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Education

Ph.D., Political Science, Columbia University (expected 2026)
- Dissertation: *Strategic Reactions to Democratic Threat*
- Fields: American Politics, Comparative Politics
M.Phil., Political Science, Columbia University, 2023
M.A., Political Science, Columbia University, 2022
B.A., Government and Law; Economics, Lafayette College, 2020

Skills

- *Languages*: English, French (intermediate)
- *Software*: R, \LaTeX , Stata

Publications

1. Daniel Markovits and Andrew O'Donohue. 2025. "[The Court of Public Opinion: The Limited Effects of Elite Rhetoric about Prosecuting Political Leaders.](#)" *PNAS Nexus* 4(9).
2. Donald P. Green and Daniel Markovits. 2025. "Field Experiments in Political Science." In *Encyclopedia of Experimental Social Science. Forthcoming*, ed. Bereket Kebede.
3. Andrew J. Clarke and Daniel Markovits. 2024. "[Congressional Town Halls.](#)" *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 49 (4): 879–903.
4. Donald P. Green, Thomas Leavitt, and Daniel Markovits. 2023. "[Challenges That Proprietary Research Poses for Meta-Analysis.](#)" In *Oxford Handbook of Engaged Methodological Pluralism in Political Science*, eds. Janet M. Box-Steffensmeier, Dino P. Christenson, and Valeria Sinclair-Chapman. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
5. Daniel Markovits, Andrew Strange, and Dustin Tingley. 2019. "[Foreign Aid and the Status Quo: Evidence from Pre-Marshall Plan Aid.](#)" *The Chinese Journal of International Politics* 12 (4): 585–613.

Working Papers (Drafts Complete)

1. Threats of Retaliation and Support for Democratic Backsliding (Job Market Paper)
2. Encouraging Crossover Voting in the 2024 Presidential Primary (with Hayley Cohen, conditionally accepted, *American Journal of Political Science*)
3. Anticipatory Balancing (with Cody Prosperini, *under review*)
4. Field Testing Depolarization Initiatives (with Aaron Christensen and Andrew Thompson, *under review*)
5. Use Your Inside Voice: Intra-Party Social Pressure and the Avoidance of Political Speech (with Patrick Liu)

6. Crossover Voting in Congressional Primaries (with Hayley Cohen)
7. Democratic Norms in Nominating Contests (with Hans Noel)
8. Cheating to Win? Beliefs about the Effectiveness of Democratic Transgressions

Ongoing Projects

1. Norms and Outsiders in City Politics (with Justin Phillips and Emma Swanson)
2. How Accidental Mistargeting of Political Advertising Affects Experimental Estimates
3. Effects of Moderate Campaign Messaging in the 2024 Presidential Election: Contrasting Evidence from Survey and Field Experiments
4. Comparing Deep and Standard Canvassing (with Donald P. Green)
5. Mass reproducibility and replicability: A new hope (Institute for Replication Working Paper, Revise and Resubmit)
6. Campaign Activists and the Strategic Acceptance of Moderation

Further Research Experience

Research Assistant, Professor Donald P. Green (Columbia University), Professor Carlo Prato (Columbia University), Professor Macartan Humphreys (Columbia University and WZB Berlin), Professor Robert Erikson (Columbia University)

Teaching

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| Data Science for Political Analytics | Fall 2025 (ongoing) |
| Quantitative Methods 3, Experimental Research: Design, Analysis, and Interpretation (graduate course with discussion section) | Fall 2023 |
| Autocracy and Democracy (undergraduate lecture) | Fall 2022 |
| The American Congress (undergraduate lecture) | Fall 2021 |

Awards, Grants, and Fellowships

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| Columbia Center for Political Economy, co-author on faculty grant (\$33,000) | 2025 |
| Institute for Humane Studies, Expense Support Grants (\$4,000) | 2025 |
| Institute for Humane Studies, Junior Fellowship (\$6,000) | 2025 |
| Dissertation Development Grant, Columbia Political Science (\$2,100) | 2024 |
| Field Test Grant, Polarization and Social Change Lab (\$40,000) | 2023 |
| EGAP, West Africa Regional Hub Small Grants Fund (\$3,000) | 2023 |
| Seed grant, Center for Experimental Learning in the Social Sciences (\$6,000) | 2022 |
| Small grant, Center for Effective Lawmaking (\$1,000) | 2019 |

Conferences and Presentations

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| American Political Science Association | 2023, 2024, 2025 |
| Midwest Political Science Association | 2023, 2024, 2025 |
| Columbia Graduate Student Seminar | 2023, 2024, 2025 |

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| Columbia Political Economy Colloquium | 2024, 2025 |
| Invited Talk, MIT Media Lab | 2025 |
| Polarization Research Lab Annual Meeting | 2025 |
| Institute for Humane Studies, Junior Fellows Convening | 2025 |

Service

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| Columbia Graduate Student Seminar Coordinator | 2022-2023 |
| Graduate Student Organizer, Political Economy of Democratic Backsliding Conference | 2022 |

Last updated October 2025.