

FALL 2018 – POLITICAL SCIENCE PROGRAM – MA STUDENTS



Nicole Baltzer

- **Personal interests:** Reading in my free time, Model UN, and Diane Keaton rom-coms
- **Fun fact:** Recite every Real Housewives of New York tagline.



Abegail Dobson

- **Personal interests:** Reading, writing, singing, thinking, analyzing, day and night dreaming and hanging out with my family and friends.
- **Fun fact:** She is Jamaican but does not like avocados and a closet modern dancer. Someday hopes to discover that Oprah is in fact her long lost Godmother.



Erik Garcia

- **Personal interests:** Music and film. I have played guitar, bass and drums in bands, and served as a juror for a local independent film festival.
- **Fun fact:** My mother told my four-year-old nephew, Dean, that his daddy (my brother) came out of her belly. Dean readily accepted the news. But, when she told him that Uncle Erik also came out of her belly, Dean was stunned and couldn't get his head around it: "Uncle Erik, too?!? But, he's so big!" To wit: I weigh about 10 pounds more than my brother, who is about an inch taller than I am.



Sam Goodson

- **Personal interests:** Languages, his cat, bread baking, Latin American politics, literature, hiking, and labor history.
- **Fun fact:** Spent every summer as an undergraduate working at a summer camp in rural Georgia.



Marlon Guzman Valdera

- **Personal interests:** International Relations and main interest is Latin America.
- **Fun fact:** Loves to play basketball.



Samuel Hellman

- **Personal interests:** Intellectual history, Marx and Marxism, architecture history, urban theory, translation and semiotics
- **Fun fact:** N/A



Tatiana Kai-Browne

- **Personal interests:** Critical Theory, Psychoanalysis, Boxing
- **Fun fact:** Writing these lines from Sigmund Freud's former porch



Brent Landon

- **Personal interests:** Running, cooking, sports and music.
- **Fun fact:** Have not used an alarm clock to wake up in six years.



Zachary Laub

- **Personal interests:** Hiking, novels and narrative nonfiction, tagines, stateless nations, NYC Ferry.
- **Fun fact:** Learning to surf in the Rockaways.



Jane Lee

- **Personal Interest:** Travel, finding new restaurants in the city, Broadway musical
- **Fun Fact:** Loves tomato-based pasta and ketchup, can't eat tomatoes



Christopher Putney

- **Personal interests:** Music (writing and listening), international travel, and Cuban cigars.
- **Fun Fact:** Slight obsession with cooking and eating Japanese craft ramen.



Parker Quinlan

- **Personal interests:** A man about town. Enjoys politics and studying politics of gender and sexuality.
- **Fun fact:** Loves dogs



Rodrigo Saad

- **Personal interests:** Playing soccer, cooking, reading foreign mystery novels and watching political documentaries.
- **Fun fact:** Frequently mistaken for French actor Mathieu Amalric, despite looking nothing like him.



Michael Stinavage

- **Personal interests:** Environmentalism, herbalism, contemporary dance, cooperative systems, emergent strategies, Latin American history, writing, volleyball, and riding his bike around Ditmas Park
- **Fun fact:** Likes surprises and can talk your ear off about compost!