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Academic Appointments

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

Postdoctoral Research Associate

Department of Criminal Justice and Criminology

Milwaukee, WI

2020–Current

Education

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

Ph.D., Political Science

Milwaukee, WI

2016–2020

- Exam Fields: American Politics, Public Policy & Public Administration
- Dissertation: Unequal Representation in Local Democracies: An Analysis of Public Opinion and Policy Outcomes in U.S. Cities
- Committee: Paru Shah (chair), Tom Holbrook, Joel Rast, Kathy Dolan

Project Description: In my dissertation project, I ask whether constituent preferences are equally represented in local policy outcomes. Applying new methods for the estimation of subnational public opinion, I show that local policy is responsive to citizen preferences, but some opinions appear to count more than others. In order to better understand *why* unequal preference representation exists, I also explore the institutional processes through which representation occurs.

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

M.A., Political Science

Milwaukee, WI

2014–2016

Indiana University-South Bend

B.A., Political Science

South Bend, IN

2009–2014

Publications

Forthcoming. "Call and Response? Neighborhood Inequality and Political Voice." *Urban Affairs Review* (with Paru Shah and Amber Wichowsky).

2020. "Race, Place, and Descriptive Representation: What Shapes Trust Toward Local Government?" *Representation* 56 (2): 195-213.

2019. "Is It All About the Money? How Campaigns Spur Participation in State Court Elections." *Justice System Journal* 40 (3): 221-237.

Manuscripts Under Review

"Straight to the (Revenue) Source: Contextual and Individual-Level Determinants of Attitudes Toward Local Taxes" (with Tom Holbrook). *Revise & resubmit*.

"An Evaluation of a De-Escalation Conflict Management Training in a Behavioral Health Hospital Setting" (with Tina Freiburger, Victoria Knoche, and Danielle Romain). *Revise & resubmit*.

"An Examination of the Direct and Interactive Effects of Race, Ethnicity, and Gender on Charge Reduction." (with Tina Freiburger and Danielle Romain). *Revise & resubmit*.

"Reliable Sources? Correcting Misinformation in Polarized Media Environments." (with Nick Davis, Taraleigh Davis, Patrick Kraft, Jason Neumeyer, and Shin Young Park).

Manuscripts in Preparation

"The Effects of Race and Ethnicity on Access to and Movement through the Milwaukee County Adult Drug Treatment Court" (with Alyssa Sheeran). *Special issue proposal accepted*.

"Crisis and Gendered Communication" (with Paru Shah and Amber Wichowsky).

"Do Probation Review Hearings Reduce Offender Recidivism? An Examination of Whether Sanctioning for Non-Compliance Impacts Re-Offending" (with Tina Freiburger and Danielle Romain).

Technical Reports

"System-level Diversion Project – Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Site-Based Program Summary Report" (with Victoria Knoche and Tina Freiburger). Prepared in February 2021.

Conference Presentations

MPSA	Chicago, IL 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 [†]
ISPP	Berlin, Germany 2020*
PolMeth	Boston, MA 2019
Urban Affairs Association	Los Angeles, CA 2019*

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[†] cancelled due to COVID-19

* presented by co-author

Teaching Experience

University of Wisconsin-Stout
Instructor
POLSCI 210 American Politics (Online)

Menomonie, WI
Fall 2019

Teaching Experience (Continued)

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee	Milwaukee, WI
<i>Teaching Assistant</i>	2014-2020
GLOBAL 101 Introduction to Global Studies	
POLSCI 104 Introduction to American Politics	
POLSCI 105 State and Local Politics	
POLSCI 203 Introduction to Political Science Research	
POLSCI 213 Urban Politics	
POLSCI 215 Ethnicity, Religion, and Race in American Politics	
POLSCI 335 Comparative Political Systems	
POLSCI 415 The Politics of Race, Ethnicity, and Immigration	

Additional Relevant Work Experience

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee	Milwaukee, WI
<i>Wilder Crane Project Assistant</i>	2015-2019
Supervisor: Tom Holbrook	
Responsibilities included assisting with the management of an original local elections database, including collecting and organizing data as well as managing data collection efforts by undergraduate students working on the project. I also tracked and collected state-level polling data during election seasons.	

The Argosy Foundation	Milwaukee, WI
<i>Graduate Research Intern</i>	2017-2018
As a research intern, I generated multiple program evaluation and grant portfolio analysis reports, regularly reviewed partner reports and engaged in follow up correspondence with partner organizations, and assisted with grant application reviews and funding decisions.	

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee	Milwaukee, WI
<i>Research Assistant</i>	Summer 2015
Supervisor: Paru Shah	
Tasks included: collecting state voter files, collecting data on candidates running for state-level offices, data cleaning, and creating new variables for analysis.	

Grants and Awards

PolMeth Travel Grant: National Science Foundation	2019
Graduate Student Travel Support Award: University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee	2019
Graduate Student Travel Support Award: University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee	2017
Wilder Crane Memorial Scholarship Award: University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee	2016
Chancellor's Graduate Student Award: University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee	2016
Wilder Crane Memorial Scholarship Award: University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee	2015
Chancellor's Graduate Student Award: University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee	2014

Skills

Programming & Software: ArcGIS, L^AT_EX, Qualtrics, R, Stata, SPSS, SQL (basic)

Languages: Spanish (intermediate)