**Recent Placement News**

**Abby Córdova**  
University of Kentucky  
Assistant Professor

**John Hudak**  
Brookings Institution  
Fellow in Governance Studies

**Jason Hesser**  
Elon University  
Assistant Professor  
Assistant Director, Elon Poll

**Gbemende Johnson**  
Hamilton College  
Assistant Professor

**Farhana Loonat**  
Sewanee  
Teaching Position

**Rebecca McBride**  
Calvin College  
Assistant Professor

**Psychology**

- Elements of the Long-Term Factors in Mexico's Development: The Hard-Line Approach and Mexico.
- Peace: The Hard-Line Approach and Mexico.

**Philosophy**

- Peace: The Hard-Line Approach and Mexico.

**Departmental Grants**

- **Summer Training Awards**
- **CELS Causal Inference Workshop:** Allison Archer, Matt Layton
- **Stanford Institute for Political Psychology:** Allison Archer
- **ICPSR:** Arturo Maldonado, Bryan Rooney, Eelco van der Maat, Laura Sellers, Oscar Castorena
- **Survey Research Center:** Fred Batista Pereira, Mollie Cohen, Gui Russo

**Recent Publications**


**Vanderbilt Grants**

- **College of Arts and Science (A&S)**
- **Summer Research Award:** Margarita Corral, Brian Faughnan, Daniel Zizumbo-Colunga
- **Dissertation Enhancement Grant:** Brian Faughnan, Mason Moseley

**Center for Latin American Studies (CLAS)**

- **Summer Research Award:** Daniel Zizumbo, Gui Russo
- **Simon Collier Grant:** Gui Russo
- **Tinker Award:** Arturo Maldonado
- **Fellowship for foreign language training:** Trevor Lyons

**Robert Wood Johnson Foundation at Meharry Medical College**

- **Training at Survey Research Center:** Whitney Lopez-Hardin

**External Grants**

- **NSF Graduate Research Fellowship** Camille Burge, Beth Estes
- **NSF Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant** John Hudak, Mason Moseley
- **EITM Scholarship for ICPSR Training** Myra Brielle Harbin
- **Olympia Summer Seminars in Conflict and Peace Studies Scholarship** Eelco van der Maat
- **Andrews Fellowship for SRC Training:** Fred Batista Pereira
- **Prestage Cook Award, SPSA conference Travel Grant:** Mollie Cohen, Matthew Layton, Arturo Maldonado

**Departmental Travel Grants**

- Gbemende Johnson, Matthew Layton, Arturo Maldonado, Rebecca McBride, Stephen Utych
- Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile exchange program  
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- **RIPS Small Grants for Experimental Research** Camille Burge, Arturo Maldonado

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**Political Science Graduate Program at a glance**

- **Current Student Body**  
  40 students actively enrolled in PhD program

- 45% women  
  15% US minorities

- **30%** foreign nationals hailing from Brazil, Colombia, Israel, Mexico, the Netherlands, Peru, South Africa, Spain, Venezuela

- **Faculty (as of Fall 2013)**  
  25 tenured or tenure-track

- 40% women  
  20% US minorities

- Faculty members have secondary appointments and affiliations across Vanderbilt:  
  Philosophy  
  Psychology  
  Sociology

- Max Kade Center for European & German Studies  
  Women's & Gender Studies; School of Education  
  School of Law

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The Latin American Public Opinion Project (LAPOP) specializes in the development, implementation, and analysis of public opinion surveys. LAPOP’s core project is the AmericasBarometer, the most expansive regional survey project in the Western Hemisphere, spanning 26 countries in the Americas.

The Research on Individuals, Politics & Society Lab is the experimental research program in the Department of Political Science. RIPS offers faculty and graduate students the opportunity to engage in systematic studies of individual-level decision-making in politics and society. Faculty and graduate students have fielded dozens of studies in the lab since its establishment in 2008.

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