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Education

American University, School of Public Affairs PhD in Public Policy & Administration Dissertation: "The Policy Process of Rent Control in California".	2023-2027*
University of Michigan, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy Master of Public Policy (MPP)	2019-2021
UCLA College of Letters and Science B.A. in Political Science	2013-2017

Research and Publications

Journal Articles:

- Chris Alvarez Campbell, David Schwegman, and Derek Hyra. (2026). "Evaluating the intensity of rent control in California cities, 2010-2019". *Housing Policy Debate* 36(2).
<https://doi.org/10.1080/10511482.2025.2582717>

Papers Under Review:

- Chris Alvarez Campbell. "When a rent freeze isn't a rent freeze: The hidden politics of policy design and enforcement." At *Journal of Urban Affairs*.

Papers in Progress:

- Chris Alvarez Campbell. "Policy Exposure and Political Support for Rent Control."

Reports and Briefs:

- Chris Alvarez Campbell and Jonathan Harris (2026). "The County Landscape Project: Land Use Authority". National Association of Counties.
<https://www.naco.org/resource/county-landscape-project-land-use-authority>

Conference Presentations:

- "When a Rent Freeze Isn't a Rent Freeze." November 2026
Association of Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM). Boston, MA.

*Expected year of completion

- “Measuring Heterogeneity in Rent Control Intensity”. May 2025
Urban Affairs Association Annual Meeting. Vancouver, BC.
- “Policy Feedback and Electoral Support for Rent Control”. April 2025
Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL.

Invited Talks:

- “Can Rent Control Self-Sustain?” June 2026
DIW Berlin 6th International Conference on Rent Control. Stockholm, Sweden.

Grants and Fellowships:

- 2026-2027 Levine PhD Research Fellowship \$10,000
American University School of Public Affairs

Research Positions:

- Metropolitan Policy Center. American University Fall 2023 - present
School of Public Affairs. Washington DC.
- National Association of Counties, Research, Summer 2025 – Winter 2026
Policy and Governance Studies Department.
Washington DC.
- Translating Research into Action Center (TRAC), Summer 2024
American University School of International Service.
Washington DC.

Teaching:

American University Department of Public Policy & Administration

- *Adjunct Faculty*
PUAD 260: Administrative Politics. Fall 2026.
- *Teaching Assistant*
PUAD 685: Housing Policy. Spring 2025 and Fall 2026.
PUAD 685: Urban Policy. Fall 2024 and Spring 2026.
PUAD 688: Policy Practicum. Spring 2026.
- *Tutor in Microeconomics and Quantitative Methods*
Spring 2025 to Spring 2026.
- *Participant*, Greenberg Seminars for Effective Teaching, American University, 2025-2026.

Selected Non-Academic Professional Experiences:

- Polling & Market Research Analyst, Emma White Research LLC. Ann Arbor, MI. 2021-2023.
- Management Assistant, Los Angeles City Council, Office of the Chief Legislative Analyst. Los Angeles, CA. 2017-2019.

Organizational Affiliations

Research Affiliate, BUILD Network, 2026-present.

Member, Urban Affairs Association, 2024-present.

Board Member, PhD Student Committee. AU School of Public Affairs, 2024-present.

Service

Peer Reviewer, *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*. 2026.

Paper Discussant, APPAM Annual Research Conference, 2026.

Participant, Greenberg Seminars for Effective Teaching, American University, 2025-2026.

PhD Fellow, American University SPA Summer Academy, 2025.

Undergraduate Poster Discussant, Midwest Political Association Annual Conference, 2025.