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- Academic Affiliations* **Indiana University**, Bloomington, IN
Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science (2013 -)
Faculty Affiliate, Center for Research on Race and Ethnicity in Society (2013 -)
Faculty Affiliate, Latino Studies Program (2013 -)
- Education* **Harvard University**, Cambridge, MA
Ph.D., Government and Social Policy (2013)
A.M., Political Science (2011)
Stanford University, Stanford, CA
B.A., Political Science and Linguistics (2008)
Degree Conferred with Distinction and Departmental Honors
- Research Interests* Electoral Politics, Institutions, and Policy - Race, Ethnicity, and Politics - Political Participation - Representation, Parties, and Partisanship - Campaigns - Political Geography
- Book* Fraga, Bernard L. (2018) *The Turnout Gap: Race, Ethnicity, and Political Inequality in a Diversifying America*. New York: Cambridge University Press.
- Journal Articles* Fraga, Bernard L. and Eitan D. Hersh. (2018) "Are Americans Stuck in Uncompetitive Enclaves? An Appraisal of U.S. Electoral Competition." *Quarterly Journal of Political Science* 13 (3): 291-311.
Fraga, Bernard L. (2016) "Candidates or Districts? Reevaluating the Role of Race in Voter Turnout." *American Journal of Political Science*. 60 (1): 97-122.
Fraga, Bernard L. (2016) "Redistricting and the Causal Impact of Race on Voter Turnout." *Journal of Politics* 78 (1): 19-34.
Ansolabehere, Stephen and Bernard L. Fraga. (2016) "Do Americans Prefer Co-Ethnic Representation? The Impact of Race on House Incumbent Evaluations." *Stanford Law Review* 68 (6): 1553-1594.
Fraga, Bernard L. and Julie Lee Merseeth. (2016) "Examining the Causal Impact of the Voting Rights Act Language Minority Provisions." *Journal of Race, Ethnicity, and Politics* 1 (1): 31-59.
Fraga, Bernard L. and Eitan D. Hersh. (2011) "Voting Costs and Voter Turnout in Competitive Elections." *Quarterly Journal of Political Science* 5 (4): 339-356.

Other
Publications

- Fraga, Bernard L. (2018) “The turnout gap between whites and racial minorities is larger than you think, and hard to change.” *Washington Post, Monkey Cage Blog*. Sep 25.
- McElwee, Sean, Jesse H. Rhodes, Brian F. Schaffner, and Bernard L. Fraga. (2018) “The Missing Obama Millions.” *New York Times*. Mar 10.
- Fraga, Bernard L., Sean McElwee, Jesse Rhodes, and Brian Schaffner. (2017) “Why did Trump win? More whites—and fewer blacks—actually voted.” *Washington Post, Monkey Cage Blog*. May 8.
- Fraga, Bernard L. and Brian Schaffner. (2016) “Who’s voting early? Latino turnout is surging, but white turnout is, too.” *Washington Post, Monkey Cage Blog*. Nov 4.
- Fraga, Bernard L. (2016) Review of *American Identity and the Politics of Multiculturalism* by Jack Citrin and David O. Sears. *Perspectives on Politics* 14 (2): 562-564.
- Fraga, Bernard L. (2015) “The Voting Rights Act turns 50 today. Here are three trends in minority voting you should know about.” *Washington Post, Monkey Cage Blog*. Aug 6.
- Fraga, Bernard L. (2013) “The SCOTUS Majority Is Missing Exactly What the VRA Sought to Remedy.” *Monkey Cage Blog*. Jun 27.

Working
Papers

- “One Run Leads to Another: Minority Incumbents and the Emergence of Lower Ticket Minority Candidates” with *Eric Gonzalez Juenke and Paru Shah*
- “Are Minority Candidates Penalized by Party Politics? Race, Gender, and Access to Party Support and Donor Networks” with *Hans J.G. Hassell*
- “Who Does Voter ID Keep from Voting?” with *Michael G. Miller*
- “Using Nationwide Voter Files to Study the Effects of Election Laws” with *John B. Holbein and Christopher Skovron*
- “Measuring College Student Voter Turnout” with *John B. Holbein*
- “Evaluating Patterns in Women’s Turnout at the State and District Level: Evidence from 2006-2016” with *Katelyn Stauffer*
- “Race, Party, and Candidate Prospects in the Multiple Stages of Congressional Elections”
- “How the Interplay between Individual and District Partisanship Affects Turnout” with *Daniel Moskowitz and Benjamin Schneer*
- “Abandoning (Partisan)ship? Dynamics of Latino Party Identification, 1989-2017” with *Colin Fisk*
- “Testing the ‘Two Sides of Racialization’” with *Christopher DeSante and Matthew Hayes*
- “Panel Attrition in Voter Files: An Argument for Keeping Dropped Voters” with *Bradley Spahn and Alan N. Yan*
- “Winning the Race, Losing the Base? Minority Candidates and Electoral Competition”

Teaching

Indiana University, Bloomington, IN

Voting, Elections, and Public Opinion (*Undergraduate*)
Racial and Ethnic Politics in the U.S. (*Undergraduate*)
Election Law and Voting Rights (*Undergraduate*)
Analyzing Politics (*Undergraduate*)
Electoral Politics and Political Participation (*Graduate*)
The Politics of Race, Ethnicity, Gender, and Identity (*Graduate*)
American Politics Workshop (*Graduate*)

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

Teaching Fellow/Tutor, Sophomore Tutorial on Democracy (*Undergraduate*)
Teaching Fellow, American Government (*Undergraduate*)

*Grants, Awards,
& Fellowships*

Midwest Political Science Association Latino Caucus Early Career Award (2018)
Visiting Scholar (*non-residential*) (2017-2019)
Institute for Democracy & Higher Education, Tufts University
Indiana University Summer Instructional Development Fellowship (2017)
New Initiatives Grant (2017)
Massachusetts Institute of Technology Election Data and Science Lab
Indiana University Latino Faculty and Staff Council Emerging Scholar Award (2017)
Indiana University Trustees Teaching Award (2015)
Midwest Political Science Association Lucius Barker Award (2015)
Best Dissertation Award Honorable Mention (2014)
American Political Science Association Race, Ethnicity, and Politics Section
Harvard Graduate Prize Dissertation Completion Fellowship (2012-2013)
Harvard University Center for American Politics Travel Grant (2012)
Harvard University Certificate of Distinction in Teaching (2011, 2012)
SSRC Graduate Studies Enhancement Grant (2010, 2011, 2012)
NSF-IGERT Doctoral Fellow (2009-2011)
Multidisciplinary Program in Inequality & Social Policy, Harvard University
American Political Science Association Minority Fellow (2008-2010)
Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship (2006-2008)

Invited Talk: University of Pittsburgh Seminar in Representation and Identity Politics. (Scheduled) “Separating Race and Party in Congressional Elections”

Invited Talk: Princeton Conference on Identity and Inequality. (Scheduled) “The Turnout Gap: Causes and Consequences of Racial/Ethnic Disparities in Voter Turnout”

American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, August 31, 2018. “Measuring College Student Voter Turnout” (*with John B. Holbein*)

Invited Talk: Spring Conference on American Politics, University of California San Diego Center for American Politics, May 24, 2018. “Who Does Voter ID Keep from Voting?”

Invited Talk: Race, Ethnicity, and Politics Workshop, Northwestern University, February 23, 2018. “The Turnout Gap: Causes and Consequences of Racial/Ethnic Disparities in Voter Turnout.”

Invited: Symposium Rapporteur for *The New American Electorate Beyond the Voting Booth: Building an Inclusive Democracy*, The Ohio State University, November 30 - December 1, 2017.

American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, September 1, 2017. “Are Minority Candidates Penalized by Party Politics? Race, Gender, and Access to Party Support and Donor Networks” (*with Hans J.G. Hassell*)

American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, September 1, 2017. “Mobilizing College Students through Peer-based Voter Registration Reminders.” (*with Katherine Hitchcock and Nina Wornhoff*)

Election Sciences, Reform, and Administration Summer Conference, July 27, 2017. “Panel Attrition in Voter Files: An Argument for Keeping Dropped Voters.” (*with Bradley Spahn and Alan Yan*)

Invited Talk: American Politics Workshop, Columbia University, April 25, 2017. “The Turnout Gap: Exploring the Causes and Consequences of Racial/Ethnic Differences in Voter Turnout.”

Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, April 6, 2017. “Let’s Party: How the Interplay between Individual and District Partisanship Affects Turnout” (*with Daniel Moskowitz and Benjamin Schmeer*)

Invited Talk: Research on Individuals, Politics, and Society Speaker Series, Vanderbilt University, February 27, 2017. “The Turnout Gap: Exploring the Causes and Consequences of Racial/Ethnic Differences in Voter Turnout.”

Invited Talk: Speaker Series, Rice University, January 27, 2017. “The Turnout Gap: Examining the Causes and Consequences of Racial/Ethnic Differences in Voter Turnout.”

American Politics Workshop, Indiana University, January 20, 2017. “The Turnout Gap: Race, Ethnicity, and Political Inequality in a Diversifying America.”

Invited Talk: ICPSR Summer Institute Blalock Lecture, August 4, 2016. “Using Big Data to Measure, Map, and Explain Racial Differences in Voter Turnout.”

Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, April 10, 2016. “Racial Coattails: How Top-Ticket Minority Candidates Affect the Emergence and Success of Lower Ticket Minority Candidates.” (*with Eric Juenke and Paru Shah*)

Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, April 10, 2016. “Robust Competition: The American Voter’s Experience with Close Elections.” (*with Eitan Hersh*)

Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, April 8, 2016. “How Demographics and Geography Shape Minority Turnout Rates.”

Workshop on Race, Ethnicity, and Migration, Indiana University, February 4, 2016. “How Age Shapes Minority Turnout Rates.”

Invited Talk: American Politics Workshop, University of Chicago, Nov 9, 2015. “Changing Districts, Changing Turnout: Redistricting and Minority Political Participation.”

American Politics Workshop, Indiana University, October 30, 2015. “Changing Districts, Changing Turnout: Redistricting and Minority Political Participation.”

Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, April 16, 2015. “Turning Sour Grapes into Wine: Voter Mobilization after Divisive Primaries.”

Western Political Science Association Meeting, April 2, 2015. “Turning Sour Grapes into Wine: Voter Mobilization after Divisive Primaries.”

Invited: Workshop Participant and Panelist, Harvard Kennedy School Ash Center for Democratic Governance and Innovation, March 26, 2015. “How Data is Helping Us Understand Voting Rights After *Shelby County v. Holder*.”

Invited: Panelist, Neal-Marshall Black Culture Center, November 10, 2014. “Rights and Retrospectives: The Civil Rights Act at 50.”

American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Aug 30, 2014. “Examining the Causal Impact of the Voting Rights Act Language Minority Provisions.” (*with Julie Lee Merseth*)

American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Aug 29, 2014. “A Misreported Registration Gap? Race and Survey Misreporting of Voter Registration Status.”

Midwest Political Science Association Annual National Conference, Apr 4, 2014. “Assessing the Causal Impact of Race-Based Districting on Voter Turnout.” *Winner, Lucius Barker Award for best paper on a topic investigating race or ethnicity and politics and*

honoring the spirit and work of Professor Barker.

Invited Talk: Social Science Research Commons Workshop in Methods, Indiana University, Dec 3, 2013. “Using the Catalyst Database to Study Political Participation.”

Politics of Race, Immigration, and Ethnicity Consortium Meeting, UC-Riverside, Sep 27, 2013. “Assessing the Causal Impact of Race-Based Districting on Voter Turnout.”

Symposium on the Politics of Immigration, Race, and Ethnicity, Yale University, Oct 12, 2012. “Candidates or Influence? Reevaluating the Role of Race in Voter Turnout.”

American Politics Research Workshop, Harvard University, Sep 18, 2012. “Candidates or Influence? Reevaluating the Role of Race in Voter Turnout.”

Midwest Political Science Association Annual National Conference, Apr 13, 2012. “Candidates or Context? Evaluating the Determinants of Minority Voter Turnout.”

American Politics Research Workshop, Harvard University, Oct 25, 2011. “Partisan Influence and Race in Congressional Elections.”

American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Sep 1, 2011. “Where’s the Party? Partisan Influence and Race in Congressional Elections.”

Political Psychology and Behavior Workshop, Harvard University, Mar 11, 2011. “Party Coalitions and Minority Candidate Emergence.”

American Politics Research Workshop, Harvard University, Feb 24, 2011. “Group-Level Political Incorporation into Partisan Coalitions.”

American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Sep 3, 2010. “The (Surprising) Short-Term Impact of the Language Provisions of the VRA.”

Political Psychology and Behavior Workshop, Institute for Quantitative Social Science, Harvard University, Mar 5, 2010. “Randomly Assigned Voting Costs in Competitive Elections.” (*with Eitan Hersh*)

*Advising &
Service*

Ph.D. Dissertation Committee Member, *Indiana University* (2013 -)

Colin Fisk (Chair)
Rita Nassar (Co-Chair)
Eric Schmidt
Xuan Li (Central Eurasian Studies)
Katelyn Stauffer (defended July 2018)
Laura Bucci (defended July 2017)
Matthew Fowler (defended July 2017)
Ian Anson (defended June 2015)

Master’s Thesis Examiner in Political Science, Yannick Vogel, *Freie Universität Berlin* (2017-2018)

Faculty Mentor, Center for Research on Race and Ethnicity in Society Postdoctoral Scholar (Vanessa Cruz Nichols), *Indiana University* (2017 -)

Faculty Mentor, Center for Research on Race and Ethnicity in Society Undergraduate Research Program, *Indiana University* (2017 - 2018)

Honors Thesis Mentor, Department of Political Science, *Indiana University* (2014-2016, 2018 -)

Faculty Mentor, Cox Research Scholars Program, *Indiana University* (2013 -)

Member, Diversity and Affirmative Action Committee, Bloomington Faculty Council, *Indiana University* (2016-2017)

Board Member, All In Campus Democracy Project and Big 10 Voting Challenge, *Indiana University* (2016, 2018)

Coordinator, Department of Political Science American Politics Subfield, *Indiana University* (2018 -)

Co-coordinator, Department of Political Science Political Analytics Program, *Indiana University* (2018 -)

Member, Department of Political Science Development Committee, *Indiana University* (2018-2019)

Member, Department of Political Science Personnel Committee, *Indiana University* (2017-2018)

Member, Department of Political Science Graduate Program and Admissions Committee, *Indiana University* (2013-2017)

Member, Department of Political Science Undergraduate Program Committee, *Indiana University* (2015-2016)

Member, Department of Political Science Graduate Awards Committee, *Indiana University* (2014-2015)

Member, Center for Research on Race and Ethnicity in Society Postdoctoral Fellowship Selection Committee, *Indiana University* (2014)

*Professional
Activities &
Affiliations*

Reviewer: *American Political Science Review*; *American Journal of Political Science*; *Journal of Politics*; *Journal of Race, Ethnicity, and Politics*; *Cambridge University Press*; *Oxford University Press*; *W.W. Norton & Co.*; *British Journal of Political Science*; *Political Analysis*; *Political Research Quarterly*; *Political Psychology*; *Public Opinion Quarterly*; *Legislative Studies Quarterly*; *Political Behavior*; *American Politics Research*; *Politics, Groups, and Identities*

Member, Western Political Science Association Committee on the Status of Latinos/as in the Profession (2017-2019, Chair 2018-2019)

Member, Executive Committee, Section on Race, Ethnicity, and Politics, American Political Science Association (2019-2021)

Member, Nominations Committee, Section on Race, Ethnicity, and Politics, American Political Science Association (2017-2019)

Research Affiliate, Democracy Fund Voter Study Group (2018 -)

Co-Organizer, Symposium on the Politics of Immigration, Race, and Ethnicity (SPIRE) (2016 -), Institution Host (2014)

Program Co-Chair, Election Sciences, Reform, and Administration (ESRA) Summer Conference (2017)

Chair, Lucius Barker Award Selection Committee, Midwest Political Science Association (2017-2018)

Member: *American Political Science Association; Midwest Political Science Association; Western Political Science Association*