

## ***Curriculum Vitae***

**Efrén O. Pérez**

Assistant Professor  
Department of Political Science  
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### **EDUCATION**

Duke University, Durham, NC Ph.D., Political Science Dissertation: <i>No Way José: The Nature and Sequence of U.S. Anti-Immigrant Opinion</i>	May 2008
Duke University, Durham, NC Master of Arts, Political Science <i>Major Field: American Politics</i>	May 2006
University of San Diego, San Diego, CA Bachelor of Arts, Political Science and Spanish Literature <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	May 1999

### **ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN	September 2008 - present
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### **RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS**

Political Psychology, Public Opinion, Race, Ethnicity, and Politics  
Anti-Immigrant Opinion, Latino Public Opinion, Racialized Attitudes  
Experiments and Surveys, Focus Groups, Scaling and Measurement, Time-Series Analysis

### **PUBLICATIONS**

Pérez, Efrén O. Accepted and forthcoming. Lost in Translation? Item Validity in Bilingual Political Surveys. *Journal of Politics*.

McClain, Paula D., Michael C. Brady, Niambi M. Carter, Efrén O. Pérez, and Victoria DeFrancesco Soto. 2005. "Rebuilding Black Voting Rights Before the Voting Rights Act." In *The Voting Rights Act: Securing the Ballot*. Richard M. Valelly (editor). Washington: Congressional Quarterly Press.

## **AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS, & HONORS**

2009, "Immigration and the American Experience" - Warren Center Fellowship, \$4,000  
2007, National Science Foundation Dissertation Improvement Grant, \$11,933  
2007, Duke American Politics Research Group – Summer Research Award, \$2,160  
2007, Duke Interdisciplinary Initiative in Social Psychology – Subject Payment Grant, \$500  
2006, Duke American Politics Research Group – Summer Research Award, \$1,500  
2005 (3 yrs.), National Science Foundation Graduate Fellowship, \$90,000  
2003 (2 yrs.), James B. Duke Graduate Fellowship

## **WORKS IN PROGRESS**

"U.S. Opposition to Immigration: Evidence of Its Macro-Dynamics."

"The Implicit Assumptions Behind Implicit Measures of Attitudes: Evidence From an Internet Survey of Anti-Immigrant Sentiment."

"*Juan* for All: Implicit Attitudes and Public Opposition to Immigration."

"Race and Nation: Super-Ordinate Identities, Sub-Group Attachments, and Hostility To Immigrants" (with Niambi M. Carter).

"Speaking in Tongues: Language, Politics, and the Survey Response."

"Is Anti-Immigrant Sentiment Responsible for an Apolitical Outlook? Xenophobia, Foreigners, and Political Involvement."

"The Immigrant and Bigotry: How and Why the Former Manifests the Latter."

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

"If It's White, Is It Right? National Attachments, African Americans, and Hostility to Immigrants" (with Niambi M. Carter). Paper presented at the 2008 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association.

"*Juan* for All: Implicit Attitudes and the Group-Specific Nature of Anti-Immigrant Opinion." Paper presented at the 2008 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, and the 2008 Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association.

"Lost in Translation? Validity and Reliability in Bilingual Political Surveys." Paper presented at the 2007 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.

"Aliens Through Space and Time: U.S. Anti-Immigrant Opinion in Longitudinal Perspective." Paper presented at the Center for the Study of Race, Ethnicity, and Gender in the Social Sciences, Duke University, March 2006; and the 2006 Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association.

“Framing Effects and Attitudes Toward Immigrant Assimilation.” (with Victoria DeFrancesco Soto). Paper presented at the 2006 Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association.

“Don’t Hate the Player, Hate the Game: The Link Between Anti-Immigrant Opinion and Attitudes Toward Latinos.” (with Victoria DeFrancesco). Paper presented at the 2005 Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association.

“No Way José: Latino Stereotypes, Social Categorization & the Politics of Immigration.” Paper presented at the 2004 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association.

## **COURSES**

American Public Opinion (Vanderbilt University)

Group Conflict and Cooperation in U.S. Politics (Vanderbilt University)

Advanced Readings in Political Psychology (graduate seminar, Vanderbilt University)

## **LANGUAGE AND PROGRAMMING SKILLS**

Fluent Spanish (verbal and written)

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## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND SERVICE**

Manuscript Reviewer: *Journal of Politics*; *Political Behavior*; *Political Psychology*.

Member, *American Political Science Association*; *Midwest Political Science Association*; *Western Political Science Association*

## **REFERENCES**

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