

# SARGIS KARAVARDANYAN

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## EDUCATION

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### University of California, Irvine

*September 2017 - Present*

PhD student

Department of Political Science

Research interests: Political Economy, Comparative Politics and Methodology

### University of California, Irvine

*Fall 2017 - Spring 2020*

Master of Arts

Mathematical and Behavioral Sciences

Research interests: Political Economy and Statistics

### California State University, Northridge

*August 2015 - June 2017*

Master of Arts

Department of Political Science

Research interests: Comparative Politics

### University of California, Los Angeles

*August 2012 - June 2014*

Bachelor of Arts

Department of Political Science

Major: Political Science

## TECHNICAL STRENGTHS

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### Computer Languages

R (advanced), Python (intermediate), EViews (intermediate)

### Software & Excel

Gephi, LaTeX, Salesforce, Oracle, Tableau

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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### University of California, Irvine

I served as a research assistant for Dr. Sara Goodman working on data analysis for her book project. Using programming codes, I assisted with gathering, organizing and analyzing survey data from ANES, World Values Survey, Eurobarometer, Comparative Study of Electoral Systems, and International Social Survey databases. *Fall 2019*

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### University of California, Irvine

*Undergraduate Courses taught as a TA (2+ 50 minute discussion/lab sessions per week)*

- Applied Econometrics I *Spring 2020*
- Applied Econometrics II *Fall 2019*
- Social Sciences 10B: Probability and Statistics *Winter 2019*
- Social Sciences 10A: Probability and Statistics *Fall 2018*
- Introduction to Political Science: Analysis *Spring 2018*
- Global Economy *Winter 2018*
- Introduction to American Government *Fall 2017*

## ACADEMIC AND DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

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### University of California, Irvine

*Mentorship experience*

- Graduate InterConnect peer mentor for 11 incoming international students in PhD and Masters programs *2019-2020*
- UCI graduate peer mentor at political science department *2018, 2019*
- Graduate student social coordinator for political science department *2019-2020*

## ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATES TRAINING

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### University of California, Irvine

- Mentoring Excellence Program *Fall 2019*  
*awarded by Graduate Studies Division at UC Irvine*
- TA Diversity Training *Winter 2020*

## OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

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### ZipRecruiter, Inc

Associate Quality Assurance Analyst *Fall 2015 - Fall 2017*

Associate Salesforce Operations Analyst *Fall 2014 - Fall 2015*

### Los Angeles Valley College

*Student worker/Administrative Assistant at*

- IT Department *Winter-Spring 2012*
- Media Center *Winter-Spring 2011*
- Counseling Office *Spring 2009 - Fall 2010*

### Neighborhood Legal Services

Attorney Assistant/Student Worker *Summer 2010 - Fall 2011*

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Panel Data Analysis

Game Theory

Experimental Economics

Research Methodology

Political Corruption and Violence

Regime Change

Political Economy

Probability and Statistics

Econometrics

Network Data Analysis

## RELEVANT COURSES AND TRAININGS

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### Graduate Courses

Math for Economists

Game Theory

Statistics 201

Statistics: I, II & III

Political Economy: I, II & III

Political Economy of Development

### Analytical Trainings

Network Analysis in R (DataCamp)

Intro to R (Data Science Initiative (DSI) @ UCI)

Topics in R (DSI @ UCI)

Intro to Julia (DSI @ UCI)

Learning with Python (DSI @ UCI)

ICPSR Quantitative Program @ (UM Ann Arbor)

## PUBLICATIONS AND PROJECTS

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### Working papers

-Titles-

- "Democratization and Sino-African economic relations: evidence from static and dynamic panel data analysis"
- "Are actions costlier than words in nonviolent protests? Theory and evidence from 2018 Velvet Revolution in Armenia"
- "Corruption and government stability in Latin America and Africa: Evidence from panel data"

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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Public Choice Society Annual Meeting (cancelled due to COVID-19)	<i>April 2020</i>
Western Political Science Association (cancelled due to COVID-19)	<i>April 2020</i>
Western Political Science Association	<i>April 2019</i>
The 31st Annual CSU Statewide Research Competition	<i>April 2017</i>
Western Political Science Association	<i>April 2017</i>
International Studies Association, West	<i>September 2016</i>
Asian Studies on the Pacific Coast	<i>June 2016</i>
CSU SSRI Social Science Student Symposium	<i>May 2016</i>
Western Political Science Association	<i>March 2016</i>

## INVITED TALKS

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### **Global Connect in partnership with UC, Irvine School of Social Sciences**

*Presented on the topic of genocide discussing stages, progress and aftermath of the major genocides of the 20th century at:*

- Laguna Hills High School *February 26, 2018*
- Newport Harbor High School *March 12, 2018*

## AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS AND HONORS

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Institute of Humane Studies Fellowship at George Mason University	<i>Fall 2021</i>
Adam Smith Fellowship at George Mason University	<i>2019-2020</i>
Christian Werner fellowship grant from School of Social Sciences at UCI	<i>Winter 2020</i>
Departmental grant to Participate in ICPSR Quantitative Training	<i>Summer 2019</i>
Seed grant from Jack W. Peltason Center for the Study of Democracy at UCI	<i>Summer 2019</i>
UC Irvine Department of Political Science - Conference Travel Grant	<i>Spring 2019</i>
CSU Chancellors Doctoral Incentive Program	<i>2017-2018</i>
CSUN Political Science Department	

Award for Academic Excellence in Graduate Studies (3.99 GPA)	<i>May 2017</i>
Political Science Department Student Travel Award	<i>Spring 2017</i>
CSU Associated Students Conference Funding	<i>Spring 2016, Spring 2017</i>
Graduate Research and Studies Department Student Travel Award	<i>Spring 2016, Spring 2017</i>
Deans Honors List at UCLA	<i>Spring 13, Winter 14 and Spring 14</i>
Transfer Alliance/Honors Program (TAP) at LAVC	<i>2011-12</i>
Phi Theta Kappa, LAVC	<i>Spring 2011</i>
Tau Alpha Epsilon (TAE) Honors Program at LAVC	<i>Spring 2010</i>

## **ORGANIZATIONS AND AFFILIATIONS**

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The Society of Political Methodology	<i>2018-present</i>
Western Political Science Association (WPSA)	<i>2016-present</i>
International Political Science Association	<i>2016-present</i>
The National Political Science Honor Society, Pi Sigma Alpha-Delta Sigma Chapter	<i>2016-2020</i>
Founder and Vice President of the Armenian Students Association at LAVC	<i>2010-2011</i>
Tau Alpha Epsilon (TAE) Student Honors Association	
Black Student Union at LAVC	<i>2010-2011</i>

## **LANGUAGE SKILLS**

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English (primary), Armenian (fluent), Russian (fluent)

Updated: May 2020