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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS **University of Pennsylvania, Program on Identity and Conflict**  
Postdoctoral Research Fellow (2017-)

EDUCATION **University of California, Berkeley**  
Ph.D., Political Science (2018)

- Dissertation: Severed Connections? Political Parties and Democratic Responsiveness in Sub-Saharan Africa
- Fields: Comparative Politics (distinction), Political Behavior, Political Methodology
- Advisors: Leonardo Arriola (chair), Ruth Collier, Thad Dunning, and Noam Yuchtman

M.A., Political Science, 2012  
**Korea University, South Korea**  
B.A., Economics (Highest Honors), 2007

- *Minor in Public Administration and Public Policy*

RESEARCH INTERESTS Political Parties and Elections, Politics of Identity, African Politics, Distributive Politics, Computational Text Analysis, Experimental Methods

JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

1. “2015. Fuzzy Sets on Shaky Ground? Parametric and Specification Sensitivity in fsQCA” *Political Analysis*, 23(1), 21–41 (with Chris Kroglund and Mathias Poertner).
2. “2008. Selected Case Reports on Korean Law: Antitrust Law - Tying and Cartelization” *Korea University Law Review*, 3, 38–49 (with Eunhee Kim).

WORKING PAPERS

1. “Party Control of Primary Elections in New Democracies” [Under Review]
2. “Political Endorsements and Cross-Ethnic Voting (with Leonardo Arriola and Matthew Gichohi)” [Under Review]
3. “Competitive Elections and Public Goods Distribution in Africa (with Leonardo Arriola, David Dow, and Matthew Gichohi)” [Under Review]
4. “The Business of Politics: Candidate Defection and Party Institutionalization in Africa (with Leonardo Arriola, Justine Davis, Melanie Thompson, Lise Rakner, and Ingvild Skage)” [Under Review]
5. “The Rejection of Election Results in Africa (with Leonardo Arriola and Staffan Lindberg)” [Under Review]

MANUSCRIPTS IN  
PROGRESS

1. “Congruence or Disconnect? Local Issue Priorities and Public Spending in Kenya”
2. “The Effect of Campaign Rallies in Multi-ethnic Societies: Evidence from a Natural Experiment (with Leonardo Arriola, Matthew Gichohi, and Ken Opalo)”
3. “Communication Technology and National Identity: Evidence from Sub-Saharan Africa (with Benjamin Laughlin and Anna Schultz)”
4. “Accountability Under Devolved Government: Evidence from a Field Experiment in Kenya (with Leonardo Arriola, Matthew Gichohi, and Ken Opalo)”

WORK IN  
PROGRESS

1. “Identity, Assimilation, and Discrimination Against Immigrants: Evidence from the Field (with Mathias Poertner and Nicholas Sambanis)”
2. “Zambian Candidate Network Survey (with Leonardo Arriola, Justine Davis, Lise Rakner, Ingvild Skage, and Melanie Thompson)”
3. “Using Machine-Learning and Natural Language Processing to Extract Relational Data from Text”

FELLOWSHIPS  
AND AWARDS

*University of California, Berkeley*

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|---|-----------|
| 1. Dean’s Completion Fellowship (\$21,000)            | 2016–2017 |
| 2. African Studies Fellowship (\$1,500)               | 2016–2017 |
| 3. Rocca Dissertation Fellowship (\$5,000)            | 2015–2016 |
| 4. Simpson Memorial Fellowship (\$12,000)             | 2015–2016 |
| 5. Graduate Division Fellowship (\$15,000)            | 2011–2016 |
| 6. Political Science Department Fellowship (\$15,000) | 2011–2016 |
| 7. Outstanding Graduate Instructor Award              | 2013–2014 |

*Korea Foundation for Advanced Studies*

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| 1. Doctoral Research Fellowship (\$217,350: tuition + stipend) | 2011–2017 |
| 2. Predoctoral Research Fellowship (\$4,800)                   | 2010–2011 |

*Korea University*

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| 1. Brain Korea 21 Graduate Fellowship, Graduate School | 2007–2011 |
| 2. Dean’s Scholarship, Department of Economics         | 2003–2007 |
| 3. Dean’s Highest Honors List, Department of Economics | 2002–2007 |

CONFERENCES & PRESENTATIONS	American Political Science Association, Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL New York University-Abu Dhabi, Abu Dhabi, UAE University of Florida, Gainesville, FL African Studies Association, Chicago, IL American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA European Political Science Association, Milan, Italy Working Group on African Political Economy (WGAPE), Stanford University, Palo Alto, CA WESSI Florence Workshop, Florence, Italy American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL	Apr 2018 Feb 2018 Jan 2018 Nov 2017 Sep 2017 Jun 2017 Nov 2016  Sep 2016 Sep 2016 Apr 2016 Sep 2015 Sep 2013 Apr 2013
RESEARCH AFFILIATIONS	<i>African Studies Research Fellow</i> Center for African Studies, University of California, Berkeley	2016 to present
	<i>Research Associate</i> Center on the Politics of Development, University of California, Berkeley	2014 to present
	<i>Research Affiliate</i> Department of History, Archaeology, and Political Studies, Kenyatta University, Nairobi, Kenya	2014 to present
	<i>Research Intern</i> Policy Research Team, United Nations Governance Centre (UNPOG)	2007–2008
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	<i>Graduate Student Instructor</i> PS2 - Introduction to Comparative Politics Instructor: Professor M. Steven Fish Department of Political Science, University of California, Berkeley	Spring 2014
	<i>Graduate Student Instructor</i> PS149A - African Politics Instructor: Professor Leonardo R. Arriola Department of Political Science, University of California, Berkeley	Fall 2013
ADDITIONAL TRAINING	Winter Experimental Social Science Institute (WESSI), NYU-Abu Dhabi, Abu Dhabi, UAE	Jan 2016

Institute for Qualitative and Multi-method Research, July 2014  
Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY

Inter-University Consortium on Political and Social Research, July 2012  
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

LANGUAGES Korean (Native), English (Native/Fluent), German (Intermediate),  
French (Basic), Swahili (Basic)

PROGRAMMING R, Python, STATA, ARCGIS

FIELDWORK Kenya (18 months) 2014, 2015, 2016  
EXPERIENCE Zambia (3 months) 2016, 2017

REFERENCES Leonardo R. Arriola larriola@berkeley.edu  
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Director, Center for African Studies  
University of California, Berkeley

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Heller Professor of the Graduate School  
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Robson Professor of Political Science  
Director, Center on the Politics of Development  
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Presidential Distinguished Professor of Political Science  
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