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Academic Positions

Associate Professor, Department of Political Science and Economics, SUNY-Stony Brook
September 2014-present

Visiting Associate Professor, Department of Government, Harvard University
August 2016-June 2017

Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Rochester
July 2012-August 2014

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Rochester
July 2006-June 2012

Visiting Fellow, Institution for Social and Policy Studies, Yale University
July 2009-June 2010

Visiting Professor, Tepper School of Business, Carnegie Mellon University
March 2006-June 2006

Education

Ph.D. in Economics, June 2006
Minor in Statistics
Tepper School of Business
Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA

M.S. in Economics, June 2003
Tepper School of Business
Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA

B.A. in Economics and Mathematics, June 2001
Cornell University, Ithaca, NY

Publications

- “Do Voters Know Enough to Punish Out-of-Step Congressional Candidates?” (conditionally accepted) with Brandon Marshall, *Legislative Studies Quarterly*.
- “Estimating the Locations of Voters, Politicians, Policy Outcomes, and Status Quos on a Common Scale” (forthcoming) with Jim Battista and Jesse Richman, *Political Science Research Methods*.
- “Large Scale Ideal Point Estimation” (forthcoming), *Political Analysis*.
- “Accuracy and Bias in Media Coverage of the Economy: An Analysis of Sixteen Developed Democracies” (2021) with Mark Kayser, *Quarterly Journal of Political Science*.
- “How Many Seats in Congress is Control of Restricting Worth?” (2020) with Yangzi Zhao, *Legislative Studies Quarterly*.
- “Benchmarking Across Border: An Update and Response” (forthcoming) with Mark Kayser, *British Journal of Political Science*.
- “Measuring the Research Productivity of Political Science Departments using Google Scholar” (2019), *PS: Political Science and Politics*.
- “Dynamic Estimation of Ideal Points for the U.S. Congress” (2018) with Brandon Marshall, *Public Choice*.
- “Request Fulfilling: When Citizens Ask for Clientelist Benefits” (2017) with Simeon Nichter, *Comparative Political Studies* 50:1086–1117.
- “The Buck Stops over There? Globalization and Electoral Accountability” (2016) with Mark Kayser, Chapter 5 for *Globalization and Domestic Politics*. Jack Vowles and Georgios Xenonakis, eds. Oxford University Press, CSES series.
- “Preference Domains and the Monotonicity of Condorcet Extensions” (2015) with P.J. Healy, *Economic Letters* 130:21–237.
- “Targeting Political Advertising on Television” (2015) with Mitch Lovett, *Quarterly Journal of Political Science* 10:391–43.
- “Candidate Positioning and Responsiveness to Constituent Opinion in the U.S. House of Representatives,” (2013) *Public Choice* 156:77–94.
- “Common-Space Ideal Points, Committee Assignments, and Financial Interests in the State Legislatures” (2013) with James Battista and Jesse Richman, *State Politics and Policy Quarterly* 13:70–87.
- “Estimating Proposal and Status Quo Locations using Voting and Cosponsorship Data,” (2013) *Journal of Politics* 75:613–631.
- “Benchmarking across Borders: Electoral Accountability and the Necessity of Comparison” (2012) with Mark Kayser, *American Political Science Review* 106:661–684.
- “Identification of a Semiparametric Item Response Model” (2012), *Psychometrika* 77:223–243.

- “Marketing and Politics: Models, Behavior, and Policy Implications” (2012) with Kevin Arceneaux, Brett Gordon, Mitchell Lovett, Sridhar Moorthy, Akshay Rao, Subrata Sen, Ron Shachar, David Soberman, and Oleg Urminsky, *Marketing Letters* 23:391–403.
- “Securing the Base: Electoral Competition under Variable Turnout” (2011), *Public Choice* 148:87–104.
- “Correcting for Survey Nonresponse using Variable Response Propensity” (2010), *Journal of the American Statistical Association* 105:1418–1430.
- “Identification and Semiparametric Estimation of Equilibrium Models of Local Jurisdictions” (2010) with Dennis Epple and Holger Sieg, *American Economic Journal: Microeconomics* 2:195–220.
- “Scaling the Critics: Uncovering Latent Dimensions of Movie Criticism with an Item Response Approach” (2010) with Arthur Spirling, *Journal of the American Statistical Association* 105:71–83.
- “The Spatial Model with Non-Policy Factors: A Theory of Policy-Motivated Candidates” (2010), *Social Choice and Welfare* 34:265–294.
- “Optimal Supermajority Requirements in a Two Party System” (2009), *Journal of Politics* 71:1379–1393.
- “Small Chamber Ideal Point Estimation” (2009), *Political Analysis* 17:276–290.
- “Selecting the Condorcet Winner: Single-stage vs. Multi-stage Voting Rules” (2008), *Public Choice* 137:207–200.
- “Strategic Voting in Multi-Office Elections” (2008), *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 33:619–642.

Working Papers

- “Do Voters Respond to the Economy or to News Reporting on the Economy” with Mark Kayser.
- “Estimating the Persuasive Effects of Advertising in Presidential Primary Elections” with Robert Bird.
- “Policy Representation in the State Legislatures” with James Battista and Jesse Richman.
- “Estimating Effect Sizes in Survey Experiments”
- “Candidate Positioning in U.S. Senate Elections: An Empirical Investigation of the Revised Spatial Model.”

Research and Teaching Interests

Voting behavior, legislative institutions, methodology, and formal theory.

Conference and Invited Presentations

- 2003: Econometric Society.
- 2004: Public Choice.
- 2005: APSA, MPSA, Public Choice.
- 2006: APSA, AAPOR, MPSA, Social Choice and Welfare.
- 2007: APSA, Association of Public Economic Theory, MPSA.
- 2008: APSA, Harvard, MPSA, Political Methodology, UC San Diego.
- 2009: APSA, Chicago-Harris, MPSA, Political Methodology, Public Choice, UC Berkeley-Hass.
- 2010: APSA, Conference on Political Economy and Institutions, Invitational Choice Symposium, MIT, MPSA, NYU, Wallis Political Economy Conference, Yale.
- 2011: APSA, Carnegie Mellon, Econometric Society, MPSA, Political Methodology, Quantitative Marketing and Economics, University of Miami.
- 2012: Legislative Gridlock Conference, Conference on Political Economy and Institutions II.
- 2013: APSA, University of Georgia, MPSA.
- 2014: APSA, UC-Berkeley
- 2015: Conference on Ideal Point Models, MPSA, Philadelphia Region American Politics Conference, Political Methodology
- 2016: APSA, MPSA
- 2017: Emory Political Economy Conference, Harvard, MIT, NYU

Awards and Honors

- 2013 GESIS Klingemann prize for the best CSES scholarship for *Benchmarking across Borders: Electoral Accountability and the Necessity of Comparison*.
- 2011 Gordon Tullock Prize for Best Paper in Public Choice by a Junior Scholar for *Securing the Base: Electoral Competition under Variable Turnout*.
- 2006 William W. Cooper Doctoral Dissertation Award for Dissertation that Deals with Issues and Problems in Management or Management Science for *Essays in Political Economy*.

Teaching Experience

Undergraduate Level: Applied Data Analysis (Fall 2006, Fall 2007), The U.S. Congress (Fall 2008, Spring 2011, Spring 2013, Fall 2017, Fall 2018, Fall 2019, Fall 2020), Survey Research Methods (Spring 2009, Fall 2010, Fall 2011, Fall 2012, Fall 2013), Social Surveys in Contemporary Society (Fall 2014), Introduction to Statistical Methods in Political Science (Spring 2015), Research Practice in Quantitative Methods (Fall, 2016).

M.B.A. Level: Statistics and Decision Making (Spring 2006).

Ph.D. Level: Probability and Inference (Fall 2006, Fall 2008), American Legislative Institutions (Spring 2007), American Politics Field Seminar (Spring 2012, Fall 2013), Computational Methods (Fall 2007), Advanced Topics in Methods (Spring 2008, Spring 2009, Fall 2010), Linear Models (Spring 2012, Spring 2013), Applied Data Analysis II (Spring 2015, Spring 2016, Spring 2017, Spring 2018, Spring 2019, Spring 2020, Spring 2021), Applied Data Analysis III (Fall 2015), Legislative Process (Fall 2015, Fall 2017, Fall 2019), Topics in Quantitative Methods (Fall, 2016), Advanced Quantitative Political Methodology (Spring 2017), Statistical Analysis of Big Data (Spring 2017, Fall 2020), Foundations: American Politics (Spring 2019, Spring 2020, Spring 2021).

Service

Manuscript Referee: *American Journal of Political Science*, *American Political Science Review*, *British Journal of Political Science*, *Comparative Political Studies*, *Economics and Politics*, *Economics of Governance*, *Electoral Studies*, *European Economic Review*, *International Economic Review*, Israeli Science Foundation, *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*, *Journal of Economic Geography*, *Journal of Educational Measurement*, *Journal of Empirical Legal Studies*, *Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization*, *Journal of Political Economy*, *Journal of Politics*, *Journal of Public Economics*, *Journal of the American Statistical Association*, *Journal of Theoretical Politics*, *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, *Management Science*, National Science Foundation, Oxford University Press, *Political Analysis*, *Political Behavior*, *Political Studies*, *Psychometrika*, *Public Choice*, *Public Opinion Quarterly*, *Quarterly Journal of Political Science*, *Social Choice and Welfare*, *Social Networks*, *State Politics and Policy Quarterly*, *World Politics*, W. W. Norton.

References

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