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Education

Emory University

Ph.D., Political Science, expected 2026

Fields: Congress, Executive Politics, State and Local Politics

Dissertation Committee: Alex Bolton (chair), John W. Patty, Zachary Peskowitz

M.A., Political Science, 2024

University of West Florida

B.A., Political Science, 2020

Summa cum laude

Publications

“Paved with Partisan Intentions: The Impressive and Disheartening Validity of Cox and McCubbins’s *Legislative Leviathan*” with John W. Patty
Journal of Political Institutions and Political Economy 4(4): 523-549

Working Papers

“(Non-)Partisan Oversight of the Executive Branch:
Evidence from Congress and Offices of Inspector General”

“Is Being on the House Rules Committee Still Valuable?”

Works in Progress

“Why Comment? Participation in Notice-and-Comment Rulemaking by Members of Congress”

“Municipal Incorporation and Political Participation”
with Jacob R. Brown and Michael Leo Owens

“When Do Local Governments Opt Out of Georgia’s Floating Homestead Exemption? Evidence from the 2024 Amendment 1”
with Pablo Montagnes, Allison Stashko, Zachary Peskowitz, and Kiela Crabtree

“When are Empirical Studies of Legislative Oversight Prone to Oversight?”
with Jenny (Seoyeon) Kim and John W. Patty

Conference Presentations

“(Non-)Partisan Oversight of the Executive Branch:
Evidence from Congress and Offices of Inspectors General”
2025 MPSA Annual Conference, April 3rd, 2025

“When are Empirical Studies of Legislative Oversight Prone to Oversight?”
with Jenny (Seoyeon) Kim and John W. Patty
2025 MPSA Annual Conference, April 5th, 2025

“Is Being on the House Rules Committee Still Valuable?”
2025 MPSA Annual Conference, April 5th, 2025

“The Key to the Cartel: How Parties in the U.S. House
of Representatives Incentivize Rules Committee Participation”
2024 SPSA Annual Conference, January 11th, 2024

“Paved with Partisan Intentions: The Impressive and Disheartening
Validity of Cox and McCubbins’s *Legislative Leviathan*” with John W. Patty
Legislative Leviathan 30th Anniversary Conference, August 31st, 2023

Teaching

Emory University

Co-Instructor with Alex Bolton, Presidential Power, Fall 2024
Teaching Assistant, Research Design and Methods, Spring 2024
Grader, Principles of Political Science, Fall 2023
Guest Lecturer, Congressional Politics, Fall 2022

Awards and Fellowships

University of West Florida

Reubin O’D. Askew Student Scholar, 2019-2020 (\$2,500)

Skills

R, L^AT_EX, Python (beginner)