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Employment & Affiliations

Associate Professor and Chair of Department of Government, Law & Policy *Jonesboro, AR*
Arkansas State University *2023–present*

  • Affiliate faculty with

Director of the Institute for Rural Initiatives *Jonesboro, AR*
Arkansas State University *2022–present*

Assistant Professor of Political Science *Jonesboro, AR*
Arkansas State University *2019–2023*

Research Director of MIT Election Data and Science Lab *Cambridge, MA*
Massachusetts Institute of Technology *2017–2019*

Pre/Post-Doctoral Researcher in Political Science *College Station, TX*
Texas A&M University *2013–2014*

Education

Ph.D. in Political Science *College Station, TX*
Texas A&M University *2014*

M.A. in Political Science *Jonesboro, AR*
Arkansas State University *2009*

B.A. in Political Science *Jonesboro, AR*
Arkansas State University *2007*

Research

Publications
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Journal Articles

11. Lisa Schur and Mason Ameri and Joseph Dietrich and Michael Herron and Douglas Kruse and Whitney Quesenbery and Melissa Rogers and Jean Schroedel and Daniel A. Smith and **Cameron Wimpy**. 2025. "Ensuring Voting Access Across the Electorate." *Journal of Election Administration Research & Practice* 3: 3–10.

10. Samuel Baltz and Alexander Agadjanian and Declan Chin and John Curiel and Kevin DeLuca and James Dunham and Jennifer Miranda and Connor Phillips and Annabel Uhlman and **Cameron Wimpy** and Marcos Zárate and Charles Stewart. 2022. "American Election Results at the Precinct Level." *Nature: Scientific Data* 9 (651): 1–12.

9. Guy D. Whitten and Laron K. Williams and **Cameron Wimpy**. 2021. "Interpretation: The Final Spatial Frontier." *Political Science Research and Methods* 9 (1): 140–156.*

8. **Cameron Wimpy**. 2021. "Political Failure and Bureaucratic Potential in Africa." *Journal of Policy Studies* 36 (4): 15–25.

7. **Cameron Wimpy** and Laron K. Williams and Guy D. Whitten. 2021. "X Marks the Spot: Discovering the Treasure of Spatial-X Models." *The Journal of Politics* 83 (2): 722–739.

6. Charles Stewart III and R. Michael Alvarez and Stephen Pettigrew and **Cameron Wimpy**. 2020. "Abstention, Protest, and Residual Votes in the 2016 Election." *Social Science Quarterly* 101 (2): 925–939.

5. Kenneth J. Meier and Mallory Compton and John Polga-Hecimovich and Miyeon Song and **Cameron Wimpy**. 2019. "Bureaucracy and the Failure of Politics: Challenges to Democratic Governance." *Administration and Society* 51 (10): 1576–1605.

4. Matthew W. Walker and Sarah A. Evans and **Cameron Wimpy** and Amanda Berger and Alexandria Smith. 2018. "Developing Smokeless Tobacco Prevention Messaging for At-Risk Youth: Early Lessons from 'The Real Cost' Smokeless Campaign." *Health Equity* 2 (1): 167–173.

3. Chris McKallagat and Flávio D. S. Souza and Jenifer Whitten-Woodring and **Cameron Wimpy**. 2017. "Are Media at Work in Your Neighborhood? The Effect of Media Freedom, Internet Access and Information Spillover on Workers' Rights." *Social Science Quarterly* 98 (3): 1078–1098.*

2. **Cameron Wimpy** and Guy D. Whitten. 2017. "What Is and What May Never Be: Economic Voting in Developing Democracies." *Social Science Quarterly* 98 (3): 1099–1111.

1. Blake E. Garcia and **Cameron Wimpy**. 2016. "Does Information Lead to Emulation? Spatial Dependence in Anti-Government Violence." *Political Science Research and Methods* 4 (1): 27–46.*

Book Chapters

4. Amanda M. Carpenter and **Cameron Wimpy**. 2024. "Rural and other minority populations." In *Pandemic Resilience: Vaccination Resistance and Hesitance, Lessons from COVID-19*, ed. by David Berube. New York: Springer Nature.

3. Amanda M. Carpenter and **Cameron Wimpy**. 2024. "The politicization of COVID-19 and implications for public health." In *Pandemic Resilience: Vaccination Resistance and Hesitance, Lessons from COVID-19*, ed. by David Berube. New York: Springer Nature.*

2. **Cameron Wimpy** and Marlette Jackson and Kenneth J. Meier. 2017. "Administrative Capacity and Health Care in Africa: Path Dependence as a Contextual Variable." In *Context and Government Performance: Public Management in Comparative Perspective*, eds. by Amanda Rutherford and Claudia Avellaneda and Kenneth J. Meier. Washington DC: Georgetown University Press. 27–48.

1. Guy D. Whitten and **Cameron Wimpy**. 2015. "Stata and Political Science." In *Thirty Years with Stata: A Retrospective*, ed. by Enrique Pinzon. College Station: Stata Press. 121–125.*

Essays & Reviews

3. Irvin D. Reid and **Cameron Wimpy**. 2013. "Defining Opposition: An Interview with Afonso Dhlakama of RENAMO." *Ufahamu: A Journal of African Studies* 37 (1).

2. **Cameron Wimpy**. 2011. "The 2009 Presidential and Parliamentary Elections in Mozambique." *Electoral Studies* 30 (2): 366–368.

1. **Cameron Wimpy**. 2010. "Review of: Valeri, Marc. 2010. 'Oman: Politics and Society in the Qaboos State.'" *Digest of Middle East Studies* 19 (2): 340–341.

Research Interests
Comparative Public Administration & Policy; Election Administration; Political Economy; Political Methodology; Spatial Econometrics

Grants

Institute for Rural Initiatives Startup Funding ($225,000)

Arkansas State University Research Technology and Transfer
2025

Elections Trust Initative ($47,000)

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2025

- Sub-grant from Rutgers University

Ensuring Usability/Disability Access within the Voting Experience ($10,000)

MIT Election Data and Science Lab and The Pew Charitable Trusts
2023

- Sub-grant from Rutgers University

Exploring Rural Election Administration with Special Attention to the Mississippi River Delta ($95,173)

MIT Election Data and Science Lab and The Pew Charitable Trusts
2022

Vaccine Hesitancy Among College and University Students in Arkansas ($32,042)

Arkansas Department of Health
2022

- CDC sub-award, co-PI with Amanda M. Carpenter

Should We Stay or Should We Go Now? Examining Americans' Attitudes Towards Separation and Unity ($10,000)

Arkansas State University Faculty Research Grant
2021

- co-PI with William P. McLean

Developing a Public Health Preparedness Dashboard for Rural Communities ($12,583)

Arkansas Biosciences Institute
2020

- co-PI with Amanda M. Carpenter

Liberal Arts Professional Development Grant ($6,331)

Texas A&M University
2014

Liberal Arts Faculty-Student Collaboration Grant ($2,000)

Texas A&M University
2013

- with Kenneth J. Meier

Liberal Arts Vision 2020 Dissertation Enhancement Award ($5,000)

Texas A&M University
2013

Liberal Arts Professional Development Grant ($4,000)

Texas A&M University
2012

Fieldwork grants for research in South Sudan ($5,000)

Texas A&M University
2010–2011

Middle East Studies grant for Arabic study and fieldwork in Yemen ($5,000)

Arkansas State University
2009

Middle East Studies grant for Arabic study and fieldwork in Oman and the United Arab Emirates ($5,000)

Arkansas State University   *2006*

Teaching

Teaching Interests
African Politics; Comparative Public Policy; Political Economy; International Relations; Research Methods

Courses & Workshops Taught
POSC 4003, Terrorism and Political Violence

Arkansas State University

POSC 4313, International Organization

Arkansas State University

POSC 4003, Data Visualization for Social Science

Arkansas State University

POSC 3303, Introduction to International Politics

Arkansas State University

POSC 6013, Advanced Political Analysis   *Graduate course*

Arkansas State University

POSC 680V, Seminar in Political Economy   *Graduate course*

Arkansas State University

POSC 3213, African Political Systems

Arkansas State University

POSC 4323/5323, Foreign Policy Analysis   *Mixed level course*

Arkansas State University

POSC 1303, Introduction to Model U.N.

Arkansas State University

POSC 3003, Introduction to Political Analysis

Arkansas State University

                                                                                            *IPSA methods work-
                                                                                          shop, team taught with*
Modern Regression Analysis   *Laron Williams*

FLACSO University

POSC 6003, Techniques of Political Science and Public Administration Research   *Graduate course*

Arkansas State University

POSC 4223, Middle Eastern Political Systems

Arkansas State University

POSC 6533, Public Policy Analysis   *Graduate course*

Arkansas State University

POSC 3203, Introduction to Comparative Politics

Arkansas State University

A Scientific Approach to Qualitative Data Analysis
Graduate workshop
Texas A&M University

POLS 325, African Politics
Texas A&M University

ICPSR methods workshop, assistant to Harold D. Clarke & Guy D. Whitten

Multivariate Models for Social Scientists and Policy Analysts
Concordia University

Graduate course, student instructor for Guy D. Whitten

POLS 603, Quantitative Political Analysis II
Texas A&M University

POSC 3313, American Foreign Policy
Arkansas State University

PS 1010, American National Government
Wayne State University

POSC 2103, Introduction to United States Government
Arkansas State University

Fellowships, Honors & Awards

Faculty Research Achievement Award
College of Liberal Arts & Communication, Arkansas State University
2020

Best Published Paper in Political Science Research and Methods
EPSA
2016

Graduate research assistantship
Texas A&M University
2010–2014

Board of Regents graduate fellowship
Texas A&M University
2010–2011

Critical Languages Scholarship for Arabic study in Morocco
U.S. State Department
2009

Outstanding Graduate Student
Political Science Department, Arkansas State University
2009

Fulbright Finalist, Syria
U.S. State Department
2006

Graduate research/teaching assistantship
Arkansas State University
2007–2009

Professional Memberships & Service

Reviewer
National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP)   *Current*

Reviewer
Science of Science: Discovery, Communication and Impact (SoS:DCI)   *Current*

Member, University Planning Committee
Arkansas State University   *2024–*

Member, University Strategic Planning Committee on Campus Culture and Shared Values
Arkansas State University   *2023–*

Member, University Academic Integrity Committee
Arkansas State University   *2022–*

Member, Cluster Hire in Artificial Intelligence Search Committee
Arkansas State University   *2022*

Chair, Middle East Studies Committee
Arkansas State University   *2022–*

Member, BS in Data Science & Analytics Steering Committee
Arkansas State University   *2021–2022*

Chair, Committee to Develop a Rural Studies Center
Arkansas State University   *2020–2022*

Member, Executive Committee
Southwest Political Science Association   *2020–2022*

Skills & Software

Languages
Arabic (Intermediate Modern Standard, Colloquial Gulf, and Yemeni dialects)

Certifications
IRB CITI human subjects research certification, NIH human subjects research certification

Methods
EITM, Field Experiments, Maximum Likelihood, Pooled Time Series, Qualitative Methods, Spatial Econometrics, Time Series

Software
GIS, HTML, LaTeX, MacRATS, Mata, Nvivo, Python, R, SPSS, Stata

Professional References

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