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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

**Brown University**, Providence, RI

2022– Assistant Professor of Political Science

— Faculty Affiliate, Center for Philosophy, Politics, and Economics

**University of Pittsburgh**, Pittsburgh, PA

2019–22 Assistant Professor of Political Science

**University of Pennsylvania**, Philadelphia, PA

2017–19 Pre/Postdoctoral Fellow, Identity and Conflict Lab

## EDUCATION

**University of California, Berkeley**, Berkeley, CA

2018 Ph.D. in Political Science

Committee: Leo Arriola (Chair), Ruth Berins Collier, Thad Dunning, Noam Yuchtman

Fields: Comparative Politics, Political Behavior, Methodology & Formal Theory

Dissertation: *Severed Connections: Political Parties and Democratic Responsiveness in Africa*  
+ Juan Linz Prize for Best Dissertation, Democracy & Autocracy Section, APSA, 2020

2012 M.A. in Political Science

**Korea University**, Seoul, South Korea

2007 B.A. in Economics (with Highest Honors)

## BOOK PROJECTS

1. [Native Bias: Overcoming Discrimination Against Immigrants](#)

**Donghyun Danny Choi**, Mathias Poertner, and Nicholas Sambanis

*Princeton University Press, Princeton Studies in Political Behavior*. 2022.

+ Best Book Award, *Experimental Research Section*, APSA, 2023

+ Featured in *Scope Conditions Podcast*, Season 3 Episode 1

+ Reviewed in *Perspectives on Politics*, *H-Migration*, *LSE Review of Books*

2. Severed Connections: Intraparty Politics and Representation in Kenya (In progress)

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## JOURNAL ARTICLES

1. [The Hijab Penalty: Feminist Backlash Against Muslim Immigrants](#)

**Donghyun Danny Choi**, Mathias Poertner, and Nicholas Sambanis

*American Journal of Political Science*. 2023. 67(2), 291–306.

+ Gregory Luebbert Prize for best article, *Comparative Politics Section*, APSA, 2022

+ Best Paper Award, *European Politics & Society Section*, APSA, 2021

2. [Temperature and Outgroup Discrimination](#)  
Donghyun Danny Choi, Mathias Poertner, and Nicholas Sambanis  
*Political Science Research and Methods*. 2023. 11, 198–206.
3. [Increasing Intergroup Trust: Endorsements and Voting in Multiethnic Societies](#)  
Leonardo R. Arriola, Donghyun Danny Choi, and Matthew K. Gichohi  
*Journal of Politics*. 2022. 84(4), 2107–2122.
4. [Navigating Insider and Outsider Status as Researchers Conducting Field Experiments](#)  
Eunji Kim, Sumitra Badrinathan, Donghyun Danny Choi, Sabrina Karim, and Yang-Yang Zhou  
*PS: Political Science & Politics*, 2022. 55(4), 754–758.
5. [Ethnic Bias in Judicial Decision-making: Evidence from Criminal Appeals in Kenya](#)  
Donghyun Danny Choi, J. Andrew Harris, and Fiona Shen-Bayh  
*American Political Science Review*. 2022. 116(3), 1067–1080.  
+ McGillivray Award for Best Paper, Political Economy Section, APSA, 2020
6. [Paying to Party: Candidate Resources and Party Switching in New Democracies](#)  
Leonardo R. Arriola, Donghyun Danny Choi, Justine M. Davis, Melanie Phillips, and Lise Rakner  
*Party Politics*. 2022. 28(3), 507–520.
7. [Linguistic Assimilation Does Not Reduce Discrimination Against Immigrants](#)  
Donghyun Danny Choi, Mathias Poertner, and Nicholas Sambanis  
*Journal of Experimental Political Science*. 2021. 8(3), 235–246.  
+ Rebecca Morton Award for best article in JEPS, Experimental Research Section, APSA, 2022
8. [Parochialism, Social Norms, and Discrimination Against Immigrants](#)  
Donghyun Danny Choi, Mathias Poertner, and Nicholas Sambanis  
*Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*. 2019. 116(33), 16274–16279.
9. [Fuzzy Sets on Shaky Ground? Parametric and Specification Sensitivity in fsQCA](#)  
Chris Krogslund, Donghyun Danny Choi, and Mathias Poertner  
*Political Analysis*. 2015. 23(1), 21–41.

## WORK IN-PROGRESS

1. Illusion of Democracy? Party Control of Primary Elections in New Democracies, Under Review.
2. Policymakers' Abortion Preferences: Understanding the Intersection of Gender and Wealth (with Leo Arriola, Justine Davis, Melanie Phillips, and Lise Rakner), R&R at *Comparative Political Studies*.
3. Couples Therapy for a Divided America: 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.
4. Do Voters Respond to Cross-Cleavage Campaigning in Polarized Societies? (with Leo Arriola, Matthew Gichohi, and Ken Ochieng' Opalo), Under Review.
5. Mobile Communication Technology and National Identity in Sub-Saharan Africa (with Benjamin Laughlin and Anna Schultz), Under Review.
6. Democratic Backsliding on the Legislative Floor: Evidence from Zambia (with Fiona Shen-Bayh)
7. The Effects of Transient Exposure to Refugees: Evidence from the Greek Migrant Crisis (with Nicholas Sambanis)
8. Accountability Under Devolved Government: Evidence from a Field Experiment in Kenya (with Leo Arriola, Matthew Gichohi, and Ken Ochieng' Opalo)

9. The Colonial Origins of National Identity: Evidence from Railroads in Africa (with Benjamin Laughlin)
10. Policing National Identity: Evidence from South Africa (with David Dow)

## FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

- 2023 Best Book Award, Experimental Research Section, APSA
- 2022 Gregory Luebbert Prize for Best Article in Comparative Politics, APSA
- 2022 Rebecca Morton Best JEPS Article Award, Experimental Research Section, APSA.
- 2021 Best Paper Award, European Politics & Society Section, APSA.
- 2020 Juan Linz Prize for Best Dissertation, Democracy & Autocracy Section, APSA.
- 2020 Fiona McGillivray Award for Best Paper, Political Economy Section, APSA.
- 2016 Dean's Completion Fellowship (\$21,000), Graduate Division, UC Berkeley.
- 2016 African Studies Fellowship (\$1,500), Center for African Studies, UC Berkeley.
- 2015 Rocca Dissertation Fellowship (\$5,000), Center for African Studies, UC Berkeley.
- 2015 Simpson Memorial Fellowship (\$12,000), Institute for International Studies, UC Berkeley.
- 2015 Graduate Division Fellowship (\$15,000), Graduate Division, UC Berkeley.
- 2014 Graduate Division Fellowship (\$15,000), Graduate Division, UC Berkeley.
- 2011-16 Doctoral Scholarship (full tuition & stipend), Korea Foundation for Advanced Studies.

## LECTURES & PRESENTATIONS

\* = Invited Presentations / † = Invited Lectures

- 2023 Seoul National University (Experimental Research Working Group),\* London School of Economics and Political Science (PS/PE/APEG Joint Seminar),\* MIT (Comparative Politics Speaker Series),\* National University of Singapore (LKY School of Public Policy),\* VU Amsterdam, University of Vienna, and University of Copenhagen (The Cooperation Colloquia),\* University of Michigan (Center for Political Studies Research Seminar, scheduled),\* Georgetown University (Development Seminar, Dept of Economics and McCourt School of Public Policy, scheduled),\* Boston University (Research in Comparative Politics Workshop, scheduled),\* MPSA, APSA
- 2022 Seoul National University (Methods Workshop),† University of Pennsylvania (PIC Lab Workshop),\* Hellenic Foundation for European and Foreign Policy,\* UCSD (Replication Workshop),† UC Davis (Political Behavior Seminar),† European Politics Online Workshop,\* Korea University,† Sungkyunkwan University (Global Scholar Lecture Series),\* APSA
- 2021 Korea University (Institute for Governmental Studies),\* Intergroup Relations Workshop, Brown University
- 2020 Korea University (Political Science Workshop),\* Pennsylvania State University (postponed due to COVID),\* European University Institute,\* Vanderbilt University (Comparative Politics Seminar),\* MPSA, APSA
- 2019 University of Pennsylvania, Carnegie Mellon University (Tepper Business School),\* College of William and Mary (Government workshop),\* Seoul National University (Political science workshop),\* KDI School of Public Policy and Management,\* SPSA, MPSA, APSA
- 2018 MIT (CTSN 3 Workshop),\* ERF Workshop (Casablanca, Morocco),\* University of Pittsburgh, Yale University, University of Florida, New York University Abu Dhabi, APSA, MPSA

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

## TEACHING

(G)=Graduate, (UG)=Undergraduate

- Brown Introduction to Comparative Politics (UG), S2023. Contemporary African Politics (UG), S2023. Identity Politics in Global Perspective (UG), F2022.
- Pitt Experiments in Social Science Research (G), S2022. Dissertation Overview (G), F2020, S2021, F2021, S2022. Identity Politics (G), F2020. Computational Social Science (UG), S2020. Comparative Politics Capstone (UG), F2019. Introduction to African Politics (UG), F2019, S2021, F2021.
- Penn African Political Economy (G/MBA), Wharton School of Business, Lauder Institute, S2018, S2019

## ADVISING

- Brown Lee-Or Ankori-Karlinsky (PhD, Member)
- Pitt Matthias Avina (PhD, Member), Nicole Loncaric (PhD, Member), Hyunjung Park (PhD, Member).

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- 2024 Program Co-Chair, Democracy and Autocracy Section, APSA Annual Meeting
- 2023 Program Co-Chair, Political Economy Section, APSA Annual Meeting
- 2023 Sage Best Paper Prize Committee, Comparative Politics Section, APSA
- 2019–22 Co-convenor, Midwest Workshop on Empirical Political Science
- 2022 Best Paper Award Committee, European Politics & Society Section, APSA
- 2020 Best Book Award Committee, Democracy & Autocracy Section, APSA
- 2020 Program Co-Chair, African Politics Section, MPSA Annual Meeting, MPSA
- 2019 Chair, Best Fieldwork Award Committee, Democracy & Autocracy Section, APSA
- Reviewer: American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, American Sociological Review, British Journal of Political Science, 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, Nature Human Behavior, Party Politics, Perspectives on Politics, Political Analysis, Political Behavior, Political Science Research and Methods, Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, Public Choice, Sociological Research and Methods, World Politics.*

## DEPARTMENT & UNIVERSITY SERVICE

### Brown University

- 2023 University Fulbright Scholarship Committee
- 2022 International Political Economy Faculty Search Committee, Department of Political Science

### University of Pittsburgh

- 2021–22 Graduate Education Committee, Political Science.
- 2021 Chair Selection Committee, Political Science.
- 2021 Comparative Politics Field Exam Committee, Political Science.
- 2021–22 Structural Racism Junior Faculty Search Committee, Political Science.

- 2020 Structural Racism Target of Opportunity Search Committee, Political Science.
- 2020–21 Co-convener, Historical Political Economy Seminar, Political Science.
- 2019–20 Co-convener, Human Rights and Migration Seminar, Political Science.
- 2019–21 Undergraduate Committee, Political Science.