Curriculum Vitae

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Appointments

- Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, Florida State University, July 2018 – present.
  - Director, Research Intensive Bachelor's Certificate Program in Political Science, January 2021 – present.
- Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Texas A&M University, July 2015 – July 2018.
- Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University at Buffalo, SUNY, August 2013 – July 2015.

Education

Florida State University

- Ph.D., Political Science, 2013.
- M.S., Mathematical Statistics, 2012.
- M.S., Political Science, 2009.

Georgia Southwestern State University

- B.S., Political Science and Sociology, 2008.

Papers

For the most recent list, see carlislerainey.com/research/ or Google Scholar.

Working Papers, R&Rs, and Conditionally Accepted Papers

- Rainey, Carlisle, Harley Roe, Qing Wang, and Nick Dietrich. 2025. "The Dissent Score: Using Events Data to Measure Dissent." Conditionally accepted at the *Journal of Peace Research.* [DOI] [Website]
- "The Data Availability Policies of Political Science Journals." Conditionally accepted at *Scientific Data* (only manuscript formatting changes requested). [DOI]
- "Merely Asking: A Replication of Ahler and Sood (2018)." Invitation to revise and resubmit at *Journal of Politics.* [Dropbox]
- "Overt Consequences of Covert Actions: Success, Failure, and Voters' Preferences for Legislative Oversight." Invitation to revise and resubmit at *Journal of Experimental Political Science*. [DOI]
- "Generational Differences in Abortion Attitudes in the United States: Will Dobbs v. Jackson Become Starkly Counter-Majoritarian?" Invitation to revise and resubmit at *PLOS One.* [DOI]
- "Power Rules: Practical Advice for Computing Statistical Power (and Automating with Pilot Data)." [DOI]
- "Generation Effects on Americans' Symbolic Ideology and Attitudes Toward the Economic Role of Government." [DOI]

Forthcoming Papers

- Rainey, Carlisle. 2025. "Use and Misuse of a Fast Approximation: Not a Criticism, but a Caution." Accepted at *Meta-Psychology*. (A peer-reviewed commentary on this paper.) [DOI] [journal page proofs]

Published Papers

- Clifford, Scott and Carlisle Rainey. 2025. "The Limits (and Strengths) of Single-Topic Experiments." *Political Analysis* 33(2): 164–170. [DOI]

- Rainey, Carlisle, Harley Roe, Qing Wang, and Hau Zhou. 2025. "Data and Code Availability in Political Science Publications from 1995 to 2022." *PS: Political Science and Politics* 58(2): 339–345. [DOI]

- Clifford, Scott and Carlisle Rainey. 2024. "Estimators for Topic-Sampling Designs." *Political Analysis* 32(4): 431–444. [DOI]

- Rainey, Carlisle. 2024 "A Careful Consideration of CLARIFY: Simulation-Induced Bias in Point Estimates of Quantities of Interest." *Political Science Research and Methods* 12(3): 614–623. [DOI] [Errata]

- Rainey, Carlisle. 2024. "Hypothesis Tests Under Separation." *Political Analysis* 32(2): 172–185. [DOI]

- Clifford, Scott, Thomas Leeper, and Carlisle Rainey. 2024. "Generalizing Survey Experiments Using Topic Sampling: An Application to Party Cues." *Political Behavior* 46: 1233–1256. [DOI] [PDF]

- McCaskey, Kelly and Carlisle Rainey. 2021. "Estimating Logit Models with Small Samples." *Political Science Research and Methods* 9(3): 549–564. [DOI]

- Baissa, Daniel K. and Carlisle Rainey. 2020. "When BLUE Is Not Best: Non-Normal Errors and the Linear Model." *Political Science Research and Methods* 8(1): 136–148. [DOI] [PDF]

- Rainey, Carlisle and Robert Jackson. 2018. "Unreliable Inferences about Unobservable Processes: A Critique of Partial Observability Models." *Political Science Research and Methods* 6(2): 381–391. [DOI] [PDF]

- Rainey, Carlisle. 2017. "Transformation-Induced Bias: Unbiased Coefficients Do Not Imply Unbiased Quantities of Interest." *Political Analysis* 25(3): 402–409. [DOI] [PDF]

- Rainey, Carlisle. 2016. "Dealing with Separation in Logistic Regression Models." *Political Analysis*. 24(3): 339–355. [DOI] [PDF]

- Rainey, Carlisle. 2016. "Compression and Conditional Effects: A Product Term Is Essential When Using Logistic Regression to Test for Interaction." *Political Science Research and Methods*. 4(3): 621–639. [DOI] [PDF]

- Rainey, Carlisle. 2016. "Does District Magnitude Matter: The Case of Taiwan." *Electoral Studies*. 41: 202–212. [DOI] [PDF]

- McCaskey, Kelly and Carlisle Rainey. 2015. "Substantive Importance and the Veil of Statistical Significance." *Statistics, Politics, and Policy* 6(1–2): 77–96. [DOI] [PDF]

- Clifford, Scott, Jennifer Jerit, Matt Motyl, and Carlisle Rainey. 2015. "Moral Concerns and Culture War Attitudes: Investigating the Influence of Elite Rhetoric." *Political Communication*. 32(2): 229–248. [DOI] [PDF]

- Rainey, Carlisle. 2015. "Strategic Mobilization: Why Proportional Representation Decreases Voter Mobilization." *Electoral Studies*. 37(1): 86–98. [DOI] [PDF]

- Rainey, Carlisle. 2014. "Arguing for a Negligible Effect." *American Journal of Political Science* 58(4): 1083–1091. [DOI] [PDF]

- Barabas, Jason, Jennifer Jerit, William Pollock, and Carlisle Rainey. 2014. "The Question(s) of Political Knowledge." *American Political Science Review* 108(4): 840–855. [DOI] [PDF]

- Barrilleaux, Charles and Carlisle Rainey. 2014. "The Politics of Need: Examining Governors' Decisions to Oppose the 'Obamacare' Medicaid Expansion." *State Politics and Policy Quarterly*. 14(4): 437–460. [DOI] [PDF]

Recent Talks

Note: These are presentations from the past three years for which I was the primary presenter.

- "Power Rules." 2026. Purdue University. *Scheduled.*
- "Power Rules." 2025. Dartmouth.
- "Power Rules." 2025. SPSA. [materials]
- "Power Rules." 2024. University of Georgia. [materials]
- "Dissent Scores." 2024. Connected Politics Lab at University College Dublin. [materials]
- "Topic-Sampling." 2024. EPOVB. [materials]
- "Topic-Sampling." 2023. SPSA. [materials]
- "Topic-Sampling." 2023. EPOVB. [materials]

Service

Discipline

- Reviewer for Cambridge University Press, Sage, *American Political Science Review; American Journal of Political Science; Journal of Politics; Political Analysis; British Journal of Political Science; International Organization; Comparative Politics; Comparative Political Studies; International Studies Quarterly; Journal of Elections, Public Opinion, and Parties; Journal of Official Statistics; Journal of Peace Research; Meta-Psychology; Observational Studies, Party Politics; Political Behavior; Political Research Quarterly; Political Science Research and Methods; PS: Political Science and Politics; Public Opinion Quarterly; The R Journal; Research and Politics; Royal Society Open Science; State and Local Government Review; State Politics and Policy Quarterly.*
- Panelist for National Science Foundation, 2021–2024.
- Head of the Political Methodology Section for the 2026 Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association
- Co-chair of the Political Methodology Section for the 2026 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association

University

- FSU Council on Research and Creativity COFRS-SRS Review Panel, 2023.

Department

Director of Research Intensive Bachelor's Certificate Program (Fall 2021 to present), Executive Committee (2019–2021; 2022–2024), Graduate Studies Committee (Fall 2019 to present), Methods Field Coordinator (Fall 2019 to present), Race and Ethnic Politics Faculty Search Committee (Fall 2022 to Spring 2023), Promotion and Tenure Committee (Fall 2018 to Spring 2022)

Prior to FSU: Head's Advisory Committee (2017–18, TAMU), Graduate Studies Committee (2013–15, UB), Methodology Search Committee (2014–15, UB), American Politics Search Committee (2013–14, UB), Methodology Search Committee (2012–13, FSU).

Teaching

FSU
Undergraduate: Research Methods; Applied Research; Empirical Democratic Theory.
Graduate: Probability and Inference; Probability Models/Maximum Likelihood.

TAMU
Undergraduate: Research Methods.
Graduate: Advanced Probability and Inference.

UB
Undergraduate: American Politics; Comparative Politics; Research Methods.
Graduate: Linear Model; Probability Models/Maximum Likelihood.