

Gus Greenstein

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Research focus Policy implementation, bureaucratic structure, public management, institutional change, environmental governance, international development

Academic Appointments **Assistant Professor** 7/2023-
Leiden University
Institute of Public Administration
Faculty of Governance & Global Affairs

Education **Stanford University**
PhD, Public Admin., Environmental Governance 9/2018 – 4/2023
Emmett Interdisciplinary Program in Environment & Resources (E-IPER)
Committee: Francis Fukuyama, Dan Honig, Eric Lambin, Len Ortolano
David and Lucile Packard Foundation Fellow

University of Oxford
MPhil, International Development 10/2016 – 6/2018
Rhodes Scholarship Finalist

Amherst College
BA, Environmental Studies 8/2010 – 5/2014
Magna Cum Laude with Distinction
Thomas J. Watson Fellow (\$33,000 research grant)

Journal articles **Gus Greenstein.** 2023. [How Personnel Allocation Affects Performance: Evidence from Brazil’s Federal Protected Areas Agency.](#) *Public Administration.*

Gus Greenstein. 2022. [The Influence of Alternative Development Finance on the World Bank’s Safeguards Regime.](#) *Global Environmental Politics* 22(3): 171–93.

Ryan Hledik and **Gus Greenstein.** 2016. [The Distributional Impacts of Residential Demand Charges.](#) *The Electricity Journal* 29(6): 33–41.

Working papers **Gus Greenstein.** Barriers to Effective Spatial Assignment of Bureaucrats: The Case of Protected Area Management in Brazil.

Gus Greenstein and Mirko Heinzl. Bureaucratic Politics and Aid Allocation: Evidence from USAID.

Gus Greenstein and Dan Honig. [Managing Aid Personnel](#). Chapter in preparation for the *The Elgar Handbook of Aid and Development*. Eds: Raj Desai, Shanta Devarajan, and Jennifer Tobin.

Projects in progress

Design Foundations of Environmental Policy Durability: Evidence From Forest Regulations in Australia, Brazil, British Columbia, Indonesia, and New Zealand. *With Ben Cashore, Virgínia Totti Guimarães, Peter Kanowski, Paula Máximo, Harry Nelson, Levi Robson, Depi Susilawati, and Zou Yutong.*

Institutional Features of the Environmental State: A Global Comparison

Policy reports

World Bank (2022). [Enhancing the Effectiveness of the World Bank's Global Footprint](#). Independent Evaluation Group. Washington, DC: World Bank.

Teaching

Faculty of Governance and Global Affairs, Leiden University

Governance of Biodiversity and Ecosystems Fall 2023
– Co-instructor of record.

International Environmental Governance Fall 2023
– Instructor of record.

International Regulation Fall 2023
– Instructor of record.

Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies, Stanford University

International Environmental Governance Fall 2021
–Fully designed and co-taught the course with Gemma Smith.
–Course cross-listed in Stanford's International Policy MA program and PhD/joint-MS Environment and Resources programs.
–Overall instruction quality score: 4.92/5. (Department average: 4.42)

Policy Problem Solving in the Real World Spring 2021

–Teaching assistant for Francis Fukuyama.

School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University

International Development Proseminar Fall 2020

–Teaching assistant for Dan Honig.

Department of Economics, Amherst College

Intermediate Econometrics Spring 2014

–Teaching assistant for Katharine Sims.

Invited talks	Hertie School of Governance (Berlin)	3/2024
	Penn State School of Public Policy (Virtual)	4/2021
	Center for Policy Research (New Delhi, India)	8/2019
	ENVRES 280: Environment and Resources Topics (Stanford)	5/2019
	CEE 265: Sust. Water Resources Development (Stanford)	2/2019
	Marabá City Council (Marabá, Brazil)	8/2017
	Center for Research and Advocacy (Imphal, India)	9/2015
Conference talks	Conference on Earth Systems Governance (Nijmegen)	10/2023
	ECPR General Conference (Prague)	9/2023
	Conference on Earth Systems Governance (Toronto)	10/2022
	ECPR General Conference (Innsbruck)	8/2022
	Environ. Politics and Governance Conference (Penn State)	6/2022
	Georgetown SFS Workshop on Aid & Development (Virtual)	6/2022
	Public Management Research Conference (Phoenix)	6/2022
	International Studies Association Annual Meeting (Nashville)	3/2022
	International Studies Association Annual Meeting (Virtual)	4/2021
	Sustainability and Development Conference (Ann Arbor)	8/2018
	Conf. on Latin America in the Era of Sustainability (Oxford)	5/2017
Federal University of Pará (Belém, Brazil)	6/2013	
Honors and grants	ISA Environmental Studies Section Graduate Student Paper Award	2023
	EIPER research funds (\$2,910), Stanford	2022
	McGee-Levorsen research funds (\$3,200), Stanford	2021
	EIPER research funds (\$4,000), Stanford	2020
	McGee-Levorsen summer research funds (\$2,000), Stanford	2019
	EIPER summer research funds (\$4,000), Stanford	2019
	Stanford Graduate Fellowship (replaces E-IPER funding)	2019
	Stanford E-IPER PhD Fellowship (5 yrs full funding)	2018

Evan Carroll Commager Fellowship (\$10,000)	2016
Rhodes Scholarship Finalist (Northern California)	2015
Thomas J. Watson Fellowship (\$33,000)	2014
Amherst College Dept. of Economics Fellowship (\$4,000)	2012

Experience and skills

Fieldwork experience

India (2019, 2014), Mexico (2017, 2015), Cambodia (2016, 2015), Thailand (2015), Vietnam (2016), Lesotho (2015), Mozambique (2015), Brazil (2012)

Languages

English (Native), Spanish (Intermed-Advanced), Portuguese (Intermed), German (Beginner-plus), Dutch (A1)

Programming

R, Stata, L^AT_EX

Memberships

American Political Science Association, International Studies Association, Public Management Research Association

Affiliations

Research Fellow, Earth Systems Governance Project	1/2023-
Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, NUS	4/2022-
Department of Political Science, University of Brasilia	7/2020-
SAIS, Johns Hopkins University	8/2020-12/2020
Center for Policy Research (Delhi)	6/2019-8/2019

Other employment and experience

World Bank Environment Practice <i>Consultant</i>	2/2022-6/2022
World Bank Independent Evaluation Group <i>Consultant</i>	1/2020-5/2021
Saïd Business School, University of Oxford <i>Research assistant to Dr. Atif Ansar</i>	1/2017-6/2018
Blavatnik School of Government, University of Oxford <i>Research assistant to Professor Tom Hale</i>	11/2017-2/2018
The Brattle Group <i>Research analyst</i>	7/2015-8/2016
International Rivers	1/2015-5/2015

Researcher

Conservation Strategy Fund

5/2012-9/2012

Researcher

Department of Political Science, Amherst College

1/2012-5/2012

Research Assistant to Professor Javier Corrales.

**Reviewer
service**

*American Political Science Review, Forest Policy and Economics,
Governance, International Studies Quarterly, Journal of Environment and
Development, PLOS One, Policy Design and Practice, Policy Sciences*

Other service

Stanford Graduate Student Advisory Council (2019-2021)