

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*. [[Open access.](#)]

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

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

- Book chapters** **Gus Greenstein** and Dan Honig. 2024. Managing Aid Personnel. *The Elgar Handbook of Aid and Development*. Eds: Raj Desai, Shanta Devarajan, and Jennifer Tobin. [Gated publisher’s version [here](#). Freely available author’s final version [here](#).]
- Working papers** **Gus Greenstein**. Barriers to Effective Spatial Assignment of Bureaucrats: The Case of Protected Area Management in Brazil. (Revise & resubmit at *Public Management Review*.)
- ISA Environmental Studies Section Graduate Student Paper Award, 2023
- Gus Greenstein**. Bureaucratic Autonomy in Environmental Governance: A Comparison of 42 National Environmental Agencies
- Gus Greenstein** and Mirko Heinzl. Bureaucratic Politics and Aid Allocation: Evidence from USAID.
- Selected 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.*
- Bureaucratic Quality and Environmental Outcomes: A Global Analysis. *With Diego Salazar Morales.*
- Policy reports** World Bank (2022). Enhancing the Effectiveness of the World Bank’s Global Footprint. Independent Evaluation Group. Washington, DC: World Bank. [[Open access](#).]
- Teaching and supervision** Faculty of Governance and Global Affairs, Leiden University
- Governance of Biodiversity and Ecosystems**
- Fall 2023, Fall 2024
 - Co-instructor of record.
 - MSc, Governance of Sustainability.
- International Environmental Governance**
- Fall 2023, Fall 2024
 - Instructor of record.
 - MSc, Public Administration.

International Governance

- Fall 2023, Fall 2024
- Instructor of record.
- Bachelors minor, Public Administration.

Sustainability Challenge

- Fall 2024
- Advisor for one group/challenge.
- MSc, Governance of Sustainability.

Thesis supervision

- MSc, Governance of Sustainability 2023-2024: 5 first supervisor, 6 second.

Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies, Stanford University

International Environmental Governance

Fall 2021

- Co-instructor of record.
- Cross-listed in: MA, International Policy and MS/PhD Environment and Resources. Open to all Stanford students.
- 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
Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy (Virtual)	11/2023
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	ECPR General Conference (Dublin)	8/2024
	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	
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Memberships	American Political Science Association, International Studies Association, Public Management Research Association	
Affiliations	Research Fellow, Earth Systems Governance Project Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, NUS Department of Political Science, University of Brasilia SAIS, Johns Hopkins University Center for Policy Research (Delhi)	1/2023- 4/2022- 7/2020- 8/2020-12/2020 6/2019-8/2019
Other employment and experience	World Bank Environment Practice <i>Consultant</i> World Bank Independent Evaluation Group <i>Consultant</i> Saïd Business School, University of Oxford <i>Research assistant to Dr. Atif Ansar</i> Blavatnik School of Government, University of Oxford <i>Research assistant to Professor Tom Hale</i> The Brattle Group <i>Research analyst</i> International Rivers <i>Researcher</i> Conservation Strategy Fund <i>Researcher</i> Department of Political Science, Amherst College <i>Research Assistant to Professor Javier Corrales.</i>	2/2022-6/2022 1/2020-5/2021 1/2017-6/2018 11/2017-2/2018 7/2015-8/2016 1/2015-5/2015 5/2012-9/2012 1/2012-5/2012
Reviewer service	<i>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</i>	
Other service	Steering Committee, Environmental Politics Standing Group, European Consortium for Political Research	9/2024-
	Board of Examiners, Governance of Sustainability MSc program,	9/2024-

Leiden University

Graduate Student Advisory Council, Stanford University

2019-2021