

# Cadence Willse

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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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### **The College of New Jersey**

Assistant Professor, Political Science

September 2020 - present

### **Stanford University**

Postdoctoral Fellow, Center on Philanthropy and Civil Society

September 2019 - 2020

## EDUCATION

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### **Brown University**

Ph.D. in Political Science, *May 2019*

M.A., Political Science, *May 2015*

M.A., Urban Education Policy, *May 2013*

### **St. Mary's College of Maryland**

B.A., Political Science and History *May 2009*

## ACADEMIC AND POLICY PUBLICATIONS

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### **Peer Reviewed Publications**

**Willse, C.** (2023). State Education Agency Governance, Virtual Learning, and Student Privacy: Lessons From the COVID-19 Pandemic. *Educational Policy*.

**Willse, C.** (2023) The Geography of Giving: Nonprofit Philanthropy, Public Parks and Land Conservation in the United States *Conservation Science and Practice*.

Moffitt, S.L., **Willse, C.**, Smith, K. B., Cohen, D. K. (2021). Centralization and Subnational Capacity: The Struggle to Make Federalism Work Equitably in Public Education. *Perspectives on Politics*, 1-21.

Kehal, P., **Willse, C.** (2020). Institutional Type, Organizational Pathways, and Student Engagement: Deepening Student Engagement and the Benefit-Use Paradox in Formal Engagement Spaces. *Journal of Community Engagement and Higher Education*, 12(1).

### **Policy Publications**

Moffitt, S.L., Lyddon, M.J., Morel, D., O'Neill, M.K., Smith, K.B., **Willse, C.**, Cohen, D. K. (2018). State Structures for Instructional Support in California. Technical Report. Getting Down to Facts II. *Policy Analysis for California Education, PACE*.

Moffitt, S.L., Lyddon, M.J., O'Neill, M.K., Smith, K.B., Schenk, M., **Willse, C.**, Cohen, D. K. (2018). Frontlines Perspectives on Instructional Support in the Common Core Era. Technical Report. Getting Down to Facts II. *Policy Analysis for California Education, PACE*.

## Book Chapters

**Willse, C.** (Under Contract.) "Parent Teacher Organization's Mobilization and Fundraising in K-12 Education" in Drezner, N (Eds) *Philanthropy and Education*, Palgrave Macmillan.

Moffitt, S.L., O'Neill, M.K., Cohen, D.K. and **Willse, C.**, (2023). "Problems of Overload: Layers and Lacunae" In *Reforming the Reform: Igniting Problems of Policymaking in the Pursuit of School Improvement*. University of Chicago Press.

Moffitt, S.L., O'Neill, M.K., Cohen, D.K. and **Willse, C.**, (2023). "Problems of Isolation: Pockets of Policy-making" In *Reforming the Reform: Igniting Problems of Policymaking in the Pursuit of School Improvement*. University of Chicago Press.

**Willse, C.**, Kehal, P., Johnson, M. (2020). "Social Innovation and Civic Engagement: A Critical Praxis for Engagement in Higher Education." In McBride, A. M., and Mlyn, E. (Eds.). *Connecting Civic Engagement and Social Innovation: Toward Higher Education's Democratic Promise*. Stylus Publishing, LLC.

## Work in Progress

Navigating the Storm: Natural Disasters, Environmental Policy and Legislative Responsiveness

From Red to Green: Land Conservation and Direct Democracy in a Polarized Era *Work presented at Stanford University's Civil Society and Sustainability Conference (2023) and Midwest Political Science Association Conference (2023)*

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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*Instructor, The College of New Jersey*

### **Student Instructor Evaluation Scores, 2022-2023:**

**4.90/5** Fall - Public Policy

**4.70/5** Fall - Introduction to American Government (2 sections)

**4.93/5** Spring - Research Methods

**4.56/5** Spring - Public Policy in Theory and Practice

*See attached documents for all evaluations to date.*

### **Undergraduate:**

Introduction to American Government *Fall 2020 - Fall 2022*

Quantitative Research Methods *Fall 2021 - Spring 2023*

Public Policy *Fall 2020 - Fall 2023*

Senior Research Seminar *Spring 2023*

### **Graduate (Master's in Public Policy):**

Public Policy in Theory and Practice *Spring 2023*

Education Policy *Fall 2023*

*Teaching Assistant, Brown University*

### **Undergraduate:**

The American Presidency *Spring 2016*

Congress: Campaigns and Elections *Fall 2015*

## SKILLS

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Technology: R, Stata, SPSS, ArcGIS, Qualtrics, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X.

Professional Development: Sheridan Teaching Seminar Certificate in Reflective Teaching 2014 - 2015

## HONORS AND AWARDS

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Emerging Education Policy Scholar, Thomas B. Fordham Institute, American Enterprise Institute 2020

Graduate Fellowship in Community Engaged Scholarship, Swearer Center, Brown University 2017 - 2019

Elmer E. Cornwell, Jr. Fellowship, Brown University 2017 - 2018

Methods Training Fellowship for ICPSR, Department of Political Science, Brown University 2017

Belfer Family Graduate Fellowship in Public Policy, Brown University 2016 - 2017

Mary Tefft and John Hazen White, Sr. Fellowship, Brown University 2013 - 2014 Spatial Structures in the Social Science Conference Travel Grant, Brown University 2016, 2017, 2018

Conference Travel Grant, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Brown University 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED SEMINARS

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Civil Society and Sustainability Conference, Stanford University 2023

Climate Change and the Voluntary Sector Speaker Series 2022

Center on Philanthropy and Civil Society Seminar, Stanford University 2020

New England Political Science Association 2019

American Political Science Association 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019

Midwest Political Science Associations 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2021, 2022, 2023

## METHODS AND GRADUATE COURSEWORK

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Methods Coursework indicated with a \*

POLS 2070 S01 Public Opinion

POLS 2090D S01 Comparative Research

POLS 2100 S01 Proseminar in American Politics

POLS 2360 S01 Ancients and Moderns

POLS 2580 S01 Intro Quantitative Research Methods \*

SOC 2230 S01 Techniques of Demographic Analysis \*

POLS 2001 S02 Strategies of Inquiry and Research Design \*

SOC 2612 S01 Geographic Information Systems \*

POLS 2090I S01 American Political Behavior

POLS 2120 S01 Proseminar in Political Theory

SOC 2010 S01 Multivariate Stat Methods I \*

SOC 2020 S01 Multivariate Stat Methods II \*

SOC 2960S S01 Hierarchical/Panel Data \*

Modern Causal Inference: Experiments, Matching, and Beyond, ICPSR, Summer 2017 \*

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE IN PUBLIC POLICY

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*Taubman Center for American Politics and Policy, Research Affiliate 2015 - 2019*

- Collected and analyzed data on nonprofit education service providers; data on public communication on Common Core Standards using the Twitter API.
- Designed sampling framework of public school superintendents for interview protocol.
- Published in-depth analysis of California's education system for academic and policy audiences in collaboration with a team of scholars.

*Summer Search Boston, Development Associate 2009 - 2012*

- Increased annual budget by identifying new grant-making organizations and collaborating with the board of directors to target new high net worth prospective donors.
- Managed grant-writing process and planned two major fundraising events; exceeded fundraising goals.

## REFERENCES

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- Susan Moffitt, Director of Academic Programs, Associate Professor of Political Science and International and Public Affairs  
Susan\_Moffitt@Brown.edu
- Margaret Weir, Wilson Professor of International and Public Affairs and Political Science  
Margaret\_Weir@Brown.edu
- Kenneth K. Wong, Director of the Urban Education Policy Kenneth\_Wong@Brown.edu