

Curriculum Vitae

VIDAL ROMERO

Professor, Political Science Department, ITAM (On sabbatical leave 2012-2013)
Visiting Associate Professor, Poverty and Governance Program, CDDRL, FSI, Stanford University (2012-13)

EDUCATION

2000-2005	Ph.D. in Political Science	Stanford University.
1995-1997	Master in Public Policy	Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM).
1989-1994	B.A. in Law	Universidad de Guadalajara.

PROFESSIONAL

2013	Visiting Associate Professor, Center for Latin American Studies, Stanford University.
2012-2013	Visiting Associate Professor, Poverty and Governance Program at the Center for Democracy, Development and the Rule of Law, Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies, Stanford University.
2005-To present	(On sabbatical leave) Associate Professor, Political Science Department, Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México.

ACADEMIC DISTINCTIONS

2011-To date	Researcher Level 1 - National Researchers System (Sistema Nacional de Investigadores) of Conacyt.
2007 – 2009	Candidate to Researcher - National Researchers System (Sistema Nacional de Investigadores) of Conacyt.
2004 – 2005	O'Bie Shultz Fellowship – Institute for International Studies, Stanford University.
2004 (Summer)	Summer research funds, School of Humanities and Sciences (GRO Funds), Stanford University.
2003 – 2005	Institute for Humane Studies Fellowship.
2003 (Summer)	Summer field work research funds, Center for Latin American Studies, Stanford University (declined).
2000 – 2003	Fulbright-Robles Castillo Fellowship.
2000 – 2003	Conacyt Scholarship for PH.D. studies.

2000 – 2002	Regional Program McArthur-Ford-Hewlett Foundations Fellowship.
1999	Honors mention for masters' thesis.
1995 – 1997	Conacyt Scholarship for masters' studies.
1995	Excellence mention for B.A. thesis.

ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS

2010 – To present	Member of the International Political Science Association (IPSA).
2010 – To present	Member of the Mexican Association of Parliamentary Studies (AMEP).
2009 – To present	Associate researcher to the Center for U.S.-Mexican Studies, University of California, San Diego.
2009	Member of the Specialists Council of Lupa Ciudadana-Letras Libres.
2005 – To present	Associate professor at Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM).
2005 – To present	Member of the Midwest Political Science Association.
2003 – To present	Member of the American Political Science Association.
2002-2003	Co-Coordinator of the Mexican Studies Group at the Center for Latin American Studies, Stanford University.

OTHER ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

2011 – To present	Member of the <i>International Collaboratory on DTO Violence</i> , an interdisciplinary group that investigates into the determinants and effects of crime and violence in Latin America and its consequences for the United States. The group members are from Stanford University, UCSD, ITAM, Universidad de Los Andes, Bogota, Colombia, and the Pontificia Universidade Católica (PUC-Rio), Rio de Janeiro.
2011 – To present	Co-coordinator of the project on Public Safety and Governance, co-sponsored by the Office of the Mexican Presidency, Stanford University, and ITAM. The project performed the first Survey on Public Safety and Governance, and is currently at the design stage of the second survey.
2010 – To present	Member of the Research Council of the Latin American Public Opinion Project (LAPOP) at Vanderbilt University.
2010 – To present	Member of the Committee to evaluate the pre-electoral polls performance in Mexico of the Federal Electoral Institute (IFE).
2010 – To present	Member of the editorial board of <i>Última Instancia</i> .
2010 – To present	Member of the editorial board of <i>La Gaceta de Ciencia Política</i> .
2009 – To present	Co-Director of the political analysis website <i>Analyticamx</i> - www.analyticamx.com .

- 2009 – To present Associate researcher in the project “The Mexicans of the New Century”, which documents through surveys the core attitudes, beliefs, and values of Mexicans. Project sponsored by the Office of the Mexican Presidency and the Institute for Social Research of the UNAM.
- 2009 – To present Associate researcher in the project “Public Goods, Local Government Performance and Community Participation in Mexico”, coordinated by Beatriz Magaloni (Universidad de Stanford) and Alberto Díaz-Cayeros (Center for U.S.-Mexican Studies, University of California, San Diego).
- 2009 – 2010 Member of the academic board of the 3rd Latin American Congress of the World Association for Public Opinion Research (WAPOR). Querétaro, México.
- Reviewer for different academic journals, such as *Perfiles Latinoamericanos*, *Revista de Ciencia Política*, *Política y Gobierno*, *Journal of Politics*, and the *American Political Science Review*.
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TEACHING

- 2010-To present Coordinator of the diploma on Political Analysis at ITAM.
- 2005-To present Associate professor at ITAM.
Courses: Political-Economy 1, Political-Economy 2, Comparative Politics 1, Comparative Politics 3, Advanced Political Methodology, Seminar on Executives, Seminar on Public Security, Public Opinion (Diploma).
- 2007 Professor at Facultad Latinoamericana de Ciencias Sociales (FLACSO).
Course: Instituciones Políticas.
- 2002-2005 Teacher assistant at Stanford University.
Courses: *Security, Civil Liberties, and Terrorism (IDL103)*; *Organizations and Public Policy (PP102)*; *Introduction to International Relations (PS1)*; *Major Issues in International Conflict Management (PS114T)*; *Introductory Course to American Politics (PS2)*; *Political Parties, Voters, and Public Policy in Developed Democracies (PS123W)*.
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PUBLICATIONS

Journals and edited volumes

- 2012
(Forthcoming) (With Beatriz Magaloni and Alberto Díaz-Cayeros) “La raíz del miedo: Percepción de riesgo y tasas de victimización” (The Root of Fear: Risk Perception and Victimization Rates). In *Las bases sociales del crimen organizado y la violencia en México*, José Antonio Aguilar ed.
- 2012
(Forthcoming) “¿Cómo impactan las posiciones y valores a la aprobación presidencial?” (How do positions and values impact presidential approval?). In *Lo que Une y Divide a los Mexicanos*. ENVUD 2010. Edited volume. Mexico: Banamex and Este País.
- 2012 “Impacto de los temas de seguridad pública en aprobación presidencial.” (Impact of

- (Forthcoming) public security topics on presidential approval). *Política y Gobierno*, special issue, Conference LAPOP/CIDE/DataOPM.
- 2012
(Forthcoming) (With Alejandro Moreno and Rosario Aguilar-Pariente) “Pre-Election Poll Estimations in Mexico: In Search for the Main Sources of Error.” *Revista Latinoamericana de Opinión Pública*, number 3, January.
- 2012 “Evaluando las encuestas preelectorales: Las elecciones para gobernador de 2010 en México.” (Evaluating pre-election polls: Mexico’s 2010 governor polls). *Política y Gobierno* XIX(1), first semester, pp.101-124.
- 2011 “Participación del Poder Legislativo en la formación del legado presidencial” (Participation of the Legislative Power in the Formation of Presidential Legacies). In *El Poder Legislativo. Cuestiones de organización y funcionamiento*, María Paula Rennella and Valeria M. Loira eds. México City: Senado de la República LXI Legislatura and AMEP.
- 2010 “Impacto en el desempeño económico de las instituciones que rigen la relación ejecutivo-legislativo.” (Impact on economic development of the institutions determining the relationship executive-legislative). In *El Congreso de la Democracia*, Ricardo Espinoza Toledo and Jeffrey Weldon eds. México City: Senado de la República LXI Legislatura and AMEP.
- 2009 “La herencia del presidente: Impacto de aprobación presidencial en voto.” (The president’s heritage: Impact of presidential approval on voting). *Política y Gobierno* XVI(1), first semester, 3-35.
- 2008 (With Eric Magar) “México: Reformas pese a un gobierno dividido.” (Mexico: Reforms despite divided government). *Anuario Político de Latinoamérica, Revista de Ciencia Política*, Santiago de Chile, XXVIII(1): 265-285.
- 2008 (With Beatriz Magaloni) “Partisan Cleavages, State Retrenchment, and Free Trade: Latin America in the 1990s.” *Latin American Research Review*, 43(2), pp. 107-135.
- 2007 “¿Uno para Todos y Todos Para Uno? Una teoría sobre la relación del Presidente y su Partido Político.” (One for all and all for one? A theory on the relationship of the president and her political party). In *Para qué Sirve el Poder Legislativo*, Ricardo Espinoza Toledo and Jeffrey Weldon eds. México City: Editorial Porrúa.
- 2007 (With Eric Magar) “México: La Accidentada Consolidación Democrática.” (Mexico: The rocky democratic consolidation). *Revista de Ciencia Política* (Santiago de Chile), volume 27, special issue, pp.183-204.
- 2007 (With Eric Magar) “El *impasse* mexicano en perspectiva.” (The Mexican *impasse* in perspective). *Foreign Affairs en Español* 7(1), pp.117-131.
- 2004 “Public Opinion Polls and Democratization in Developing Countries.” In *Encyclopedia of Public Opinion*, John G. Geer ed. Santa Barbara: ABC-CLIO.

Thesis and Dissertations

- 2005 Ph.D. dissertation: *Misaligned Interests and Commitment Problems: A Study of Presidents and their Parties with Application to the Mexican Presidency and Privatization*

in Latin America. Dissertation Committee: David Laitin (director), Terry Moe, and Beatriz Magaloni. Stanford University.

- 2000 Master thesis: *Impacto de la Evaluación de Políticas Públicas en la Aprobación Presidencial (1994-1998)*. (Impact of public policies on presidential approval). Advisor: Beatriz Magaloni. ITAM.
- 1995 B.A. thesis: *La Potestad Reglamentaria Municipal: Consideraciones Jurídicas*. (Municipal regulatory authority: Juridical considerations). Advisor: Antonio Jiménez González.

Articles in magazines and newspapers

- 2011 (With Carlo Varela) “La precisión de las encuestas preelectorales.” *Última Instancia*, 1(1).
- 2011 “¿Qué hemos ganado con la democracia?” *Este País*, July, number 243.
- 2010 “Impacto del poder Legislativo en la formación del legado presidencial.” *La Gaceta de Ciencia Política*, Fall-Winter, 7(2), pp. 11-22.
- 2007 “Mercadotecnia política: ¿Hasta dónde el financiamiento público?” *Syntagma* 2(7), pp. 26-28.
- 2001 “Aprobación presidencial y políticas públicas en el sexenio de Zedillo.” *Vórtice*, first semester, 2(3), pp. 21-50.
- 2000 (With Rafael Gimenez) “Encuestas electorales en la elección presidencial del 2000.” *Este País*, September.
- 1999 “Tolerancia y conflict.” *Bien Común y Gobierno*, October 5(59), pp. 121-125.
- 1999 “Poder Judicial y opinión pública: Impacto de los medios de comunicación en la toma de decisiones.” *Bien Común y Gobierno*, June 5(55), pp. 71-76.
- 1998 (With Tania Castro) “La medición de la opinión pública en el diseño de políticas públicas.” *Bien Común y Gobierno*, May 4(42), pp. 65-71.
- 1999 (With Rafael Gimenez) “Los extraños números del PRI.” *Revista Milenio*, March 1st.
- 1998 “Congreso y opinión pública.” *Quórum*, March-April 7(59), pp. 151-158.
- 1997-1998 *Reforma* newspaper - More than 50 articles on public opinion, elections, government evaluation, and presidential approval.

WORK IN PROGRESS

(With Alberto Díaz-Cayeros, Beatriz Magaloni and Aila Matinock) “Living in Fear: Social Penetration of Criminal Organizations in Mexico.”

(With Lucía Motolinia) “How Safe Do you Feel? On the Determinants of Crime Induced Fear”. Draft for an edited volume on the Americas Barometer, LAPOP, Vanderbilt University.

“Fear and the Absence of the State: A Comparative Analysis of the Americas.” Working paper.

Rethinking the Mexican Presidency. Book length project.

“The Politics of Elite Punishment: Why Some Corrupt Presidents Are Prosecuted but not Others?” ITAM, Working paper.

“Of Love and Hate: The determinants of Presidential Legacies in Mexico”. Under review.

(With Federico Estévez and Carlo Varela) “Evaluating pre-election polls in Mexico 1994-2011”. Book length project.

PROFESSIONAL AND CONSULTING ACTIVITIES

2007 – 2012	Office of the Presidency, Mexico – External advisor on public opinion, presidential approval, and crime and violence issues.
2008 – 2009	Inter-American Development – Consultant on the project <i>The Political Economy of Fiscal Reform in Latin America</i> . Coordinated by Carlos Scartascini.
2007	United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) – Member of the Revising Committee of the <i>Report on Human Development Jalisco 2008</i> .
2007	World Bank / IFC – Consultant on survey measurement of the project <i>Municipal Scorecard 2008</i> .
2006 – 2007	Mexico's Federal Electoral Institute (IFE) – External advisor on electoral polling issues.
2006 - 2007	World Bank – Consultant on the project <i>Democratic Governance in Mexico: Beyond State Capture and Social Polarization</i> . Coordinated by Yasuhiko Matzuda.
1999 – 2000	Federal District Electoral Institute (IEDF) – External advisor on electoral polling issues.
1998 - 2000	Análisis y Resultados de Opinión Pública (Arcop) – Project coordinator on measurement and analysis of public opinion information.
1997 - 1998	Reforma newspaper – Public opinion coordinator.

PRESENTATIONS

2012.05.18	(With Alberto Díaz-Cayeros, Beatriz Magaloni and Aila Matanock) “The Enemy at Home: Exploring the Social Roots of Criminal Organizations in Mexico.” Paper presented at the conference Causal Inference and the Study of Conflict and State Building, organized by the Department of Politics at Princeton University.
2011.10.04	(With Alberto Díaz-Cayeros, Beatriz Magaloni and Aila Matanock) “Networks of Fear: The effects of Drug Trade Organizations and Violence in Mexico.” Paper presented at the conference <i>Violence, Drugs, and Governance: Mexican Security in Comparative Perspective</i> , organized by the Program on Poverty and Governance at Stanford's Center on Democracy, Development and the Rule of Law (CDDRL) and the Center for International Security and Cooperation (CISAC). Stanford, CA.

- 2011.09.29 “Valores, predisposiciones y aprobación presidencial.” Paper presented at the presentation of the *ENVUD 2010 Survey*, organized by Banamex-Citibank and the Este País Foundation, Mexico City.
- 2011.09.04 “The Politics of Elite Punishment: Why Some Corrupt Presidents are Prosecuted but Not Others?” Paper presented at the *American Political Science Association annual meeting*, Seattle, WA.
- 2011.08.24 “Impacto de los temas de seguridad pública en la preferencia electoral.” Paper presented at the conference Presentation of the *LAPOP Survey*, organized by ITAM-LAPOP-DATAOPM-BUAP, Puebla, México.
- 2011.01.28 “Impacto de los temas de seguridad en aprobación presidencial.” Paper presented at the seminar *Los desafíos de la Política Mexicana: Visiones desde el Barómetro de las Américas*, organized by CIDE-LAPOP-DataOPM. Mexico City.
- 2011.02.19 “The Mexican Presidency Before and After the 2000 Transition.” Paper presented at the *IPSA-ECPR joint meeting, Whatever Happened to North-South?* Sao Paulo, Brazil.
- 2010.09.23 “Participación del Poder Legislativo en la formación del legado presidencial”. Paper presented at the *3rd International Congress of Parliamentary Studies*, Aguascalientes, Ags.
- 2010.04.22 “Of Love and Hate: Explaining the Determinants of Presidential Legacies.” Paper presented at the *Midwest Political Science Association annual meeting*, Chicago, Ill.
- 2010.04.15 “Amor y Odio: Explorando los Determinantes de los Legados Presidenciales.” Paper presented at the *3rd Latin American Congress of the World Association for Public Opinion Research (WAPOR)*, Queretaro, Mexico.
- 2009.10.03 (With Eric Magar and Jeffrey Timmons) “The Political Economy of Fiscal Reforms in México.” Paper presented at the *LACEA annual meeting*, Buenos Aires, Argentina.
- 2008.09.25 “¿Para qué Sirven las Instituciones?: Efecto de las Instituciones que Rigen la Relación Ejecutivo-Legislativo en Desempeño Macroeconómico.” Paper presented at the *Mexican Association of Parliamentary Studies annual meeting*, Puebla, Mexico.
- 2008.08.29. “Fiscal Decentralization and Particularistic Spending.” Paper presented at the *American Political Science Association annual meeting*, Boston, MA.
- 2007.12.11 “Ejecutivo-Legislativo, la Conexión Electoral, y la Opinión Pública.” Paper presented at the seminar Communication and Public Opinion as Frame for the Electoral Reform, organized by the Center for Public Opinion Studies of the Deputies Chamber and the George Washington University.
- 2007.11.13 “Aprobación Presidencial y Desempeño Macroeconómico.” Paper presented at the 2007 Political Science Week of ITAM.
- 2007.04.14 “Towards a Theory of Presidents and Their Parties.” Paper presented at the *Midwest Political Science Association annual meeting*, Chicago, Ill.
- 2006.10.18 “¿Uno para Todos y Todos Para Uno? La Relación del Presidente y su Partido Político.” Paper presented at the round table Perspectives Executive-Legislative, *Mexican Association of Parliamentary Studies annual meeting*, Mexico City.

- 2006.09.02 "Political Determinants of Mass Attitudes Toward Globalization and State Retrenchment in Latin America." Paper presented at the *American Political Science Association annual meeting*, Philadelphia, Penn.
- 2005.04.09 "One for All and All for One? A Theory of Presidents and Their Parties with Application to Privatizations in Latin America (1980s-1990s)." Paper presented at the *Midwest Political Science Association annual meeting*, Chicago, Ill.
- 2005.03.04 "Presidents and their Parties in Mexico's New Context: Explaining Vicente Fox and the PAN's Relationship." Paper presented at the conference *What Kind of Democracy Has Mexico? The Evolution of Presidentialism and Federalism*, University of California, San Diego.
- 2004.09.03 "One but not the same: A Theory of Presidents and Their Parties with Application to Privatizations." Paper presented at the Political Science Seminar at ITAM.
- 2003.11.24 "A Contractual Theory of Presidents and Their Parties: Rethinking the Mexican Presidency." Paper presented at the *Workshop in Comparative Politics*, Stanford University.
- 2003.08.30 "Presidents and Their Parties: A Contractual Theory of Presidential Choice." Paper presented at the *American Political Science Association annual meeting*, Philadelphia, Penn.
- 2003.07.25 "The Political Economy of Presidencies: Inefficient Spending and Presidents' Motives." Paper presented at the *Social Change Workshop, Institute for Humane Studies*, University of Virginia.
- 2003.05.09 "A Theory of Presidential Choice." Paper presented at the *Society for Comparative Research annual meeting*, Princeton University.
- 2003.01.13 (With Alberto Diaz-Cayeros, Kenneth M. McElwain, and Konrad A. Siewierski) "Fiscal Decentralization, Institutions, and Particularistic Spending." Paper presented at the *Workshop in Comparative Politics, Stanford University*.
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