

EDUCATION	University of Maryland, College Park, MD	
	Ph.D. Government and Politics, 2027 (Expected)	
	M.A. Government and Politics, 2024	
	University of Florida, Gainesville, FL	
	B.A. Political Science & Anthropology, Magna Cum Laude, May 2021	
TEACHING	Instructor of Record	
EXPERIENCE	GVPT170: American Government	Summer & Fall 2024
	Teaching Assistant	
	GVPT201: Scope and Methods for Political Science Research, Johanna Birnir	Fall 2025
	GVPT331: Intro to Courts, Law and Justice, Michael Spivey	Spring 2025
	GVPT170: American Government, Patrick Wohlfarth	Fall 2023
	HNUH238B: Systemic Racism in Public Opinion and Policy Attitudes, Janelle Wong	Fall 2022 - Spring 2023
ACADEMIC	University of Maryland	
WORK	Research Assistant, Shanna Pearson	2025
	Research Assistant, Janelle Wong	2025
	Research Assistant, Center for Democracy & Civic Engagement	2024 - Present
	Polling Team Fellow, The Washington Post - Washington DC	Spring 2024
FELLOWSHIPS & GRANTS	APSA Diversity Fellowship Program Travel Grant	2025
	MPSA Latina/o Politics Caucus Grad Travel Award	2025
	Jacob K. Goldhaber Travel Grant	2025
	GVPT Student Travel Grant	2025
	Rapoport Family Foundation Summer Research Collaborative Award	2023
	Diversity Fellowship, American Political Science Association	2023 - 2024
	Dean's Fellowship, University of Maryland, College of Behavioral and Social Sciences	2022 - 2025
PRESENTATIONS	American Political Science Association	2025
	DMV Gender, Race, and Ethnicity Politics Workshop	2025
	Midwest Political Science Association	2025
	American Politics Workshop, University of Maryland	2025
	Southern Political Science Association	2025
	<i>The Laws Today</i> - HNUH238B, University of Maryland	2023
	University of Florida Undergraduate Research Symposium	2021

PUBLICATIONS	<p>Vargas, S. 2021. How Incarceration Impacts Voter Participation Across Communities. [Undergraduate thesis, University of Florida]. Smathers Library Digital Collections.</p> <p>The Washington Post:</p> <p>Vargas, Sonia, and Emily Guskin. 2024. "Polls Suggest Border and Immigration Bill May Be Popular." <i>The Washington Post</i>, February 5, 2024.</p> <p>Alcantara, Chris, Janice Kai Chen, Emily Guskin, Scott Clement, and Sonia Vargas. 2024. "How Different Groups Voted in the South Carolina Primary, According to Exit Polls." <i>The Washington Post</i>, February 25, 2024.</p> <p>Guskin, Emily, Sonia Vargas, and Scott Clement. 2024. "Trump Projected to Win South Carolina Primary, Beating Haley." <i>The Washington Post</i>, February 24, 2024.</p> <p>Alcantara, Chris, Janice Kai Chen, Emily Guskin, Scott Clement, Clara Ence Morse, and Sonia Vargas. 2024. "How Different Groups Voted on Super Tuesday Primary, According to Exit Polls." <i>The Washington Post</i>, March 5, 2024.</p> <p>Editorials:</p> <p>Guerra,Justin, Sonia Vargas, and Alyssa Bretan. 2021. Did Hispanic voters win Florida for Trump?, April 27, 2021.</p>
SERVICE	<p>American Political Science Association Graduate Student Representative, Migration and Citizenship Section 2024-2026</p> <p>University of Maryland, Department of Government and Politics Graduate Student Association Co-Chair 2023 - 2024 Committee Chair, Dean's Grad Student Advisory Council 2023-2024 Graduate Student Recruitment Spring 2023 Faculty Hiring Fall 2023 Discussant, American Politics Workshop Spring 2023 Rising Scholars Conference 2022 - 2024</p>
SOFTWARE & PROGRAMMING	<p>Proficient: R, RStudio, Microsoft Office, Google Workspace, Stata, L^AT_EX, Zotero</p> <p>Familiar: Java, Python, ArcGIS</p>