## Alex Acs

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RESEARCH INTERESTS Political institutions and policymaking; executive branch politics, regulation and political control over administrative agencies; environmental and social policy; applied game theory and econometrics

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT American Academy of Arts and Sciences, Cambridge, MA Visiting Fellow

2014-2015

EMPLOYMENT

**EDUCATION** 

Princeton University, Princeton, NJ

Ph.D., Politics, 2014 M.A., Politics, 2011

Fields: American Politics, Formal and Quantitative Methods Advisors: Charles Cameron, John Londregan, Nolan McCarty

Dissertation: "Essays on Regulatory Politics: Political Targeting, Deterrence Effects and the

 $Implementation\ of\ Regulatory\ Statutes"$ 

Columbia University, New York, NY

M.P.A., School of International and Public Affairs, May, 2009 Concentration: Advanced Policy and Economic Analysis

Georgetown University, Washington, DC

B.A., Government, May, 2003

PEER-REVIEWED
PUBLICATIONS

"Does White House Regulatory Review Produce a Chilling Effect and "OIRA Avoidance" in the Agencies?" Presidential Studies Quarterly (2013), with Charles Cameron

Manuscripts

"Regulating Under the Shadow of Centralized Review: Presidential Auditing and the Dynamics of Agency Deterrence" (under review)

"Which Statute to Implement? Strategic Timing by Regulatory Agencies" (under review)

"Uncovering Partisan Bias toward Regulators: A Methodological Framework and an Application to Agency Politicization"

"Presidents and the Politics of Centralized Control: Regulatory Auditing at the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs," with Charles Cameron

Works in Progress "Policy for Sale: Delegation and Politics of Agency Design" (presented at the 2013 Midwest Political Science Association Meeting)

"Administrative Procedure Acts in a Separation of Powers System: A Theory of Policy Insulation followed by Evidence from the American States," with Alex Ruder (presented at the 2010 Southern Political Science Association Meeting)

Conference Presentations	Society for Empirical Legal Studies, Annual Conference	2014
	International Society for New Institutional Economics, Annual Conference	2014
	Midwest Political Science Association, Annual Meeting	2013, 2014
	Colloquium on Law, Economics and Politics, NYU Law	2012
	Conference on Presidential and Judicial Oversight of Administrative Agencies, Duk	e Law 2012
	Conference on Institutions and Law Making, Emory University	2011
	American Political Science Association, Annual Meeting	2011
Teaching	Teaching Assistant Applied Quantitative Analysis (intermediate undergraduate statistics) Professor: Omar Wasow, Princeton University	Spring 2014
	Teaching Assistant Quantitative Analysis and Politics (introductory undergraduate statistics) Professor: Kosuke Imai, Princeton University	Fall 2011
	Statistical Consultant Feb - May: 2010-2014 Data and Statistical Services Lab, Firestone Library, Princeton University Provided assistance on data analysis, statistical concepts and research design for Juniors and Seniors working on their theses.	
	Guest Lecturer Administrative Law (Cary Coglianese, UPenn Law), Bureaucratic Politics (Nolan McCarty, Princeton), The American Presidency (Charles Cameron, Princeton)	
Professional Service	Referee, Journal of Empirical Legal Studies, Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory, Quarterly Journal of Political Science	
	Editor, Journal of International Affairs	2007-08
RESEARCH ASSISTANCE	Charles Cameron (Princeton, 2010-12), Alex Hirsch (Princeton, 2010), Nolan McCarty (Princeton, 2009), David Epstein (Columbia, 2008-09)	
Work Experience	Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA), Washington, DC Graduate Student Intern Reviewed federal regulations in the Natural Resources Branch	Summer 2008
	World Resources Institute (WRI), Washington, DC $Research\ Analyst$ WRI is a non-partisan research institute focused on environment and development policy	2004-07
Publications (Other)	World Resources Report 2008. United Nations Development Programme, United Nations Environment Programme, World Bank, World Resources Institute. Washington, DC. July, 2008 (contributing author)	
	"Water: A Global Challenge". Journal of International Affairs. Columbia University Spring/Summer 2008. (review essay)	ty. Vol. 61, No.

2, Spring/Summer 2008. (review essay)

HONORS AND
AWARDS
Student Fellowship, The Graduate School, Princeton University
2009 - 2014
Student Fellowship, School of International and Public Affairs, Columbia University
2008 - 2009

COMPUTER
SKILLS
SKILLS
Programming: R/S-Plus, Python