Abhinav Ramaswamy

PhD Candidate, Stanford University
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Research Interests: Congress, Political Communication, Statistical Methods

Education

Stanford University 2022 – 2027 (expected)
Ph.D. Candidate in Political Science
Subfields: American Politics and Political Methodology

Georgetown University 2018 – 2022
B.S. in Foreign Service (with honors), *Cum Laude*

Selected Working Papers

4. **Donor Networks and the Incentive to Defect in Congress.** [link to paper]
Poster Presented at the 2024 Annual Meeting of the Society for Political Methodology.
Paper Accepted to Present at the 2025 American Political Science Association Annual Meeting.

3. **An Evaluation of Fraud Claims from the 2020 Trump Election Contests.** (with Justin Grimmer) [link to paper]

2. **Reinforcement Learning: Do Politicians Optimize for Engagement on Twitter?**
Poster Presented at the 2025 Annual Meeting of the Society for Political Methodology [link]
Paper Accepted to Present at the 2025 American Political Science Association Annual Meeting.

1. **Estimating the Distribution of Voter Ideology in American Elections** (with Avi Acharya and Justin Grimmer)

Conference Presentations

American Political Science Association Annual Meeting	2025 (Expected)
Annual Meeting of the Society for Political Methodology (Poster)	2024, 2025
Western Political Science Association	2023
Georgetown Massive Data Institute Scholars Showcase	2021, 2022

Teaching

Stanford University, Teaching Assistant

The American West	Spring 2025
Controversies in American Public Policy	Winter 2024
Political Methodology I: Regression (Graduate-Level)	Fall 2024

Awards

George P. Shultz Dissertation Fund ($1,400)   2024
Fritz Family Fellowship: Georgetown Initiative on Tech & Society   2022
Massive Data Institute Scholar   2020–2022

Additional Research Experience

Georgetown University: Massive Data Institute   2020–2022
Research Assistant
PI: Michael A. Bailey

Georgetown University: Institute for the Study of Migration   2020–2021
Research Assistant
PI: Elizabeth Ferris

Ohio State University: Department of Political Science   2017–2018
Research Assistant
PI: Brice Acree

Skills

Programming: R, LaTeX
Languages: English (native), Chinese (proficient)