

# ALBA HUIDOBRO

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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**Stanford University** *2022 - Present*  
Postdoctoral Scholar at Department of Political Science and Stanford Impact Labs  
*Lab:* Inclusive Democracy and Development (ID2) Lab  
*Advisor:* Soledad Artiz Prillaman

## EDUCATION

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**Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona** *2022*  
Ph.D. in Political Science, *Excellent, Cum Laude*

**Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona** *2016*  
M.A. of Research in Political Science

**Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona** *2014*  
B.A. in Political and Administration Sciences

## RESEARCH STAYS

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**European University Institute, Florence** *2019*  
Visiting PhD Student, *Host Prof.:* Elias Dinas.

**Nuffield College, University of Oxford** *2020*  
Junior Visiting Scholar, *Host Prof.:* Andrew Eggers.

**Haas School of Business, UC Berkeley** *2021*  
Visiting Scholar, *Host Prof.:* Ernesto Dal Bo.

## PUBLICATIONS

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Huidobro, A. and Falcó-Gimeno, A. (2023). Women who win but do not rule: The effect of gender on government formation. *The Journal of Politics*, 85(4).

Beltran, J., Gallego, A., Huidobro, A., Romero, E., Padro, L. (2021). Male and Female Politicians in Twitter: A Machine Learning Approach. *European Journal of Political Research*, 60(1), 239-251.

Huidobro, A., Ospina, Y., Curto-Grau, M. and Gallego, A. (2019). La formación de Gobiernos municipales: una nueva base de datos. *Revista Española de Ciencia Política*, 49, 109-128.

## WORKING PAPERS

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‘Partners in Government: Politicians’ Preferences about Coalition Formation.’

‘Do Electoral Quotas Worsen Politician Quality? Theory and evidence to the contrary.’  
(with Rikhil Bhavnani and Soledad Artiz Prillaman)

‘We March, She Runs: Feminists Movements and Women’s Political Representation’.  
(with Nerea Gándara Guerra)

## WORK IN PROGRESS

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‘Gender and Political Ambition: Evidence from a survey of politicians’.

‘How party leaders appoint women in their teams?’

‘Young politicians in government formation processes.’  
(with Albert Falcó-Gimeno)

## CONFERENCES

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<b>Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (APSA)</b>	<i>2021, 2023</i>
<b>Annual Meeting of the European Political Science Association (EPSA)</b>	<i>2018 - 2023</i>
<b>Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA)</b>	<i>2023</i>
<b>European Consortium for Political Research: Joint Sessions of Workshops</b>	<i>2019, 2021</i>
<b>Graduate Network Conference, Sciences Po</b>	<i>2021</i>

## SEMINARS AND WORKSHOPS

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<b>EUI Political Behaviour Colloquium, Florence (Italy)</b>	<i>2019, 2020</i>
<b>EuroWEPS Workshop, Copenhagen (Denmark)</b> European Workshop in Empirical Political Science in Copenhagen Business School.	<i>2019</i>
<b>CCCP International PhD-Workshop, Cologne (Germany)</b> Workshop on Advances in Comparative Politics in Cologne Center for Comparative Politics.	<i>2019</i>
<b>IV Workshop of the UPF Center of Gender Studies, Barcelona (Spain)</b> Workshop of the Center of Gender Studies (CEdGE) of the Universitat Pompeu Fabra.	<i>2019</i>

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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<b>Lecturer: Research Methods in International Security</b> Master’s in International Security. Institut Barcelona d’Estudis Internacionals (IBEI), Barcelona.	<i>Spring 2022</i>
<b>Teaching Assistant: Comparative Politics &amp; Democratization</b> Master in International Relations. Institut Barcelona d’Estudis Internacionals (IBEI), Barcelona.	<i>Fall 2019</i>

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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<b>Doctoral Student Researcher</b> Institut Barcelona d’Estudis Internacionals (IBEI), Barcelona. Predoctoral researcher linked to the project ‘Politicians: Selection and performance’, focused on broadening the knowledge of the causes and consequences of political leadership in the local level.	<i>2018 - 2022</i>
<b>Consultant in the research field</b> For Yale University, Barcelona School of Economics, and ETH Zurich. Assisted on the collection and comprehensive analysis of data.	<i>2017 - 2021</i>
<b>Research Assistant</b> Institut Barcelona d’Estudis Internacionals (IBEI), Barcelona. Research support in the project of ‘Politicians: Selection and performance’.	<i>2016 - 2018</i>
<b>Research Assistant</b> Fundació Carles Pi i Sunyer, Barcelona. Research support in the Good Practices Bank of public policies in the local level.	<i>2016 - 2017</i>

## AWARDS, GRANTS & SCHOLARSHIPS

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- Juan Linz Award for Best Doctoral Dissertation in Political Science** (2,000€) 2023  
Spanish Ministry of Presidency, Center for Political and Constitutional Studies
- Stanford Impact Labs Stage One Seed Partnership Funding** (\$346,769) 2023  
Project: ‘Promoting Womens Voices in Indian Politics by Combining the Power of Two At-Scale Programs’ (with Soledad Aritz Prillaman and TRIF)
- VPDoR Propel Grant** (\$49,734) 2022  
Project: ‘Elevating Elected Womens Voices in Policy-making in India’ (with Soledad Aritz Prillaman and Deepak Singhania)
- Predoctoral scholarship: Research Training Grant (FPI)** (≈18,000€/year) 2018 - 2022  
Spanish Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness (MINECO).
- Postgraduate Scholarship** (5,000€) 2015  
Fundació Catalunya-La Pedrera.
- Undergraduate Scholarship** (≈4,000€/year) 2011 - 2014  
Spanish Ministry of Education.

## COMPLEMENTARY EDUCATION

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- RECSM Summer School, Universitat Pompeu Fabra** 2017, 2018, 2019  
*Courses:* ‘Social Media and Big Data Research’ (Pablo Barberá), ‘Survey experiments’ (Thomas Leeper). ‘Multilevel 1: Practical multilevel modelling’ (Carla Rampichini and Leonardo Grilli), ‘Multilevel 2: Analysing comparative longitudinal survey data using multilevel models’ (Malcolm Fairbrother). ‘Machine Learning for Social Sciences’ (Reto Wüest), ‘Applied Sampling’ (Alexandru Cernat).
- Zurich Summer School, University of Zurich (UZH)** 2018  
Fellowship program Zurich Summer School for Women in Political Methodology.
- ESSEX Summer School, University of Essex** 2018  
*Courses:* ‘Advanced Methods for policy analysis and evaluation’ (Johanna Rickne and Olle Folke), ‘Advanced Methods for Social Media Textual Data’ (Christopher J. Fariss).
- European University Institute** 2019  
*Courses:* Causal Inference (Elias Dinas), Advanced Research Design (Fabrizio Bernardi), Gender and Politics (Marta Fraile).
- University of Oxford** 2020  
*Course:* Formal Analysis (Andrew Eggers).
- University of California, Berkeley** 2021  
*Course:* Formal Models of Political Science (Andrew Little).

## COMPUTER AND LANGUAGE SKILLS

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**STATA:** Advanced level  
**Qualtrics:** Advanced level  
**R:** Advanced level  
**Python:** Beginner level

**Spanish:** Mother tongue  
**Catalan:** Mother tongue  
**English:** Advanced level  
**Italian:** Beginner level

## SERVICE & OUTREACH

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**Co-founder of Women in Political Science (WOPS)**

*2022 - Present*

Network for female political scientists in Barcelona, promoting collaboration and support for women in academia

**Gender Equality Committee at IBEI**

*2021 - 2022*

Graduate Students Representative for the creation of the [Equality Plan 2022-2026](#)

**Journal referee**

*2021 - Present*

*Comparative Political Studies, European Journal of Political Economy, Political Behavior, International Journal of Public Opinion Research, Social Science Quarterly, Journal of Elections, Public Opinion & Parties*

**Blog ‘Piedras de Papel’**

*2017 - 2020*

Contributor to the Political Science Blog ‘[Piedras de Papel](#)’ in diario.es national newspaper