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RESEARCH INTERESTS Political parties, elections, voting behavior, natural language processing, text as data, Bayesian statistics.

DEGREES

University of Texas at Austin

Ph.D. Candidate in Government expected 2020

Fields: Political Methodology & Comparative Politics

M.Sc. in Statistics 2019

University of Essex

M.Sc. in Political Behaviour 2014

Friedrich-Alexander-University Erlangen

M.A. in Political Science 2013
B.A. in Political Science and Sociology 2011

Publications

Peer Reviewed

1. "Why Monarchy? The Rise and Demise of a Regime Type" (with John Gerring, Kyosuke Kikuta, Jan Teorell, Wouter Veenendaal, and Tore Wig) Conditional Acceptance at Comparative Political Studies

Under Review

- 1. "Electoral Contestation: A New Crossnational Measure and an Empirical Test" (with John Gerring and Allen Hicken)
- 2. "Valence Attacks in Multi-Party Systems"
- 3. "Campaign Valence Rhetoric and Vote Choice in Europe: How do Self-Praises and Valence Attacks Affect Vote Choice?" (with Zeynep Somer-Topcu)
- 4. "Curvilinearity in Political Parties: Evidence from two SPD membership referenda" (with Kai Jäger)

Working Papers

- 1. "Modeling Text in Time and Space" (with Iasmin Goes, Vera Liu, Abhra Sarkar, Peter Müller)
- 2. "Hidden Knowledge, Veiled Ignorance: Do People Know More or Even Less about Politics than Commonly Thought?" (with Robert C. Luskin and Gaurav Sood)
- 3. "Misinformation about Misinformation? Of Headlines and Survey Design" (with Robert C. Luskin, Gaurav Sood, Yul Min Park)
- 4. "Not News: Provision of Apolitical News in the U.S. News Media" (with Suriyan Laohaprapanon and Gaurav Sood)
- 5. "The non-democratic consequences of intra-party democracy: Evidence from the SPD membership referendum" (with Kai Jäger)
- 6. "The Electoral Consequences of Leadership Change" (with Zeynep Somer-Topcu)

RESEARCH AND TEACHING	Research Assistant University of Texas, Austin, Texas	
EXPERIENCE	Prof. Mike Findley	$Winter\ 2019$
	Prof. John Gerring	Fall 2016 - Fall 2018
	Prof. Zeynep Somer-Topcu	Summer 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019
	Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tennessee Prof. Zeynep Somer-Topcu	Spring 2015
	Teaching Assistant University of Texas, Austin, Texas	
	Statistical Analysis in Political Science II (graduate)	Spring 2016, Spring 2019
	Statistical Analysis in Political Science I (graduate)	Fall 2018
	Government and Politics of Western Europe (undergraduate)	Fall 2016 - Fall 2017
	American Government (undergraduate) Politics of Evolution	Fall 2015, Spring 2018 Spring 2020
FURTHER	ICPSR	
EDUCATION	Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models Certification	$ \begin{array}{r} 2016 \\ 2016 \end{array} $
	Vanderbilt University	
	Ph.D. Student in Political Science	2014 - 2015
	University of Essex	
	Essex Summer School in Social Science Research Methods	2014
	Duke University	
	Exchange student in the political science graduate program	2013
	Oslo University College	
	Development Studies in Vietnam	2013
	Peace and Conflict Studies in India	2012
	University of Haifa	22.10
	Exchange student in the International School	2010
STIPENDS AND	Graduate School Continuing Fellowship, UT Austin	2019
Awards	Texas Politics Project Research Grant, UT Austin	2019
	Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award, UT Austin	2018
	Office of Graduate Studies Professional Development Award,	
	Pre-Dissertation Fellowship, UT Austin	2016
	Clifford C. Clogg Scholarship, ICPSR	2016
	ICPSR Scholarship, UT Austin Macdonald Fellowship, UT Austin	2016 since 2015
	Vanderbilt University Fellowship	2014 - 2015
	DAAD/ISAP stipend for studies at Duke University	2014 - 2013
	FES stipend for studies in Vietnam	2012 - 2012
	FES stipend for studies in India	2011 - 2011
	FAUMUN Project travel grant	2010 - 2011
	FES stipend for studies in Israel	2010 - 2010
	FES travel grant, research trip Israel and Palestine	2009
	Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES) Scholarship	2008 - 2013

PRESENTATIONS AND CONFERENCES

- Texas Comparative Politics Circle. Houston, February 2020.
- UMKC Political Science Emerging Scholars Speaker Series, Kansas City, February 2020
- Texas Comparative Politics Circle. College Station, February 2019.
- Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. Austin, January 2019.
- Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. Boston, August 2018.
- Texas Methodology. Texas A&M, April 2018.
- Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago, April 2017.
- Workshop on "Voter Perceptions of Party Policy Positions". UT Austin, April 2017.
- Annual Meeting of the European Political Science Association. Brussels, BE. June, 2016.
- Workshop "Applied R for Social Science Research" with Alex Branham. UT Austin, April 2016.

Membership

- American Political Science Association
- Midwest Political Science Association
- Southern Political Science Association
- European Political Science Association

SKILLS

Computer Programming and Data Analysis:

- R, Python, JAGS, Stan, LATEX, C++, Fortran

Languages:

- German, English, Portuguese