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## Current position

*Teaching fellow*, Department of Political Science, University of California-Los Angeles'  
Center for American Politics and Public Policy

## Areas of specialization

American politics; formal methods.  
Representation, the bureaucracy, Congress, Congressional elections, party coalitions, social networks, text-as-data, Latino representation

## Education

2018 PhD in Political Science, University of California-Los Angeles  
2018 MS in Statistics, University of California-Los Angeles  
2010 BS in Decision Sciences, Carnegie Mellon University

## Publications

2018 (In progress) Bawn et al, *Parties on the Ground: Some Preliminary Evidence*, Chicago, University of Chicago Press.  
2017 (Forthcoming) Ray, John. "[Bureaucrats and Their Constituents: Congressional Monitoring in the Modern Era.](#)" In *A Companion to Congress: The First Branch*, Ed. Ginsberg, Benjamin and Wagner Hill, Kathryn. Yale University Press.  
2017 (R & R) Ocampo, Angela and Ray, John. "[Many Are Called, But Few Are Chosen: Latino Congressional Candidates and Representation.](#)"

## Grants, honors & awards

- 2017 University of California Dissertation Fellowship. \$1,220.
- 2017 University of California Dissertation Fellowship. \$500.
- 2017 Political Science Dissertation Research Funding. \$1000.
- 2016 Swarr Prize for Best Graduate Paper, University of California-Los Angeles. \$500.
- 2014 Graduate Summer Research Mentorship, University of California-Los Angeles. \$6,000.
- 2012 University of California-Los Angeles Teaching Fellowship.

## Conference presentations

- 2017 “Congressional Influence Over Rulemaking: The Role of Investigations and Audits.” Midwestern Political Science Association annual meeting, Chicago, IL.
- 2016 “Bureaucrats and Their Constituents: Congress, the GAO, and Representation.” American Political Science Association annual meeting, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2016 “The Bureaucracy and Representation in the Modern Era.” Midwest Political Science Association annual meeting, Chicago, IL.
- 2016 “Elite Networks and Latino Political Representation: Who Decides?” Western Political Science Association annual meeting, San Diego, CA.
- 2015 “Social Choice and Coordination Problems in Open House Primaries.” With Kathleen Bawn, Knox Brown, Angela Ocampo, Shawn Patterson and John Zaller. Presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA.
- 2015 “Many Are Called, But Few Are Chosen: Latino Congressional Candidates and Representation.” Presented at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Las Vegas, NV.
- 2014 “Outside Spending in Open-Seat Primaries.” Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwestern Political Science Association, Chicago, CA.

## Original Courses

PS6: Introduction to Statistics and Programming. Summer 2017.

GC60: American in the 1960s: Social Movements and Policy Change. Spring 2016.

## Graduate Programming Seminars

“An introduction to ggplot in R.” May 21, 2017 at University of California-Los Angeles.

“Data management in R.” March 22, 2017 at University of California-Los Angeles. “An Introduction to Spatial Analysis in R.” August 23, 2016 at University of California-Los Angeles.

## **Teaching Assistant Courses**

PS6: Introduction to Data Analysis. Multiple quarters.

PS30: Game theory, politics, & strategy. Spring 2015.

PS40: Introduction to American Politics. Multiple quarters.

PS125A: Arms Control & International Security. Fall 2013.

PS140A: Congress and U.S. Legislative Studies. Winter 2014.