Résumé

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Professional Summary

PhD in Political Science with expertise in comparative politics, public opinion, and media influence. Experienced educator with a strong background in qualitative and quantitative research methods. Proficient in leveraging analytical tools such as R and Stata for data-driven insights. Passionate about fostering critical thinking and engagement in political discourse through research and teaching.

Professional Experience

Planned Career Break   March 2022 – Present
- Focused on research projects and professional development.

Teaching Assistant, Department of Political   September 2017 – March 2022
Science, University of California, Riverside   (20 hrs./week)
- Led three weekly discussion sections, reinforcing key political science concepts.
- Provided individualized support through office hours and direct student engagement.
- Managed and graded assignments using Blackboard and Canvas platforms.
- Acted as the primary liaison between students and faculty.

Primary Instructor, Department of Political   July 2020 – September 2020
Science, University of California, Riverside   (20hrs./week)
- Designed and taught Mass Media and Public Opinion' course, developing a multimedia-rich syllabus.
- Created an inclusive and engaging learning environment through flexible lesson plans and assignments.
- Assessed student progress through written evaluations and interactive discussions.

Courses Taught

- Comparative Politics
- Mass Media and Public Opinion (Primary Instructor)
- The Nation State and Capitalism
- Politics of the Underdeveloped World
- World Politics

Education

University of California, Riverside

PhD in Political Science, 2022.

M.A. in Political Science, 2019.

Oakland University

B.A. in Political Science, 2015.
    - Minors: International Relations and French Language

Professional Training

The Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research (IQMR), Syracuse University, 2021.

Professional Competencies

Research & Analytical Skills

Qualitative Methods, Quantitative Methods, Mixed Methods

Software

Data Analysis: R, Stata, Microsoft Excel

Document Preparation: Latex, Microsoft Office, Adobe Acrobat

Collaboration & Storage: Google Suite, OneDrive, Dropbox, Google Drive

Operating Systems: Windows, macOS, Linux, iOS