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APPOINTMENTS	<b>Brown University, Department of Political Science</b> Assistant Professor	May 2022–
	<b>University of Pittsburgh, Department of Political Science</b> Assistant Professor Faculty Affiliate, Center for African Studies	July 2019–April 2022
	<b>University of Pennsylvania, Identity &amp; Conflict Lab</b> Pre/Postdoctoral Fellow	July 2017–June 2019
EDUCATION	<b>University of California, Berkeley, Department of Political Science</b> Ph.D. in Political Science	2018
	— Fields: Comparative Politics, Political Behavior, Political Methodology — Committee: Leonardo Arriola, Ruth Collier, Thad Dunning, and Noam Yuchtman — Dissertation: <i>Severed Connections: Parties and Democratic Responsiveness in Africa</i> . — 2020 <b>Juan Linz Prize</b> for Best Dissertation, Democracy & Autocracy Section, APSA.	
	M.A. in Political Science	2012
BOOKS	<b>Korea University</b> B.A. in Economics (minor in public administration), <i>Highest Honors</i>	2007
	<i>Severed Connections: Intraparty Politics and Representation in Kenya</i> — Manuscript in preparation, book conference held October 2020	In progress
	<i>Native Bias: Overcoming Discrimination Against Immigrants</i> (with Mathias Poertner and Nicholas Sambanis). Princeton University Press. Princeton Studies in Political Behavior.	In Press
PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES	“Increasing Intergroup Trust: Endorsements and Voting in Multiethnic Societies” (with Leonardo Arriola and Matthew Gichohi). <i>Journal of Politics</i> . Forthcoming.	
	“Navigating Insider and Outsider Status as Researchers Conducting Field Experiments” (with Sumitra Badrinathan, Sabrina Karim, Eunji Kim, and Yang-Yang Zhou). <i>PS: Political Science &amp; Politics</i> , Forthcoming.	
	“Ethnic Bias in Judicial Decision-making: Evidence from Criminal Appeals in Kenya” (with J. Andrew Harris and Fiona Shen-Bayh). <i>American Political Science Review</i> . Forthcoming (FirstView). — Fiona McGillivray Award for Best Paper, Political Economy Section, APSA, 2020	

“[The Hijab Penalty: Feminist Backlash Against Muslim Immigrants](#)” (with Mathias Poertner and Nicholas Sambanis). *American Journal of Political Science*. Forthcoming (Early View).

— Best Paper Award, European Politics & Society Section, APSA, 2021

“[Temperature and Outgroup Discrimination](#)” (with Mathias Poertner and Nicholas Sambanis). *Political Science Research and Methods*. Forthcoming (Online First).

“[Paying to Party: Candidate Resources and Party Switching in New Democracies](#)” (with Leonardo Arriola, Justine Davis, Melanie Phillips, and Lise Rakner). *Party Politics*. Forthcoming (Online First).

“[Linguistic Assimilation Does Not Reduce Discrimination Against Immigrants](#)” (with Mathias Poertner and Nicholas Sambanis). *Journal of Experimental Political Science*. 2021. 8(3), 235–246.

“[Parochialism, Social Norms, and Discrimination Against Immigrants](#)” (with Mathias Poertner and Nicholas Sambanis). *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*. 2019. 116(33), 16274–16279.

“[Fuzzy Sets on Shaky Ground? Parametric and Specification Sensitivity in fsQCA](#)” (with Chris Krogslund and Mathias Poertner). *Political Analysis*. 2015. 23(1), 21–41.

#### WORKING PAPERS

“The Rejection of Election Results in Sub-Saharan Africa” (with Leonardo Arriola and Staffan Lindberg), R&R at *African Affairs*.

“Can Americans Depolarize? Assessing the Effects of Reciprocal Group Reflection on Polarization” (with Hannah Baron, Robert Blair, Laura Gamboa, Jessica Gottlieb, Amanda Robinson, Steven Rosenzweig, Megan Turnbull, and Emily West), Under Review.

“Mobile Communication Technology and National Identity in Sub-Saharan Africa” (with Benjamin Laughlin and Anna Schultz)

“Do Voters Respond to Cross-Ethnic Campaigning in Divided Societies?” (with Leonardo Arriola, Matthew Gichohi, and Ken Ochieng’ Opalo)

“Party Control of Primary Elections in New Democracies”

“Wealth and Abortion: How Income Conditions Women Policymakers’ Preferences in a Developing Country” (with Leonardo Arriola, Justine Davis, Melanie Phillips, and Lise Rakner)

“Accountability Under Devolved Government: Evidence from a Field Experiment in Kenya” (with Leonardo Arriola, Matthew Gichohi, and Ken Ochieng’ Opalo)

“The Colonial Origins of National Identity: Evidence from Railroads in Africa” (with

Benjamin Laughlin)

“Democratic Backsliding on the Legislative Floor: Evidence from Zambia” (with Fiona Shen-Bayh)

OTHER  
WRITINGS

Book Review of *Electoral Politics and Africa's Urban Transition: Class and Ethnicity in Ghana*, by Nathan, Noah L., Cambridge University Press, New York, NY, 2019. 344 pp. *Governance*.

“The key to Kenya's close election: the power of partisanship.” Washington Post Monkey Cage Blog, August 7, 2017. (with Leonardo Arriola and Victor Rateng).

“This is how Kenyans want their democracy to work.” Washington Post Monkey Cage Blog, October 15, 2016. (with Leonardo Arriola and Victor Rateng).

FELLOWSHIPS  
& AWARDS

Best Paper Award, European Politics & Society Section, APSA.	2021
Juan Linz Prize for Best Dissertation, Democracy & Autocracy Section, APSA.	2020
Fiona McGillivray Award for Best Paper, Political Economy Section, APSA.	2020
Dean's Completion Fellowship (\$21,000), Graduate Division, UC Berkeley.	2016
African Studies Fellowship (\$1,500), Center for African Studies, UC Berkeley.	2016
Rocca Dissertation Fellowship (\$5,000), Center for African Studies, UC Berkeley.	2015
Simpson Fellowship (\$12,000), Institute for International Studies, UC Berkeley.	2015
Graduate Division Fellowship (\$15,000), Graduate Division, UC Berkeley.	2014
Doctoral Fellowship (\$217,350), Korea Foundation for Advanced Studies,	2011–2016

PRESENTATIONS

\*=Invited talks and lectures

2022. Seoul National University (Department of Political Science, virtual),\* University of Pennsylvania (Identity and Conflict Lab Seminar, virtual),\* Hellenic Foundation for European and Foreign Policy (ELIAMEP, virtual),\* European Politics Online Workshop (virtual),\* Korea University (Department of Political Science, virtual)\*

2021.Korea University (Institute of Governmental Studies, Virtual),\* Intergroup Relations Workshop, European University Institute (scheduled),\* Brown University (Department of Political Science)

2020. MPSA, APSA, Korea University (Department of Political Science),\* Pennsylvania State University (postponed due to COVID),\* European University Institute (postponed due to COVID),\* Vanderbilt University (Comparative Politics Workshop, Virtual)\*

2019. SPSA, MPSA, APSA, University of Pennsylvania (Immigration Conference, Perry World House and the Identity and Conflict Lab), Carnegie Mellon University (Tepper School of Business),\* College of William and Mary (Department of Government),\* Seoul National University (Department of Political Science),\* KDI School of Public Policy and Management\*

2018. MIT (CTSN 3 Workshop),\* ERF Workshop (Casablanca, Morocco),\* University of Pittsburgh (Department of Political Science),\* Yale University (Department of

Political Science),\* University of Florida (Department of Political Science),\* New York University Abu Dhabi (Social Science Division),\* APSA, MPSA

2016. Stanford University (WGAPE), New York University Abu Dhabi (WESSI), NYU Florence (WESSI Workshop), APSA, MPSA

TEACHING

(G)=Graduate (UG)=Undergraduate

**University of Pittsburgh**

Experiments in Social Science Research (G), University of Pittsburgh, S2022.

Dissertation Overview (G), University of Pittsburgh, F2020, S2021, F2021, S2022.

Identity Politics (G), University of Pittsburgh, F2020.

Computational Social Science (UG), University of Pittsburgh, S2020.

Comparative Politics Capstone (UG), University of Pittsburgh, F2019.

Introduction to African Politics (UG), University of Pittsburgh, F2019, S2021, F2021.

**University of California, Berkeley (TA)**

Introduction to Comparative Politics (UG), S2013.

PS149A African Politics (UG), F2013.

ADVISING

**University of Pittsburgh, Dissertation/MA Committees**

Katie Angell (PhD, Member), Matthias Avina (PhD, Member), Elias Chavarria-Mora (PhD, Member), Nicole Loncaric (PhD, Member), Jeff Nonnemacher (PhD, Member), Louis Wilson (PhD, Member), Julie O'Hara (MA, Member)

PROFESSIONAL  
SERVICE

Co-convener, Midwest Workshop on Empirical Political Science, 2019–2022.

Best Paper Award Committee, European Political & Society Section, APSA, 2021.

Best Book Award Committee, Democracy & Autocracy Section, APSA, 2020.

Program Co-Chair, African Politics Section, MPSA Annual Meeting, MPSA, 2020.

Chair, Best Fieldwork Award Committee, Democracy & Autocracy Section, APSA, 2019.

*Reviewer:* American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, Cambridge University Press, Comparative Political Studies, Comparative Politics, International Interactions, International Migration Review, Journal of Elections, Public Opinion & Parties, Journal of Experimental Political Science, Journal of Modern African Studies, Journal of Politics, Party Politics, Political Analysis, Political Science Research and Methods, Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, Public Choice, Sociological Research and Methods, World Politics.

DEPARTMENTAL  
SERVICE

**University of Pittsburgh**

Graduate Education Committee, Political Science, 2021–2022.

Chair Selection Committee, Political Science, 2021.

Structural Racism Junior Faculty Search Committee, Political Science, 2021–2022.

Structural Racism Target of Opportunity Search Committee, Political Science, 2020.

Co-convener, Historical Political Economy Seminar, Political Science, 2020–2021.

Co-convener, Human Rights and Migration Seminar, Political Science, 2019–2020.

Undergraduate Committee, Political Science, 2019–2021.

AFFILIATIONS      Faculty Affiliate, Center for African Studies, University of Pittsburgh.  
Faculty Affiliate, Penn Identity & Conflict Lab, University of Pennsylvania.  
Non-resident Research Associate, Center on the Politics of Development, University of  
California, Berkeley

REFERENCES      Available upon request

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