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## GOALS & RESEARCH INTERESTS

Teaching and researching in the fields of urban politics and political economy. Working in a collaborative and stimulating work environment.

My main **research interests** are the following:

- Politics of Mobility and Migration, in an American and Comparative setting;
- Comparative Politics in general;
- International Political Economy, with a focus on finance.

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## ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

*Summer 2009:* **PhD in Political Science**, University of Colorado at Boulder. Dissertation defended on August 6, 2009.

*Summer 2005:* Attended ICPSR – Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research, **Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research**. Workshop: “*Rational Choice Theories of Politics and Society*”

*Fall 2002:* Honorific title of ‘*Cultore della materia*’ (Adept of the subject) of International Relations at the faculty of Political Science of the University of Studies of Florence, Italy.

*Fall 2000:* **Master of Art in International Relations** (Dec. 2000) at The Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs of Syracuse University. **Specialization:** Global Information Policy & W. Europe. **GPA:** 3.940. **Relevant Courses taken:** International Economics, Telecommunication and Information Policy; Information Technology Policy, Global Policies in the Information Age; International Political Economy, Global Markets Europe. **MA Thesis:** “*Intellectual property rights and privacy over the Internet*”.

*Summer 1998:* BA, University of Florence, Faculty of Political Science “Cesare Alfieri”. **Final dissertation thesis:** “*Globalization and interdependence in International Relations*”. **Grade:** 110/110 + laude (full marks summa cum laude).

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## DISSERTATION

**Title:** Political Reaction to Immigration in EU Municipalities

**Abstract:** My research addresses the issue of political reaction to immigration in European cities. My thesis approaches the issue at the municipal level because the city is the environment that contains most of the contexts in which citizens exchange political opinions and where they see first hand the effects of demographic change from immigration. My thesis addresses the following questions: how do citizens react politically to immigration? Are all cities the same in

their reaction to migrants? Are all migrants the same as far as provoking a political reaction? Which groups make a difference? Where? To answer these questions, I use as dependent variables electoral performance of anti-migrant parties in Italy and Austria, and Best Value Performance Indicator survey results in the UK. I found considerable cross-municipal and cross-regional variation in the political reaction to migrants in my case studies. I also found that migrants of specific ethnic groups and nationalities are more likely to provoke a political reaction in the cities they move in. This finding varies considerably across countries, region, and municipalities.

**Committee:** Prof. Kenneth Bickers (Chair), Prof. Jennifer Fitzgerald and Prof. Joseph Jupille (University of Colorado at Boulder), Prof. Peter John (University of Manchester), Prof. Christina Sue (University of Colorado at Boulder).

**Status:** defended.

## PUBLICATIONS

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*September 2006: Publication:* Bickers, K. N., Stein, R. N., Salucci, L., "Assessing the Micro-Foundations of the Tiebout Model", *Urban Affairs Review*, Vol. 42, n. 1, September 2006, pp. 57-80.

*Fall 2003 - Spring 2004: Publication:* appendix on International Political Economy of the book 'Lezioni di Relazioni Internazionali' by Prof. Umberto Gori, Padova, CEDAM 2004.

*Fall 2001: Publication:* "Trust, law and the wired world: privacy, online profiling and E-commerce", *Maxwell Review, A Journal of Scholarship and Opinion*, Vol. IX, # 1, Spring 2001 (Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs – Syracuse University), in collaboration with R. Christopher Bronk.

## IN PROGRESS

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*2009:* article "Tiebout Mobility under Conditions of Electoral Turnover", with prof. Kenneth N. Bickers; **the article been conditionally accepted for publication on Urban Affairs Review Urban Affairs Review in September 2009.**

## CONFERENCES

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*Fall 2009: Presentation* at the American Political Science Association Conference in Toronto: "The FPÖ And BZÖ Against Migrants In Austrian Cities".

*Spring 2009: Presentation* at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference in Chicago: "Immigration and the fortunes of the Northern League".

*Fall 2008: Presentation* at the American Political Science Conference in Boston: "Left No More: Exit, Voice and Loyalty in the Dissolution of a Party", revised draft.

*Spring 2008:*

1) **Presentation** at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference in Chicago: "Migration, Mobility and Satisfaction with Local Public Services in the UK";

2) **Presentation** at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference in Chicago “Left no more: exit, voice and loyalty in the dissolution of a party”.

*Spring 2007:*

1) **Presentation** at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference in Chicago: “Tiebout Mobility under Conditions of Electoral Turnover” with prof. Kenneth N. Bickers.

2) **Presentation** at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference in Chicago: “The Depths of Debt: Debt, Trade and Choices”.

*Spring 2006: Presentation* at the Western Political Science Association Conference in Las Vegas: "Inflation Targeting, Interest Rates and Government Partisanship".

*Spring 2005: Presentation* at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference in Chicago: “The Micro-Foundations of the Tiebout Model” with prof. Kenneth N. Bickers (University of Colorado at Boulder) and prof. Robert N. Stein (Rice University)

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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*Fall 2009: Adjunct Professor* for the classes “Comparative Urban Politics” (PSCI4092) and “Urban Politics” (PSCI3071) at CU Boulder

*Spring 2009:*

1) **Instructor** for the class “EU Politics” (INTS2320) at the Josef Korbel School of International Studies (formerly GSIS) of Denver University.

2) **Graduate Part-Time Instructor** (GPTI) for the political science class “Urban Politics” (PSCI3071) at CU Boulder

*Fall 2008: Instructor* for the graduate class “International Political Economy” (INTS4324) at the Graduate School of International Studies (GSIS) of Denver University.

*Spring 2008:*

1) **Graduate Part-Time Instructor** (GPTI) for the political science class “Urban Politics” (PSCI3071) at CU Boulder.

2) Final phase of completion of the work for **Graduate Teacher Certificate** offered by CU Boulder.

*Fall 2007: Teaching Assistant* for the international affairs class “Global Issues and International Affairs” at CU Boulder.

*Fall 2006 & Spring 2007: Graduate Part-Time Instructor* (GPTI) for the political science class “Western European Politics” (PSCI4002) at CU Boulder.

*Spring 2006: Graduate Part-Time Instructor* (GPTI) for the political science class “International Behavior” (PSCI3193) at CU Boulder.

*Fall 2004: Teaching Assistant* for the political science class “Introduction to Comparative Politics” at CU Boulder.

*Spring 2004: **Teaching Assistant*** for the political science class “Introduction to International Relations” at the University of Colorado at Boulder, USA.

*Fall 2002: **Teaching Assistant*** for the European Integration class of Prof. Valdo Spini, MP & European Convention member, at Stanford University Program in Florence.

*Spring 1999:* University of Florence, Faculty of Political Science “Cesare Alfieri”, **Teaching Assistant** for prof. Umberto Gori’s International Relations classes and seminar entitled “Globalization”. My responsibilities included assigning, reading and correcting the students’ papers. I assisted during oral exams (summer session)

*Fall 1999 – Spring 2000: **Italian language instructor*** at Syracuse University. Class: ITA 101-102 (beginner’s level)

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## WORK EXPERIENCE

*February – August 2003: **press manager / political assistant*** for Hon. Valdo Spini, MP. My responsibilities included press communication and management, political consulting and events organization.

*January 2003:* Project Manager at VerticalTech S.r.l. (<http://www.verticaltech.it>)

*April 2001 – December 2003 :* Media In Business srl (<http://www.mibweb.it>), Sales Director & Project Manager

*Fall 2000:* internship at ITV Broadcasting (London, UK). Policy analysis on EU Communication policy, Digital TV, Digital Video Recorders, Convergence.

*Summer 2000:* internship at Center for Democracy & Technology (<http://www.cdt.org>). Research on Internet infrastructure and privacy.

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## FOREIGN LANGUAGES

**English:** university exam grades: 29/30, TOEFL score: 290/300

**French:** university exam grades: 27/30, DELF (Diplome d’Etude de la Langue Francaise) I – II – III at “L’Institut Francais de Florence”.

**Spanish:** language skill at comprehension level.

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## SKILLS & OTHER

**Computer skills:** knowledge of Windows 95/98/NT, MS Office, SAS, MacOS and Linux environment. Knowledge of Expert Choice, a decision making aiding software package based on the Analytic Hierarchy Process, developed by Prof. T. Saaty of the Pittsburgh University.

**Statistics:** 4 graduate classes in quantitative analysis, one at Syracuse University and three at the University of Colorado at Boulder, with prof. David Leblang. Proficiency in the use of data analysis software STATA.

**Society:** member of the Rosselli Foundation and Political Culture Club of Florence (<http://www.rosselli.org>) since 2002