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## **EDUCATION**

Ph.D. Political Science, University of California, Davis (In Progress)

Major Field: American Politics

Minor Fields: Comparative Politics & Political Methodology

Dissertation: "Collective Accountability in Congressional Elections:

Conditions of Accountability & Implications for Legislative

Incentives"

Committee: Walter J. Stone (Co-Chair), Erik J. Engstrom (Co-Chair),

& Christopher D. Hare

M.P.P. School of Public Policy, Oregon State University, 2012

B.A. Political Science, Washington State University, 2009

## SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2017	"The Individual Consequence of Party Legislative Obstruction in the U.S. Senate." Presented at the 2017 annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.
2017	"Partisanship, Polarization & Incumbency in U.S. Senate Elections, 1920-2016." Presented at the 2017 annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.
2017	"The U.S. Congress and the Israeli Lobby: An Analysis of the Determinants of Congressional Support for Iranian Sanctions." Presented at the 2017 annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association.
2016	"Collective Accountability in Congressional Elections: An Analysis of Congressional Approval & Ideological Extremity" Presented at the 2016 annual meeting of the American Political Science Association.
2016	"The Collective "Congress" on the Ballot? An Analysis of Collective Responsibility in Congressional Elections." Presented at the 2016 annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.
2012	"Irrational Fear or Cause for Concern? The Effects of Hispanic Immigration on Crime Rates in Tucson, AZ." Presented at the 2012 Pacific Sociological Association Conference.

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# RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

"Collective Accountability in Congressional Elections: An Analysis of Congressional Approval & Ideological Extremity."

"The Collective "Congress" on the Ballot? A Voter & Aggregate Level of Collective Responsibility in Congressional Elections."

"The Individual Consequence of Party Legislative Obstruction in the U.S. Senate." With Joe Zamadic (University of Colorado).

"The U.S. Congress and the Israeli Lobby: An Analysis of the Determinants of Congressional Support for Iranian Sanctions." With Evan Sandlin (University of California, Davis).

"Partisanship, Polarization, & Incumbency in U.S. Senate Elections, 1920-2014"

### RESEARCH INTERESTS

American Politics: Representation & Collective Accountability, Individual Political Behavior, Implications of Responsible Party Government, Legislative Behavior, Minority Party Obstruction, Applied Political Methodology & Scaling Methods

### Grants & Awards

2017	American Political Science Association Dissertation Workshop on Congressional Elections (San Francisco, CA), Participant & Discussant
2016	UC Davis Faculty-Student Summer Collaborative Fellowship with Christopher Hare $\&$ Walt Stone $(\$5,\!000)$
2016	UCD Undergraduate Research Training & Mentorship Program, Mentor $(\mathit{Funded})$
2016	${\tt UCD\ Associate\ Instructor\ Development\ Certificate},\ \textit{Learner-Centered\ Teaching}$
2016	Department Travel Grant to attend APSA, University of California, Davis
2016, 2017	Department Travel Grant to attend MPSA, University of California, Davis
2013	UC Davis Political Science Departmental Fellowship
2012	School of Public Policy Travel Grant to attend PSA, Oregon State University

# ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2017	Instructor of Record, Introduction to American Politics (Summer 2017)
2015	<b>Research Assistant</b> , UC Davis (Professor Ron Rapoport (John Marshall Professor of Political Science, College of William & Mary) - Summer 2015)
2015	Research Assistant, UC Davis (Professor Bob Huckfeldt - Summer - Fall 2015)

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### 2014-2017 **Teaching Assistant**, UC Davis:

Introduction to American Politics & Government (Professor Walt Stone 2014/2016, Professor Stuart Hill), University of California Sacramento Center: California State Politics Internship Seminar (Professor Ben Highton, Professor Erik Engstrom, Professor Scott MacKenzie, Professor Bob Huckfeldt), American Public Opinion (Professor Stuart Hill), Environmental Politics (Professor Stuart Hill), Introduction to Comparative Politics (Professor Ethan Scheiner), Comparative Policymaking (Professor Matthew Shugart), Democratization (Professor Gabriella Montinola)

#### 2010-2012 **Teaching Assistant**, Oregon State University:

Sociological Research Methods (Professor Mark Edwards), Introduction to Sociology (Professor Dwaine Plaza), International Environmental Politics (Professor Brent Steele), Introduction to American Politics & Government (Professor Rob Sahr)

## COMPUTER & SKILLS

LATEX, R, Stata, SPSS, RMarkdown, Maoznet & UCINet (SNA analysis)

# PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

2016	Election Day Panelist, UCD International Relations Student Association
2016-	Department Representative, Graduate Student Association, UC Davis
2015-	Peer Mentor, Department of Political Science, UC Davis
2014-2015	Graduate Student Union Representative, Department of Political Science, UC Davis
2014-	Member, American Political Science Association
2014-	Member, Midwest Political Science Association
2016-	Member, Western Political Science Association
2011	U.S. Sen. Jeff Merkley (D-OR) Graduate Legislative Fellow, Washington DC
2009	Washington State House of Representative Undergraduate Legislative Intern

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