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EDUCATION

Doctoral Studies 10/2015 - 01/2021
DPhil in Politics, Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Oxford. Thesis: [Altered States of Mind: Making Sense of Cannabis Reforms in Latin America](#). Supervisor: Prof Ezequiel Gonzalez-Ocantos. Defended January 2021 with No Corrections. Examiners: Profs Timothy Power (University of Oxford) and Jordi Diez (University of Guelph)

Master 10/2013 - 06/2015
MPhil Latin American Studies, Latin American Centre, University of Oxford. Thesis: The Politics of Drug Policy Reform: Legalizing Cannabis in Uruguay. Supervisor: Prof Eduardo Posada-Carbo. Completed with Distinction; Awarded Crowley Price for Best MPhil Thesis.

Undergraduate 10/2010 - 06/2013
BA (Hons) in Politics, Psychology and Sociology, Department of Politics and International Studies, University of Cambridge. Dissertation: The Logic and Dynamics of the 'War on Drugs': Lessons from Coercive Counter-Drug Efforts in Colombia. Supervisor: Prof Mette Eilstrup-Sangiovanni. Completed with First Class Marks

Visiting Researcher October - December 2018
Programa Política de Drogas, CIDE Mexico

Summer Schools
Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research, Syracuse University June 2017
Human Rights and Drug Policy, University of Essex July 2015
Illicit Drugs in Europe: Supply, Demand and Public Policy, EMCDDA July 2012

PUBLICATIONS **Peer Reviewed**

["Someone has to be the First": Tracing Uruguay's Marijuana Legalization through Counterfactuals](#). *Journal of Politics in Latin America* (12) 2, 177-199 - October 2020.

The Economist on Drugs: Waging War on the War on Drugs. In Thiago Mata, *The Economist in History: The Political Economy of Liberal Journalism*. Cambridge University Press - forthcoming.

[Commentary on Queirolo et al. \(2019\): The importance of top-down support for processes of marijuana legalization](#). *Addiction* 114, 1322-1323 - March 2019.

Breaking Ranks: Pioneering Drug Policy Protagonism in Uruguay and Bolivia. In Blaine Stothard and Axel Klein (Ed.), *From UNGASS 2016 to Review 2019: Collapse of the Global Order on Drugs*. Emerald Publishing - October 2018

[The International Dimension of Drug Policy Reform in Uruguay](#). *International Journal of Drug Policy* (34) 27-33 - August 2016.

Popular Articles and Policy Reports

Lacking substance: drugs and the Tory leadership contest. *OxPol Blog*. June 2019

Qu tan buena es la propuesta de Morena para legalizar la marihuana en Mexico?with Raul Bejarano. *Nexos*. December 2018.

Marijuana in Mexico: how to legalise it effectively, fairly and safely. with Raul Bejarano. *The Conversation*. December 2018.

Brazilians other choice: the future direction of drug policy. *OxPol Blog*. October 2018.

From scoring goals to winning votes: how three footballers strike out as politicians. *OxPol Blog*. January 2018.

What a probable Jamaica coalition means for possible cannabis legalisation in Germany. *OxPol Blog*. October 2017.

Americas other vote: Cannabis legalisation on the ballot. *OxPol Blog*. November 2016.

Assessment of the First Year of the Legally Regulated Cannabis Market in Uruguay. *Global Drug Policy Observatory Situation Analysis*. January 2015.

WORK IN PROGRESS

Under Review

High Hope: Legal Mobilization for Legal Marijuana in Mexico.*Law & Policy*.

Working Papers

La mota que mata, ahora sana: Medicinal Cannabis in Latin America

Judging Drugs: High Courts and the Judicialization of Drug Law Reform

The Pink Tide and Purple Haze: Party Ideology, Policy Preferences and Drug Policy Reform in Latin America

The Trojan Horse Myth: Understanding of the Relationship between Medicinal and Recreational Marijuana Legalization.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Tutor BA in Politics, Philosophy and Economics. Department of Politics and International Relations, University of Oxford. Politics in Latin America and Comparative Government. Taught small-group seminars for undergraduate students at several Oxford colleges: *Mansfield College, Pembroke College, Exeter College*.

Instructor for MPhil in Latin American Studies, Latin American Centre, University of Oxford. Developed and taught module: Current debates and drug reform in contemporary Latin America: which alternatives? for the elective *State, Organized Crime and Drug Trafficking in Latin America*

Teaching Assistant Graduate Course in Qualitative Research Methods, Politics and International Relations, University of Oxford. Independently taught advanced Qualitative Research Methods seminars on Process Tracing, Process Tracing Tests, Qualitative Content Analysis and Interviews (online instruction due to Covid-19 restrictions on in-person teaching) and assisted the course convener with preparing, teaching and grading the Qualitative Research Methods course.

FIELDWORK EXPERIENCE	<p>Conducted over 150 interviews with key decision-makers and stakeholders from civil society activists to policy-makers, legislators, academics and journalists, participant observation of legislative debates, court proceedings and advocacy activities and collected a variety of primary evidence during extensive and iterative fieldwork in:</p> <p>Uruguay 08 - 10/2014 and 01 - 03/2018</p> <p>Chile 05 - 06/2017 and 03 - 05/2018</p> <p>Mexico 09 - 12/2017 and 10 - 12/2018</p>
WORK EXPERIENCE	<p>Admissions Interviewer, Christ Church College, University of Oxford 2019</p> <p>Tutor University of Oxford 2019-2020</p> <p>Graduate Editor, OxPol Blog, DPIR 2017-2020</p> <p>Reception Staff, St. Edmunds College, University of Cambridge 2012-2013</p> <p>Event Coordinator, Viva con Agua de Sankt Pauli 2010</p> <p>Program Assistant, AFS Programas Interculturales Costa Rica 2008-2009</p>
AWARDS	<p>Exeter College Senior Scholarship 2016-2020 for outstanding continuing graduate students</p> <p>Economic and Social Research Council Studentship 2015-2019 covering in full tuition, research costs and living allowance (£75 000)</p> <p>Crowley Price 2015 awarded for best masters' dissertation in Latin American Studies</p> <p>Amelia Jackson Senior Studentship 2014-2015 covering in full tuition costs and living allowance (£27 500)</p> <p>St. Edmund's College Tutorial Awards 2011-2013 for excellence in undergraduate examinations</p> <p>Selected Grants:</p> <p>Exeter College Academic Grant 2019</p> <p>DPIR Writing-up Grant</p> <p>ESRC Grant for Overseas Institutional Visit 2018</p> <p>Norman Chester Fund Award 2017</p> <p>IQMR Summer School Scholarship</p> <p>Exeter College Additional Research Grant 2016</p> <p>Student Scholarship Essex Human Rights Summer School 2015</p> <p>Santander Academic Travel Award 2014</p> <p>Exeter College Academic Grant</p> <p>Student Scholarship ISCTE/EMCDDA Summer School 2012</p>
CONFERENCES	<p>Current Debates on Drug Policy in Latin America. Invited Speaker at the Roundtable Discussion at the Latin American Centre, University of Oxford. January 2020.</p> <p>Cutting through the Celeste Haze: An Assessment of the Determinants of Drug Policy Reform in Uruguay. Presented at the 13th Annual Meeting of the International Society for the Study of Drug Policy in Paris, France and the annual Latin American Studies Association Conference in Boston. May 2019.</p>

Achieving Marijuana Legalization through Legal Mobilization in Mexico. Presented at OxCourt Colloquium in Oxford. March 2019.

The Present and Future of Marijuana Legalization in Mexico. Invited Presentation Talk organized by the Oxford Latin American Society, Oxford. February 2019.

Avanzando la liberalización del cannabis en México a través de legal mobilization. Presented at the the Seminario para la Política de Drogas en América Latina (SePoDra) in Bogotá. December 2018.

La mota que mata, ahora sana: The acceptance of medical cannabis use in Latin America. Presented at the annual Latin American Studies Association Conference in Barcelona. May 2018.

Neither Dazed nor Confused: How Cannabis Reform Proponents Used Strategic Litigation to Advance Cannabis Reform in Mexico. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Society for the Study of Drug Policy in Vancouver. May 2018.

Quo vadis? El presente y futuro de reformas del cannabis en América Latina. Invited talk in Spanish at the Universidad Autónoma de Querétaro. November 2017

Neither Dazed nor Confused: How Strategic Framing, Venue Shopping and Litigation Were Used to Elicit the Mexican Supreme Courts Favorable Ruling on Cannabis Autocultivo. Presented at the Graduate Conference in Public Law, University of Texas at Austin. November 2017.

Honourable mention for one of the best papers by an early career scholar

Continuity, Ambiguity and Change: Weeding Through Cannabis Reforms and Debates in Latin America. Presented at the annual Royal Geographical Studies Conference in London. August 2017.

Neither Dazed nor Confused: Strategic Framing, Venue Shopping and Litigation in Mexico's Recent Cannabis Reforms. Presented at the annual Latin American Studies Association Conference in Lima. May 2017.

Five Lessons from Cannabis Activism in Uruguay. Presented at the "Symposium: Drugs, Politics and Society in the Global South" at Oxford University. October 2016.

Cannabis Policy Reform in Uruguay and Beyond. Presented at the Mexico Summit - Lessons from Global Drug Policy: Moving on from the 2016 UNGASS. June 2016.

De Palabras y Hechos: The Rhetoric and Reality of Cannabis Reform in Latin America (2009-2016). Presented at the 10th Annual Meeting of the International Society for the Study of Drug Policy in Sydney. May 2016.

Honourable mention for one of the best papers by an early career scholar

The Economist on Drugs: Waging War on the War on Drugs. Presented at 175 years of The Economist: An International Conference at University College London. September 2015.

The International Dimension of Drug Policy Reform in Uruguay. Presented at the 9th Annual Meeting of the International Society for the Study of Drug Policy in Ghent. May 2015.

Legitimizing Legalization or Restricting Reform? The Media's Role in Uruguay's Drug Policy Reform Process. Presented at the Annual Conference of the Society for Latin American Studies in Aberdeen. April 2015.

SKILLS

Languages

German (native)
English (native equivalent)
Spanish (near native)
Portuguese (fluent)

Computer Languages

STATA, *L^AT_EX*, *NVivo*

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS *American Political Science Association, International Society for the Study of Drug Policy, Law and Society Association, Latin American Studies Association*

SERVICE AND VOLUNTEER WORK

Reviewer for the *International Journal of Drug Policy*, *Latin American Research Review*; *Journal of White Collar Crime*; Co-Convenor *Latin American Graduate Seminar*, Student Representative Pathway in Politics, *Economic and Social Research Council*, Student Representative *Latin American Centre*, Student Body Representative and Mentor at *Exeter College* and *St. Edmund's College*, Volunteer *Viva con Agua de Sankt Pauli* and *AFS Interkulturelle Beziehungen*, Captain *St. Edmund's College Soccer Team*, Coach *SC Alstertal-Langenhorn*

REFERENCES

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Prof. Timothy Power

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Dr. Matthias Dilling

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