

# ALBERTO GANIS

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**EDUCATION** **Ph.D. Candidate, Politics** - *University of California, Santa Cruz* (Exp. Completion 2024)  
Dissertation: *Explaining Cross-Regional Variation in Territorial Governance: The Case of the Italian Regions*  
**Master of Arts, Politics** - *University of California, Santa Cruz* (2021)  
**Black Europe Summer School (BESS)** - *International Institute for Research and Education (IIRE) Amsterdam* (Summer 2019)  
**Master of Arts, Media** (Cum Laude) - *Erasmus University Rotterdam* (2017)  
**Bachelor of Arts, Communication Studies** (Summa Cum Laude) - *California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo* (2015)  
**Associate of Arts, Psychology** (Honors) – *San Diego Miramar College* (2013)

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**PUBLICATIONS** **Ganis, A.** McKay, S. et al. (2023), Belonging and its Barriers: A Critical Perspective of Latiné and Mixed-Status Families' Experiences. *Social Sciences - Special Issue "New Trends in Community-Engaged Research, Volume 2: New Voices, Critical Approaches"*.

**Ganis, A.** (2019), Nazionalismo Sub-Statale di Fronte all'Alterità: Identità Mediate in Friuli, *Nazioni e Regioni*, 19:14.

**Ganis, A.** (2019), The Global in the Life of a Small Town: The Case of Udine, *Perspectives on Global Development and Technology*, Brill, 18:1-2.

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**GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS** **Chancellor's Quarter Dissertation Fellowship** (2023-24) - \$9750 – *UC Santa Cruz*  
**Ph.D. Workshop Fellowship** (2022) - \$500 - *European University Institute Florence*  
**Venetian Research Program Grant** (2021) - \$14000 - *The Gladys Kriebler Delmas Foundation*  
**Graduate Pedagogy Fellow** (2020) - \$2000– *Center for Innovation in Teaching and Learning - University of California, Santa Cruz*  
**Summer Research Funding** (2019-23) - \$6100 total – *Politics Department*  
**Conference Travel Funding** (2018/23) - \$2700 total – *GSA UCSC & Politics Department*  
**College of Liberal Arts - Maher and Farrow Academic Scholarships** (2015) \$2400 - *California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo*

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**RESEARCH INTERESTS** Territorial multi-level governance, sub-state nationalism, qualitative methods, identity politics, comparative politics, European politics, institutions, migration, and digital media analysis.

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**RESEARCH EXPERIENCE** **Visiting Research Fellow** – *University of Padova, Italy*  
10/2022– 01/2023  
Developed a qualitative research design gathering expert interviews and archival data to understand territorial policy making at the regional level.  
**Graduate Research Assistant** - *University of California, Santa Cruz*

03/2021- 03/2023

Assist with the development of the codebook. Train and oversee students coding interview transcripts while managing the workflow. Analyze the final results and produce final outputs for the 'We Belong: Collaboration for Community-Engaged Research and Immigrant Justice' project. PIs Dr. McKay and Dr. Lopez.

**Graduate Research Assistant** - *University of California, Santa Cruz*

01/2019-12/2021

Research, organization, and analysis of newspaper articles, surveys, and electoral data for the project "Mesut Özil and the Politics of German Identity". PI Dr. Gehring.

**Graduate Research Assistant** - *University of California, Santa Cruz*

08/2019-09/2019

Research and data filing on sociology project focusing on immigration in the USA, crime and sanctuary cities. PI Dr. Pedroza.

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**TEACHING EXPERIENCE** **Instructor of Record** - *University of California, Santa Cruz*

01/2022-Ongoing

Design the syllabus and teach 'Introduction to U.S. and comparative legal institutions and practices'. It examines diverse areas of law from civil rights to international human rights. Max enrollment: 120 students. Class taught in person during Summer Quarter 2023.

Design the syllabus and teach 'Rhetoric and Inquiry' - Writing from research, composing in multiple genres, and transferring knowledge about writing to new contexts. Hold regular office hours and grade assignments. Class taught in person and hybrid. Enrollment: 25 students. (Four quarters 2022-23)

**Teaching Assistant** - *University of California, Santa Cruz*

09/2018-12/2021

Designed section activities, taught material, and graded assignments for a variety of classes in the Politics, Sociology, and Legal Studies departments:

*Concepts in Politics - Introduction to Legal Studies - Comparative Politics - Political Economy of Race - Comparative European Politics - Politics of Social Policies - Comparative Latin American Politics - Politics of East Asia - Politics of Middle East - Territorial Politics*

**Guest Lecturer**

*Territorial Governance in Italy* - Local Government (Fall 2022) Università di Padova

*Federalism: Historical Perspectives* - European Politics (Winter & Fall 2021) UC Santa Cruz

*Racism & Economic Inequality in Europe* - Political Economy of Race (Winter 2019) UC Santa Cruz

*The Mediterranean Welfare State* - Politics of Social Policies (Fall 2019) UC Santa Cruz

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**MENTORING & TRAINING EXPERIENCE**

**TA Trainer, Politics Department** - *University of California, Santa Cruz*

09/2020- 07/2021

Develop and coordinate curriculum of workshops to strengthen effective and equitable teaching practices among incoming and existing graduate teaching assistants in the department.

**Tutor, Quantitative Methods** - *University of California, Santa Cruz*

02/2021-03/2021

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Support quantitative research projects using Stata through group tutoring sessions (Sociology Graduate Seminar).

**Mentor, Cultivamos Excelencia Program - University of California, Santa Cruz**

09/2018-06/2020

Mentor for community college students in the Cultivamos Excelencia Program, a collaboration between UCSC and SJCC that strives to increase the academic success of LatinX students.

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**CONFERENCES & PRESENTATIONS**

*Western Political Science Association Conference 2023*

"Party or Territory? The Drivers of Territorial Reforms in the Italian Regions"

*California Interdisciplinary Consortium for Italian Studies (CICIS) Conference 2023*

*& Seminari di Politica VII Ciclo 2022 @ Università di Padova*

"Theoretical Framework - The Drivers of Territorial Reforms in the Italian Regions"

*Workshop on the Comparative Politics of Europe 2022 - European University Institute*

"The Drivers of Regional Institutional Variation: The Case-Study of the Italian Regions"

*ECPR General Conference 2021 – European Consortium of Political Research &*

*27th International Conference of Europeanists 2021 – Council of European Studies*

"A United Front for Decentralization? A Comparative Analysis of Friulian Parties' Manifestos"

*Inside Black Europe and African Diaspora Symposium 2019*

"Sub-State Nationalism and the Other(s): Mediated Identity in Friuli"

*Western Political Science Association Conference 2019*

"Mesut Özil and the Politics of German Identity" [Co-presented]

*Global Studies Association of North America Conference 2018*

"Cosmopolitanism and Nationalism in Udine, Italy"

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**INVITED TALKS**

Fussballaballa 2021 (Remote)- Turning the Popular Format of 'Public Viewing of Sports' into an Educational and Community-Building Event. *Organized by ZK/U Berlin - Center for Art and Urbanistics*

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**SERVICE**

BESS - Black Europe Summer School, Regional Liaison 2020 (Europe)

UCSC Politics Dep. – Graduate Student Representative 2019-21

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**MEMBERSHIPS**

CIRF - Interdepartmental Center for the Development of the Language and Culture of Friuli

CES - Council of European Studies

APSA – American Political Science Association

UCSC First Generation Student Initiative

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**LANGUAGES & PROGRAMS**

Italian (Native), English (Fluent), Spanish (Intermediate), Friulian (Intermediate), Dutch & German (Beginner)

Stata (Beginner), R (Beginner), LaTeX (Beginner), Dedoose (Intermediate), Canvas (Expert), Zoom (Expert)

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