Anna Weissman

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Appointments

Princeton University, School of Public and International Affairs

Postdoctoral Fellow at the Center for the Study of Democratic Politics (CSDP)

2025-2026

Education

University of California, Berkeley

Ph.D. Political Science

2025

- Fields: American Politics (with distinction), Political Methodology, Political Behavior
- Committee: Sarah Anzia (chair), David Broockman, Paul Pierson, Eric Schickler

M.A. Political Science 2022

Tufts University

2013-2017

B.A. Political Science, Philosophy, & German, Cum Laude

Peer-Reviewed Articles

[1] Anna Weissman (2025), "Descriptive Representation in an Era of Polarization," The Journal of Politics: Vol. 87, No. 3. https://doi.org/10.1086/732961

[2] Michael Hankinson, Asya Magazinnik and Anna Weissman (2024), "When Do Local Interest Groups Participate in the Housing Entitlement Process?," Journal of Political Institutions and Political Economy: Vol. 5: No. 1, pp 47-69. http://dx.doi.org/10.1561/113.00000093

Working Papers & Works in Progress

"As Racial Attitudes Go, So Goes Approval: Why White Democrats Favor Representatives of Color," *invited to revise and resubmit* (with Anna Mikkelborg)

"When Partisanship Matters in Local Politics"

"Local Roots in Local Politics"

"How Local Officials (Mis)perceive the Politics and Economics of Growth" (with David Broockman and Christopher Elmendorf)

"Measuring Place-Based Attachment and its Implications: Evidence from the Politics of Growth and Land Use"

Book Project: "How Place Conditions Local Politics: Understanding Local Power and Decision-Making Beyond Party Lines"

Presentations

APSA MPSA SPSA CSDP Colloquium, Princeton University 2022, 2023*, 2024, expected 2025 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025 2022, 2024 expected 2025

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| Research Workshop in American Politics, UC Berkeley Stanford conference on the Political Economy of Geographic | expected 2025 2025 |
| Polarization in Rich Democracies (<i>invited</i>) | 2023 |
| APSA Local Political Economy pre-Conference | 2024 |
| Winter American Politics Research Meeting, UC Berkeley (invited) | 2024 |
| Berkeley-Stanford American Politics Conference | 2022 |
| University of Michigan Emerging Scholars Conference | 2019 |
| Harvard Engaged Scholarship and Social Justice Research Conference | 2017 |
| Stanford Undergraduate Research Conference | 2017 |
| (*Indicates accepted paper but unable to attend due to extenuating circumstances) | |
| Teaching | |
| UC Berkeley, Graduate Student Instructor | |
| Decision Analysis, Modeling, & Quant Methods, Jake Grumbach (graduate) | Spring 2024 |
| Politics of Public Policy, David Broockman | Summer 2023 |
| Intro to American Politics, Paul Pierson | Fall 2021, Spring 2023 |
| Intro to Empirical Analysis & Quantitative Methods, David Broockman | Spring 2022 |
| Parties and Polarization in the US, Thomas Kent | Fall 2022 |
| Tufts University, Teaching Assistant | E 11 2010 |
| Intro to American Politics, Brian Schaffner | Fall 2019 |
| Quantitative Research Methods, Richard Eichenberg | Spring 2017 |
| Awards | |
| Citrin Center Graduate Student Research Award, UC Berkeley, \$2,000 | 2025 |
| Department Graduate Student Mentorship Award, UC Berkeley, \$2,500 | 2024 |
| Synar Graduate Research Fellowship, Institute of Governmental Studies, UC Berkele | |
| Peter H. Odegard Departmental Award, UC Berkeley Political Science, \$1,500 | 2023 |
| Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award, UC Berkeley | 2023 |
| Pi Sigma Alpha Howard Penniman Scholarship for Graduate Study | 2020 |
| William Howell Reed Prize in German, Tufts University | 2017 |
| Rotary International Scholarship | 2013-2017 |
| Henry J. Leir International Scholars Program Scholarship Elks Scholarship | 2015 2013 |
| Service | 2013 |
| Reviewer: European Journal of Political Research, Journal of Politics, Perspectives | on Politics |
| Graduate Student Admissions Committee, Berkeley | 2024-2025 |
| Social Sciences Research Pathways, <i>Mentor</i> , Berkeley | 2024-2025 |
| Undergraduate Research Apprentice Program, <i>Mentor</i> , Berkeley | Fall 2023 - Spring 2025 |
| Head Tutor in Graduate Quantitative Methods, Berkeley | 2025 |
| Tutor in Quantitative Methods, Graduate and Undergraduate, Berkeley | Spring 2022 - Spring 2025 |
| Politics Workshop of Grad Students, Co-Founder/Organizer, Berkeley | Spring 2023 - Winter 2025 |
| Women in Political Science, Co-Coordinator, Berkeley | 2022 - 2023 |
| Political Science Graduate Student Association, Co-President, Berkeley | 2021 - 2022 |
| Research Workshop in American Politics, Student Co-coordinator, Berkeley | 2021 - 2022 |
| Pi Sigma Alpha Undergraduate National Student Research Conference, Discussant | 2022 |
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Other Experience

Stanford University, *Research Assistant* Hakeem Jefferson

Fall 2024 - Summer 2025

UC Berkeley, *Graduate Student Researcher* Institute of Governmental Studies Poll Sarah Anzia

June-August 2022 March-September 2021

2022 - 2023

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Senior Research Support Associate

American Politics

June 2019 - July 2020

Comparative Politics

July 2017 - June 2019

Skills

Eric Schickler

Language: English (Native), German (Professional Proficiency)

Other: LATEX, R, Stata, Qualtrics, GIS