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Education	Arizona State University (ASU), PhD, Political Science	exp. 2025
	U. of Wisconsin–Milwaukee (UWM), MA, Political Science	2019
	Southern Methodist University (SMU), BBA, Finance	2015

Dissertation “The Political Economy of Immigration Policy Enforcement”
Chairs: Drs. Valerie Mueller and Timothy Peterson
Committee: Drs. Fabian Neuner and Henry Thomson

Research Interests Immigration Policy, Migrants’ Decision Making,
American Politics, Comparative Politics, International Relations,
Public Administration and Policy, Political Economy

Peer-Reviewed Publications **Smoldt, Matthew**, Valerie Mueller, and Cameron G. Thies. 2025.
“[US Enforcement Politics and Remittance Dynamics in Mexico](#).” *Journal of Politics* 87(1).

Maystadt, Jean-Francois, Ashok K. Mishra, Valerie Mueller, and **Matthew Smoldt**. 2024. “[The Causes and Policy Responses to Forced Migration and Environmental Degradation in Africa](#).” *Annual Review of Resource Economics* 16: 301–22.

Working Papers **Smoldt, Matthew**. 2025. “[Occupational Immobility and Attitudes on Immigration Policy Enforcement](#).” (Appendix)

Non-Refereed Publications Blogs
Smoldt, Matthew, Valerie Mueller, and Cameron Thies. 2024.
“[Should They Stay or Should They Go? Deportations and Migrants’ Remittances](#).” *JOP Blog* [blog], November 15.

Smoldt, Matthew. 2021. “[Unenforced: The State of Migrants’ Rights](#).” *Global Human Rights Hub Fellows Blog* [blog].

Smoldt, Matthew. 2020. “[Insecure Justice: Migrants’ Right to Due Process](#).” *Global Human Rights Hub Fellows Blog* [blog].

Editorials
Mueller, Valerie, **Matthew Smoldt**, and Cameron Thies. 2020.
“[El gobierno de López Obrador debe prepararse para una disminución en el envío de remesas](#).” *El Economista*.

Grants, Awards, and Fellowships	<u>Research Grants</u>	
	ASU JumpStart Research Grant \$750	2024
	SPGS Graduate Student Summer Research Grant \$2,000	2024
	SPGS Graduate Student Summer Research Grant \$3,000	2023
	<u>Travel Grants</u>	
	International Studies Association–Midwest Travel Grant \$250	2024
	International Studies Association–Northeast Travel Grant \$150	2022
	SPGS Graduate Student Conference Travel Grant \$635	2022
	<u>Awards</u>	
	SPGS Teaching Assistant of the Year \$150	2023
	SPGS Summer Paper Completion Award \$500	2020
	UWM Chancellor’s Graduate Student Award \$4,000	2017 – 2018
	<u>Fellowships</u>	
	Stephen G. Walker Graduate Support Fellowship \$1,500	2023
	Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse Fellow	2021, 2025
	ASU Global Human Rights Hub Fellow	2020 – 2021
	SMU Robert Mayer Research Fellow	2014 – 2015
Conferences	“Occupational Immobility and Attitudes on Immigration Policy Enforcement” at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association’s Virtual Research Meeting	2025
	International Studies Association–Midwest Chapter	2024
	“Sanctions-Induced Migration and Foreign Policy Attitudes” at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association	2023
	“U.S. Enforcement Politics and Remittance Dynamics in Mexico” at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association–Northeast Chapter	2022
	International Studies Association–West Chapter	2022
	“Interstate Remittances and the Host Country” at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association	2021
Competencies	<u>Software</u> : Stata, R, LaTeX, Qualtrics	
	<u>Skills</u> : OLS, MLE, Causal Analysis	

Teaching Experience

School of Politics and Global Studies

Arizona State University

Instructor of Record

Graduate

Graduate Student Math Camp (in-person and online) SM23, SM24

Undergraduate

Political Economy (in-person) FA23, SP24, FA24

Teaching Assistant

Graduate

Polimetrics II (in-person) SP23

Polimetrics I (in-person) FA22

Undergraduate

World Politics (online) SP25

Global Politics (in-person) SP25

Empirical Political Inquiry (in-person) FA22

Political Statistics (online) SP22

How Dictators Rule (in-person) SP21

Comparative Government (in-person) SP21

Global Trends (online) SP20, FA20, FA21, SP22

Political Ideologies (online) SP20, FA20, SP21, FA21

Fake News: Identify and Refute (online) FA19

American Government and Politics (in-person) FA19

Department of Political Science

University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee

Teaching Assistant

Undergraduate

Politics of Authoritarian Regimes (in-person) SP19

Russian and Post–Soviet Politics (in-person) SP19

International Organization and the United Nations (online) FA18

Politics of International Economic Relations (online) SP18

Chinese Politics and Foreign Policy (in-person) SP18

Conduct of American Foreign Affairs (in-person) FA17

American Political Thought (in-person) FA17

Introduction to Political Science Research (in-person) FA17