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Education

Yale University

Joint Ph.D. in Statistics & Data Science and Political Science

Fields: Quantitative Methods, Political Economy, Comparative Politics

Committee: P.M. Aronow (Chair), Molly Offer-Westort, Milan Svolik, Jasjeet Sekhon

Expected Completion: 2025

American University

BA in Political Science and Economics, *summa cum laude*

January 2017 – December 2019 (Graduated in six semesters)

Dean's List

Working Papers and Projects

Theory and Methodology

“Adversarial Parameter Selection with Sequential Model Based Optimization.”

“On the Foundations of Design Based Inference.” w/ P.M. Aronow

“A Practical Guide to Influence Functions.”

Empirical Projects

“Addressing differential attrition in the Gary Negative Income Tax experiment.” w/ Molly Offer-Westort and P.M. Aronow

“Measuring Mass Polarization from Policy Preference Surveys.” w/ Milan Svolik

“Measuring Support for Democracy from Conjoint Data.” w/ Milan Svolik

Teaching Experience

Section Leader for Graduate seminar. PLSC 500. Quantitative Methods II: Theory and Practice of Quantitative Methodology. Fall 2023.

Section Leader for Graduate seminar. PLSC 503. Quantitative Methods I: Foundations of Probability Theory. Spring 2023.

Head Teaching Fellow for Undergraduate Lecture. S&DS 541. Probability and Statistics. Fall 2022.

Work Experience

Research Assistant for P.M. Aronow	2021 – present
Research Assistant for Milan Svolik	2021 – 2022
Research Assistant for John Roemer	2021 – 2022
Research Assistant for Ryan T. Moore	Summer 2019
Research Assistant for Adrienne LeBas	Summer 2018

Awards, Honors and Fellowships

Alma Fuhrman Corlett Gainfort Fellowship	2020 – 2021
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Dean's Scholarship	2017 – 2019
Lois and George Schafer Scholarship	2018 – 2019
Ruth Dewey Meade Prize for Outstanding Undergraduate Research	2019
Public Affairs and Policy Lab Fellowship	2019
Peace and Violence Research Lab Fellowship	2018