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Education

Ph. D. in Political Science, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, expected 2010

Major Field: Comparative Politics (Latin America)

Minor Field: Research Methodology

Grants and Fellowships: Graduate School's Scholars for Tomorrow Global Studies Fellowship (2004-2005), Foreign Language and Areas Studies summer fellowship (2005)

Research Interests: Corruption in Latin America, Brazilian party politics, Democratization and development, Tolerance in democratic states

Bachelor of Science with highest honors Georgia Institute of Technology, May 2004

Major Field: International Affairs and Modern Languages (Spanish)

Grants and Scholarships: President's Scholarship (2001-2004); President's Undergraduate Research Award (2004); Julia B. Fleet Scholarship (2002, 2003); Governor's Scholarship (2001-2004); National Merit Scholar (2001-2002); HOPE scholarship (2001-2004)

Professional Experience

Teaching Assistant for Professor George Rabinowitz, Political Science 041: "Introduction to American Government," University of North Carolina, Fall 2005

Teaching Assistant for Professor Donald Searing, Political Science 113: "Comparative Tolerance," University of North Carolina, Spring 2005

Teaching Assistant for Professor Christiane Lemke, Political Science 052: "Introduction to European Government," University of North Carolina, Fall 2004

Research Assistant for Professor Michelle Dion, Project Title: "Pension and Health Care Reform in Latin America and the Role of International Financial Institutions," Georgia Institute of Technology, Spring 2004

Teaching Assistant for Professor Mark Guzdial, Computer Science 1315: "Introduction to Media Computation," Georgia Institute of Technology, Fall 2003

Research Assistant for Professor Mark Guzdial, Project Title: "Course Development for Introduction to Media Computation," Georgia Institute of Technology, Summer 2003

International Experience

Florida Consortium for Latin American Studies: "UF-FIU Summer Intensive Portuguese Program" in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, Summer 2005

Georgia Institute of Technology study abroad program: “Business, Culture, and Politics of the Southern Cone” in Brazil and Argentina, Summer 2003

Americas Model United Nations Conference delegate in Brasilia, Brazil, Summer 2003

Georgia Institute of Technology study abroad program: “Language for Business and Technology” in Mexico and Spain, Summer 2002