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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Associate Professor. Department of Government, University of Texas, Austin	2010-present
Assistant Professor. Department of Government, University of Texas, Austin	2008-2010
Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Illinois	2003-2008

EDUCATION

Ph.D.	University of California, Berkeley, California. Political Science	Fall 2003
M.A.	University of Texas, Austin, Texas. Government	May 1996
B.A.	Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut. Philosophy	June 1992

BOOKS

Elkins, Zachary, Tom Ginsburg, and James Melton. *2009. The Endurance of National Constitutions,* with Tom Ginsburg and James Melton. Cambridge University Press. 260pp.

[Winner of the best book of 2009 awarded by the Comparative Democratization Section of APSA in 2010.]

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

Elkins, Zachary. 2010. "Diffusion and the Constitutionalization of Europe." *Comparative Political Studies* 43: 1-31.

Tom Ginsburg, Zachary Elkins, and Justin Blount. 2009. "Does the Process of Constitution-making Matter." *Annual Review of Law and Social Science* 5: 201-223.

Elkins, Zachary and John Sides. 2007. "Can Institutions Build Unity in Multiethnic States." *American Political Science Review* 101: 693-708.

[Runner-up for the award of best article of 2007 awarded by the Comparative Democratization Section of APSA in 2008.]

Elkins, Zachary, Beth Simmons, and Andrew Guzman. 2006. "Competing for Capital: The Diffusion of Bilateral Investment Treaties, 1959-2000." *International Organization* 60(4): 811-846.

Reprinted in: (1)Frank Dobbin, Beth Simmons, and Geoff Garrett (eds.) *International Diffusion of Political and Economic Liberalization.* Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. Pp. 220-260; and

(2) Michael Waibel (ed.) *The Backlash against Investment Arbitration,* pp. 369-407; and

(3) *Illinois Law Review* 2008: 265-304, with data and analysis updated to 2006 along with an expanded discussion.

Beth Simmons and Zachary Elkins. 2004. "The Globalization of Liberalization: Policy Diffusion in the International Political Economy." *American Political Science Review* 98: 171-190.

Rui de Figueiredo and Zachary Elkins. 2003. "Are Patriots Bigots? An Inquiry into the Vices of In-group Pride." *American Journal of Political Science* 47: 171-188.

Elkins, Zachary. 2000. "Gradations of Democracy? Empirical Tests of Alternative Conceptualizations." *American Journal of Political Science* 44: 293-300.

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Elkins, Zachary, Tom Ginsburg, and James Melton. 2010 "Lessons from the Decoding and Coding of National Constitutions." APSA-CD 9(1).

Cheibub, Jose, Zachary Elkins, and Tom Ginsburg. 2011. "Latin American Presidentialism in Comparative and Historical Perspective," with Jose Cheibub and Tom Ginsburg. University of Texas Law Review 89(7).

Elkins, Zachary, Tom Ginsburg, and James Melton. 2010. "On the Evasion of Executive Term Limits," with Tom Ginsburg and James Melton. *William and Mary Law Review* 52.

Tom Ginsburg and Zachary Elkins. 2009. "Ancillary Powers of Constitutional Courts," with Tom Ginsburg. *University of Texas Law Review* 87: 1430-61.

Elkins, Zachary, Tom Ginsburg, and Justin Blount. 2009. "The Citizen as Founder: Public Participation in Constitutional Approval." *Temple Law Review* 81(2): 361-382

Published in Spanish in expanded form as,"Ciudadano Como Fundador: la Participacion Publica en el diseno constitutional," in *Revista Latinoamericana de Politica Comparada* 1: 119-153. [Inaugural issue of a new journal on comparative politics.]

Elkins, Zachary, Tom Ginsburg, and James Melton. 2008. "Military Occupations and their Constitutional Residue." *APSA-CP* 19(2): 7-10. [APSA-CP is the newsletter of the Comparative Politics section of APSA]

Ginsburg, Tom, Svitlana Chernykh, and Zachary Elkins. 2008. "Commitment and Diffusion: How and Why National Constitutions Incorporate International Law." *Illinois Law Review 101:* 201-237.

Zachary Elkins, Tom Ginsburg, and James Melton. 2008. "Baghdad, Tokyo, Kabul…Constitution Making in Occupied States." *William and Mary Law Review* 49(4): 1139-1178.

Elkins, Zachary and Beth Simmons. 2005. "On Waves, Clusters, and Diffusion: A Conceptual Framework," with Beth Simmons. *Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science* 598: 33-51.

Elkins, Zachary. 2005. Review of Marcus Kurtz's "Free Market Democracy and the Chilean and Mexican Countryside." *Comparative Political Studies* 38: 330-332.

Elkins, Zachary. 2000. "Quem Votaria? Conheçendo as Consequências do Voto Obrigatório no Brasil" 2000. *Opinão Pública* 6 (1): 111-137. [English title: "Who Would Vote? Understanding the Consequences of Mandatory Voting in Brazil"]

CHAPTERS IN EDITED VOLUMES

Cheibub, Jose, Zachary Elkins, and Tom Ginsburg. 2011. "Still the Land of Presidentialism? Executives and the Latin American Constitution," in Detlef Nolte and Almut Schilling (eds.). New Constitutionalism in Latin America: Promises and Practices. London: Ashgate.

Blount, Justin, Zachary Elkins, and Tom Ginsburg. 2011. "What we know—and don't know—about constitutional design processes," with Justin Blount and Tom Ginsburg. In Tom Ginsburg (ed.), *Comparative Constitutional Design*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Elkins, Zachary, James Melton, and Tom Ginsburg. 2011. "Do Executive Term Limits Cause Constitutional Crises," with James Melton and Tom Ginsburg. In Tom Ginsburg (ed.), *Comparative Constitutional Design*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.

Elkins, Zachary and Tom Ginsburg. 2009. "Public Choice and Constitutional Design" In Daniel Farber and Anne Joseph O'Connell (eds.) *Elgar Handbook of Public Choice and Public Law*. 76-104.

Cheibub, Jose Antonio and Zachary Elkins. 2009. "A Hibridização De Formas Constitucionais: A Constituição Brasileira De 1988 Em Uma Perspectiva Histórica." In *O Legislativo Brasileiro em Perspectiva Comparada.* Lucio Rennó and Magna Inácio, eds. Editora Editora UFMG. Pp. 55-77.

Elkins, Zachary. 2009. "Constitutional Networks." In Miles Kahler (ed.), *Networked Politics*: *Agency, Power, and Governance.* Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press. Pp. 43-63.

Elkins, Zachary. 2008. "Is Democracy Contagious?" In Peter Nardulli (ed.) *International Perspectives on Contemporary Democracy*. University of Illinois Press. Pp. 42-62

Elkins, Zachary and Beth Simmons. 2003. "Globalization and Policy Diffusion: Explaining Three Decades of Liberalization." In Miles Kahler and David A. Lake (eds.) *Globalizing Authority: Economic Integration and the Changing Structure of Governance*. Princeton, NJ: University of Princeton Press. Pp. 275-304.

OTHER WRITING

Elkins, Zachary. 2010. "Constitutional Engineering." In Leonardo Morlino (ed.) *The International Encyclopedia of Political Science.* Sage.

Stiles, Jon, Jonathan Cohen, Zachary Elkins, and Frederick Gey. *1998. Latino Demographic Data Book.* Berkeley, CA: California Policy Studies. 176pp.

Co-director (with Tom Ginsburg) of constitutionmaking.org, a website that provides resources to constitutional drafters, including analytical reports, an edited set of constitutions, and an online forum (blog).

Cavalcanti, Maria, Zachary Elkins, Katherine Mock, and O'Neal Spicer. "Problems of Service Delivery in Brazilian Public Security Policy," 1997. In *Policymaking in a Redemocratized Brazil, Volume 2: Public Policy and Social Exclusion.* Austin, TX: University of Texas Press. Pp. 47-69.

Elkins, Zachary and Adelaide Farrah. 1994. "Racing Toward a New Disabilities Strategy in the Americas." *Americas* 46 (4).

DATASET PROJECTS

The Comparative Constitutions Project, co-director with Tom Ginsburg. Online at comparativeconstitutionsproject.org

HONORS AND GRANTS

National Science Foundation Grant – renewal of SES 0648288 ($95,000) 2008-09
US Institute of Peace ($26,000) 2007-08
National Science Foundation Grant -- SES 0648288 ($197,000) 2007-08
Graduate Mentor of the Year, Department of Political Science, University of Illinois 2005-06
Selected by the Political Science Graduate Student Association
List of Excellent Instructors as Rated by their Students, University of Illinois 2002, 2004, 2005, 2006
Awarded if "course quality" and "Instructor Effectiveness" are both in the top 30% of University instructors
Fellow, Center for the Study of Democratic Governance, University of Illinois 2005-06
Jon Tolman prize for best paper, Brazilian Studies Association Conference (BRASA) 2006
University of Illinois Research Board Grants 2003, 2004

As Student:
University of California, Berkeley Dissertation Writing Fellowship 2001
Boren Dissertation Fellowship 2000

Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation (IGCC) Dissertation Fellowship	1999
Tinker Summer Grant for Research in Brazil	1998
Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Summer Fellowship	1997
Ford Foundation Summer Grant for Research in Brazil	1996
University of Texas Summer Grant for Research in Cuba	1995
Yale University Mellon Summer Grant for Research in Guatemala	1991
Aurelian Honor Society, Yale University	1991-2

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Undergraduate Courses:
Comparative Constitutional Design
Politics of the Developing World
Comparative Political Behavior
Latin American Political Economy
Statistical Analysis in Political Science

Graduate Courses:
Democracy and Democratization
Comparative Political Behavior
Comparative Constitutional Design
Conceptualization and Measurement

OTHER EXPERIENCE

Universidade de Brasilia, Brasilia, Brazil — Spring 2001
Visiting Scholar

Instituto Universitario de Pesquisa de Rio de Janeiro (IUPERJ), Brazil — 1996
Visiting Scholar

The Organization of American States, Washington, DC — 1994
Analyst

The Princeton Review, Barcelona, Spain — 1992-1994
Manager, franchise founder

US Agency for International Development, Guatemala City, Guatemala — Summer 1990
Intern

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND AFFILIATIONS

University of Texas, Department of Government Committees. Graduate Admissions (2008, 2009); Executive Committee (2010-11); Centennial Speakers Committee;

University of Illinois Department of Political Science Committees: Graduate Admissions (2006-7); Executive Advisory Board (2004-5; 2007-8); Formal Theory and Empirical Methodology (2002-7); Comparative Politics (2002-7); Teaching and Student Awards (2002-3); Undergraduate Programs (2003-4); Comparative Politics Search Committee (2003; 2004; 2005)

Other University of Illinois Service and Affiliations: Executive Board, Center for Latin American and Caribbean Studies (2004-5; 2006-7); Executive Board, Brazilian Studies Center (2006-8); Regular instructor for a modular course in Latin American Studies (2003-2008); International Political Economy Research Group (2005-2008); Center for the Study of Democratic Governance (2004-2008).

Reviewer: *American Journal of Political Science; American Political Science Review; Journal of Politics; Political Psychology; International Organization; Journal of Peace Research; World Politics; Journal of Theoretical Politics; World Development; Political Behavior; Law and Society; NSF;*

SKILLS

Foreign Languages: Near fluency in Spanish and Portuguese (through extensive coursework and residency). Rudimentary knowledge of French (two years of college coursework).

Foreign Experience: Born in Bogotá, Colombia. Research or residency in Brazil, Guatemala, Spain, Cuba, Colombia, and Belize.