

EMPLOYMENT

University of California, Los Angeles

Associate Professor 2022-Current

June and Alexander Jaffee Chair in Women and Politics

Vice Chair for Graduate Studies

Department of Political Science

Assistant Professor 2021-2022

Department of Political Science

University of British Columbia

Assistant Professor 2018-2022

Vancouver School of Economics

Department of Political Science

Assistant Professor 2017-2018

HSBC Chair, Institute of Asian Research

School of Public Policy and Global Affairs

Department of Political Science

Assistant Professor 2014-2017

Institute of Asian Research

Department of Political Science

EDUCATION

University of California, San Diego

Ph.D. Political Science 2014

McGill University, Montréal, Québec

M.A. Political Science (First Class Honors) 2006

B.A. Political Science, Economics (First Class Honors) 2003

PUBLICATIONS

Cesi Cruz, Philip Keefer, and Julien Labonne. "Buying Informed Voters: New Effects of Information on Voters and Candidates." *The Economic Journal* (2021), vol. 131, 635: pp.1105-1134. Available online: <https://doi.org/10.1093/ej/ueaa112>

Cesi Cruz and Benjamin A.T. Graham. "Social Ties and the Political Participation of Firms." *The Review of International Organizations* (2021). Available online: <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11558-021-09420-6>

Cesi Cruz, Julien Labonne, and Pablo Querubín. "Social Fragmentation, Electoral Competition, and Public Goods Provision." *American Political Science Review* (2020): 1-16. Available online: <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0003055419000789>.

– Winner, Best Conference Paper, Political Networks Section, APSA

Cesi Cruz. "Social Networks and the Targeting of Vote Buying." *Comparative Political Studies* (2019), 52(3): 382-411. Available online: <https://doi.org/10.1177/0010414018784062>.

Cesi Cruz, Horacio Larreguy, and John Marshall. "Social Network Effects in Developing Countries" in *The Oxford Handbook of Electoral Persuasion*, eds. B. Grofman, E. Suhay, and A. H. Trechsel. Oxford University Press, 2019.

Cesi Cruz, Julien Labonne, and Pablo Querubín. "Politician Family Networks and Electoral Outcomes: Evidence from the Philippines." *American Economic Review* (2017), 107(10): 3006-37.

Cesi Cruz and Christina Schneider. "Foreign Aid and Undeserved Credit Claiming." *American Journal of Political Science* (2017), vol. 61: pp. 396-408. doi:10.1111/ajps.12285.

Cesi Cruz and Philip Keefer. "Political Parties, Clientelism, and Bureaucratic Reform." *Comparative Political Studies* (December 2015), vol. 48, 14: pp. 1942-1973.

Cesi Cruz, Benjamin Graham, Prudenciano Gordoncillo, Jeannette Madamba and Jewel Cabardo. "Who's Ready for ASEAN 2015? Firm Expectations and Preparations." *Pacific Affairs* (June 2016), vol. 89, 2: pp. 259-285.

Cesi Cruz. "Vote Secrecy and Democracy in the Philippines" in *Building Inclusive Democracies in ASEAN*, eds. Ronald Mendoza, et al. Manila: Anvil Press, 2015.

– Winner, Outstanding Book Award, Philippine National Academy of Science and Technology

Molly Bauer, Cesi Cruz, and Benjamin Graham. "Democracies Only: When do IMF Agreements Serve as a Seal of Approval?" *The Review of International Organizations* (7 June 2011), pp. 1-26.

SELECTED WORKING PAPERS

Gender, Social Recognition, and Political Influence (with C. Tolentino). **Revise and Resubmit**, *American Political Science Review*.

Making Policies Matter: Voter Responses to Campaign Promises (with P. Keefer, J. Labonne, and F. Trebbi). NBER Working Paper 24785. **Revise and Resubmit**, *The Economic Journal*.

Campaigning Against Populism: Emotions and Information in Real Elections (with J. Labonne and F. Trebbi)

Removing Social Barriers to Women's Candidacy (with J. Kim and E. Stecher)

BOOK PROJECT

Social Networks and Politics in the Developing World. **Manuscript Under Review**.

DATASETS

Cesi Cruz, Philip Keefer, and Carlos Scartascini. The Database of Political Institutions 2020. Inter-American Development Bank (2021). <http://dx.doi.org/10.18235/0003049>

Cesi Cruz, Philip Keefer, and Carlos Scartascini. The Database of Political Institutions 2017. Inter-American Development Bank (2018). <https://publications.iadb.org/handle/11319/8806>

Cesi Cruz, Philip Keefer, and Carlos Scartascini. The Database of Political Institutions 2015. Inter-American Development Bank (2016). <https://publications.iadb.org/handle/11319/7408>.

PUBLIC-FACING SCHOLARSHIP

"Measuring the Impact of Gender Quotas on Political Institutions" (with Bea Rivera). *Ideas Matter*, Inter-American Development Bank Research Department, (Washington, D.C.) 2 June 2021.

"For a Region in Turmoil, An Updated Database of Political Institutions" (with Philip Keefer and Carlos Scartascini). *Ideas Matter*, Inter-American Development Bank Research Department, (Washington, D.C.) 31 March 2021.

"Final Evaluation of USAID/Cambodia's Political Processes and Reforms Program" (with Ron Wendt). USAID (Washington, D.C.) 2019.

"Making Policies Matter" (with Philip Keefer, Julien Labonne, and Francesco Trebbi). *VoxDev*. 14 January 2019.

"Trends in Latin America," *Ideas Matter*, Inter-American Development Bank Research Department, (Washington, D.C.) April 2018.

"Reform and the Power of Party Platforms," *Ideas Matter*, Inter-American Development Bank Research Department, (Washington, D.C.) 4 March 2016.

"AEC 2015: Stop Talking to Other Governments, Start Talking to Firms," (with B. Graham), *Asia Pacific Memo #325*, (Vancouver, B.C.) 6 February 2015.

"The Politics of the Philippines' Vulnerability to Natural Disasters," *The Monkey Cage, The Washington Post*, (Washington, D.C.) 8 December 2014.

"Credit Claiming and the Politics of Relief Efforts," *The Monkey Cage, The Washington Post*, (Washington, D.C.) 22 November 2013.

"Polls Show Filipinos' Passion for Democracy," *Philippine Daily Inquirer* (Manila) 17 May 2010, A22.

"Youth Civic Engagement in Canada: Implications for Public Policy" (with D. Stolle). *Social Capital in Action: Thematic Policy Studies*. Government of Canada Policy Research Initiative (September 2005).

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Bureau for Research and Economic Analysis of Development (BREAD), affiliate

Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL), invited researcher, Governance Initiative

Experiments in Governance and Politics (EGAP), Executive Board Member

Empirical Studies of Conflict (ESOC), Executive Board Member and Program Committee Member

Women Also Know Stuff (WAKS), Executive Board Member

Southeast Asia Research Group (SEAREG), Executive Board Member

Center for Effective Global Action (CEGA)

Security and Political Economy Lab, University of Southern California, Affiliated Researcher

GRANTS AND AWARDS

Australian Research Council Discovery Projects, with E. Aspinall et. al. (\$797,400 AUD) 2022

Academic Research Council Grant (Singapore), with S. Kim and B. Graham (\$809,088 USD) 2021

SSHRC Insight Grant (\$285,790 CAD) 2021

UNDP “Nimble Experiments” Grant, with IPA Philippines and J. Labonne (\$50,000 USD)	2021
UBC CIDER Small Grants (\$20,000 USD)	2019
IADB Research Grant for the Database of Political Institutions (\$50,000 USD)	2019
Project on Resources and Governance Grant (\$30,000 USD)	2018
SSHRC Insight Grant, with X. Li and S. Fang (\$300,000 CAD)	2018
SSHRC Insight Development Grant (\$68,000)	2016
Research Support Grant, IADB, with P. Keefer, J. Labonne, and F. Trebbi (\$20,000)	2016
Bridge Funding Grant Award (\$5,000)	2015
Hampton Research Award (\$10,000)	2014
Policy Design and Evaluation Lab Research Grant, with E. Troland (\$35,000)	2014
Policy Design and Evaluation Lab Research Grant (\$40,000)	2013
Research Grant, University of Southern California, with B. Graham (\$25,000)	2013
Research Support Grant, World Bank, with P. Keefer and J. Labonne (\$65,000)	2013
Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant, National Science Foundation (\$12,000)	2011
Field Research Grant, Institute for International, Comparative, and Area Studies (\$1,000)	2009

INVITED TALKS

• Stanford University	2023
• University of California, Berkeley	2023
• Yale University, Leitner Political Economy Seminar	2023
• University of Rochester, Riker Political Economy Seminar	2023
• University of Michigan	2023
• University of California, Davis	2023
• Western University	2023
• University of Georgia	2023
• Yale University, Kuznets Seminar	2022
• Quebec Political Economy Seminar	December 2021
• UCSD Political Economy Seminar	October 2021
• University of Michigan	October 2021
• MIT Development Economics Seminar	September 2021
• University of Essex	July 2021
• University of Michigan	Fall 2021
• Barcelona Institute of Economics (IEB)	Spring 2021
• University of Washington, Severyns Ravenholt Seminar	Spring 2021
• University of the Philippines, School of Economics	Spring 2021
• Harvard, Comparative Politics Speaker Series	Fall 2020
• University of Merced, Political Economy	Fall 2020
• Universidad Los Andes, Economics	Fall 2020

• Vanderbilt University, Comparative Politics Speaker Series	February 2019
• University of Chicago, Harris School	December 2019
• Harvard Political Economy Seminar	November 2019
• Oxford University Comparative Politics Seminar	October 2019
• LSE and Warwick Joint Political Economy Seminar	October 2019
• Duke University, Political Economy Seminar	October 2019
• University of Wisconsin-Madison, AAE	September 2019
• University of Chicago, Comparative Politics Workshop	April 2019
• University of Wisconsin-Madison, Political Economy	January 2019
• University of the Philippines School of Economics	December 2018
• Ateneo de Manila University School of Government	December 2018
• University of Texas, Austin, Comparative Politics Speaker Series	October 2018
• Texas A&M University, Political Economy Workshop	October 2018
• UC San Diego, Political Economy Speaker Series	October 2018
• Princeton University, Political Economy Workshop	September 2018
• University of Southern California, Center for International Studies	September 2018
• Yale University, Leitner Political Economy Seminar	April 2018
• Stanford GSB and Political Science	February 2018
• ITAM Speaker Series	November 2017
• Inter-American Development Bank, Political Economy Seminar Series	October 2017
• UC Berkeley, Comparative Politics Colloquium	October 2017
• UC Berkeley, Political Economy and Governance	September 2017
• University of Mannheim, Political Economy of Reforms	2016
• University of Washington, Joint Seminar in Development Economics	2015
• UNBC, Global Fridays Series	2015

SELECTED CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP PARTICIPATION

Participant, NBER Political Economy Summer Institute	2023
Participant, NBER Political Economy Summer Institute	2022
Participant, NBER Political Economy Summer Institute	2021
Participant, NBER Economics of Culture Conference	2021
Participant, NBER Political Economy Conference	2021
Panelist, Women in Economics Conference	2021
Program Committee, Empirical Studies of Conflict	2020
Participant, NBER Political Economy Conference, Boston	2019
Program Co-Chair, Annual Political Networks Conference, Durham	2019
Women's Workshop Co-Organizer, Canadian Political Science Association Meeting	2019
Presenter, Fundamental Freedoms Fund, U.S. State Department, Washington, D.C.	2018

Participant, Experiments in Governance and Politics 25, Washington, D.C.	2018
Panelist, "Closing the Implementation Gap" World Bank Governance Conference	2018
Presenter, PRG Research Workshop	2018
Annual Political Networks Pre-Conference Workshop	2016
Panelist, Money Politics in Southeast Asia Workshop, Yogyakarta, Indonesia	2013
Political Economy Workshop, World Bank, Washington, D.C.	2010
Fundamentals of Bank Operations, World Bank, Washington, D.C.	2010
International Peace Research Institute Seminar, Oslo, Norway	2009

TEACHING

Department of Political Science, UCLA	
• Introduction to Political Inquiry (PS 292A)	Fall 2022
• Institutions and Economic Growth (PS 167D)	Winter 2021
• Social Network Analysis (PS 259)	Winter 2021
Vancouver School of Economics, UBC	
• Honours Seminar: Development Policy (ECON 490)	Spring 2020
Department of Political Science, UBC	
• Institutions and Economic Growth (POLI 464D)	Fall 2014
• Topics in Comparative Politics: Institutions and Growth (POLI 328D)	Spring 2016
• Topics in Comparative Politics: Politics and Development (POLI 328B)	Spring 2018
• Politics and Development (POLI 328B)	Spring 2019
School of Public Policy and Global Affairs, UBC	
• Quantitative Analysis for Policy (MPP 503)	Fall 2015
• Policy Analysis and Program Evaluation (MPP 504)	Spring 2016
• Policy Analysis and Program Evaluation (GPP 504)	Spring 2019
• Policy Analysis and Program Evaluation (GPP 504)	Spring 2020
Institute of Asian Research, UBC	
• Policy Analysis and Program Evaluation (IAR 515S)	Fall 2014
• Data Analysis for Policy (IAR 500)	Spring 2015

SERVICE

Professional Service	
• Executive Board, Society for Institutional & Organizational Economics (SIOE)	2022-Current
• Section Co-Chair, Political Economy, APSA Annual Conference	2020-2021
• Board Member, Women Also Know Stuff	2020-Current
• Board Member, Experiments in Governance and Politics (EGAP)	2020-Current
• Board Member, Southeast Asia Research Group	2019-2021
• Awards Committee Chair, Political Networks Section, APSA	2020-2021
• Executive Board and Program Committee, Empirical Studies of Conflict (ESOC)	2019-Current
• MPSA Section Chair, Political Institutions	2019-2020
• Program Co-Chair, Political Networks Conference	2019

- Women’s Workshop Co-Organizer, CPSA 2019
- Chair, APSA Experimental Section Dissertation Award Committee 2018
- Member, Advisory Board, Southeast Asia Research Group 2015-2019

University and Department Service

- Vice Chair for Graduate Studies, UCLA Political Science 2022-Current
- Member, UCLA Political Science Executive Committee 2021-Current
- Member, UCLA Political Science Hiring Committee 2021-2022
- Board member, Centre for Innovative Data in Economics Research 2019-2022
- Member, UBC Big Data and Computational Social Science Research Cluster 2019-2022
- Member, Political Science Executive Committee 2018-2022
- Member, Political Science Hiring Committee 2018-2019
- Member, Policy School Curriculum Development Committee 2017
- Member, Women in Economics Group, UBC 2019-2022
- Member, Executive Committee, Institute of Asian Research, UBC 2014-2016
- Member, MPPGA Curriculum and Administrative Committee, UBC 2014-2019
- Centre for Southeast Asian Research (CSEAR) Management Committee 2014-2016
- Faculty Advisor, Undergraduate Journal of Political Science, UBC 2015-2016
- Chair, Grant Support Committee, Institute of Asian Research, UBC 2014-2015
- Member, MPPGA Admissions Committee, UBC 2014-2015
- Member, Methods Curriculum Committee, UBC 2014-2015

Reviewer

- Political Science: *American Political Science Review*, *American Journal of Political Science*, *British Journal of Political Science*, *Comparative Political Studies*, *International Organization*, *Journal of East Asian Studies*, *Journal of Politics*, *Review of International Organizations*, *World Politics*
- Economics: *Journal of Development Economics*, *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*, *Journal of Public Economics*, *Economics Bulletin*, *Review of Economics and Statistics*

POLICY EXPERIENCE

- Consultant, Philippines Country Office, World Bank Current
- Consultant, ID for Development, World Bank Current
- Consultant, Inter-American Development Bank Current
- Consultant, USAID and USAID Cambodia Current
- Consultant, Development Economics Research Group, World Bank 2006-2013
- Consultant, East Asia and Pacific Region, World Bank 2009-2012
- Consultant, International Peace Research Institute, Oslo (PRIO) 2008