

# Curriculum Vita

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## Academic Positions

- Teaching Postdoctoral Scholar, University of Kentucky, 2023-Present

## Education

- Ph.D., Political Science, University of Missouri. July 2023.
  - Committee: Laron Williams (Chair), James Endersby, Jay Dow, Hannah Paul
  - Concentrations: Comparative Politics and American Politics
  - Dissertation: Out of the Green: Policy Diffusion in the European Green Party
    - \* Abstract: Recent work in the policy diffusion literature shows that left-right policy positions and issue emphasis are influenced by successful political parties abroad. Despite these findings, important questions remain about where and under what conditions policy diffusion between niche parties occurs. My research sheds light on these puzzles by showing that Europarties are institutionalized mechanisms for policy diffusion between niche parties in the EU. I also test whether this relationship is conditional on electoral rules, and whether learning increases niche party vote shares. To answer these puzzles, I use data from the Manifesto Research on Political Representation, Comparative Political Dataset, and an original dataset of Europarty membership. From these data, I construct, primarily, a sample of green parties and test my theory using spatial econometrics models. My research produces three main findings: (1) niche parties learn through Europarties, which act as institutionalized arenas of policy diffusion; (2) parties learn from others in similar electoral environments; (3) learning does not necessarily correspond to electoral benefits for parties. These findings indicate that Europarties play an important role in the national politics of European countries by acting as a venue for like-minded party elites to learn from each other.

- B.S., *magna cum laude*, Political Science and Mathematics, Murray State University, May 2018.
- IPSA-USP Summer School in Concepts, Methods, and Techniques in Political Science, Public Policy, and International Relations, University of São Paulo, 2020
  - Survey Design
  - Survey Analysis
  - Comparative Survey Analysis

## Research

### Publications

3. **Jokinsky, Steven**, Christine Lipsmeyer, Andrew Philips, Guy Whitten, and Laron K. Williams. *Forthcoming*. “Look Over There. Where? A Compositional Approach to the Modeling of Public Opinion on the Most Important Problem.” *Social Science Quarterly*
2. Endersby, James and **Steven Jokinsky**. *Forthcoming*. “[State Electoral Innovation and Voter Turnout in Midterm and Presidential Elections](#).” *Election Law Journal*
1. Stegmaier, Mary, **Steven Jokinsky**, and Michael S. Lewis-Beck. 2023. “[Election Forecasting: The evolution and accuracy of political economy models in the UK](#).” *Electoral Studies*

### Working Papers

- “Flocking Together: Niche Party Cooperation Within Transnational Party Organizations.”
- “Almost All-Mail Elections and Turnout: County-level Vote-by-Mail and Electoral Participation.” (with James Endersby and Antony Jackson)
- “The Impact of Electoral Opportunity on Non-electoral Participation: A Review of the Latin American Context.” (with Marc Polizzi)
- “A Place of Their Own: Far-Right Support and Legibility in the Former East Germany.” (with Michael A. Powell)
- “Declining Party Membership? Linking European Party Membership and Deindustrialization.” (with Tyler Coleman)

### Conference Presentations

- 2024: KPSA; WPSA; MPSA<sup>◇</sup>
- 2023: SPSA; EU Center Conference (Texas A&M); MPSA; APSA
- 2022: MPSA; EU Center Conference (Texas A&M); ISA-Midwest
- 2021: SWSSA<sup>†</sup>; MPSA<sup>†</sup>

<sup>†</sup> Virtual due to COVID-19; <sup>◇</sup> Served as a discussant

## Teaching Experience

### Instructor

- *British Politics*, Fall 2023
- *Campaigns and Elections*, Fall 2023–Spring 2024
- *Comparative Political Behavior*, Spring 2024
- *Introduction to Comparative Politics*, Fall 2023–Spring 2024

### Graduate Instructor

- *The Science of Politics*, Spring 2023
- *Comparative Political Behavior*, Fall 2022
- *Comparative Political Systems*, Spring and Summer 2022 (Online)
- *Introduction to American Government*, Fall 2021

### Lab Instructor

- *Introductory Statistics for Political Science*, Fall 2020
- *Introduction to Political Research*, Spring 2019 and Fall 2019

### Teaching Assistant

- *Linear Models in Politics*, Jake Haselswerdt, Spring 2021
- *Introductory Statistics for Political Science*, James Endersby, Fall 2020
- *Political Parties and Election Campaigns*, James Endersby, Fall 2020
- *Political Parties and Election Campaigns*, Jay Dow, Spring 2020
- *Introduction to Political Research*, Laron Williams, Spring 2019, Fall 2019, and Summer 2020
- *The Constitutional Debates*, Jay Dow, Spring 2020
- *The Judicial Process*, William Horner, Fall 2018

### Graduate Workshop Instructor

- *Introduction to R*, Spring 2023

## Awards and Support

- GAPS Outstanding Graduate Student Award, Truman School of Government and Public Affairs, 2023
- Wallace/Remington Graduate Research Scholarship, University of Missouri, Department of Political Science, 2020

## Service

- Referee for Peer-reviewed Journals:
  - *European Journal of Political Research*, *International Journal of Forecasting*, *Political Behavior*, *Politics & Policy*, and *Party Politics*
- *TSGPA Mentorship Program*, University of Missouri, 2022-2023
- *Member*, University of Missouri, Graduate Association of Political Science, 2018-2023
- *Graduate Professional Council Representative*, University of Missouri, Graduate Association of Political Science, 2019-2020

## References

References available upon request

## Additional Skills

Stata, R, and L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X