Ximena Velasco-Guachalla. "Public Services or Democracy? Individual Determinants of Protest Demands in Latin America." Presented at the Southwest Latin American Behavior (SeLAB) Consortium. University of Mississippi in Oxford, MS. 2019.

V. Ximena Velasco-Guachalla. "Structural Determinants of Differentiated Protest Demands." Poster Presentation. Presented at the American Political Science Association. Washington, D.C. 2019

V. Ximena Velasco-Guachalla and Carew Boulding. "Electoral Protests and Support for the Political System." Presented at the International Congress of the Latin American Studies Association. Boston, MA 2019.

V. Ximena Velasco-Guachalla. "Public Services or Democracy? Individual Determinants of Protest Demands." Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual meeting, Boston, MA 2019.

V. Ximena Velasco-Guachalla. "Explaining Demand Fractionalization across Countries." Poster Presentation. Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Boston, MA 2018.

Carew Boulding and V. Ximena Velasco-Guachalla. "Winning and Losing Support in Latin America." Presented at Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL 2018.

V. Ximena Velasco-Guachalla "Exploring Demand Fractionalization." Presented at the Innovation and Research Week at the University of Colorado at Boulder. Fall 2018.

V. Ximena Velasco-Guachalla "The Effect of Protest on Economic Growth." Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL 2016.

Andy Baker and V. Ximena Velasco-Guachalla "Is the Informal Sector Politically Different? (Null) Answers from Latin America." Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL 2016.

## GRANTS AND RESEARCH AWARDS

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### Teaching Awards

Graduate Teaching Excellence Award. United Government of Graduate Students. University of Colorado at Boulder, 2019.

### Research Awards

Institute of Behavioral Science Research Award. University of Colorado Boulder (\$300), 2019.

Institute of Behavioral Science Summer Research Funding. University of Colorado Boulder (\$2500), 2019.

Institute of Behavioral Science Summer Research Funding. University of Colorado Boulder (\$2500), 2018.

Part of the team for Learning Agenda Questions (\$4,000), USAID Democracy Fellows and Grants Program. Principal Investigators Andy Baker and Carew Boulding. 2017.

### Department Awards

Best Qualifying Paper: “The Effect of Protest on Economic Growth.” Department of Political Science, University of Colorado at Boulder, 2015.

Summer Research Grant. Department of Political Science. University of Colorado Boulder (\$500), 2015.

Summer Research Grant. Department of Political Science. University of Colorado Boulder (\$1000), 2014.

2nd place Poster Presentation Award: “The Effects of Party Turnover on Perceptions of Corruption.” University of Colorado at Boulder, 2013.

### Travel Awards

American Political Science Association Travel Grant (\$225), 2019.

Graduate School Domestic Travel Grant. University of Colorado Boulder (\$300), 2019.

Midwest Women’s Caucus Graduate Student Travel Award 2019. MPSA registration costs.

Graduate School Domestic Travel Grant. University of Colorado Boulder (\$300), 2018.

Latin American Studies Center Travel Grant. University of Colorado Boulder (\$400), 2018.

Political Science Travel Grant. University of Colorado Boulder (\$500), 2016.

### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

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Red Politologas 2020-Present

American Political Science Association 2013-Present

Midwest Political Science Association 2013-present

Latin American Studies Association 2016-present

Midwest Political Science Association, Women’s Caucus 2013-present

### LANGUAGES AND TECHNICAL SKILLS

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**Methodological Training:** Scope and Methods, OLS, MLE and various GLMs, Network Analysis, Bayesian Statistics, Survey Methodology, Time Series, Causal Inference, Machine Learning, Text Analysis, Event Data Analysis

**Programming:** Stata, R,  $\LaTeX$ , Python

**Languages:** Spanish (Native), English (Fluent), Portuguese (Advanced), Arabic (Conversational), French (Conversational)

### FIELDWORK

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La Paz, Bolivia. Summer 2014

Teguicigalpa and La Esperanza, Honduras. Summer 2015

Oaxaca, Mexico. Summer 2016

**REFERENCES**

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