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**Professional Experience** St. Mary's College of Maryland August 2019 – present  
*Associate Professor*

St. Mary's College of Maryland July 2019 – June 2025  
*Director, Center for the Study of Democracy*

St. Mary's College of Maryland August 2013 – August 2019  
*Assistant Professor*

**Education** University of California, Riverside 2013  
*PhD, Political Science*

University of California, Riverside 2009  
*MA, Political Science*

California State University, Bakersfield 2006  
*BA, Political Science and Economics*

**Journal Publications** Diego Esparza and Antonio Ugues Jr. 2020. "The Impact of Law Enforcement Centralization and Professionalization on Public Opinion of the Mexican Police." *Journal of Politics in Latin America* 12: 104-120.

Antonio Ugues Jr. 2018. "Public Perceptions of Clean Elections in Mexico: An Analysis of the 2000, 2006, and 2012 Elections." *Journal of Politics in Latin America* 10: 77-98.

Antonio Ugues Jr. and Diego Esparza. 2018. "The Relationship Between Crime Victimization, Corruption, and Public Attitudes of Mexico's Armed Forces." *Democracy and Security* 14: 211-237.

Antonio Ugues Jr., D. Xavier Medina Vidal, and Shaun Bowler. 2017. "Los Congresos Estatales y la Política Federal en México: State Legislatures and Federal Policy Making in Mexico." *Journal of Legislative Studies* 23: 594-613.

Antonio Ugues Jr. and D. Xavier Medina Vidal. 2015. "Public Evaluations of Electoral Institutions in Mexico: An Analysis of the IFE and TRIFE in 2006 and 2012." *Electoral Studies* 40: 231-244.

Antonio Ugues Jr., D. Xavier Medina Vidal, and Shaun Bowler. 2012. "Experience Counts: Mixed Member Elections and Mexico's Chamber of Deputies." *Journal of Legislative Studies* 18: 98-112.

David Pion-Berlin, Antonio Ugues Jr., and Diego Esparza. 2011. "Self Advertised Military Missions in Latin America: What is Disclosed and Why?" *Political and Military Sociology: An Annual Review* 38: 1-25.

Antonio Ugues Jr., Keith E. Schnakenberg, C. Richard Hofstetter, Bohdan Kolody, and John W. Ayers. 2011. "Two Cultures? Latino and Asian Language Assimilation Along the U.S.-Mexico Border." *California Journal of Politics and Policy* 3: Article 17.

Antonio Ugues Jr. 2010. "Citizens' Views on Electoral Governance in Mexico." *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion & Parties* 20: 495-527.

D. Xavier Medina Vidal, Antonio Ugues Jr., Shaun Bowler, and Jonathan Hiskey. 2010. "Partisan Attachment and Democracy in Mexico: Some Cautionary Observations." *Latin American Politics & Society* 52: 63-87.

D. Xavier Medina Vidal, Antonio Ugues Jr., Shaun Bowler, and Todd Donovan. 2009. "Two Political Worlds? The Relevance of Language in California Politics." *California Journal of Politics and Policy* 1: Article 29.

## **Book Chapters**

Antonio Ugues Jr. 2014. "Electoral Management in Central America." In *Advancing Electoral Integrity*, eds. P. Norris, R. Frank, and F. Martínez I Coma. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

Antonio Ugues Jr. 2007. "The North American Free Trade Agreement and Rural Agriculture in Mexico." In *Food & Politics: Home and Abroad*, ed. S. E. Clark. Dubuque, Iowa: Kendall/Hunt Publishing Company.

## **Working Projects**

Antonio Ugues Jr. Competition, Election Outcomes, and Support for Mexican Democracy and Elections: The Winner-Loser Effect in Contemporary Mexican Politics. Book-length manuscript in preparation for submission.

Antonio Ugues Jr. and Thomas J. Hayes. In the Wake of the Big Lie: How Efforts to Overturn the 2020 Election Impacted Support for American Democracy and Elections. Book-length manuscript in preparation for submission.

Antonio Ugues Jr. "Withering Support for US Election Officials? Public Attitudes of Local and State Election Officials during the 2020 US General Election." Article-length manuscript in preparation for submission.

Thomas J. Hayes and Antonio Ugues Jr. "American Democracy under Assault: Public Support for a Military Coup during the 2020 Election." Article-length manuscript in preparation for submission.

Antonio Ugues Jr. and D. Xavier Medina Vidal. “The 2018 Mexican Elections and the Vote Abroad: The Importance of Institutional Dynamics in the External Vote.” Article-length manuscript in preparation for submission.

**Conference Presentations** Antonio Ugues Jr. and Thomas J. Hayes. “Election Misinformation and Support for Democracy.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2025, Chicago, Illinois, USA.

Antonio Ugues Jr. “Withering Support for US Election Officials? Public Attitudes of Local and State Election Officials during the 2020 US General Election.” Paper prepared for delivery at the Electoral Integrity Project’s 7th Pre-APSA Workshop on the Challenges of Electoral Integrity in America, Montreal, Quebec, Canada, September 14, 2022.

Antonio Ugues Jr. and D. Xavier Medina Vidal. “Mexican Voters Abroad: The 2018 Mexican Elections, the Vote, and the Political Behavior of Mexican Residents in the United States.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Latin American Studies Association 2019 Congress, May 2019, Boston, Massachusetts, USA.

Antonio Ugues Jr. “Mexico 2018: A Balance. Political Attitudes and Behavior of Mexicans Residing in the United States.” Research presented at International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (IDEA) conference, *The Future of Democracy / El Futuro de la Democracia*, October 2018, Mexico City, Mexico.

Antonio Ugues Jr. “Electoral Integrity Matters: The Relationship between Public Attitudes on Electoral Integrity and Support for Democracy and Electoral Institutions in Mexico’s 2012 Elections.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2018, Chicago, Illinois, USA.

Antonio Ugues Jr. and Diego Esparza. “Who do Mexicans Blame for their Insecurity: The Relationship between Criminal Violence and Public Evaluations of Mexico’s Armed Forces.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Latin American Studies Association 2016 Congress, May 2016, New York City, New York, USA.

Antonio Ugues Jr. and D. Xavier Medina Vidal. “Public Evaluations of Electoral Institutions in Mexico: An Analysis of the IFE and TRIFE in 2006 and 2012.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Latin American Studies Association 2015 Congress, May 2015, San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Antonio Ugues Jr. “Public Evaluations of Electoral Institutions in Mexico.” Paper presented for the University of Sussex Conference on Democracy and Participation in Latin America, University of Sussex, March 2015, Brighton, UK.

Antonio Ugues Jr. “Explaining the Performance of Electoral Management Bodies in New Democracies: A Comparative Analysis of Central America.” Paper presented for the Electoral Integrity Project 2013 Annual Workshop, Concepts

and Indices of Electoral Integrity, The Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University, June 2013, Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA.

D. Xavier Medina Vidal, Antonio Ugues Jr., and Shaun Bowler. “Los Congresos Estatales y la Política Federal en México: State Legislatures and Federal Policy Making in Mexico.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Latin American Studies Association 2012 Congress, May 2012, San Francisco, California, USA.

D. Xavier Medina Vidal, Antonio Ugues Jr., and Shaun Bowler. “Los Congresos Estatales y la Política Federal en México: State Legislatures and Federal Policy Making in Mexico.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association, March 2012, Portland, Oregon, USA.

Diego Esparza, Antonio Ugues Jr., and Paul Hernandez. “Ties that Bind? Felipe Calderon’s War on Drugs and the Future of the Mexican Presidency.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association, March 2012, Portland, Oregon, USA.

Antonio Ugues Jr., D. Xavier Medina Vidal, and Shaun Bowler. “Experience Counts: The Revolving Door of the Mexican Chamber of Deputies.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association, March 2009, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.

Antonio Ugues Jr. and D. Xavier Medina Vidal. “Candidate Appeal in the Aftermath of the 2006 Mexican Elections.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association, March 2009, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.

John W. Ayers and Antonio Ugues Jr. “The Map that Matters.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association, March 2006, Albuquerque, New Mexico, USA.

**Invited  
Presentations**

“Perspectives on Immigration: From Central America to Maryland,” Panel and Roundtable Discussion, St. Mary’s College of Maryland, November 2015, St. Mary’s City, MD, USA.

“Immigration Politics within the Context of U.S.-Latin American Relations.” Distinguished Speaker, Department of Political Science and Multicultural Programs and Services, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (Virginia Tech), February 2015, Blacksburg, Virginia, USA.

“Weak States, Political Violence, and Protest: Recent Events in Mexico, South Africa, and Iraq,” with Danielle S. Carter and Matthew Fehrs. Department of Political Science, St. Mary’s College of Maryland, February 2015, St. Mary’s City, Maryland, USA.

**Election  
Observation  
& Research**

Foreign Visitor and Observer  
National Electoral Institute  
Mexico

June 2024

	Foreign Visitor and Observer National Electoral Institute Mexico	July 2018
	International Election Observer Organization of American States Honduras	November 2013
	Archival Research and Election Observation El Salvador	March 2012
<b>Professional Service</b>	Manuscript Reviewer	
	<i>Election Law Journal</i>	2024
	<i>National Review of Black Politics</i>	2023
	<i>Latin American Research Review</i>	2022
	<i>Journal of Politics in Latin America</i>	2022
	<i>Colombia Internacional</i>	2021
	<i>Journal of Latin American Studies</i>	2020
	<i>International Political Science Review</i>	2018
	<i>Democratization</i>	2017-2018
	<i>Party Politics</i>	2016
	<i>Government and Opposition</i>	2016
	<i>California Journal of Politics &amp; Policy</i>	2011
	Panel Organizer	
	Latin American Studies Association Congress	May 2016
	Latin American Studies Association Congress	May 2015
	Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting	March 2012
	Panel Discussant	
	EIP Securing Elections Workshop	Sep. 2019
<b>Professional Affiliations</b>	American Political Science Association (APSA)	
	Latin American Studies Association (LASA)	
	Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA)	
	Pi Sigma Alpha (National Political Science Honor Society)	
<b>Courses Taught</b>	Comparative Politics; Comparative Electoral Systems; Democratization; Free and Fair Elections Around the World; Global State of Democracy; Introduction to Politics; Latin American Politics; Mexican Politics; Scope and Methods of Political Science (Undergraduate Research Methods); US Latino Politics	

<b>Honors, Grants, &amp; Awards</b>	Homer L. Dodge Award for Outstanding Service by a Tenured Faculty Member	March 2025
	<i>Pandion Haliaetus</i> Professor of Political Science	2021-2023
	Andy Kozak Faculty Contribution to Student Life Award	March 2021
	Faculty Development Grant	2017-2018
	St. Mary's College of Maryland	2015-2016
		2014-2015
	Dissertation Year Program Fellowship University of California, Riverside	2011-2012
	UC MEXUS Small Grants Award University of California, Riverside	June 2011
	Graduate Division Dissertation Research Grant University of California, Riverside	2011-2012
	McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program Research Award Recipient California State University, Bakersfield	2004- 2005
	Student Research Scholars Program Award Recipient California State University, Bakersfield	2004-2005 2003-2004
	Thomas Watts Peace Foundation Award Award Recipient California State University, Bakersfield	2003-2004

## References

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