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Dear Members of the Search Committee,

I am writing to apply for the position of Assistant Professor of Government (American Politics and Quantitative Methods) as advertised on HigherEdJobs. I am a doctoral candidate specializing in political economy with particular focus on formal theory, and American politics. I will complete my Ph.D. in Economics from the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign in May 2022.

I am extremely interested in joining the faculty of the Government department. As a member of the department, I will contribute to its focus on interdisciplinary education, continue my research on strategic communication and voting order, and lead departmental service activities. I find Harvard's tradition for teaching and its research philosophy very stimulating. I am confident that my enthusiasm for teaching, my theoretical and empirical approach to studying socially relevant topics, and my track record for collaborative work make me an excellent fit for the position in your department.

My research examines issues in political economy and industrial organization. In my job market paper, I theoretically and empirically analyze how politicians strategically vary ad content and placement to mobilize their base and demobilize the opposing one. In other work, I investigate the incentives of candidates of the same party, who advertise in the same district, to free ride off of each others advertising. To achieve this, I use both theoretical and empirical tools. In joint work, my coauthor and I characterize conditions such that voting outcomes are independent of voting order.

In addition, I have a strong interest in teaching. As I mention in my teaching statement, I have extensive teaching experience in a range of topics. During my doctoral studies at Illinois, I was honored to be selected by my students among the top 10% of teachers in the university.

Included in my application are copies of my CV, my job market paper titled "Messaging the Bases: Tailoring Political Ads to Audiences", statements on my research agenda and teaching philosophy, and a statement affirming my commitment to diversity and inclusion. Letters in support of my application from Professors Dan Bernhardt (Chair), George Delatas, and Stefan Krassa will be sent under a separate cover.

I can be reached via email at ecnstnt2@illinois.edu or by phone at +1-217-721-5834.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if there is any additional information that I can provide.

Thank you very much for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
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