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Academic Appointments

2017- , Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, The Pennsylvania State University

2016-2017, Postdoctoral Research Associate, Department of Politics, Princeton University

2015-2016, Predoctoral Fellow, University of Pennsylvania

Education

Ph.D. Political Science, The University of Chicago, June 2016.

Dissertation: Who's on the Bench?: Political Implications of Judicial Characteristics and Judicial Selection Methods in the U.S.

Committee: John Brehm (co-chair), Michael Dawson (co-chair), William Howell

Edward S. Corwin Award for best dissertation in the field of public law, APSA, 2017.

M.A. Political Science, The University of Chicago, 2012.

M.P.P. Rutgers University Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy, 2006.

B.A. Urban Studies, Brown University, 2002.

Research Interests

Judicial Politics, Criminal Justice, Inequality, State Politics

Publications

"Voter Response to Salient Judicial Decisions in Retention Elections." 2019. *Law & Social Inquiry*. 44(1):170-91.

"Bias and Judging," with Maya Sen. 2019. *Annual Review of Political Science*. 22(1).

"Support for Black Reparations in the Early 21st Century," with Michael C. Dawson. Forthcoming. In *Reflections on Black Politics in the Early 21st Century*. Oxford University Press.

Works Under Review and in Progress

"Can Racial Diversity Among Judges Affect Sentencing Outcomes?" *Under Review*

Lucius Barker Award for best paper related to race, ethnicity, and politics, MPSA, 2019.

“Local Public Finance and Discriminatory Policing: Evidence from Traffic Stops in Missouri,” with Elliott Ash and Jeffrey Fagan. *Under Review*

“Black Lives Matter in the Courtroom: Judges, Discretion, and Responsiveness to Protest,” with Soumyajit Mazumder and Ariel R. White.

“Group-Level Racial Diversity and Individual Decisions: Evidence from a Criminal Sentencing Decision Experiment,” with Amir Shawn Fairdosi.

“Reparations Redux: Racialized Publics and Support for Reparations and Obama,” with Michael Dawson and Jenn Jackson.

Fellowships & Grants

MIT Election Data and Science Lab New Initiatives Grant, “Finding Families Affected by Felon Disfranchisement,” 2019. With Laurel Eckhouse, Hannah Walker, and Ariel White. (\$9,992.13)

University of Pennsylvania Predoctoral Fellowship for Excellence through Diversity, September 2015- June 2016.

University of Chicago Division of Social Sciences Research Grant, Summer 2013.

University of Chicago Center for the Study of Race, Politics and Culture Research Grant, Summer 2013.

Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models Summer Institute, June- July 2013.

Robert A. Catlin Memorial Scholarship, Rutgers University, Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy, 2005-2006.

Ozzie and Jeanne Bloustein Fellowship in Public Policy, Rutgers University, Bloustein School, 2004- 2005.

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John A. Garcia Award to support attendance at the Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research Summer Program, June- July 2012.

Conference Presentations

Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association: 2014, 2016, 2017, 2018.

Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association: 2013, 2017.

Visions in Methodology: 2017.

Polmeth: 2015 (poster).

Philadelphia Region American Politics Conference: 2015.

State Politics and Policy Conference: 2013, 2018.

Invited Talks and Workshops

University of California, San Diego, May 2018; American Politics Workshop, George Washington University, March 2018; Ethics and Political Science Program, Texas A & M University, September 2017; Center for the Study of American Politics, Yale University, April 2017; Center for the Study of Democratic Politics, Princeton University, April 2017

Teaching

Pennsylvania State University

The Politics of Crime and Punishment in American Cities. Spring 2019.

The Scientific Study of Politics. Spring 2018, Fall 2018.

Introduction to American National Government. Spring 2018.

Methods of Political Analysis (Graduate). Fall 2017, Fall 2018.

The University of Chicago

Political Science Bachelor's Thesis Colloquium: 2014- 2015 Academic Year.

Social Science Inquiry I: Fall 2014.

Service

Discipline: Section Chair, Law and Society, 2019 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association; Coordinator, Justice and Injustice Mini Conference, 2018 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association

Penn State: Graduate recruitment committee

Reviewer: *American Journal of Political Science*; *American Political Science Review*; *Journal of Politics*; *Political Research Quarterly*

Additional Experience

Project Manager, Initiative for Regional and Community Transformation, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ, March 2010- March 2012.

Consultant, The Estis Group, Atlanta, GA, September 2007- December 2009.

Analyst, Governor's Office of Planning and Budget, Atlanta, GA, July 2006- August 2007.

Financial Analyst, Goldman Sachs, New York, NY, July 2002- May 2004.

References

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