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## Appointments

### *University of Virginia*

Frank Batten School of Leadership & Public Policy

Assistant Professor of Public Policy and Politics 2025-present

Department of Politics

Assistant Professor (by courtesy) 2025-present

## Education

University of Michigan, Political Science & Public Policy, Ph.D. 2025

The George Washington University, B.A. 2017

University of Oxford, Pembroke College, Visiting Student 2016

## Research

### *Peer-Reviewed Articles*

2025. "Public Responses to Unilateral Policymaking," *Journal of Experimental Political Science* 12 (1): 86–98. (with Kenneth Lowande)

2024. "Improving Content Analysis: Tools for Working with Undergraduate Research Assistants," *PS: Political Science & Politics* 57 (1): 57-63.

### *Working Papers*

"Partisan Departures from the Administrative States"

"Bureaucratic Departures After Civil Service Rollbacks"

"Excessive Heat and Correctional Officer Turnover: Evidence from Texas" (with Jacob Harris)

"Learning About Presidential Power" (with Kenneth Lowande and Yuki Shiraito) *Under Review*

"Oversight From Above or Below: Individual and Institutional Legislative Influence on Agencies" (with Charles Shipan, Frederick Boehmke, and Tracee Saunders) *R&R at JLEO*

### *Grants*

2025. "Toward a Large-Scale Source of Individual-Level Data for Studying Correctional Staff," Arthur Ventures: \$292,100 (Co-PI with Jacob Harris)

### *Other Publications*

2019. "Welfare Rules Databook: State TANF Policies as of July 2018," Urban Institute. (with Christine Heffernan, Sarah Minton, and Linda Giannarelli)

2018. "Welfare Rules Databook: State TANF Policies as of July 2017," Urban Institute. (with Christine Heffernan, Ian Hecker, Linda Giannarelli, and Sarah Minton)

### Awards

2025 Founder's Best Paper Award for the best student paper in executive politics presented at APSA 2024, *American Political Science Association*

2025 Pi Sigma Alpha/Malcolm Jewell Award for the best student paper presented at the 2024 SPSA meeting, *Southern Political Science Association*

2023 Outstanding Research Mentor Award, Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program, University of Michigan.

2022 John W. Kingdon Award for Outstanding Teaching, Department of Political Science, University of Michigan.

### Presentations

#### *Annual Meetings*

American Political Science Association: 2021, 2024, 2025

Midwest Political Science Association: 2022-2023

Southern Political Science Association: 2022, 2024

#### *Invited Talks*

University of Chicago, January 2025

### Teaching and Mentoring

#### *University of Michigan (Graduate Student Instructor)*

Political Science Research Design (Fall 2020, Winter 2021)

Political Science Honors Seminar (Fall 2021, Winter 2022)

Math Camp for incoming PhD students (Summer 2021, Summer 2022)

### Service

#### *Reviewer*

*American Journal of Political Science, Presidential Studies Quarterly, Research & Politics*