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Academic mobility: *Argentina, Germany, Mexico, Norway and the U.S.*

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Education

- *Ph.D. Political Science, University of Pittsburgh (USA) 2010.*
Majors: comparative politics and quantitative methods. *Won an Honorable Mention from Lozano Memorial Dissertation Prize*
- *Certificate of Advanced Study on Latin America. University of Pittsburgh. 2010.*
- *M.A. Political Science, University of Pittsburgh (USA) 2006.*
- *M.A. Development Management and Public Policy, Georgetown University (USA) 2004.*
- *B.A. International Studies, Universidad Torcuato Di Tella (Argentina) 2001.*

Academic Positions

- Visiting Professor, **University Torcuato Di Tella**, Buenos Aires (2017 to present)
- Affiliated Researcher, **Centre on Law & Social Transformation**, UiB-CMI, Norway (2014 to present)
- Post-Doc, **Universidad Nacional de San Martín**, School of Politics and Governance (2017 to 2018)
- Post-Doc, **University of Bergen**, Department of Comparative Politics, Norway (2014-2017)
- Assistant Professor, **Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales (Flacso)**, Mexico (2010 to 2017).
- Affiliated Researcher, Quantitative Research Lab, **Flacso-Mexico** (2010 to 2017).

Books and Edited Volumes

Working manuscript: Pérez-Liñán, A. and Castagnola, A. *The Instability Trap: Purging the High Courts in the Americas* (revised version for August 2025).

1. Castagnola, A. 2018. *Manipulating Courts in New Democracies: Forcing Judges off the Bench in Argentina*. Routledge: New York
2. Castagnola, A. and López Noriega, S. (eds.) 2016. *Judicial Politics in Mexico: The Supreme Court and the Transition to Democracy*. Routledge: New York
[Spanish translated version in 2016]
Castagnola A. and López Noriega, S. (eds.). 2016. *El Rol de la Suprema Corte en la Consolidación Democrática en México*. IJ-UNAM and Tirant lo Blanch: Mexico

Peer-reviewed journal publications

3. Castagnola, A. and Pérez-Liñán, A. 2025. “La judicialización de la política y el control constitucional en modelos híbridos restringidos: el activismo judicial por ‘defecto’ de Paraguay”. *International Journal of Constitutional Law*, Vol. 22, Issue 5.
4. Franco, Shirley and Castagnola. 2024. “Los derechos de las mujeres y el rol de la Corte Suprema de Paraguay” *Estudios Constitucionales* Vol. 22 (1): 267-300
5. Castagnola, A. 2020. “La Trampa de la Manipulación Judicial: Un análisis histórico del control político de la Corte Suprema Argentina”. *Revista Uruguaya de Ciencia Política* 29 (1): 49-80
6. Pérez-Liñán, A. and Castagnola, A. 2016. “Judicial Instability and Endogenous Constitutional Change: Lessons from Latin America”. *British Journal of Political Science* 46 (2): 395-416.

7. Castagnola, A. 2012. "I Want It All, and I Want It Now: The Political Manipulation of Argentina's Provincial High Courts" *Journal of Politics in Latin America* 4 (2): 39-62.
8. Lara Borges, Oswald, Castagnola, A. and Pérez Liñán, A. 2012. "Diseño constitucional y estabilidad judicial en América Latina, 1900-2009." (*Constitutional design and judicial stability in Latin America*). *Política y Gobierno* XIX (1): 3-40.
9. Castagnola, A. 2010. "La diversidad institucional de los Poderes Judiciales provinciales en Argentina desde una perspectiva histórica." (*A historical perspective of the institutional diversity of provincial judiciaries in Argentina*) *POSTData* 15 (2): 161-89.
10. Morgenstern, S., Swindle, S.M. and Castagnola, A. 2009. "Party Nationalization and Institutions" *The Journal of Politics* 71(4): 1322-1341.
11. Pérez Liñán, A. and Castagnola A. 2009 "Presidential Control of High Courts in Latin America: A Long Term View (1904-2006)" *Journal of Politics in Latin America* 1 (2): 87-114.
12. Castagnola, A. 2006. "Political Scandals and the Dynamics of Politics in Latin America" *MACLAS – Latin American Essays* Vol. XIX.

Book Chapters

13. Pérez-Liñán, A. and Castagnola, A. 2024. "Judicial Tenure and Retirements" In *The Oxford Handbook of Comparative Judicial Behaviour*, Lee Epstein, Gunnar Grendstad, Urška Šadl, & Keren Weinshall, editors. Oxford University Press.
14. Castagnola, A. and Ezequiel Gonzalez-Ocantos. 2024. "Argentina's "Judicial Family:" Mapping Family Connections in the Argentine Provincial Federal Judiciary" In *Informality and Courts*, Sanchez-Urribarri Raul, Bjoern Dressel and Alex Stroh. Edinburgh University Press
15. Castagnola, A., Aníbal Pérez-Liñán and Gabriela Bonzi. 2024. "Judicial Activism: a reactive form of compensatory justice in Paraguay" In *Judicial Activism in Comparative Perspectives*, Lori Hausegger and Raul Sanchez Urribarri (eds.). Peter Lang Publishing.
16. Castagnola, A. 2024. "Los jueces de la Corte Suprema Argentina y la difícil tarea de permanecer en el cargo" In *El Uso del Derecho como Herramienta Política y Social*, Gabriel Perira y Catalina Smulovitz. Fundación Konrad Adenauer.
17. Castagnola, A., Sergio Muro and Alejandro Chethman. 2024. "The Supreme Court of Argentina" Johanna Frohlich (ed) *Constitutional Reasoning*. Blumsburry. NY
18. Pérez-Liñán, A. and Castagnola, A. 2020. "¿Activismo inocuo? La Justicia Constitucional en la era democrática" in *Tres décadas de democratización en Paraguay: actores, instituciones y Sociedad*, ed. Cerna Villagra, S. and Villalba S. Asunción: Centro de Estudios Antropológicos de la Universidad Católica.
19. Castagnola A. and López Noriega, S. 2016. "Are Mexican Justices True Arbitrers Among Political Elites? An Empirical Analysis of the Court's rulings from 2000-2011" In *Judicial Politics in Mexico: The Supreme Court and the Transition to Democracy*, ed. A. Castagnola and S. López Noriega. Routledge: New York
[Spanish translated version in 2016]
20. Castagnola A. and López Noriega, S. 2016. "The Supreme Court and the (no) Rights Revolution. An Empirical Analysis of the Court's rulings from 2000-2011" In *Judicial Politics in Mexico: The Supreme Court and the Transition to Democracy*, ed. A. Castagnola and S. López Noriega. Routledge: New York
[Spanish translated version in 2016]
21. Valderrama, C. and Castagnola, A. 2015. "Cortes Activas en la Defensa de los Derechos Humanos: evolución de la política sobre los desplazados en Colombia." In *Los Derechos Humanos y la violencia: Estado, instituciones y sociedad civil*, eds. K. Ansolabehere, S. Serrano y L.D. Vazquez. Universidad de Los Andres: Colombia.
22. Castagnola A. and Pérez-Liñán, A. 2011. "Bolivia: The Rise (an Fall) of Judicial Review." In *Courts in Latin America*, ed. G. Helmke and J. Rios-Figueroa. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
[Spanish translated version in 2011]

Research Grants

Mayor grants

- **Paraguayan Research Council** (CONACYT). 2016 (with Aníbal Pérez-Liñán and Instituto Desarrollo).
- **Mexican Research Council** (CONACYT). 2013 (with the Democracy and the Rule of Law research group at Flacso-Mexico).
- **National Science Foundation** (NSF). 2009 (SES 0918886 with Aníbal Pérez-Liñán).
- **Ford Foundation and the Center of Inter-American Studies and Program**. 2009.
- **Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM)**. 2011 (with Saúl López Noriega).
- **The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation**. 2008.
- **Universidad Nacional de San Martín** (Argentina). 2003.

Awards and Fellowships

- *Co-PI in project "Paraguay's Legal Assessment"*, in collaboration with Instituto Desarrollo (Paraguay) and University of Notre Dame (USA). Sub-award in grant (Prime award No. 72052619CA00002 The Rule of Law and Culture of Integrity in Paraguay -ROLCI-), *USAID*, 2020
- *Post-Doctoral Research from the Argentinian Research Council (CONICET)*. Award declined
- *Research candidate from the Mexican Research Council (CONACYT)*. 2012. Prestigious award given in recognition for research projects and publication records achievements.
- *Lozano Memorial dissertation prize* (Honorable mention). 2010. Center for Latin American Studies, University of Pittsburgh.
- *John D. Martz III Prize*. 2005. Awarded for best article presented by a graduate student at MACLAS conference.
- *Fulbright Scholar Program Argentina*. 2004. A two-year scholarship awarded for studying a Master of Arts program in the US.
- *Institute of International Education-BARSA Scholarship*. 2004. A two-year scholarship awarded for studying a Master of Arts program in the US.
- *World Bank, PREM network* (Poverty Reduction and Economic Management). 2003. Best article on social accountability practices in Argentina.

Publications for International Development Projects and NGO (*recent*)

- Castagnola, A. 2024. El Ministerio Público Fiscal en el barrio. Evaluación del programa de persecución penal comunitaria en el barrio Rodrigo Bueno de la Ciudad de Buenos Aires. Programa de Naciones Unidas para el Desarrollo, Buenos Aires, Argentina.
- Castagnola, A. 2023. Mujeres, Poder y Justicia. El efecto de las normas y de las instituciones judiciales de género como herramientas para promover la incorporación femenina en las Cortes Supremas y Constitucionales de América Latina. Programa Estado de Derecho Latinoamérica Konrad Adenauer Stiftung.
<https://www.kas.de/documents/271408/16552318/Castagnola+%28Diagramado%29.pdf/c3e972db-a7ec-ef5d-4f7e-f0ccc56cfa7?t=1687897889074%C2%A0>
- Castagnola, A. 2023. La (im)posible consolidación del Consejo de la Magistratura en Argentina. Dossier El Consejo de la Magistratura: miradas sobre su funcionamiento real. ADC
- Castagnola, A. and Aníbal Pérez-Liñán. 2021. La representación femenina en las Cortes Supremas y Tribunales Constitucionales de América Latina: identificando trayectorias de inclusión y perfiles de juezas. Programa Estado de Derecho Latinoamérica Konrad Adenauer Stiftung.
<https://agendaestadodederecho.com/america-latina-representacion-femenina-en-las-cortes-supremas-y-tribunales/>

- Naciones Unidas: Castagnola. A. 2021. Justicia Abierta en tiempos de COVID 19: Un modelo para armar en base a las experiencias del Juzgado Penal, Contravencional y Faltas No. 10 de la Ciudad de Buenos Aires. Programa de Naciones Unidas para el Desarrollo, Buenos Aires, Argentina
- Castagnola A., and Alejandro Arancio. 2020. “Un “Lab” en constante evolución. La experiencia del Laboratorio de Innovación en Gobierno Digital, Agestic, Uruguay” Institutions for Development Sector. Inter-American Development Bank, Washington DC.
- Grupo Banco Mundial: Castagnola A. 2019. Índice de acceso a la información pública en las provincias Argentinas: un análisis de la calidad normativa. Washington DC, Banco Mundial.
- Castagnola A., and Álvaro Herrero. 2019. “The Open Government Ecosystem in the City of Buenos Aires”. Institutions for Development Sector. Discussion paper No. IDB-DP-654. Inter-American Development Bank, Washington DC.
- Castagnola A. 2017. “Added Value of CoST in High Income Countries: Argentina” COST Transparency, UK.
- Castagnola A.. 2010. *Estudio Comparado de las Constituciones y Marco Normativo de las Cortes Supremas Provinciales de Argentina: 1983-2008. (Comparative study of Argentine provincial Constitutions and norms that regulate Argentine Provincial Supreme Courts: 1983-2008)* Buenos Aires: Asociación por los Derechos Civiles.
- Castagnola A. 2003. “Participatory Monitoring of Land and Housing Policy in the Municipality of Quilmes, Buenos Aires Province, Argentina. Community Council on Land and Housing Policy” In *Voice, Eyes and Ears. Social Accountability in Latin America. Case Studies on Mechanisms of Participatory Monitoring and Evaluation* (69-78) Latin America and the Caribbean Region World Bank: Washington DC.

Academic Leadership

- Committee Editor, Desarrollo Economico, (2019 to present)
- Steering Committee, Proyecto Corte Suprema (UTDT), (2019 to present)
- Steering Committee, Centre on Law & Social Transformation (CMI), (2014 to present)
- Coordinator of the PhD in Political Science, Escuela de Política y Gobierno, UNSAM (2017)
- Coordinator Courts and Judicial Independence Unit, Centre on Law & Social Transformation, UiB-CMI (2014 to 2017).
- Co-coordinator of Democracy and Development research group, Department of Comparative Politics, UiB (2015).
- Co-coordinator of Democracy and Rule of Law research group, Flacso-Mexico (2011-2013).
- Coordinator of the M.A. in Government and Public Policy, Flacso- Mexico (2012-2014).
- Editorial Board of Revista Perfiles Latinoamericanos, Mexico (2013-2014).
- Member of the Executive Council Committee at Flacso-Mexico (2011-2013)
- Member of the Fulbright Mexico “Garcia Robles” Scholarship Selection Committee (2011-2014).
- Member of the Latin-American and Caribbean Research Team (World Bank PREM network) (2003).
- Supervisor of MA and PhD dissertations: Maria Amparo Hernandez Chong Chuy (MA 2013), Cesar Valderrama (PhD 2015) and Vegard Furustøl Vibe (PhD 2018), Florencia Gayraud (2023)
- Co-Supervisor of MA dissertations: Santiago Aguirre (2011), Carlos Alberto Soto Garcia (2012), Monica Andrea Melo Beltran (2012), Carla Mariana Isolda Cano Álvarez (2012), and Jorge Antonio León García (2012)

Teaching Experience

Data Science:

- Data Science for Lawyers (BA level). 2024. UTDT Argentina
- Multivariate Data Analysis (MA level). 2014. University of Bergen, Norway. 2019 Flacso-Ecuador

- Applied Quantitative and Qualitative Methods (MA level, TA). 2008. Hertie School of Governance (Germany)

Political Science:

- Judicial politics (PhD, MA and BA levels). In Flacso-Mexico: 2011, 2012 and 2013. In UTDT Argentina: since 2017
- Comparative Politics III (BA level). 2010. Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México, MA level 2019, UTDT
- Modern Political Theory (PhD level). 2010 and 2012. Flacso- Mexico
- The Judiciary and Politics in Mexico. 2012. Supreme Court of Mexico

Conference (delivering papers)

- American Political Science Association: 2006, 2007, 2011, 2012 and 2015
- Midwest Political Science Association: 2007
- Latin American Studies Association: 2006, 2009, 2010, 2012, 2014, 2015, 2017 and 2019
- Middle Atlantic Latin American Studies Association: 2005

Short Method Courses

- **Using “R”:** Applied Bayesian Hierarchical Modeling (by Xavier Fernandez i Marin). 2014. University of Bergen.
- **Using STATA:** Analysis of Panel Data (by Dr. Steven Finkel). 2015. University of Gothenburgh.
- **Theory:** Process Tracing Methods (Derek Beach). 2015. University of Bergen.

Country expertise

Latin American region. Extended field work on the following countries: Argentina, Brazil, Bolivia, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, and Paraguay.

Skills

- **Languages:** Spanish (native), English, (proficiency) Portuguese (advanced), and Norwegian (intermediate).
- **Statistical Software:** STATA (advanced), R (beginner), MAXQDA (beginner)

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