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RESEARCH INTERESTS      Authoritarian politics, repression, contentious politics, political violence, transitional justice, Latin American politics, experiments.

ACADEMIC POSITIONS      **Carnegie Mellon University**  
Postdoctoral Fellow, Institute for Politics and Strategy, August 2021-

EDUCATION      **Emory University**  
Ph.D., Political Science, 2021  
· Dissertation: *Three Essays on Non-State Actors and Repression in Dictatorships*  
· Dissertation Committee: Jennifer Gandhi (Chair); Natália Bueno; Miguel Rueda; Jeffrey K. Staton  
M.A., Political Science, 2019

**Texas Christian University**  
B.S., Political Science and History, 2013  
*Summa cum laude*, Phi Beta Kappa

PUBLICATIONS      **Edwards, Pearce.** 2021. "Why No Justice for Past Repression? Militaries, Human Rights Organizations, and Post-Authoritarian States" *Journal of Conflict Resolution*. 65(4): 759-787.

**Edwards, Pearce** and Daniel Arnon. 2021. "Violence on Many Sides: Framing Effects on Protest and Support for Repression" *British Journal of Political Science*. 51(2):488-506.  
Media Coverage: [Washington Post](#) [Monkey Cage](#)

**Edwards, Pearce.** 2020. "The Politics of Nonviolent Mobilization" *Journal of Peace Research*. Forthcoming.  
Winner of 2018 ISA-Midwest Lynne Rienner Award

WORKING PAPERS OR UNDER REVIEW      "Religious Institutions and Resistance to Repression: The Bishops Opposed to Argentina's Dirty War"  
Invited to revise and resubmit at *American Political Science Review*

"Political Competition and Authoritarian Repression: Evidence from Pinochet's Chile"  
Invited to revise and resubmit at *World Politics*

"The Effects of Armed Propaganda on Voting Behavior: Evidence from Argentina's 1973 Elections" with Patrick Pierson  
Invited to revise and resubmit at *Journal of Conflict Resolution*

"Protest in the Shadow of Repression and Extremist Violence"

"Government Source and Labeling Effects on the Perception of Protest: Evidence from China"  
with Daniel Arnon and Handi Li

"Identity, Incentives, and Religious Defense of Human Rights" with Gabrielle Esparza

WORK IN PROGRESS	<p>“Fixing the Past: The Effects of Repression and Transitional Justice on Trust in Argentina” with Jennifer Gandhi and Donald Grasse</p> <p>“International Sports Events, Media Scrutiny, and Autocratic Repression: Evidence from the 1978 FIFA World Cup” with Adam Scharpf and Christian Gläsel</p> <p>“The Catholic Church and Transitional Justice in Argentina”</p> <p>“Service Provision and Authoritarian Control” with Patrick Pierson</p>
GRANTS & AWARDS	<p>Mellon Public Writing Fellowship – Emory University (2021, <i>declined</i>).</p> <p>Halle Graduate Global Fellows Dissertation Research Award (2019) One of four university-wide awards for doctoral students.</p> <p>ISA-Midwest Lynne Rienner Award (2018) Best graduate student paper at 2017 ISA-Midwest meeting.</p> <p>Southeast Latin American Behavior Consortium Travel Award (2018)</p> <p>National Science Foundation, REU Summer Program: “Democracy, Interdependence, and World Politics,” <i>NSF Award #1143601</i> (2012)</p>
CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS	<p>American Political Science Association (2019, 2020, 2021)</p> <p>Midwest Political Science Association (2020*)</p> <p>Southern Political Science Association (2021)</p> <p>International Studies Association (2020*)</p> <p>International Studies Association-South (2019)</p> <p>International Studies Association-Midwest (2017, 2018)</p> <p>Southeast Latin American Behavior Conference (2018)</p> <p>Georgia Human Rights Network Workshop (2018, 2019)</p> <p>Peace Science Society (2018, 2020 - <i>Online Colloquium</i>)</p> <p>Minnesota Political Methodology Colloquium (2020*)</p> <p>Virtual Workshop on Authoritarian Regimes (2020)</p> <p>Southern Workshop in Empirical Political Science (2020)</p> <p>* canceled due to Covid-19</p>
INVITED TALKS	<p>2021      Carnegie Mellon University</p> <p>2019      University of Memphis</p>
FIELD WORK	Buenos Aires, Argentina (2019)
REFEREE SERVICE	<i>American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, British Journal of Political Science, International Studies Quarterly, Journal of Conflict Resolution, Journal of Politics, Review of International Organizations</i>
PROFESSIONAL SERVICE	<p>Editorial Assistant, <i>Journal of Politics</i> (Formal Theory and Methodology Section, 2019)</p> <p>Emory University</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vice President, Graduate Political Science Organization, 2018-2019</li> <li>• Facilitator, Diversity in the Discipline Reading Group, March 2019</li> <li>• Panelist, Emory Day at Oxford College, October 2019</li> </ul>

TEACHING  
EXPERIENCE

Carnegie Mellon University

- Repression and Control in Dictatorships (Fall 2021)

Emory University

- Introduction to Comparative Politics (Co-Instructor, Fall 2020)
- Repression and Control in Dictatorships (Co-Instructor, Fall 2019)
- Research Design and Methods (Teaching Assistant, Spring 2019)
- Mathematical Tools for Political Scientists (Teaching Assistant, Fall 2017 & Fall 2018)

São Paulo School of Advanced Science on Research Methods for the Humanities

- Experimental Analysis in the Social Sciences (Teaching Assistant, Summer 2017)

PUBLIC  
SCHOLARSHIP

“The Catholic Church and the Dirty War: Documents from the Benson Latin American Collection” *Not Even Past* (May 7, 2021).

“Nobody Wins with Violence around Elections” With Patrick Pierson. *Political Violence at a Glance* (October 26, 2020).

Radio interview on “Solutions to Violence” (*KFOR 106.5 FM Louisville, KY*) on the Catholic Church during the Dirty War and public opinion on political violence (September 30, 2020).

“Religious Groups as Movement Allies: Where Strategic Nonviolent Action and Moral Nonviolence Meet” *ICNC Minds of the Movement* (August 13, 2020).

“More Than Reporting: Media Portrayal of Protests Can Impact Their Success (and Failure)” With Daniel Arnon. *Political Violence at a Glance* (November 11, 2019).

“The Catholic Church and Argentina’s Dirty War.” Presentation to *Pax Christi International - Atlanta Chapter* (September 4, 2019)

“Understanding Maduro’s Strategy of Social Control.” With Patrick Pierson. *Political Violence at a Glance* (February 6, 2019).

RESEARCH  
ASSISTANCE

NSF Social, Behavioral, and Economics Sciences Project, PI: Anthony DeMattee (2021)

Miguel Rueda (2017, 2018), Natália Bueno (2018, 2020), Nahomi Ichino (2021), Michael Leo Owens (2016)

Coder, Political Terror Scale Project (2017)

ADDITIONAL  
TRAINING

Emory College Online Teaching Strategies Training, 2020. Emory University.

Teaching Assistant Training and Teaching Opportunity Program, 2018-19. Emory University.

Halle Institute for Global Research Grant-Writing Training, 2019. Emory University.

LANGUAGES  
& SKILLS

English (native), Spanish (advanced)  
R, Stata, LaTeX

PROFESSIONAL  
AFFILIATIONS

American Political Science Association, Midwest Political Science Association,  
International Studies Association, Peace Science Society

RELEVANT  
EMPLOYMENT

Survey Design Consultant, Emory Center for the Study of Law and Religion (2020-2021)  
Teach For America, Metro Atlanta Corps Member (2013-2014).