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CURRENT POSITIONS

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”	

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

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Comparative political institutions, legislative-executive politics, public policy, political representation, quantitative methods

PUBLICATIONS AND PROJECTS

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

18. 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*.
17. **Bromo, Francesco** and Manuela Muñoz. 2026. “Bunching Around a Tax Threshold: Lessons from Scotland’s Small Business Bonus Scheme.” *Empirical Economics* 71, article number 36.
16. **Bromo, Francesco** and Alexander C. Pacek. 2026. “Autocratization and Subjective Well-Being: Is There a Macro-Level Effect?” *Applied Research in Quality of Life*.
15. **Bromo, Francesco**, Alexander C. Pacek and Benjamin Radcliff. 2026. “From the Cradle to the Grave? Welfare Regimes and the Quantity of Life: Global Trends and Cross-National Evidence.” *Social Indicators Research* 184, article number 29.
14. **Bromo, Francesco**, Paolo Gambacciani and Luca Pinto. 2026. “AI Tools in Parliament: Analytical Framework and Empirical Insights.” *Parliamentary Affairs*.
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, Thomas Hale, Anna Petherick, Andrea Vaccaro and Hao Zha. “Relational Heuristics in Policy Diffusion.”

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

Bromo, Francesco. “Dissolution Authority in Parliamentary Democracies: Power and Leverage.”

Working Drafts

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

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 and Hankyeul Yang. “Assessing Rare Events.”

Bromo, Francesco. “Like Caesar’s Wife: Confidence Procedures, Confidence Withdrawal, and Cabinet Collective Responsibility in Early Modern Britain.”

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

3. **Bromo, Francesco** and Radoslaw Zubek. 2026. Italian Chamber of Deputies Standing Orders Dataset, Version 1.0.0, *ParlRulesData Project*. Forthcoming.
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.

TEACHING AND ADVISING (*INDICATES SCHEDULED)

University of Oxford

— Seminar Leader, Blavatnik School of Government

Statistics for Public Policy Research (Graduate)	Spring 2027*
Applied Statistics (Graduate)	Fall 2026
The Politics of Policymaking (Graduate)	Spring 2026, Spring 2027*

— Tutor, Hertford College

201: Comparative Government (Undergraduate)	Fall 2026
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— Summative Assessor, Blavatnik School of Government

Theories and Approaches in Public Policy Research (Graduate)	Fall 2025
The Politics of Policymaking (Graduate)	Spring 2025, Spring 2026

— College Advisor, St Antony’s College

5 graduate students (×2)	Spring 2025–
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Texas A&M University

— Instructor of Record, Department of Political Science

POLS 322: Western European Government and Politics (Undergraduate)	Fall 2023
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— Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science

POLS 626: Comparative Political Institutions (Graduate)	Spring 2023
POLS 352: Empirical Democratic Theory (Undergraduate)	Fall 2020

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, 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 (£4,000)
 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)

Fellowships

- 2025– Associate Fellow, Royal Historical Society
 2023 Texas A&M 2023-2024 Dissertation Fellowship, Graduate and Professional School ($\approx$ \$45,000)

Awards

- 2019 *Best Dissertation in Honours Politics Award*, University of Strathclyde

CONFERENCES AND TALKS

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

- 2026 University College Dublin
 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 Constitutionalism*, *Global Public Health*, *Governance*, *International Journal of Parliamentary Studies*, *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*, *The Journal of Legislative Studies*

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: *HuffPost* (Italy, 2026), *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

Public Sector Experience

2018 Economic Development Intern, Glasgow City Council

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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