

# Calla Hummel

*curriculum vitae*

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## Research Interests

Civil society, gender, LGBTQ+ policy, labor politics, health policy, Latin American politics, informal economies, Bolivia

## Academic Appointments

### University of Miami

Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, 2023-present  
Associate Chair and Director of Undergraduate Studies, Department of Political Science, 2023-present  
Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, 2017-2023  
Faculty Affiliate, Institute for the Advanced Study of the Americas  
Bolivia Team Lead, Observatory for the Containment of COVID-19 in the Americas, 2020-2022

### Universidad Mayor de San Andrés, La Paz, Bolivia

Visiting Scholar, Graduate Program in Development, 2014-2015, 2018

## Education

### University of Texas at Austin

PhD in Political Science, 2017

MA in Political Science, 2014

Subfields	Comparative Politics, International Relations, Methods
Committee	Raúl Madrid (Chair), Kurt Weyland, Javier Auyero, Mike Findley, and Scott Wolford

### University of Washington

B.A., Political Economy (2009), College Honors, cum laude

## Book

*Why Informal Workers Organize: Contentious Politics, Enforcement, and the State.* 2022. Oxford University Press. **Winner of the 2023 Riker Prize for the Best**

### **Book in Political Economy from the American Political Science Association.**

Honorable mention for the 2023 Best Book in Political Institutions from the Latin American Studies Association. Reviewed in *Perspectives on Politics*, *International Labor Review*, *Global Labour Journal*, *British Journal of Industrial Relations*, *Work, Employment, and Society*, *Latin American Politics and Society*

### **Peer-Reviewed Publications**

18. Calla Hummel and Ximena Velasco Guachalla. 2024. "Activists, Parties, and the Expansion of Trans Rights in Bolivia." *Comparative Politics*: 56(3): 1-26.
17. Michael Touchton, Felicia Knaul, Hector Arreolas-Ornelas, Thalia Porteny, Oscar Mendez, Marco Faganello, Calla Hummel, Renzo Calderón-Anyosa, Silvia Otero-Bahamon, Pedro Pérez-Cruz, Fausto Patiño, Rifat Atun, Patricia García, Jorge Insua, Eduardo Undurraga, Carew Boulding, Jami Nelson-Nuñez, Ximena Velasco-Guachalla, Mariano Sanchez-Talanquer, and Valentina Vargas Enciso. 2023. "Non-Pharmaceutical Interventions to Combat COVID-19 in the Americas: Subnational, Daily Data." *Scientific Data*: 10(1): 734-741.
16. Michael Touchton, Felicia Knaul, Hector Arreolas-Ornelas, Thalia Porteny, Oscar Mendez, Calla Hummel, Renzo Calderón-Anyosa, Silvia Otero-Bahamon, Pedro Pérez-Cruz, Fausto Patiño, Patricia García, Jorge Insua, Carew Boulding, Jami Nelson-Nuñez, and Ximena Velasco-Guachalla. 2023. "Learning from Latin America: Coordinating Policy Responses across National and Subnational Levels to Combat COVID-19." *COVID*: 3(9): 1500-1515.
15. Dana El Kurd and Calla Hummel. 2023. "Is Graduate School Worth It? Harassment and Graduate Student Satisfaction in Political Science." *PS: Political Science and Politics* 1-6.
14. Alisha Holland and Calla Hummel. 2022. "Informalities: An Index Approach to Informal Work and Its Consequences." *Latin American Politics and Society*: 64(3): 1-21.
13. Calla Hummel. 2022. "Trial by Fire: Informal Agreements, Destructive Protest, and Arson in Bolivia." *Latin American Politics and Society*: 64(3): 132-153.
12. Felicia Knaul, Michael Touchton, Hector Arreolas-Ornelas, Renzo Calderón-Anyosa, Silvia Otero-Bahamon, Calla Hummel, Pedro Pérez-Cruz, Thalia Porteny, Fausto Patiño, Rifat Atun, Patricia García, Jorge Insua, Oscar Mendez, Eduardo Undurraga, Carew Boulding, Jami Nelson-Nuñez, Ximena Velasco-Guachalla, Mariano Sanchez-Talanquer. 2022. "Strengthening Health Systems to Face Pandemics: Subnational Policy Responses to COVID-19 in Latin America." *Health Affairs*: 41(3): 454-462.
11. Ximena Velasco Guachalla, Calla Hummel, Jami Nelson-Nuñez, and Carew Boulding. 2021. "Bolivia 2020: Compounding Crises" *Revista de Ciencia Política*: 41(2): 211-237.

10. Mike Touchton, Felicia Marie Knaul, Hector Arreola-Ornelas, Thalia Porteny, Mariano Sanchez, Oscar Mendez, Marco Faganello, Vaugh Edelson, Benjamin Gygi, Calla Hummel, Silvia Otero, Jorge Insua, Eduardo Undurraga, Julio Antonio Rosado. 2021. "A Partisan Pandemic: COVID-19 in Brazil." *BMJ Global Health*: 6(6): 1-10.
9. Ximena Velasco Guachalla, Calla Hummel, Jami Nelson-Nuñez, and Carew Boulding. 2021. "Legitimacy and Policy during Crises: Subnational COVID-19 Responses in Bolivia" *Perspectives on Politics*: 1-19.
8. Calla Hummel, Ximena Velasco Guachalla, Jami Nelson-Nuñez, Carew Boulding, Mike Touchton, and Felicia Knaul. 2021. "COVID-19 in Bolivia: the intersection of poverty and unprotected work." *The Lancet Global Health*: 1-3.
7. Calla Hummel, Ximena Velasco Guachalla, Jami Nelson-Nuñez, and Carew Boulding. 2021. "Bolivia: Lecciones sobre los primeros seis meses de la pandemia de SARS-CoV-2 (Bolivia: Lessons from the first six months of the SARS-CoV-2 pandemic)." *Temas Sociales*: 47: 98-123.
6. Calla Hummel and Dana El Kurd. 2020. "Mental Health and Fieldwork." *PS: Political Science and Politics* 54(1): 121-125.
5. Calla Hummel, John Gerring, and Thomas Burt. 2019. "Do Political Finance Reforms Reduce Corruption?" *The British Journal of Political Science* 50(1): 1-21.
4. Calla Hummel. 2018. "Do Poor Citizens Benefit from Mega-Events? São Paulo's Street Vendors and the 2014 FIFA World Cup." *Latin American Politics and Society* 60(4):26-48.
3. Calla Hummel. 2018. "Bribery Cartels: Collusive Corruption in Bolivian Street Markets." *Latin American Research Review* 53(2):217-230.
2. Calla Hummel. 2017. "Disobedient Markets: Street Vendors, Enforcement, and State Intervention in Collective Action." *Comparative Political Studies* 50(11):1524-1555.  
 Winner of the 2017 *Comparative Political Studies* editorial board's Best Article Award  
 Winner of the 2018 Alexander George Best Article Award
1. Calla Hummel. 2016. "Vendedores Populares y las Políticas de la Representación de Género." (Street Vendors and the Politics of Gender Representation). *Revista Umbrales* 29:331-359.

## Working Papers—drafts on request

”Do Remittances Increase LGBTQ Rights?” (with Sarah Berens, in preparation)

”Protest, Governance, and Public Health: Evidence from Bolivia during the COVID-19 Pandemic” (with Ximena Velasco Guachalla, Jami Nelson-Nuñez, Carew Boulding; in preparation)

”Administrative Data on the Barriers to Gender Affirming Identification in Florida” (with Kathryn Nowotny, Charlton Copeland, TransSOCIAL, and The McKenzie Project; data collection complete)

”The Labor Conditions of Transgender Women in Bolivia” (with OTRAF Bolivia; data collection complete)

## Other Selected Publications

Ximena Velasco Guachalla, Calla Hummel, Sam Handlin, and Amy Erica Smith. ”When Does Competitive Authoritarianism Take Root?” *Journal of Democracy*: 32(3).

Calla Hummel, Ximena Velasco Guachalla, Jami Nelson-Nuñez, and Carew Boulding. Forthcoming. ”Governance and COVID-19 in Bolivia.” In *COVID-19 and the State*, Rachel Gisselquist and Andrea Vaccaro, eds. Oxford University Press.

Dana El Kurd and Calla Hummel. Forthcoming. ”Managing Your Mental Health During Fieldwork.” In *Doing Qualitative Methods*, Sarah Wallace Goodman and Jennifer Cyr, eds. Oxford University Press.

Calla Hummel and Ximena Velasco Guachalla. ”Corruption, Fraud, and Statistics in Bolivia’s Disputed Election.” *Mischiefs of Faction*. November 25th, 2019.

Carew Boulding, Ray Foxworth, Calla Hummel, Jami Nelson-Nuñez, and Ximena Velasco Guachalla. ”The real story behind Bolivia’s protests.” *The Monkey Cage* in the Washington Post. November 20th, 2019.

## Selected Grants and Awards

Total awarded since 2017:	\$325,000
National Institutes of Health	CFAR Supplement Award, PASSPORT Study (PI) August 2023, \$216,000
American Political Science Association	Riker Prize for the Best Book in Political Economy (Political Economy Section), 2023 Centennial Research Award, 2021, \$2,500 Alexander George Best Article Award (Qualitative and Multi-Method Research Section), 2018
University of Miami	Provost's Research Award, 2023, \$17,000 ULINK Trans Citizenship Grant, 2022, \$50,000 Institute for the Americas Fieldwork Grant, 2022, \$4,500 Political Science Summer Research Award, 2022, \$2,500 College of Arts and Sciences Scholarly Activities Award, 2022, \$1,000 Provost's Research Award, 2020, \$17,000 Institute for the Americas Fieldwork Grant, 2019, \$2,500 Institute for the Americas Book Conference, 2018, \$4,500 Civic Engagement Faculty Fellowship, 2018, \$2,500
Williams Institute	Global Grants, 2022, \$5,000
<i>Comparative Political Studies</i>	Best Article Award, 2017
National Science Foundation	Graduate Research Fellowship, 2013-2017, \$134,000

## Additional Training

Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), University of Michigan  
2019 Summer Institute

Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models (EITM), University of Houston  
2017 Summer Institute

Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models (EITM), Duke University  
2016 Summer Institute

Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), University of Michigan  
EITM Scholar, 2015 Summer Institute; certified in simultaneous equations and complex systems

Institute for Qualitative and Multi-method Research (IQMR), Syracuse University  
Participant, 2013 Summer Institute

## **Invited Presentations**

"Do Remittances Increase Support for LGBTQ+ Rights?" Queer Politics Webinar, November 4th, 2023.

"Why Informal Workers Organize." Carleton College, Foro Latinoamericano, April 24th, 2023.

"Why Informal Workers Organize." Duke University and University of North Carolina Latin American Politics Working Group, October 18th 2022.

"Contentious Collective Action and Political Science Research." Universidad de Santiago Chile, October 12th 2022.

"Why Informal Workers Organize." Luther College, May 9th 2022.

"Why Informal Workers Organize." Tulane University, February 29th 2022.

Comparative Politics Workshop, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Fall 2021.

"What's Behind Bolivia's Pandemic Woes?" City University of New York, March 5th, 2021.

"Democratic backsliding in the Americas." Harvard University, October 27th, 2020.

"Pandemic Politics in Bolivia." University of Essex, October 20th, 2020.

"Como hice mi investigación: organizaciones gremiales en La Paz." Universidad Mayor de San Andrés, August 27th, 2020.

"Informal Workers, Contentious Politics, and the State." University of Washington Department of Political Science, November 22nd, 2019.

"Why do Informal Workers Organize? State Intervention in Collective Action across the Americas." Instituto Tecnológico de Estudios Superiores de Monterrey, November 15th, 2019.

"Machine Learning and Informal Workers." Kellogg Institute of International Studies, Democracy and Inequality in the Americas Conference, University of Notre Dame, April 8th, 2019.

"Trial by Fire: Informal Agreements, Destructive Protest, and Arson in Bolivia." Temple University Department of Political Science, March 11th, 2019.

"Trabajo Informal y Políticas en las Américas (Informal Work and Policy in the Americas)." Presented to the La Paz Association of Street Vendors, October 20th, 2014, in La Paz, Bolivia.

## Selected Media Appearances

"A Bitter Election. Accusations of Fraud. And Now Second Thoughts." The New York Times. June 8th, 2020. <https://www.nytimes.com/2020/06/07/world/americas/bolivia-election-evo-morales>

"Bolivia's interim government names former President Evo Morales a 'terrorist.'" Vox. November 24th, 2019. <https://www.vox.com/world/2019/11/24/20980566/evo-morales-terrorist-prison-bolivia-interim-government>

"Bolivia: Can statistics help detect electoral fraud?" More or Less, BBC World Service. November 16th, 2019. <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/w3csz3rw>

"'This will be forever:' How the ambitions of Evo Morales contributed to his fall." The New York Times. November 11th, 2019. <https://www.nytimes.com/2019/11/11/world/americas/evo-morales-bolivia-resignation-coup.html?searchResultPosition=3>

"News Briefing." BBC Radio 4, November 11th, 2019.

"Fake News, Global Edition." Inside Higher Ed. November 11th, 2019. <https://www.insidehighered.com/news/2019/11/11/miami-professor-left-bolivia-after-press-falsely-she-says-called-her-us>

"Military calls on president to step down after election dispute in Bolivia." The New York Times. November 10th, 2019 <https://www.nytimes.com/2019/11/10/world/americas/bolivia-election-evo-morales.html>

"Bolivian Ballot Boxes are Burning." The Nation. October 25th, 2019. <https://www.thenation.com/article/elections-morales/>

"Bolivia's Remarkable Socialist Success Story." The Nation. October 1st, 2019. <https://www.thenation.com/article/socialism-bolivia-evo/>

## Teaching Experience

Professor	University of Miami, Miami, FL, August 2017- Introduction to Comparative Politics, Fall 2018, Fall 2020, Spring 2021, Summer 2021, Fall 2021, Summer 2022, Fall 2022, Spring 2023 Nonviolent Citizen Activism, Spring 2018, Fall 2018, Fall 2020, Fall 2021, Fall 2022, Fall 2023 Advanced Statistics, Spring 2018, Spring 2019, Spring 2020 Social Movements, Fall 2017, Spring 2019, Spring 2020, Spring 2021, Spring 2022, Spring 2023 Special Topics: Corruption, Fall 2017 Scope and Methods: Spring 2022
Instructor of Record	University of Texas, Austin, TX, January-May 2017 Research Practicum in International Relations, Spring 2017
ESL Instructor	Casa Marianella, Austin, TX, August 2013-May 2014
Graduate Workshops	University of Texas, Austin, TX NSF Grant Writing, September 4th, 2013 Dissertation Bootcamp, January 18th-22nd, 2016 Preparing for Fieldwork, April 29th, 2016 Introduction to Machine Learning, April 19th, 2017

## Fieldwork

La Paz, Bolivia	January 2009, April-May 2011, June 2012, August 2014-May 2015, July-August 2018, October 2019, July-August 2022
São Paulo, Brazil	June-August 2007, June 2008-June 2009, August 2012, July 2014, July 2015, June 2018
Santiago, Chile	October 2022
Mexico City, Mexico	July 2022
Asunción, Paraguay	March 2011, July 2012

## Professional Service

Executive Committee and Program Chair (2022-2024), LGBTQ+ Caucus, American Political Science Association  
Program Chair (2022-2023), Qualitative and Multi-Method Research, American Political Science Association  
Editorial Board, *Latin American Politics and Society*



Reviewer, *American Political Science Review*, *Journal of Politics*, *World Politics*, *Comparative Political Studies*, *Comparative Politics*, *British Journal of Political Science*, *World Development*, *Perspectives on Politics*, *Latin American Research Review*, *Latin American Politics and Society*, *Journal of Politics in Latin America*, *Electoral Politics*, *Revista Latinoamericana de Opinión Pública*, *Revista de Ciencia Política*, *International Labor Review*

## Professional Memberships

American Political Science Association, Red de Economía Política de América Latina, Latin American Studies Association, Southern Political Science Association, Institute for Qualitative and Multi-method Research

## Technical Expertise

Methodological	Game theory, survey design, experimental design, ethnography, focus group and interview methods, machine learning (random forests, $k$ nearest neighbors, and cross-validation)
Statistical	OLS, MLE, instrumental variables, simultaneous equations, random effects and mixed effects models, time series, panel data, multiple imputation
Software	R, STATA, $\LaTeX$

## Languages

English (native), Portuguese (fluent; ACTFL-certified), Spanish (fluent; DELE-certified), Aymara (intermediate), Guarani (studied), French (studied), Quechua (studied)