# **DAVID C. SIMPSON**

**Statement:** I am a Political Science doctoral student at Columbia University specializing in American Politics and Quantitative Methods. My research interests include state and local politics, fiscal federalism, and inequality studies.

### **EDUCATION**

## Columbia University in the City of New York, New York, NY

In Progress

- Master of Arts in Economics (October 2017)
- Current: 1<sup>st</sup> Year Political Science Doctoral Student
- Focus: American Politics & Quantitative Methods
- Research Interests: State & Local Politics, Fiscal Federalism, Inequality, Public Finance
- Principles of Economics (TA)

## University of Chicago Harris School of Public Policy, Chicago, IL

June 2016

- Master of Public Policy (MPP)
- Certificate of Municipal Finance
- Dean's Scholarship, University of Chicago
- 2015 Harris Math Camp Teaching Assistant (TA)
- Data Visualization Editor, Chicago Policy Review
- Coursework in Real Analysis and Statistics

### The University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL

May 2012

- B.A., Summa Cum Laude, Quantitative Economics, and Political Science
- Minors: Mathematical Statistics & Liberal Arts
- ECON 101 Teaching Assistant 8/10-5/12
- University Race and Diversity Committee Member
- Ethics Committee, Student Government Association
- University Ambassador and Tour Guide
- First Trumpet Section, Marching Band

#### **EXPERIENCE**

### Office of the Council President, Baltimore City Council

February 2018 – August 2018

### Fiscal Analyst, Baltimore, MD

- Conducted independent fiscal analysis on the Baltimore City Budget and on Council Legislation.
- Advised the Council President on fiscal matters.
- Conducted program evaluation of City services.
- Work products included fiscal memos and reports advising the City Council on legislative items.
- Ex: See Complete Streets fiscal report found here.

### Cook County Clerk's Real Estate & Tax Services Office

June 2015-August 2015

## Graduate Research Fellow, Chicago, IL

- Provided economic analysis of 20-year property tax collection data of 552 Cook County taxing districts.
- Wrote 50-page property tax limitation law analysis.
- Prepared data for cross-sectional differences in differences analysis of schools and municipalities.

#### **Teach For America & Montgomery Public Schools**

June 2012 – July 2014

# Geometry Teacher, Montgomery, AL

- Provided instruction to 150 students grades 9-12
- Promoted to 2013-14 Advanced Geometry Teacher
- Led school Geometry curriculum revision
- SACS Accreditation Team Member
- Key Club Sponsor, ACT Tutor
- IT-Academy Sponsor and Advisory Board Member
- Assistant Varsity & Head JV Baseball Coach, 2013

#### **SKILLS**

# PERSONAL INTERESTS

- Proficient: LaTeX, MATLAB, Stata, and R
- Learning: QGIS, Python, HTML and JavaScript
- Inequality studies, critical race theory, & education
- International travel, outdoor sports, and antiquing