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Under Review

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EMPLOYMENT University of Gothenburg, Gothenburg, Sweden

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Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Fem-LEAD (ERC Starting Grant), September 2024 - Present

EDUCATION Rice University, Houston, Texas

Ph.D., Political Science, May 2024

Graduate Certificate in Teaching and Learning, May 2024

M.A., Political Science, May 2020

The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Alabama

B.A., Political Science and Spanish (Double Major), May 2018

Summa Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa, Blount Scholar, Honors College

RESEARCH Comparative politics, Latin America, electoral accountability, political corruption, INTERESTS gender, representation, elite behavior, voting behavior

DISSERTATION Title: "Evading Electoral Accountability: How Political Elites Maintain Electoral Support in Contexts of Corruption"

Committee: Leslie A. Schwindt-Bayer (chair), Jonathan Homola, Randy T. Stevenson, Mark P. Jones, and Mallesh M. Pai

PEER-REVIEWED Elia, Emily. 2025. "Can the Fairer Sex Save the Day? Voting for Women After Corruption Scandals in Latin America." Political Behavior 47: 97-117.

ARTICLES

Elia, Emily and Leslie A. Schwindt-Bayer. 2022. "Corruption perceptions, opposition parties, and reelecting incumbents in Latin America." *Electoral Studies* 80: 102545.

BOOK CHAPTERS Elia, Emily. 2024. "Corruption, Gender, and Elections: The Presence of Female Candidates on Party Lists After Corruption Scandals in Chile and Uruguay." In Handbook on Gender and Corruption, ed. Tiffany D. Barnes and Emily Beaulieu Bacchus.

Elia, Emily, Leslie A. Schwindt-Bayer, and Sofia B. Vera. "Corruption, Partisanship,

and Voting: A Survey Experiment during the Brazilian Presidential Election." Revise & Resubmit.

Elia, Emily. "Corrupt but Competent: The Impact of Elite Performance on Corruption Voting in Argentina."

Elia, Emily, Leslie A. Schwindt-Bayer, and Sofia B. Vera. "Measuring Corruption Perceptions with Surveys: The Need for Better Instruments."

WORKS IN PROGRESS Elia, Emily. "Who Fights Corruption? Anticorruption Bill Proposals in the Argentine Chamber of Deputies."

Elia, Emily. "Are All Competencies Created Equal? Gender Differences in Performance Voting in Argentina and Chile."

Elia, Emily, Aksel Sundström, and Stephen Dawson. "Environmental Disasters, Gender, and Incumbency Punishment."

Elia, Emily and Jana Schwenk. "Voter Accountability in the Face of Corruption: The Role of Gendered Perceptions in Electoral Punishment."

Conference Presentations

2025: Quality of Government Institute Internal Conference, MPSA, Politics & Gender Conference, EPSA, Italian Political Science Association Annual Conference, APSA

2023: Texas Comparative Circle, MPSA, IPSA, APSA, Women in Legislative Studies Annual Conference

2022: Texas Comparative Circle

2021: SPSA, ISA Corruption Workshop, APSA

2020: SPSA, Texas Comparative Circle

2019: LAPOP-El Público y la Democracia en las Américas

Grants and Awards

Stiftelsen Lars Hiertas Minne Research Grant (30000 SEK, eqv. \$2683) 2025
Social Sciences Research Institute Dissertation Improvement Grant (\$5000) 2022
Rice University

James T. Wagoner Foreign Study Scholarship, Rice University (\$5000) 2022
Rice University

Social Sciences Research Institute Pre-Dissertation Improvement Grant (\$2845) 2021 Rice University

Social Sciences Research Institute Travel Grant, Rice University 2019, 2021, 2023

APSA Travel Grant, American Political Science Association

Prestage-Cook Travel Award, Southern Political Science Association

Rice University Dean's Scholarship (\$10000)

Rice University Department of Political Science Graduate Fellowship

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SKILLS

Programming: STATA, R, LATEX, Qualtrics

Language: Spanish (advanced proficiency), Swedish (beginner), English (native)

Fieldwork: Buenos Aires, Argentina (September 2022-December 2022) Technical Skills: Manifesto Project (MARPOR) coder (2020; 2024)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor of Record

POLI 370 Corruption in Politics Spring 2024

Department of Political Science, Rice University

POLI 354 Latin American Politics Spring 2023
Department of Political Science, Rice University

Teaching Assistant

POLI 212 Introduction to Comparative Politics Fall 2020
Department of Political Science, Rice University
Instructor of Record: Jonathan Homola

Thesis Supervision

Master's Thesis Supervision: 3 students

Department of Political Science, University of Gothenburg

Grader

Master's Thesis Grading Spring 2025

Spring 2025

Fall 2021

Department of Political Science, University of Gothenburg

POLI 338 Policy Analysis

Department of Political Science, Rice University

Instructor of Record: Paul Treacy

Service Women in Legislative Studies

Research Assistant (August 2021-May 2024)

Center for Teaching Excellence Graduate Liaison, Rice University

Graduate Liaison for the Department of Political Science (August 2021-May 2023)

Political Science Graduate Student Association, Rice University

Co-Founder and President (April 2020-January 2021)

Graduate Student Ambassador, Rice University

Member of Ambassador Leadership Council (April 2021-May 2024)

Ivy+ Teaching Transformations Summit

Participant (May 2022)

Reviewer

American Journal of Political Science; Journal of Politics; Political Behavior; Political Science Research and Methods; Research and Politics; Electoral Studies; Legislative Studies Quarterly; Journal of Women, Politics, & Policy; European Journal of Politics and Gender; Politics, Groups, & Identities; Survey Research Methods; Governance

Affiliations American Political Science Association

Midwest Political Science Association European Political Science Association

Phi Beta Kappa

References Leslie Schwindt-Bayer

Thomas Cooke & Mary Elizabeth Edwards Chair in Government & Democracy Rice University

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