School of Political Science, Public Affairs, Legal & Security Studies - : AY 2025-2026 Leadership & Service Appointment

Leadership Team & Evaluative Committees

* Approved by the Dean

Executive Leadership Team

Associate Director	William Sokoloff	
POLS Undergraduate Program	Mark Kaswan	
POLS GPC	Richard Longoria	
MPA GPC	George Atisa	
Security Studies	Andreea Stoian Karadeli	
Legal Studies & LSPI)	Douglas Brattebo	
Community Outreach, Marketing and Communication	Jokubas Salyga	
Student Engagement and Learning Experience	Alvaro Corral	
Internsthip	Ruth Ragland	
CSRPA Coordinator	Carlos Gutierrez	

PFEAC

Alexandre Couture Gagnon - confirmed	Mark Kaswan	Chair
	William Sokoloff	
	Louis Falk	
Richard Longoria - confirmed	William Sokoloff	Chair
	Mark Kaswan	
	Yanrong Chang	
George Atisa - confirmed	Cecilio Ortiz-Garcia	Chair
	Walter Diaz	
	William Sokoloff	

TEAC

Jake Lin - confirmed	William Sokoloff	Chair
	Mark Kaswan	
	Alexandre Couture Gagnon	
Andreea Stoian Karadeli - confirmed	Alexandre Couture Gagnon	Chair
Sylvia Gonzalez-Gorman	**Mark Kaswan - tempo**	
	Tamer Balci	
Jokubas Salyga - confirmed	William Sokoloff	Chair
	Mark Kaswan	
	David Anshen	
Alvaro Corral - confirmed	Mark Kaswan	Chair
	Richard Longoria	
Stephanie Alvarez	**Alberto Rodriguez - tempo**	
Juhyun Bae - confirmed	Alexandre Couture Gagnon	Chair
	Richard Longoria	
Sylvia Gonzalez-Gorman	**George Atisa - tempo**	
Dougas Brattebo - confirmed	Mark Kaswan	Chair
	Richard Longoria	
	William Sokoloff	
Sarah Perez - confirmed	Michelle Keck	Chair
	Richard Longoria	
Sylvia Gonzalez-Gorman	**Alexandre Couture Gagnon - tempo**	
Erik Underwood - requested	Alexandre Couture Gagnon	Chair
	Michelle Keck	
	Paul Jorgensen	

Non-Tenure Track Promotion & Renewal

NTT Annual Chair - Mark Kaswan	Richard Longoria	Chair
	Mark Kaswan	
	William Sokoloff	

College of Liberal Arts Committee

Associate Dean

Undergraduate Enhancement & Growth Committee	William Sokoloff
CLA Community Engagement	Jokubas Salyga

CLA PhD Taskforce

Sylvia Gonzalez-Gorman
Juhyun Bae
Andreea Stoian Karadeli
Cecilio Ortiz-Garcia

Mentors - Mentees - CLA approved

Douglas Brattebo - Mark Kaswan
Sarah Perez - Michelle Keck
Erick Underwood - Andreea Stoian Karadeli
Diana Almaguer - Andreea Stoian Karadeli
Maria Camacho - Cecilio Ortiz-Garcia
Efrain Molina - Carlos Gutierrez-Mannix
Hanna Shin - Carlos Gutierrez-Mannix

Coordinators Teams

* Membership can be rearranged in consultation with the faculty.

Student Success Team - Recruitment

William Sokoloff - Associate Director	Leader
Bryant Sculos	
Ruth Ragland	
Sarah Perez	
Tyler Coleman	
Hafthor Erlingsson	

POLS Undergraduate Team - curriculum

Mark Kaswan - POLS Program Coordinator	Leader
Richard Longoria - POLS GPC	
Alexandre Couture Gagnon	
Jake Lin	
Jokubas Salyga	

Public Affair Team - curriculum, GSC

George Atisa - MPA Program Coordinator	Leader
Andreea Stoian Karadeli	
Cecilio Ortiz-Garcia	
Juhyun Bae	
Mikhail Beznosov	

POLS MA Team - curriculum, GSC

Richard Longoria - POLS GPC	Leader
Mark Kaswan - POLS Undergraduate Coordinator	
Michelle Keck	
Alexandre Couture Gagnon	
Carla Angulo-Pasel	

Global Secruity Team - curriculum

Andreea Stoian Karadeli - Security Coordinator	Leader
Erik Underwood	
Mikhail Beznosov	

Legal Studies Team - curriculum

Douglas Brattebo	Leader
William Gordon	

Community Outreach, Marketing, & Communication Team

Jokubas Salyga	Leader
Maylin Hernandez - social media manager	
Carla Angulo-Pasel	
Ruth Ragland	
Tyler Coleman - La Network	
Hanna Shin - website	

Student Engagement and Learning Experience Team

Alvaro Corral	Leader
Michelle Keck - Model UN	
Michael Smith -Phi Sigma Alpha & PSA	
Robert Velez	
Bryant Sculos - pizza & politics manager	
Sarah Perez	

Internship Team

Ruth Ragland - internship coordinator	Leader
Diana Almaguer - MPA, Public Admin, Global Security	
Douglas Brattebo - Legal Internship	

CSRPA Team

Carlos Gutierrez	Leader
Juhyun Bae - CSRPA Fellow	
Hanna Shin	

Public Affairs Assessment Committee

Andreea Stoian Karadeli	Chair
Diana Almaguer	

POLS Assessment Committee - Fall 2025

Mark Kaswan - POLS assessment coordinator	Chair

POLS Program Assessment subcommittee:

Richard Longoria - ex officio
Douglas Brattebo - ex officio
Mikhail Beznosov

POLS Core Assessment Subcommittee:*

Carla Angulo-Pasel
Mikhail Beznosov
Tyler Coleman
Hafthor Erlingsson
Alejandro Gonzalez
William Gordon
Carlos Gutierrez
Maylin Hernandez
Ruth Ragland
Bryant Sculos
Michael Smith
Erik Underwood
Robert Velez

* Includes all POLS 2305/2306 Instructors for Fall 2025

Ad Hoc Committees

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Colloquium Team

Alvaro Corral	Chair
Hafthor Erlingsson	
Hanna Shin	

Library Liasion

Maylin Hernandez

PPLSS Faculty Search

Public Law - Edinburg (tentative)

Richard Longoria	Chair *
William Sokoloff	
Douglas Brattebo	
Jokubas Salyga	
Sarah Perez	

Public Administration (tentative) AI - BRW

Alexandre Couture Gagnon	Chair *
Alvaro Corral	
Andreea Stoian Karadeli	
George Atisa	
Juhyun Bae	

3 Year Lecturer - Dual Enrollment Edinburg

Jake Lin
Michael Smith
Mark Kaswan

Legal Study PT faculty for Spring 2026

Douglas Brattebo
Michelle Keck
William Gordon

PPLSS Student Enrichment

Honor Society

George Atisa - Phi Alpha Alpha
Michael Smith - Phi Simga Alpha
Dogulas Brattebo - Phi Beta Kappa

Student Travel

Model UN - Michelle Keck
South ISA - Zanela Denis Bajarias - Dongkyu Kim
SPSA - Eric Gonzalez - Carlos Gutierrez-Mannix
ACSUS - Reynaldo Rodriquez-Vazquez - Alexandre Couture Gagnon

Prelaw Advisors

Douglas Brattebo - Prelaw (LSM) Advisor BRW
William Gordon - Prelaw (LSM) Advisor ED

Student Organization Advisors

Michael Smith - PSA
William Gordon - PreLaw Society

Chair* = elected by member

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Edinburg - Brownsville

Rank	Name
Professor	Cecilio Ortiz-Garcia
Professor	Clyde Barrow
Professor	Nicholas Kiersey
Professor	Mark Kaswan
Professor	William Sokoloff
Associate Professor	George Atisa
Associate Professor	Michelle Keck
Associate Professor	Alexandre Couture Gagnon
Associate Professor	Richard Longoria
Associate Professor	Syliva Gonzalez-Gorman
Associate Professor	Dongkyu Kim
Associate Professor	Mison Kim
Associate Professor	Carla Angulo-Pasel
Assistant Professor	Jake Lin
Assistant Professor	Andreea Stoian Karadeli
Assistant Professor	Alvaro Corral
Assistant Professor	Jokubas Salyga
Assistant Professor	Juhyun Bae
Assistant Professor	Sarah Perez
Assistant Professor	Douglas Brattebo
Assistant Professor	Erik Underwood
Senior Lecturer	Ruth Ragland
Lecturer III	William Gordon
Lecturer III	Robert Velez
Lecturer III	Bryant Sculos
Lecturer II	Michael Smith
Lecturer II	Hafthor Erlingsson
Lecturer II	Carlos Gutierrez
Lecturer I	Maylin Hernandez
Lecturer I	Mikhail Beznosov
Lecturer I	Tyler Coleman
Lecturer I	Diana Almaguer
Lecturer I	Maria Camacho
Lecturer I	Hanna Shin
Lecturer I	Erfrain Molina
PT faculty	Abraham Gutierrez
PT faculty	Alicja Kucharski
PT faculty	Carlos Cuellar
PT faculty	Jennifer Clark
PT faculty	Jonathon Munuz
PT faculty	Justic Katusak
PT faculty	Michael Espinoza
PT faculty	Gary Mounce
PT faculty	Alejandro Gonzalez
PT faculty	Miosz Kucharski
PT faculty	Peter Doas