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*The Challenges to Economic Voting* Univ of California Press  
On voting behavior in the United States  
*Neoliberalism by Surprise in Latin America* NYU Press  
What determines the capacity of countries to design, approve and implement effective public

policies? To address this question, this book builds on the results of case studies of political institutions, policymaking processes, and policy outcomes in eight Latin American countries. The result is a volume that benefits from both micro detail on the intricacies of policymaking in individual countries and a broad cross-country interdisciplinary analysis of policymaking processes in

the region. Securing the Vote Penn State Press  
Seeking Rights from the Left offers a unique comparative assessment of left-leaning Latin American governments by examining their engagement with feminist, women's, and LGBT movements and issues. Focusing on the "Pink Tide" in eight national cases—Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Ecuador,

Nicaragua, Uruguay, and Venezuela—the contributors evaluate how the Left addressed gender- and sexuality-based rights through the state. Most of these governments improved the basic conditions of poor women and their families. Many significantly advanced women's representation in national legislatures. Some legalized same-sex relationships and enabled their citizens

to claim their own gender identity. They also opened opportunities for feminist and LGBT movements to press forward their demands. But at the same time, these governments have largely relied on heteropatriarchal relations of power, ignoring or rejecting the more challenging elements of a social agenda and engaging in strategic trade-offs among gender and sexual rights. Moreover, the

comparative examination of such rights arenas reveals that the Left's more general political and economic projects have been profoundly, if at times unintentionally, informed by traditional understandings of gender and sexuality. Contributors: Sonia E. Alvarez, María Constanza Diaz, Rachel Elfenbein, Elisabeth Jay Friedman, Niki Johnson, Victoria Keller, Edurne Larracochea Bohigas, Amy Lind, Marlise

<p>Matos, Shawna Mullenax, Ana Laura Rodríguez Gustá, Diego Sempol, Constanza Tabbush, Gwynn Thomas, Catalina Trebisacce, Annie Wilkinson <u>Presidential Campaigns in Latin America</u> Oxford University Press Offers a new theory of regime support to explain why citizen support for regimes does not always match policy performance.</p>	<p><i>Participatory Decentralizati on and Community Activism in Montevideo</i> Cambridge University Press Develops a new theory of how politicians campaign and deploy electoral clientelism in weak party systems. <i>Democracy, Dictatorship, and Term Limits</i> Cambridge University Press Comprehensiv e study of the application of the Michigan model to explain voting</p>	<p>behavior in Latin America <b>Dancing Jacobins</b> Yale University Press A bracingly provocative challenge to one of our most cherished ideas and institutions Most people believe democracy is a uniquely just form of government. They believe people have the right to an equal share of political power. And they believe that political participation is good for us—it empowers us, helps us get</p>
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what we want, and tends to make us smarter, more virtuous, and more caring for one another. These are some of our most cherished ideas about democracy. But Jason Brennan says they are all wrong. In this trenchant book, Brennan argues that democracy should be judged by its results—and the results are not good enough. Just as defendants have a right to a fair trial, citizens have

a right to competent government. But democracy is the rule of the ignorant and the irrational, and it all too often falls short. Furthermore, no one has a fundamental right to any share of political power, and exercising political power does most of us little good. On the contrary, a wide range of social science research shows that political participation and democratic

deliberation actually tend to make people worse—more irrational, biased, and mean. Given this grim picture, Brennan argues that a new system of government—epistocracy, the rule of the knowledgeable—may be better than democracy, and that it's time to experiment and find out. A challenging critique of democracy and the first sustained defense of the rule of the knowledgeable

<p>e, Against Democracy is essential reading for scholars and students of politics across the disciplines. Featuring a new preface that situates the book within the current political climate and discusses other alternatives beyond epistocracy, Against Democracy is a challenging critique of democracy and the first sustained defense of the rule of the knowledgeable</p>	<p>e.  <i>A Study of Ethnic Parties, Campaigns, and Elections in Latin America</i> OUP Oxford  The 2015 Argentine election shows how voting decisions vary across developing democracies  <u>The Unchanging American Voter</u>  Princeton University Press  Exploring the factors that lead some presidents to hold on to power beyond their term limits  <i>Theories and</i></p>	<p><i>Methods</i>  Harvard Univ David Rockefeller  Are elected presidents held accountable for economic declines in Latin America?  The narrative of the impact of economic crises on the decision of voters tends to be focused in Western countries. This study examines recent trends in Latin American presidential countries and cast them in terms of economic voting, identifying the</p>
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institutional and political determinants which could induce a greater or attenuating effect of the economy on the incumbent vote. It also documents the ways in which presidents can incentivize clarity of responsibility. Using time-series operators (1962-2018), this study finds the impact of the economy in Latin America is solid and not conditional on the elements provided; for

example, when there is a coalition or minority government, the incumbent will be equally punished for a poor economic performance; also within decentralized countries or strong executives; and regardless of whether the president is seeking reelection. This finding holds across eight different measures of variation with nine independent variables. **Christian Democracy in Latin**

**America**  
LAPOP  
How do presidential candidates in new democracies choose their campaign strategies, and what strategies do they adopt? In contrast to the claim that campaigns around the world are becoming more similar to one another, Taylor Boas argues that new democracies are likely to develop nationally specific approaches to electioneering

through a process called success contagion. The theory of success contagion holds that the first elected president to complete a successful term in office establishes a national model of campaign strategy that other candidates will adopt in the future. He develops this argument for the cases of Chile, Brazil, and Peru, drawing on interviews with campaign strategists and content

analysis of candidates' television advertising from the 1980s through 2011. The author concludes by testing the argument in ten other new democracies around the world, demonstrating substantial support for the theory. Political Institutions, Actors, and Arenas in Latin American Policymaking Weiser Center for Emerging Dem "Presents evidence that under certain

widespread structural conditions, democratic accountability falls prey to the same N-person prisoner's dilemma that plagues any other decentralized attempt to procure collective goods. Examines four prominent democracies: postwar and contemporary Brazil and pre-Chavez and contemporary Venezuela"-- Provided by publisher. **The Divergent Fates of Latin**



**America's  
New Left  
Contenders**  
Cambridge  
University  
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Public opinion  
and political  
behavior  
experts  
explore voter  
choice in Latin  
America with  
this follow-up  
to the 1960  
landmark *The  
American  
Voter*  
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Faces of  
Strategic  
Voting**  
Fordham Univ  
Press  
Reveals how  
Cold War U.S.  
presidents  
intervened in  
Latin America  
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stated, to  
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about strength  
and credibility  
both globally  
and at home.  
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and Policy  
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Systems*  
University of  
Michigan  
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century, much  
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population in  
Latin America

lacked access  
to social  
protection.  
Since the  
1990s,  
however,  
social policy  
for millions of  
outsiders -  
rural,  
informal, and  
unemployed  
workers and  
dependents -  
has been  
expanded  
dramatically.  
*Social Policy  
Expansion in  
Latin America*  
shows that the  
critical factors  
driving  
expansion are  
electoral  
competition  
for the vote of  
outsiders and  
social  
mobilization  
for policy  
change. The

balance of partisan power and the involvement of social movements in policy design explain cross-national variation in policy models, in terms of benefit levels, coverage, and civil society participation in implementation. The book draws on in-depth case studies of policy making in Argentina, Brazil, Chile, and Mexico over several administrations and across three policy areas: health care,

pensions, and income support.

Secondary case studies illustrate how the theory applies to other developing countries.

**The United States in Latin America, from 1776 to the Twenty-First Century**

University of Pittsburgh Press  
Latin America suffered a profound state crisis in the 1980s, which prompted not only the wave of macroeconomic and deregulation

reforms known as the Washington Consensus, but also a wide variety of institutional or 'second generation' reforms. 'The State of State Reform in Latin America' reviews and assesses the outcomes of these less studied institutional reforms. This book examines four major areas of institutional reform: a. political institutions and the state organization; b. fiscal institutions, such as

budget, tax and decentralization institutions; c. public institutions in charge of sectoral economic policies (financial, industrial, and infrastructure) ; and d. social sector institutions (pensions, social protection, and education). In each of these areas, the authors summarize the reform objectives, describe and measure their scope, assess the main outcomes, and	identify the obstacles for implementation, especially those of an institutional nature. <i>The Voter's Dilemma and Democratic Accountability</i> University of Michigan Press An accessible course book on U.S.-Latin American relations "Our Hemisphere"? uncovers the range, depth, and veracity of the United States' relationship with the Americas. Using short historical vignettes, Britta and	Russell Crandall chart the course of inter-American relations from 1776 to the present, highlighting the roles that individuals and groups of soldiers, intellectuals, private citizens, and politicians have had in shaping U.S. policy toward Latin America in the postcolonial, Cold War, and post-Cold War eras. The United States is usually and correctly seen as pursuing a monolithic, hegemonic agenda in
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Latin America, wielding political, economic, and military muscle to force Latin American countries to do its bidding, but the Crandalls reveal unexpected yet salient regional interactions where Latin Americans have exercised their own power with their northern and very powerful neighbor. Moreover, they show that Washington's relationship

with the region has relied, in addition to the usual heavy-handedness, on cooperation and mutual respect since the beginning of the relationship. [Argentina in Comparative Perspective](#) Simon and Schuster Around the world, established parties are weakening, and new parties are failing to take root. In many cases, outsiders have risen and filled the void, posing a

threat to democracy. Why do most new parties fail? Under what conditions do they survive and become long-term electoral fixtures? Brandon Van Dyck investigates these questions in the context of the contemporary Latin American left. He argues that stable parties are not an outgrowth of democracy. On the contrary, contemporary democracy impedes

successful party building. To construct a durable party, elites must invest time and labor, and they must share power with activists. Because today's elites have access to party substitutes like mass media, they can win votes without making such sacrifices in time, labor, and autonomy. Only under conditions of soft authoritarianism do office-seeking elites have a strong electoral

incentive to invest in party building. Van Dyck illustrates this argument through a comparative analysis of four new left parties in Latin America: two that collapsed and two that survived. Partisans, Antipartisans, and Nonpartisans Cambridge University Press How Democracy Works takes a detailed look, from an institutional perspective, at each of the main actors

on the policymaking stage in Latin America, emphasizing the extent to which institutions facilitate or hinder intertemporal political cooperation and compromise. It analyzes official political actors and arenas, as well as a number of societal actors, and explores the (formal) roles of these players, their incentives, capabilities, and the way in which they actually

engage in the policymaking game. The conclusion: these political institutions and actors matter for policymaking in Latin America and

leave an indelible imprint on the policy process and the resulting policies.

**The Latin American Voter**

University of Michigan

Press  
Susan Stokes explores why Latin American politicians seeking reelection would impose unpopular policies.