# **DAN SNOW**

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DPhil student quantitatively exploring political and sociological questions concerning elections, forecasting, values, attitudes, and political identities.

# **EDUCATION**

# 2019 - present

#### DPhil Student in Sociology: University of Oxford

- Studying for a DPhil (PhD) at Nuffield College, supervised by Prof. Stephen D.
   Fisher
- Researching the politics of Brexit and its electoral consequences in Britain, exploring questions of political identity and voting during a turbulent period of British politics

#### 2018 - 2019

### MSc in Sociology: University of Oxford

- Distinction overall and in optional papers for Political Sociology and Advanced Quantitative Methods
- Awarded 2<sup>nd</sup> highest mark of cohort for 10,000 word dissertation which analysed the impact of campaign contact on voting intention and attitudes in the lead-up to the 2016 Brexit referendum

#### 2015 - 2018

#### BA in Philosophy, Politics and Economics: University of Oxford

- 1<sup>st</sup> class degree, and distinction in preliminary exams
- Chosen modules included Political Sociology and Quantitative Economics (achieved distinction in both)

# RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

# 2020 - present

# Research Assistant: University of Oxford

- Collating and tidying data in R for a post-stratification frame for multi-level modelling of worldwide environmental attitudes
- Collaborating with Prof. Stephen D. Fisher as part of the Oxford data analysis team for the United Nations Mission 1.5 project

#### Dec. 2019

#### Election Forecasting: Deltapoll

- Continually updated a constituency-level forecast of the 2019 UK general election and worked throughout election night with a colleague to relay the results to a professional client
- Built a model in R to adjust initial estimates according to the UK Exit Poll data and the results of declared seats

#### Nov. - Dec. 2019

#### Co-author of Blog Post: 'Why are polls from different pollsters so different'

- Collected and tidied data to analyse differences in polling estimates in the runup to the 2019 UK General Election
- Analysed and presented the results with lead author Prof. Stephen D. Fisher for an 'Elections Etc' blog post published online

# Aug. - Sept. 2019 Research Assistant: Centre for Social Investigation

- Wrote the CSI Brexit 7 research note and co-authored an accompanying blog post with Prof. Anthony Heath and Dr. Lindsay Richards
- Provided survey questions that were adapted and included in wave 8 of the CSI Brexit survey

#### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

#### Oct. - Dec. 2019 Quantitative Methods Tutor: University of Oxford

- Taught 7 weeks of quantitative methods (theory and practice in R) to secondyear Politics undergraduates
- Lectured and assisted students with their coding (3 classes per week, each with 10 to 20 students)
- Helped to develop course materials and wrote/marked the take-home exam

#### Aug. 2019 PPE Tutor for the UNIQ course: University of Oxford

- Gave three 1-hour tutorials to groups of two or three state school students considering applying for PPE
- Provided verbal feedback on the students' essays and facilitated discussion, challenging students to develop their ideas further

# 2018 - 2019 Graduate Mentor: Merton College

- Offered guidance to current Merton PPE students, on general topics like revision strategies and more focused subject specific questions
- Marked first-year Politics tutorial essays and collections (college exams), providing in-depth feedback and points for improvement

# ACADEMIC AWARDS AND GRANTS

 Nuffield College and ESRC Advanced Quantitative Methods Doctoral Training Studentship (approx. £80,000)

# Undergraduate

**DPhil** 

- Exhibitioner Scholarship in 2<sup>nd</sup> year of undergraduate studies for academic success, and Postmaster Scholarship in 3<sup>rd</sup> year for continued excellence
- 1<sup>st</sup> place out of 29 entrants in Merton College essay competition for a Politics essay discussing changes to class voting in Britain since the 1950s
- Shortlisted for 'Q-step Essay Prize' for data analysis essay, out of whole PPE cohort
- Sam McNaughton Prize for attainment in Philosophy, awarded to only one Merton College student per year

# TECHNICAL SKILLS

Highly Proficient – R, IATEX and Markdown

Proficient – Python, Stata, Bash, HTML and CSS