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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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<b>Clemson University</b> Department of Political Science Assistant Professor	2018 - present
<b>Washington University in St. Louis</b> Department of Political Science Postdoctoral Research Associate	2017 - 2018
<b>Boise State University</b> Department of Political Science Visiting Assistant Professor	2016 - 2017

## EDUCATION

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<b>PhD</b> University of Texas at Austin, Government Subfields: comparative politics and methodology	2009 - 2016
Dissertation title: Beyond the balance sheet: participation, performance, and regime support in Latin America	
Best Dissertation in Latin American Politics, Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies, Harvard University	
Juan Linz Best Dissertation Award (Honorable Mention), Comparative Democratization Section of the American Political Science Association	
Committee: Kurt Weyland (Chair), Wendy Hunter, Raúl Madrid, Zachary Elkins, Pamela Paxton.	
<b>BA</b> Boise State University, Political Science	2004 - 2007

## PUBLICATIONS

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### ***Books***

Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew. 2017. *Regime support beyond the balance sheet: participation and policy performance in Latin America*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

### ***Refereed articles***

Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew. 2017. Beyond the balance sheet: performance, participation and regime support in Latin America. *Comparative Politics*, 49(2), 252-272.

Madrid, Raúl and Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew. 2016. Descriptive representation and regime support in Latin America. *Political Studies*, 64(4), 890-909.

Piñeiro, Rafael, Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew, and Rosenblatt, Fernando. 2016. The engagement curve: populism, politics and inequality in Latin America. *Latin American Research Review*, 51(4), 3-23.

Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew. 2015. Participatory populism: theory and evidence from Bolivarian Venezuela. *Political Research Quarterly*, 68(3), 415-427.

### ***Other publications***

Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew. 2017. Promise and limitations: recent scholarship on participatory governance in Latin America (book review essay). *Latin American Politics and Society*, 59(3).

Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew. 2017. Participatory self-governance and conflict intensification in Bolivarian Venezuela. In J. Gordin & L. Renno (Eds.), *Institutional Innovation and the Steering of Conflicts in Latin America*. Colchester, UK: European Consortium for Political Research Press.

### ***Conference Participation***

Section Chair, Latin American & Caribbean Politics, for the 2019 annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association.

Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew. 2018. *Regime support beyond the balance sheet*. Author-meets-critics panel at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.

Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew. 2018. Procedures matter: an organizational justice model of regime support. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.

Madrid, Raúl and Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew. 2017. The perils of personalism. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association.

Navarre, Rachel and Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew. 2017. Change from the top? Religion and opinions on immigration. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association.

Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew. 2016. Beyond the balance sheet: an organizational justice model of regime support. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association.

Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew. 2015. Participatory populism: understanding the role of communal councils in Bolivarian Venezuela. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association.

Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew. 2014. Latent Condition Comparative Configurational Analysis (LC-QCA): a mixed method for qualitative analysis. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association.

Madrid, Raúl and Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew. 2014. Descriptive representation and regime support in Latin America. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.

Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew. 2012. Participation paradoxes: voting, contention, and satisfaction with democracy. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association.

### ***Manuscripts under Review***

Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew. 2018. Procedures matter: an organizational justice model of regime support. Under review by *American Political Science Review*.

Madrid, Raúl and Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew. 2017. The perils of personalism. Under review by *World Politics*.

### ***Manuscripts in Preparation***

Navarre, Rachel and Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew. Change from the top? Religion, conservatism, and opinions on immigration.

Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew. Varieties of democracy and regime support. Manuscript in preparation.

## HONORS AND AWARDS

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### External Awards

Best Dissertation Award in Latin American Politics, Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies	2017
Juan Linz Best Dissertation Prize, APSA (Honorable Mention)	2017
Fulbright Student Fellowship, Chile	2012

### University of Texas at Austin Fellowships

Continuing Fellowship, College of Liberal Arts	2014
Prestigious Award Supplementary Fellowship	2013
Macdonald Fellowship for field research in Venezuela	2012
Funding for summer study at ICPSR	2011

## RESEARCH PROJECTS

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***Regime support beyond the balance sheet.*** This project uses normative and empirical democratic theory, especially its competing liberal and participatory variants, to explain how and why citizens either support or refuse to support the regimes that govern them. A particularly crucial question is why support is strong in some political systems (such as Chávez-era Venezuela) despite major failures of governance, and low in other polities (such as modern Chile) where regime performance is excellent. Combining participatory democratic theory with social psychology, this research emphasizes that democracies that grant citizens an effective voice in the political process maintain support much more readily than elitist variants of democracy.

***Populist psychology.*** A comparative study of populism in the US, Latin America and Europe. The project seeks to explain, using a political psychological framework, how economic insecurity and a lack of support for the political system interact to encourage the development of populist attitudes through their influence on cultural attitudes and emotions, especially anxiety. The behavior of populist leaders and individuals with populist attitudes will also be investigated within the same framework. The study methodology focuses on survey and laboratory experiments, but also may include statistical analysis of public opinion data and content analysis of speeches by populist leaders.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### As instructor of record

- Populism in Global Perspective
- Populism in the US and Texas
- Democratization
- Introduction to Comparative Politics
- Introduction to Political Science
- Introduction to American and Texas Government
- Introduction to American National Government

### **As teaching assistant**

- Introduction to Political Science Statistics
- American Government in Comparative Perspective
- Democratization
- Latin American Politics
- Third World Political Development
- Politics of Mexico
- Politics of East Asia
- Suicide Terrorism

### **NON-ACADEMIC PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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**Clearwater Research, Inc.,** Boise, ID

August 2007 – August 2009

#### **Research analyst/project manager**

- Duties: survey design and data analysis · proposal and budget preparation · coordinating with call center interviewers and management · writing and presenting reports · conducting focus groups

### **PROFESSIONAL TRAINING**

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#### **eTOS Online education seminar**

Boise, ID, summer 2016

Intensive online seminar introducing online pedagogy and best practices for online instruction

#### **ICPSR Summer Program**

Ann Arbor, MI, summer 2011

Topics studies: maximum likelihood estimation · R statistical software · time series analyses · mathematics for statistics

### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

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American Political Science Association, 2009 - Present

Midwest Political Science Association, 2014 – Present

### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

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#### **Peer-Reviewed Articles for:**

- *American Political Science Review*
- *Political Research Quarterly*
- *Latin American Politics and Society*
- *Journal of Politics in Latin America*
- *Public Opinion Quarterly*
- *Nations and Nationalism*

## LANGUAGES

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**English:** Native Language

**Spanish:** Intermediate Listener and Speaker, Advanced Reading and Writing

## COMPUTER SKILLS

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**Statistical software:** R · Stata · MPLUS · SPSS · SAS · Maple

**Data management software:** MS Access

## REFERENCES

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Prof. Kurt Weyland, UT Austin. [kweyland@austin.utexas.edu](mailto:kweyland@austin.utexas.edu)

Prof. Raúl Madrid, UT Austin, [rmadrid@austin.utexas.edu](mailto:rmadrid@austin.utexas.edu)

Prof. Zachary Elkins, UT Austin. [zelkins@austin.utexas.edu](mailto:zelkins@austin.utexas.edu)

Prof. Wendy Hunter, UT Austin. [wendyhunter@austin.utexas.edu](mailto:wendyhunter@austin.utexas.edu)

Prof. Robert Luskin, UT Austin. [rcluskin@austin.utexas.edu](mailto:rcluskin@austin.utexas.edu)