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BIO

Alberto Diaz-Cayeros joined the FSI faculty in 2013. He was the Director of the Center for Latin American Studies from 2016 to 2023. From 2008 to 2013 he was Associate Professor at the University of California, San Diego, and Director of the Center for US-Mexico Studies. He was an assistant professor of political science at Stanford from 2001-2008, before which he served as an assistant professor of political science at the University of California, Los Angeles. Diaz-Cayeros has also served as a researcher at Centro de Investigacion Para el Desarrollo, A.C. in Mexico from 1997-1999. He earned his Ph.D at Duke University in 1997. His work has focused on federalism, poverty and violence in Latin America, and Mexico in particular. He has published widely in Spanish and English. His book Federalism, Fiscal Authority and Centralization in Latin America was published by Cambridge University Press in 2007 (reprinted 2016). His latest book (with Federico Estevez and Beatriz Magaloni) is: The Political Logic of Poverty Relief Electoral Strategies and Social Policy in Mexico (2016).

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Senior Fellow, Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies
- Professor (By courtesy), Political Science

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Senior Fellow, Stanford Center for Innovation in Global Health (2015-Present)
- Premio al Merito Profesional ITAM Sector Academico, Instituto Tecnologico Autonomo de Mexico (ITAM) (2006)
- Victoria Schuck Faculty Scholar, School of Humanities and Sciences, Stanford University. (2007-2008)
- Award for the Best Dissertation in Political Economy, American Political Science Association (1998)
- Award for the Best Paper presented in the 2000 meeting by the Comparative Politics Section, American Political Science Association (2000)
- Visiting Fellow, Harvard University (1996-August 1997)
- Dissertation Grant, Institute for the Study of World Politics (ISWP) (September 1993-August 1994)
- Distinction in Preliminary Examinations, Duke University (March 1993)
- Field Research Grant in Mexico,, Tinker Foundation, the Center of Latin American Studies at Duke (August 1992)

- Field Research Grant in Czechoslovakia, Center for International Studies at Duke (June-July 1992)
- James B. Duke International Fellowship, Duke University (1990-1993)
- Fulbright Fellowship, U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Education and Cultural Affairs (1990-1992)
- Ford-MacArthur Fellowship, Ford-MacArthur (1990-1992)
- High Honors, ITAM (1990)

BOARDS, ADVISORY COMMITTEES, PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- Member of the Editorial Board, Política y Gobierno (1997 - 2004)
- Member of the External Evaluation Board, the Centro de Investigacion y Docencia Economica (CIDE) (2009 - 2011)

PROGRAM AFFILIATIONS

- Center for Latin American Studies

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- Ph.D., Duke University , Political Science (1997)
- M.A., Duke University , Political Science (1993)
- Licenciatura, Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM) , Economics (1990)

LINKS

- Personal Website: http://www.albertodiazcayeros.org/
- FSI Website Profile: http://fsi.stanford.edu/people/alberto_diazcayeros/

Research & Scholarship

CURRENT RESEARCH AND SCHOLARLY INTERESTS

Comparative Politics, Political Economy, International Political Economy, Poverty, Rule of Law, Political Party Development

PROJECTS

- The Governance of Public Health in Mexico - Stanford University
- Criminal Violence, Security and Poverty - Stanford University

Teaching

COURSES

2024-25

- CSRE Graduate Student Interdisciplinary Seminar: CSRE 303 (Spr)
- Latin American Politics: POLISCI 248S, POLISCI 348S (Aut)
- Mapping Poverty, Colonialism and Nation Building in Latin America: MLA 369 (Aut)

2023-24

- Democratic Backsliding - La Recaída Democrática: OSPMADRD 23 (Aut)
- Graduate Writing Seminar for Latin American Studies: LATINAM 397 (Win, Spr)
- Latin American Politics: POLISCI 248S, POLISCI 348S (Win)
- Policing, Violence and Migration in Latin America: Historical Origins and Contemporary Challenges: POLISCI 27SC (Sum)
- Seminar on Contemporary Issues in Latin American Studies: LATINAM 200 (Aut)

STANFORD ADVISEES

Henry Kaye

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Publications

PUBLICATIONS

- **Barriers to Egalitarianism: Distributive Tensions in Latin American Federations** *LATIN AMERICAN RESEARCH REVIEW*
  Beramendi, P., Rogers, M., Diaz-Cayeros, A.
  2017; 52 (4): 529–51
- **Presidential Approval and Public Security in Mexico's War on Crime** *LATIN AMERICAN POLITICS AND SOCIETY*
  Romero, V., Magaloni, B., Diaz-Cayeros, A.
  2016; 58 (2): 100-123
- **Authoritarian Survival and Poverty Traps: Land Reform in Mexico** *WORLD DEVELOPMENT*
  Albertus, M., Diaz-Cayeros, A., Magaloni, B., Weingast, B. R.
  2016; 77: 154-170
- **The Beheading of Criminal Organizations and the Dynamics of Violence in Mexico** *JOURNAL OF CONFLICT RESOLUTION*
  Calderon, G., Robles, G., Diaz-Cayeros, A., Magaloni, B.
  2015; 59 (8): 1455-1485
- **The Mexican War on Drugs: Crime and the Limits of Government Persuasion** *INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF PUBLIC OPINION RESEARCH*
  Romero, V., Magaloni, B., Diaz-Cayeros, A.
  2015; 27 (1): 125-137
- **The Political Logic of Poverty Relief: Electoral Strategies and Social Policy in Mexico**
  Diaz-Cayeros, A., Estevez, F., Magaloni, B.
  Cambridge University Press.2015
- **The Beheading of Criminal Organizations and the Dynamics of Violence in Mexico** *Journal of Conflict Resolution*
  Gabriela, C., et al
  2015
- **WHERE DOES THE POLITICAL ECONOMY IN MEXICO MOVE TOWARDS?** *TRIMESTRE ECONOMICO*
  Diaz Cayeros, A., Razu Aznar, Z.
  2014; 81 (324): 783-806
- **Traditional Governance, Citizen Engagement and Local Public Goods: Evidence from Mexico** *World Development*
  Díaz-Cayeros, A., Magaloni, B., Euler , A. R.
  2013
- **Traditional Governance, Citizen Engagement, and Local Public Goods: Evidence from Mexico** *WORLD DEVELOPMENT*
  Diaz-Cayeros, A., Magaloni, B., Ruiz-Euler, A.
  2013; 53: 80-93
- **AIDING LATIN AMERICA'S POOR** *JOURNAL OF DEMOCRACY*
  Diaz-Cayeros, A., Magaloni, B.
  2009; 20 (4): 36-49
- **Buying - off the Poor: Effects of Targeted Benefits in the 2006 Presidential Race** *Consolidating Mexico's Democracy: The 2006 Presidential Campaign in Comparative Perspective*
  Díaz-Cayeros, A., Estevez, F., Magaloni , B.

Johns Hopkins University Press .2009

- **Aiding Latin America's Poor** *Journal of Democracy*
  Diaz-Cayeros, A., Magaloni, B.
  2009; 20, 4
- **Consilidating Mexico's Democracy**
  Díaz-Cayeros, A., Estévez, F., Magaloni, B.
  2009
- **Electoral risk and redistributive politics in Mexico and the United States** *62nd Annual Meeting of the Midwest-Political-Science-Association*
  Diaz-Cayeros, A.
  SPRINGER.2008: 129–50
- **Federalism, Fiscal Authority, and Centralization in Latin America**
  Díaz-Cayeros , A.
  Cambridge Studies in Comparative Politics.2006
- **Clientelism and Portfolio Diversification: a Model of Electoral Investment with Applications to Mexico**
  Magaloni, B., Díaz-Cayeros, A., Estévez, F.
  2006
- **Federalism, Fiscal Authority, and Centralization in Latin America**
  Diaz-Cayeros, A.
  Cambridge Studies in Comparative Politics.2006
- **Endogenous institutional change in the Mexican senate** *Meeting of the Latin-American-Political-Science-Association*
  Diaz-Cayeros, A.
  SAGE PUBLICATIONS INC.2005: 1196–1218
- **Coalition building strategies and fiscal dependence in Mexican federalism** *POLITICA Y GOBIERNO*
  Diaz-Cayeros, A.
  2004; 11 (2): 231-?
- **Party dominance and the logic of electoral design in Mexico's transition to democracy** *Annual Meeting of the Public-Choice-Society*
  Diaz-Cayeros, A., Magaloni, B.
  SAGE PUBLICATIONS LTD.2001: 271–93
- **Party Dominance and the Logic of Electoral Design in Mexico's Transition to Democracy** *Journal of Theoretical Politics*
  Magaloni, B., Diaz-Cayeros, A.
  2001; 13