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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Texas at San Antonio 2024–present

Oversight Fellow, Levin Center for Legislative Oversight and Democracy 2024 - 2025

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Government, The University of Texas at Austin

Dissertation: Managing the Bureaucracy: How Congress Solves

Problems in the Age of Regulatory Governance.

Committee: Bryan Jones (Advisor), Sean Theriault, Christopher

Wlezien, Alison Craig, Samuel Workman.

M.A., Government, The University of Texas at Austin

2019

B.A., Magna Cum Laude, Randolph College

2011-2015

BOOK PROJECT

Dye, Connor. Governing Without Laws: Oversight in the Age of Gridlock.

PUBLISHED WORKS

Gervais, Bryan, Connor Dye, and Amber Chin. "Incivility or Invalidity? Evaluating Perspective API Scores As A Measure of Political Incivility." *American Politics Research* 53(3): 266-274.

2025

Shafran, JoBeth S., Bryan D. Jones ,and Connor Dye. "Bounded Rationality and Public Administration." In *The Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Politics*. Oxford University Press.

2019

WORKING PAPERS

"Do Authoritarians Support Political Violence?" (With Bryan Gervais, Christopher Ellison, Gabriel Acevedo, Margaret Kelly)

R&R

"The Erosion of Specialization: How Institutional Evolution Undermines Congressional Oversight"

Under Review

"Overcoming Information Overload: The Policy Consequences of Committee Fragmentation"

Under Review

"Academic Utilization in Congress: Issue Novelty and the Segmentation of Expert Information"

Under Review

WORKS IN PROGRESS

"Constrained Campaigns: How Alliances Reduce Party Attention to Defense Issues" (With Kevin Galambos)

"Geographic Framing and Immigration Attitudes: How Local Versus National Perspectives Shape Public Opinion" (With Megan Dias)

"The Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946: How Reforming the Congressional Committee System Affects Problem Monitoring" (With Sean Theriault)

"Ballot Initiatives, Question Wording, and Voter Intent: Assessing Voter Understanding of Ballot Propositions during the 2024 Election" (With Bryan Gervais, Elias Hudson, Camilo Nieto-Matiz, and Walter Wilson)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Texas at San Antonio	
Instructor, Statistical Analysis (Graduate)	2025
Instructor, Statistical Analysis (Undergraduate)	2024
The University of Texas at Austin	
Instructor, American Foreign Policy	2023, 2024
Co-Instructor, Undergraduate Research Seminar	2019–2021
Teaching Assistant, The American Presidency	2023
Teaching Assistant, The U.S. in Comparative Perspective	2018
Teaching Assistant, Introduction to American Government	2017, 2022

${\tt FELLOWSHIPS,\,GRANTS\,\,AND\,\,AWARD}$

Oversight Fellow, Levin Center (\$12,000)	2024-2025
Runner-up, Best Research Poster, UTSA Postdoctoral Association Research Symposium (\$400)	2024
The Texas Politics Project (\$1500)	2023
The Texas Politics Project (\$2500)	2018
SSI Professional Development Award (\$100)	2018
The University of Texas at Austin Fellowship	2017–2024
VFIC Merit Scholarship	2012–2014
PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS	
International Political Science Association	2025
Midwest Political Science Association	2020-present
Southern Political Science Association	2018-present
Comparative Agendas Project	2017–present
American Political Science Association	2017–present
SERVICE	
External	
Discussant: MPSA 2023, MPSA 2024	
Internal	

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2024-present

Scholarship Committee, University of Texas at San Antonio

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