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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

University of Oxford	Oxford, United Kingdom
Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Blavatnik School of Government	2024–
Associate Member, St Antony's College	

EDUCATION

Texas A&M University	College Station, TX
Ph.D. in Political Science	2019–2024
Dissertation: “Government-Initiated Votes of Confidence and Related Features of Parliamentarism”	
Committee: José Cheibub (Chair), Mallory Compton, Scott Cook, Robert Harmel, Alexander Pacek	
Fields: Comparative Politics (Major), Advanced Research Methodology, American Politics	

University of Strathclyde	Glasgow, United Kingdom
BA (Hons) in Politics and International Relations & Economics (<i>First-Class Honours</i>)	2015–2019

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Political institutions, legislative-executive politics, policymaking, representation

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS AND PROJECTS

Journal Articles

16. **Bromo, Francesco**, Paolo Gambacciani and Luca Pinto. 2026. “AI Tools in Parliament: Analytical Framework and Empirical Insights.” *Parliamentary Affairs*.
15. **Bromo, Francesco** and Manuela Muñoz. 2026. “Bunching Around a Tax Threshold: Lessons from Scotland’s Small Business Bonus Scheme.” Conditionally accepted at *Empirical Economics*.
14. Vaccaro, Andrea et al. (including **Francesco Bromo**). 2026. “The Pandemic Trust Spike: Assessing Social and Political Trust Across Countries and Population Groups During the COVID-19 Pandemic.” Conditionally accepted at *Humanities and Social Sciences Communications*.
13. **Bromo, Francesco**, Paride Carrara, Paolo Gambacciani and Edoardo A. Viganò. 2026. “Reduced Incentives, Reduced Party Unity: Evidence from Parliamentary Speeches.” *Party Politics*.
12. **Bromo, Francesco**. 2026. “The Duration of Caretaker Periods and the Formation of Parliamentary Governments.” *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 51(1):e70045.
11. **Bromo, Francesco**. 2026. “The Executive Trump Card: Government-Initiated Votes of Confidence in Parliamentary Democracies.” *Parliamentary Affairs* 79(2):414–439.
10. **Bromo, Francesco**, Lindsey P. González, Manuela Muñoz and Kristy M. Pathakis. 2025. “Many of Us Are Not Like the Others: Country of Origin and Latino Voting Behavior in the United States.” *The Journal of Race, Ethnicity, and Politics*.

9. **Bromo, Francesco** and José A. Cheibub. 2025. “Full-Power Cabinets and Caretaker Administrations in Parliamentary Democracies, 1945-2024.” *The Journal of Politics*.
8. **Bromo, Francesco**. 2025. “Status Threat, Political Competition, and the Expansion of Voter Identification Laws in the United States.” *Social Science Quarterly* 106(4):e70048.
7. **Bromo, Francesco**. 2025. “Early Parliamentary Dissolutions and Judicial Review: Lessons from Comparative Cases.” *Comparative Legal History* 13(1):91–111.
6. **Bromo, Francesco**, Paolo Gambacciani and Marco Improta. 2025. “Term Limits in Parliament and Electoral Disconnection: The Case of the Five Star Movement.” *European Political Science Review* 17(2):297–317.
5. **Bromo, Francesco**, Paolo Gambacciani and Marco Improta. 2025. “Governments and Parliaments in a State of Emergency: What Can We Learn from the COVID-19 Pandemic?” *The Journal of Legislative Studies* 31(4):918–946.
4. **Bromo, Francesco**, Alexander C. Pacek and Benjamin Radcliff. 2024. “Varieties of Democracy and Life Satisfaction: Is There a Connection?” *Social Science Quarterly* 105(4):1152–1163.
3. **Bromo, Francesco**, Paolo Gambacciani and Marco Improta. 2023. “Executive Power and Accountability in Italy and the Government’s Response to Covid-19.” *Interdisciplinary Political Studies* 9(1):43–64.
2. **Bromo, Francesco**. 2023. “Something Old, Something New? Votes of Confidence, Parliamentary Dissolution, Election Timing, and Judicial Review Under the Dissolution and Calling of Parliament Act 2022.” *Parliaments, Estates and Representation* 43(2):194–211.
1. **Bromo, Francesco**. 2022. “Elections, Governments, Heads, and Legislatures in Italy 1720-2021.” *Italian Journal of Electoral Studies (IJES)* Research Note 2:1–7.

Manuscripts Under Review

Bromo, Francesco, Alexander C. Pacek and Benjamin Radcliff. “From the Cradle to the Grave? Welfare Regimes and the Quantity of Life: Global Trends and Cross-National Evidence, 1990–2023.” Revised & resubmitted.

Bromo, Francesco and Alexander C. Pacek. “Autocratization and Subjective Well-Being: Is There a Macro-Level Effect?” Revised & resubmitted.

Bromo, Francesco, Thomas Hale, Anna Petherick, Andrea Vaccaro and Hao Zha. “Relational Heuristics in Policy Diffusion.”

Working Papers

Bromo, Francesco and Mallory Compton. “Bargaining and Bureaucracy: Does Administrative Capacity Influence Government Formation in Parliamentary Democracies?”

Bromo, Francesco, Thomas Hale, Anna Petherick, Andrea Vaccaro and Hao Zha. “Incumbents, Electoral Pressures, and Crisis Policymaking.”

Bromo, Francesco. “Like Caesar’s Wife: The Genesis of Confidence Procedures and the Link Between Collective Resignation and Confidence Withdrawal in Early Modern Britain.”

Bromo, Francesco and Hankyeul Yang. “Assessing Rare Events.”

Bromo, Francesco. “Voters’ Evaluations of the Incumbent and Government-Initiated Votes of Confidence.”

Bromo, Francesco. “When Do Governments Call a Vote of Confidence? Evidence from 14 Parliamentary Democracies.”

Bromo, Francesco. “The Emergence and Evolution of Italian Parliamentarism.”

Other Writing

2. **Bromo, Francesco** and Paolo Gambacciani. 2025. “Legislative Studies in the Time of AI-Powered Parliaments.” *The Journal of Politics Blog* (AI Forum).
1. **Bromo, Francesco**. 2023. “The Leopard Paradox? Meloni’s Institutional Reforms in Italy.” *Verfassungsblog: On Matters Constitutional* 2023/6/01.

Datasets

2. **Bromo, Francesco** and José A. Cheibub. 2025. “Parliamentary Events Dataset (Version 1.0), 1945-2024.”
1. **Bromo, Francesco**. 2022. “Elections, Governments, Heads, and Legislatures in Italy 1720-2021.” V1.

Selected Work in Progress

- Legislative activity and political accountability during caretaker periods (Book project)
- Rules of Procedure of the Italian Chamber of Deputies, 1848–2025 (With Radoslaw Zubek)
- The vote of confidence procedure in Peru (With Pablo Valdivieso-Kastner)
- Early elections in parliamentary democracies (With José Cheibub and Scott Cook)

TEACHING AND ADVISING (*INDICATES SCHEDULED)

University of Oxford

— **Tutor, Hertford College**

Fall 2026* 201: Comparative Government (Undergraduate)

— **Seminar Leader, Blavatnik School of Government**

Spring 2026 The Politics of Policymaking (Graduate)

— **Summative Assessor, Blavatnik School of Government**

Fall 2026* Policy Reports (Master of Public Policy)

Fall 2025 Theories and Approaches in Public Policy Research (Graduate)

Spring 2025, Spring 2026 The Politics of Policymaking (Graduate)

— **College Advisor, St Antony’s College**

Spring 2025– 5 graduate students (×2)

Texas A&M University

— **Instructor of Record, Department of Political Science**

Fall 2023 POLS 322: Western European Government and Politics (Undergraduate)

— **Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science**

Spring 2023 POLS 626: Comparative Political Institutions (Graduate)

Fall 2020 POLS 352: Empirical Democratic Theory (Undergraduate)

OTHER EXPERIENCE

Research Assistance

- 2022–2023 Parliamentary Emotive Expression (ParLEE), University of Strathclyde
 2019–2023 José Cheibub (Professor), Texas A&M University
 2019–2022 Benjamin Ogden (Assistant Professor), Texas A&M University

Public Sector

- 2018 Economic Development Intern, Glasgow City Council

GRANTS, HONORS, AND AWARDS

Selected External Grants

- 2025 [Advancing Research Grant for Early Career Scholars](#), American Political Science Association (\$2,000)
 Social Sciences Division Fixed-Term Researchers Support Fund, UK Research and Innovation (£500)
 2020 Ph.D. Grant, Mays Innovation Research Center (With Manuela Muñoz, \$3,000)

Selected Internal Grants

- 2026 Blavatnik School of Government Research Support Grant, University of Oxford (£2,000)
 2025 Blavatnik School of Government Research Support Grant, University of Oxford (£2,000)
 2024 Blavatnik School of Government Research Support Grant, University of Oxford (£2,000)
 2023 POLS Summer Dissertation Grant, Texas A&M University (\$2,500)
 2021 POLS Summer Research Bursary, Texas A&M University (With Manuela Muñoz, \$2,000)

Honors and Awards

- 2023 [Texas A&M 2023-2024 Dissertation Fellowship](#), Graduate and Professional School (\approx \$45,000)
 2019 POLS Graduate Assistantship, Texas A&M University (Stipend+tuition, 2019–2024)
Best Dissertation in Honours Politics Award, University of Strathclyde

CONFERENCES AND TALKS (*INDICATES SCHEDULED)

Conference Presentations

American Political Science Association	2021–2023, 2025, 2026*
European Consortium for Political Research (SG on Parliaments)	2021–2023
European Political Science Association	2022–2023, 2025
European Political Science Society	2026
Midwest Political Science Association	2024–2025
Political Studies Association (SG on Parliaments)	2021
Southern Political Science Association	2022–2023

Workshops and Invited Talks

- 2025 Blavatnik School of Government, University of Oxford; Big Data Institute, University of Oxford

SERVICE

Department

— Blavatnik School of Government, University of Oxford

2026 Member, Recruitment Interview Panel

2025 Co-organizer of the Pandemic Sciences Institute: Ethics, Humanities, and Social Sciences Michaelmas Term Meeting

Reviewer

Journals: *Applied Economics Letters*, *Global Public Health*, *Governance*, *Italian Political Science Review*, *Journal of Happiness Studies*, *The Journal of Race, Ethnicity, and Politics*, *Latin American Politics and Society*, *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, *Parliamentary Affairs*, *PLOS ONE*, *Swiss Political Science Review*

Panel Chair (C) / Discussant (D)

2025 American Political Science Association (C × 3 / D × 2), Midwest Political Science Association (D)

2022 European Political Science Association (D)

Mentorship

2025 First-Time Attendees Buddy Program, European Political Science Association (1 graduate student)

2021 Aggie Mentor, Liberal Arts Mentoring Program, Texas A&M University (1 undergraduate student)

Policy, Media, and Public Engagement

Interviews and Media Coverage: *lavoce.info* (Italy, 2026), *Pagella Politica* (Italy, 2025), *Jungle World* (Germany, 2023)

OTHER

Languages

English (Fluent), Italian (Native), Spanish (Intermediate), French (Intermediate), Latin (Intermediate), German (Basic)

Technical Skills

R, Stata, L^AT_EX, GitHub

Professional Training

2023 Teaching Seminar, Texas A&M University

Other Appointments

2025– Associate Fellow, Royal Historical Society

Professional Memberships

Current or Former Member: American Political Science Association, European Consortium for Political Research, European Political Science Association, Midwest Political Science Association, Pandemic Sciences Institute (University of Oxford), Political Studies Association, Royal Historical Society, Southern Political Science Association, The British Academy Early Career Researcher Network

REFERENCES

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