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Education

PhD, Political Science, 2001, University of California at Los Angeles

C.Phil., Political Science, 1998, University of California at Los Angeles

MA, Political Science, 1995. University of California at Los Angeles

BA, Political Science, 1990. University of California at Berkeley.

Dissertation

“Institutional Theories, Social Realities, and Party Politics in Brazil”
Committee: Barbara Geddes (Chair), Jeff Lewis, and William Summerhill.

Academic Appointments

Assistant Professor, University of California, San Diego, 2005-present

Harvard Academy Scholar, 2002-2003

Assistant Professor, University of Arizona, 2001-2005

Fellow, Center for the Study of Democratic Politics, Princeton University, 2000-2001

Research Fellow, Harvard-MIT Data Center, Harvard University, 1999-2000

Visiting Scholar, National University of Brasil, 1999

Visiting Scholar, Federal University of Salvador, Brazil, 1999.

Journal Articles

Desposato, Scott and Barbara Norrander. Forthcoming. “The Gender Gap in Latin America: Contextual and Individual Influences on Gender and Political Participation”. *British Journal of Political Science*.

Brown, David, Brown, Christopher, and Scott Desposato. 2008. " Who Gives, Who Receives, and Who Wins? Transforming Capital into Political Change through Non-Governmental Organizations". *Comparative Political Studies*. 41(1):24-47.

Journal Articles, cont.

Brown, Christopher, Brown, David, and Scott Desposato. 2007. "Promoting and Preventing Political Change through Internationally-Funded NGO Activity". *Latin American Research Review*. 42(1):126-138.

Desposato, Scott W. 2006. "The Impact of Electoral Rules on Legislative Parties: Lessons from the Brazilian Senate and Chamber of Deputies". *Journal of Politics*. 68(4):1018-1030.

Desposato, Scott. 2006. "Parties for Rent? Careerism, Ideology, and Party Switching in Brazil's Chamber of Deputies". *American Journal of Political Science*. 50(1):62-80.

Desposato, Scott. 2005. "Correcting for Small Group Inflation of Roll-Call Cohesion Scores". *British Journal of Political Science*. 35(4): 731-744.

Brown, Christopher, Brown, David, and Scott Desposato. 2005. "Paving the Way to Political Change: Decentralization of Development in the Brazilian Amazon". *Political Geography*. 24(1): 39-52.

Petrocik, John and Scott Desposato. 2004. "Incumbency from the Voter's Perspective". *Political Research Quarterly*. 57(3):363-373.

Crisp, Brian and Scott Desposato. 2004. "Constituency Building in Multimember Districts: Collusion or Conflict?" *Journal of Politics*. 66(1): 136-156.

Desposato, Scott. 2004. "The Impact of Federalism on National Political Parties in Brazil". *Legislative Studies Quarterly*. XXIX: 259-285.

Desposato, Scott W and John R. Petrocik. 2003. "The Variable Incumbency Advantage: New Voters, Redistricting, and the Personal Vote". *American Journal of Political Science*. 47(1): 18-32.

Desposato, Scott W. 2003. "Comparing Group and Subgroup Cohesion Scores: A Nonparametric Method with an Application to Brazil". *Political Analysis*. 11: 275-288.

Brown, David, Christopher Brown, and Scott Desposato. 2002. "Left Turn on Green? International NGO's, Social Capital, and Voting Behavior". *Comparative Political Studies*. 35(7): 814-838.

Desposato, Scott W. 2001. "Legislative Politics in Authoritarian Brazil". *Legislative Studies Quarterly*. XXVI:287-317.

Petrocik, John R., and Scott W. Desposato. 1998. "The Partisan Effects of Majority-Minority Districting, 1992-1994". *Journal of Politics*. 60(3): 613-633.

Other Publications

Desposato, Scott. Forthcoming. Party-Switching in Brazil: Causes, Effects, and Representation. In *Political Parties and Legislative Party Switching*, William B. Heller and Carol Mershon, eds. New York: Palgrave Macmillan.

Desposato, Scott. Forthcoming. "Brazilian Political Reform: What Needs Fixing, What Doesn't, and What to Do". In Jairo Marconi Nicolau and Timothy J. Power, eds., *Instituições Representativas no Brasil: Balanço e Reforma*. Belo Horizonte: Editora UFMG.

Desposato, Scott. 2006. "Preferências dos eleitores e incentivos dos legisladores em ambientes eleitorais diversos: o caso dos estados brasileiros". *Governo, políticas públicas e elites políticas nos estados brasileiros*. Edited by Celina Souza and Paulo Fábio Dantas Neto. Rio de Janeiro: Revan. p229-245. (Portuguese)

Desposato, Scott. 2006. "Latin American Legislative Politics". Book review. *Latin American Politics and Society* 48(4):163-178.

Scott Desposato. 2006. "From Revolution to Roubas Mas Faz? Lula's Reelection Campaign in Brazil." *ReVista: Harvard Review of Latin America*, V(1, spring/summer 2006): 29-32.

Desposato, Scott. Forthcoming. "How Informal Electoral Institutions Determine Brazilian Legislative Politics". in *Informal Institutions and Democratic Politics*. Edited by Steven Levitsky and Gretchen Helmke. John Hopkins University Press.

Desposato, Scott. Forthcoming. "How Vote Buying Shapes the Legislative Arena". in *Vote Buying: Who, What, When, and How?* Edited by Frederic Schaeffer and Andreas Schedler.

Desposato, Scott and John Petrocik. 2005. "The Variable Incumbency Advantage: New Voters, Redistricting, and the Personal Vote". In *Redistricting in the New Millennium*. Edited by Peter Galderisi. Lanham: Lexington Books.

Desposato, Scott. 2005. "Explaining Patterns of Oversight in Brazilian Subnational Governments". In *Legislative Oversight: Theories and Practices*. Edited by Dave Olson, Riccardo Pelizzo, and Frank Stapehurst. WBI Working Papers Series on Contemporary Issues in Parliamentary Development. The World Bank.

Grants and Awards

Best Emerging Scholar Award, APSA Political Organizations and Parties, 2008
 UCSD Hellman Fellow, 2008-2009
 National Science Foundation Award, "Campaign Strategy and Impact in Eight Countries (Argentina, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, El Salvador, Nicaragua, Peru, and Venezuela)". \$89,545

Grants and Awards, cont.

National Science Foundation Award, "Campaign Strategy and Impact in Mexico and Brazil", \$76,541
 Academic Senate CORE Research Grant, UCSD, 2006-2007
 Foreign Travel Award, Center for Latin American Studies, University of Arizona, 2004
 Academy Fellow, Center for International Affairs, Harvard University, 2002-2005
 Foreign Travel Grant, University of Arizona, 2002
 Foreign Travel Award, Center for Latin American Studies, University of Arizona, 2002
 Small Grant Award, SBSRI, University of Arizona, 2001
 Faculty Small Grant, University of Arizona, 2001-2002
 Fellow, Center for the Study of Democratic Politics, Princeton University, 2000-2001
 Graham Fellowship, UCLA Department of Political Science, 2000
 Best Graduate Student Article, UCLA Department of Political Science, 2000
 Harvard-MIT Data Center Fellow, 1999-2000
 Academy for Educational Development NSEP Dissertation Fellowship: 1998-1999.
 UCLA Latin American Center Small Grants: 1995, 1997, 1998
 Best Graduate Student Conference Paper, UCLA Department of Political Science, 1997
 UCLA Latin American Center Conference Travel Grant, 1997
 Tinker Foundation Fellowship: 1995
 Title IV Language Fellowship: 1992-1993
 Service to the Latino Community Award, El Concilio del Condado de Ventura, 1991

Conference Presentations

Western Political Science Association, 2008
 Midwest Political Science Association, 2008
 Midwest Political Science Association, 2007
 American Political Science Association, 2006
 Midwest Political Science Association, 2006
 International Studies Association, 2006
 Latin American Studies Association, 2006
 American Political Science Association, 2005
 Brazilian State Politics Conference, Salvador, Bahia, June 2005
 World Congress of the International Institute of Sociology, 2005
 Midwest Political Science Association, 2005
 Rocky Mountain Council on Latin America Conference, 2005
 Western Political Science Association Conference, 2005
 American Political Science Association, 2004
 Brazilian Studies Association, 2004
 Midwest Political Science Association, 2004
 Southern Political Science Association, 2004
 American Political Science Association, 2003
 Latin American Studies Association, 2003
 Midwest Political Science Association, 2003
 Informal Institutions Conference, Notre Dame, 2003
 American Political Science Association, 2002
 The Comparative Politics of Vote-Buying, MIT, 2002
 Congreso Latinoamericano de Ciencia Política, Salamanca, 2002
 Political Reform in Brazil in Comparative Perspective, Rio de Janeiro, 2002
 Midwestern Political Science Association, 2002
 Public Choice, 2002

Conference Presentations, cont.

Western Political Science Association, 2002
 Frontiers in Latin American Political Economy, 2002
 Southern Political Science Association, 2001
 Latin American Studies Association, 2001
 Western Political Science Association, 2001
 Southern Political Science Association, 2000
 American Political Science Association, 2000
 New England Political Science Association, 2000
 Midwestern Political Science Association, 2000
 Latin American Studies Association, 2000
 American Political Science Association, 1998
 American Political Science Association, 1998
 Western Political Science Association, 1998
 Latin American Studies Association, 1997
 UCLA Graduate Student Latin American Conference, 1997
 American Political Science Association, 1997
 Western Political Science Association, 1997
 Political Methodology Meeting, 1997.
 Rocky Mt./Pacific Latin American Studies Conference, 1996
 American Political Science Association, 1995

Invited Presentations

University of Brasilia, May 2008
 University of Florida, February, 2008
 Stanford Comparative Politics Workshop, January, 2008
 Temple University, January 2008
 "The New Left in Latin America", Princeton University, December, 2007
 Washington University Conference on Ideal Points, December 2007
 Media and Democratization, Tulane, November 2007
 UCLA Comparative Politics Speaker Series, June 2007
 Harvard University Author's Conference, May 2007
 University of Arizona. April 2007
 University of California, Riverside. December, 2006
 United States Embassy to Colombia: Houston Series Conference, Santa Marta, Colombia, October 2006
 Universidade do Distrito Federal, September 2006
 Universidade de Brasília, CEPAQ, September 2006
 Centre for Brazilian Studies, Oxford University, April 2006
 Voteworld, San Diego, CA, April 2006
 Harvard University Latin American Speaker Series, David Rockefeller Center, April 2006
 Utah State University, 2005
 Party-Switching Conference, University of Virginia, July 2005
 Party-Switching Conference, Trinity College, Dublin, July, 2004
 University of Missouri, April, 2004
 Harvard Academy for International and Area Studies, Harvard University, March, 2003
 Comparative Institutions Lecture, MIT, May, 2003

Invited Presentations, cont.

Comparative Electoral Studies Lecture, Yale University, February, 2003
 UCLA Program on Brazil, December, 2001.
 Tulane University, September, 2002
 Utah State University, October, 2002

Teaching Experience

Assistant Professor, University of California, Department of Political Science
 Courses: Statistics for Political Science (Graduate and Undergraduate), Introduction to Latin American Politics, Latin American Political Development, Latin American Politics Through Media

Assistant Professor, University of Arizona, Department of Political Science
 Courses: Statistics for Political Science (Graduate and Undergraduate), Introduction to Latin American Politics, Latin American Political Development, Latin American Politics Through Media

Teaching Fellow, Harvard University, Department of Statistics
 Courses: Graduate and Undergraduate Applied Regression Analysis

Visiting Lecturer, California State University Long Beach
 Courses: Statistics for Political Science

Teaching Assistant, University of California, Los Angeles
 Courses: Statistics for Political Science

Service

Editorial Board, *American Politics Research*
 Editorial Board, *Cadernos da Pós-Graduação do UniDF*.
 Recruitment Committee, 2005-2006
 Executive Committee, 2003-2005
 University Brazilian Studies Coordinator, 2003-2004
 Recruitment Committee, 2003-2004
 Latin American Studies Recruitment Committee, 2003-2004
 Colloquium Committee, 2001-2002
 Grade Appeal Committee, 2001-2002
 Graduate Admissions Committee, 2001-2002
 Latin American Studies Graduate Admissions Committee, 2001-2002

Reviewer for *American Journal of Political Science*, *Journal of Politics*, *American Political Science Review*, *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, *Political Research Quarterly*, *American Political Research*, *Comparative Politics*, *Social Science Quarterly*, and *World Politics*.