# Amir Shawn Fairdosi

Department of Political Science Pennsylvania State University Pond Laboratory University Park, PA 16803 Email: asf34@psu.edu Web: http://fairdosi.com/ Phone: (814) 863-1592

### Academic Appointments

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

2016, Senior Fellow, The Government Affairs Institute at Georgetown University

2015, Visiting Professor, Department of Government, Dartmouth College

### Education

Ph.D. Political Science, The University of Chicago, 2015.

M.A. Political Science, The University of Chicago, 2009.

B.A., Political Science, Philosophy, and Sociology. University of Texas at Austin, 2005.

#### Research Interests

American Politics, Congress, Political Behavior, Civic Education

## **Book Project**

"Teaching Democracy: Democratic Schools, Democratic Citizens."

#### Peer-Reviewed Publications

"Partisanship, Race, and Descriptive Representation: Black Republican Candidates in the 2010 Congressional Elections," with Jon Rogowski. 2015. *Political Research Quarterly*. 68: 337-349.

Media Coverage: The Washington Post, June 21, 2015.

"Power to the People? Cognitive and Motivational Mechanisms of Disengagement from Direct Democracy," with Ellie Shockley. 2015. Social Psychology and Personality Science. 6: 579-586.

#### Other Publications

"What Happens if Trump Broke the Law?" December 1, 2017. Forbes.

Amir Shawn Fairdosi 2

"New Blood: Freshman Policy-Making in the U.S. Congress." 2013. PS: Political Science and Politics.

### **Current Projects**

"Democratic Classroom Climate: An International Study."

"Democratic Education and Democratic Attitudes: An Experiment."

"STEM Education and Democracy."

"A Survey of Democratic Schools in America."

"The Effects of Meditation on Political Attitudes."

"Forced to Care?: The Effects of Jury Duty on Political Efficacy."

### **Original Data Collection**

"Survey of American Democratic Schools"

#### Conference Presentations

Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association: 2009 (poster), 2017, 2018

Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association: 2009, 2011, 2012

Annual Meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology: 2011, 2012

Annual Conference on Democracy and Governance: 2013.

## Awards and Fellowships

Government Affairs Institute Fellowship, 2016

Social Sciences Division Research Grant, 2013

American Political Science Association Congressional Fellowship, 2012-2013

Doolittle-Harrison Fellowship, Winter 2011

Grodzins Prize Lectureship, Fall 2011

Psychology Graduate Student Organization Travel and Research Grant, Fall 2010

University of Chicago Social Sciences Division Fellowship, 2007-2012

# Professional Memberships

International Society of Political Psychology, 2011-Present

American Political Science Association, 2008-Present

Amir Shawn Fairdosi 3

Mid-West Political Science Association, 2008-Present

Pi Sigma Alpha National Political Science Honor Society (President, 2005)

### **Additional Experience**

Volunteer Adult Literacy Teacher, Blue Gargoyle Adult Literacy Program, Chicago, IL, 2008-2010.

Program Advisory Committee Member, Teach For America, Houston, TX, 2007.

5th Grade Social Studies Teacher, Youngblood Intermediate School, Houston, TX, 2005-2007.

### **Additional Information**

Statistical software and programming languages

Stata, SPSS, LaTex

#### References

John Mark Hansen Department of Political Science The University of Chicago jhansen@uchicago.edu (312) 550-3767

John Brehm Department of Political Science The University of Chicago jjbrehm@uchicago.edu (773) 702-8075

William Howell
Department of Political Science
The University of Chicago
whowell@uchicago.edu
(773) 702-8075

Last updated: October 27, 2018