

Department of Politics,  
Princeton University.

Dear Members of the Search Committee,

I am writing to apply for the position of Postdoctoral Research Associate in Formal Theory & Quantitative Methods as advertised on APSA. I am a doctoral candidate specializing in political economy with particular focus on American politics and formal theory. 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 Department of Politics at Princeton. As a member of the department, I will contribute to its focus on political science education, continue my research on strategic political communication, and lead departmental service activities.

I find the research agenda at the Department of Politics at Princeton very stimulating. I believe that my combination of theoretical and empirical skills make me a valuable collaborator for the Formal Theory & Quantitative Methods research groups. My current research examines issues related to strategic communication and timing of elections. Specifically, 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 examine whether candidates of the same party, who advertise in the same district, free ride off of each others ads. In joint work, my co-author and I characterize conditions such that voting outcomes are independent of voting order.

I must emphasize that I truly enjoy collaborative work as my track record of co-authored work demonstrates. I would be excited to work on campaign financing with Professor Canes-Wrone, on misinformation and digital media with Professor Guess, lobbying with Professor Judd, and political extremism with Professor Li.

Letters in support of my application from Professors Dan Bernhardt (Chair), George Delatas, and Stefan Krassa will be sent under a separate cover.

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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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