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EDUCATION	University of Michigan , Ann Arbor, MI Ph.D., Political Science, <i>Expected:</i> Summer 2019 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dissertation Title: <i>Roll Call Scaling in the U.S. Congress: Addressing the Deficiencies</i>• Committee: Walter Mebane, Ph.D (Co-Chair), Kevin Quinn, Ph.D (Co-Chair), Christopher Fariss, Ph.D, Yuki Shiraito, Ph.D, Jonathan Terhorst, Ph.D M.A., Statistics, <i>Expected:</i> Summer 2019 Washington University in St. Louis , St. Louis, MO M.A., Political Science, August 2013 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Advisors: Norman Schofield, Ph.D University of North Carolina , Chapel Hill, NC B.A., Political Science/Statistics and Operations Research, August 2011	
REFEREED JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Gallego, Maria, Norman Schofield, Kevin McAlister, and Jee Seon Jeon. "The variable choice set logit model applied to the 2004 Canadian election." <i>Public Choice</i> 158, no. 3-4 (2014): 427-463.2. Gallego, Maria, Norman Schofield, Kevin McAlister. "The Convergence Coefficient Across Polities" <i>Scientific World Journal</i> (2014).	
WORKING PAPERS	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. "Disagreement and Dimensionality: A Beta Process Approach to Estimating Dimensionality of Ideal Points in the U.S. Congress"2. "A Bayesian Nonparametric Approach to Estimating Group Dynamics in Roll Call Scaling"3. "Context Matters! Nonparametric Feature Discovery with Covariates for Latent Variable Models"4. "Quantifying Polarization with Survey Data using Ordered Bayesian Aldrich-McKelvey Scaling" (with Erin Cikanek and Hwayong Shin).5. "Developments in Positive Empirical Models of Election Frauds: Varying Dimensions" (with Walter Mebane and Diogo Ferrari).6. "Agent-Based Models of Strategic Electoral Behavior in Election Forensics" (with Walter Mebane, Samuel Baltz, Fabricio Vasselai, and Alejandro Pineda).	

AWARDS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John T. Williams Dissertation Prize, Society for Political Methodology. 2018. Best dissertation proposal in the area of political methodology. • Gerald R. Ford Fellowship, Ann Arbor, MI. 2018. • University of Michigan Distinguished Graduate Fellowship. Ann Arbor, MI. 2015. • Recipient of the EITM Alumni Travel Scholarship for the EITM Annual Meetings. Chicago, IL. 2013. 	
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