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## POSITIONS HELD **American University**, Washington, DC

Assistant Professor, Department of Government, August 2024-

## **University of California, Riverside**, Riverside, CA

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, July 2023-June 2024

## **East Tennessee State University**, Johnson City, TN

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, August 2021-July 2023

## **Vanderbilt University**, Nashville, TN

Postdoctoral Research Scholar, Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions, July 2020-August 2021

## EDUCATION

### **Washington University in St. Louis**, Saint Louis, MO

Ph.D., Political Science, May 2020

- Fields: American Politics & Quantitative Political Methodology

### **University of Rhode Island**, Kingston, RI

M.A., Political Science, May 2015

### **The George Washington University**, Washington, DC

B.A., Political Science, August 2011

## JOURNAL ARTICLES

Miller, David R., Joshua McCrain, Hans J.G. Hassell, and Benjamin C.K. Egerod. Forthcoming. "Partisanship, Expertise, or Connections? A Conjoint Survey Experiment on Lobbyist Hiring Decisions." *Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization*.

Miller, David R. and Serena D. Smith. Forthcoming. "(Small D-Democratic) Vacation, All I Ever Wanted?: The Effect of Democratic Backsliding on Leisure Travel in the American States." *Journal of Experimental Political Science*.

Miller, David R. and Jeffrey Ziegler. Forthcoming. "Preferential Abstention in Conjoint Experiments." *Research & Politics*.

Miller, David R. and Chris Piper. 2024. "Acting(s) Without Consequence: The (Lack of) Public Costs for Vacancy Appointments." *Presidential Studies Quarterly*, 54(2): 144-161.

Boston, Joshua, Benjamin Kassow, Ali Masood, and David R. Miller. 2023. "Your Honor's Misdeeds: The Consequences of Judicial Scandal on Specific and Diffuse Support." *PS: Political Science & Politics*, 56(2): 195-200.

Miller, David Ryan. 2023. "The President Will See Whom Now? Presidential Engagement with Organized Interests." *American Political Science Review*, 117(3): 1019-1035.

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|                                   | Butler, Daniel M. and David R. Miller. 2022. “Does Lobbying Affect Bill Advancement? Evidence from Three State Legislatures.” <i>Political Research Quarterly</i> , 75(3): 547-561.   |
|                                   | Ladam, Christina, Austin Bussing, Alexander C. Furnas, Josh McCrain, David R. Miller, and Rachel Porter. 2022. “The Junior Americanist Workshop Series (JAWS).” <i>PS: Political Science &amp; Politics</i> , 55(3): 552-553.   |
|                                   | Miller, David R. 2022. “On Whose Door to Knock? Lobbyists’ Strategic Pursuit of Access to Members of Congress.” <i>Legislative Studies Quarterly</i> , 47(1): 157-192.  |
|                                   | Miller, David R. and Andrew Reeves. 2022. “Pass the Buck or the Buck Stops Here? The Effectiveness of Claiming and Deflecting Blame by Elected Executives.” <i>Journal of Public Policy</i> , 42(1): 63-91.   |
|                                   | Miller, David R. 2021. “Empirical Approaches to the Study of Access.” <i>Interest Groups &amp; Advocacy</i> , 10(3): 286-302.   |
|                                   | Stein, Robert M., Christopher Mann, Charles Stewart III, . . . , David Miller, . . . , et al. 2020. “Waiting to Vote in the 2016 Presidential Election: Evidence from a Multi-county Study.” <i>Political Research Quarterly</i> , 73(2): 439-453.                              |
|                                   | Mann, Christopher B., Gayle A. Alberda, Nathaniel A. Birkhead, . . . , David Miller, . . . , et al. 2018. “Pedagogical Value of Polling Place Observation By Students.” <i>PS: Political Science &amp; Politics</i> , 51(4): 831-837.   |
|                                   | Miller, David R. and Andrew Reeves. 2017. “Attitudes toward Delegation to Presidential Commissions.” <i>Presidential Studies Quarterly</i> , 47(3): 495-516.  |
| OTHER<br>ACADEMIC<br>PUBLICATIONS | Stein, Robert M., Christopher Mann, Charles Stewart III, . . . , David Miller, . . . , et al. 2020. “Polling Place Quality and Access.” In <i>The Future of Election Administration</i> , Mitchell Brown, Kathleen Hale, and Bridgett A. King, Eds. Palgrave Macmillan, 83-100. |
|                                   | Reeves, Andrew, David R. Miller, and Bryant Moy. 2018. “U.S. Presidential Campaigns and Their Impact.” In <i>Oxford Bibliographies in Political Science</i> .   |
| WORKING<br>PAPERS                 | Egerod, Benjamin C.K., Hans J.G. Hassell, Josh McCrain, and David R. Miller. “Lobbying Against Discrimination: Racial and Gender Discrimination in Lobbyist Hiring Decisions.” <i>Invited to revise and resubmit at Legislative Studies Quarterly</i>                           |
|                                   | Egerod, Benjamin C.K., Hans J.G. Hassell, Josh McCrain, and David R. Miller. “Using Expert Evaluation to Scale Interest Group Ideology.”  |
|                                   | Miller, David Ryan and Daniel M. Butler. “The Implications of <i>Loper Bright</i> for Bureaucratic Human Capital.”  |
| PUBLIC<br>SCHOLARSHIP             | “Democracy and Destinations: Navigating Political Consumerism in American Vacation Choices.” <i>CloudResearch</i> . February 23, 2024.  |
|                                   | “Backslide on democracy and tourists will punish you.” <i>3Streams</i> . September 5, 2023.   |
|                                   | “Judging the judges: Scandals have the potential to affect the legitimacy of judges—and possibly the federal judiciary, too” (with Joshua Boston, Benjamin Kassow, and Ali Masood). <i>The</i>  |

*Conversation.* June 2, 2023.

“Biden’s Supreme Court commission probably won’t sway public opinion” (with Andrew Reeves). *The Conversation.* June 16, 2021.

“New evidence that lobbying affects legislative outcomes.” *3Streams.* May 30, 2021.

“Here’s the evidence lobbyists are trying to persuade your member of Congress.” *3Streams.* February 2, 2021.

“If Trump Took Responsibility for Coronavirus Missteps, It Might Actually Help Him” (with Andrew Reeves). *The Washington Post.* March 26, 2020.

“Late to the Party (Nomination): How Primary Election Timing Disadvantages Missouri Voters.” In APSA’s *RAISE the Vote Campaign.* January 17, 2020.

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| CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS | American Political Science Association Annual Meeting (2018, 2019, 2023, 2024)<br>Academia Sinica International Conference on Method Triangulation (2022)<br>Conference on Executive-Judicial Relations, Hoover Institution (2024)<br>Harvard Experiments Working Group Graduate Student Conference (2019)<br>Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting (2015, 2017, 2019, 2021, 2023, 2024)<br>Money in Politics APSA Pre-Conference (2020)<br>Presidents and Executive Politics Micro-Conference (2022)<br>Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting (2018, 2022)<br>Washington University-Illinois Student Exchange (2019) |
| INVITED PRESENTATIONS    | University of California, San Diego (2019)<br>University of Rhode Island (2020)<br>University of Southern California, PIPE Collaborative (2024)  |
| AWARDS                   | <b>Jewell-Loewenberg Prize in American Politics (2023)</b><br>Best article published in <i>Legislative Studies Quarterly</i> in the previous year<br>For: “On Whose Door to Knock? Organized Interests’ Strategic Pursuit of Access to Members of Congress”<br><b>George C. Edwards III Dissertation Award (2021)</b><br>Best dissertation on executive politics completed and accepted in 2019 or 2020<br>For: “All the President’s Organized Interests”  |
| GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS   | APSA Travel Grant, \$350, (APSA Presidents and Executive Politics Section, Fall 2023)<br>Centennial Research Grant, <i>to fund a Junior Americanist Workshop Series CwC</i> , \$9,943 (American Political Science Association, Summer 2022)<br>Graduate Research Seed Grant, \$1,500 (Washington University in St. Louis, Spring 2019)<br>Richard Beaupre Hope & Heritage Fund Travel Award, \$300 (University of Rhode Island, Spring 2015)<br>Graduate Assistants United Travel Grant, \$200 (University of Rhode Island, Spring 2015)   |
| TEACHING EXPERIENCE      | <b>American University</b><br><i>Instructor of Record</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>GOVT 310 Introduction to Political Research, Fall 2024</li></ul> <b>University of California, Riverside</b>  |

*Instructor of Record*

- POSC 010W, Introduction to American Government, Winter 2024
- POSC 100 Presidential Politics, Fall 2023
- POSC 261, American Political Institutions, Winter 2024

**East Tennessee State University**

*Instructor of Record*

- PSCI 1120 Introduction to American Government, Fall 2021, Spring 2022, Fall 2022, Spring 2023
- PSCI 3050 Interest Groups in American Politics, Fall 2022
- PSCI 3440 Research Methods, Fall 2021, Spring 2022, Fall 2022, Spring 2023
- PSCI 3710 State and Local Government, Spring 2022
- PSCI 4900 Independent Study—Advanced Research Methods, Spring 2023

**Washington University in St. Louis**

*Instructor of Record*

- Poli Sci 101: Introduction to American Politics, Summer 2018

*Teaching Assistant*

- Poli Sci 101: Introduction to American Politics, Fall 2016 & Fall 2017 (Instructor: Andrew Reeves)
- Poli Sci 363: Quantitative Political Methodology, Fall 2018 (Instructor: Betsy Sinclair)
- Poli Sci 4043: Public Policy Analysis, Assessment and Practical Wisdom, Spring 2017 (Instructor: Dan Butler) & Spring 2018 (Instructor: Keith Schnakenberg)
- Poli Sci 495: Research Design and Methods, Spring 2019 (Instructor: Matt Gabel)

**University of Rhode Island**

*Teaching Assistant*

- PSC 113: Introduction to American Politics, Fall 2013 & Fall 2014 (Instructor: Maureen Moakley)
- PSC 116: Introduction to International Politics, Spring 2014 & Spring 2015 (Instructor: Marc Hutchison)

PROFESSIONAL  
SERVICE

Reviewer—*American Political Science Review*, *British Journal of Political Science*, *Congress & the Presidency*, *Humanities & Social Science Communications*, *Interest Groups & Advocacy*, *Journal of International Trade & Economic Development*, *Journal of Politics*, *Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory*, *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, *Political Research Quarterly*, *Presidential Studies Quarterly*, *Research & Politics*

Award Committee Member—George C. Edwards III Dissertation Award (2024), Jewell-Loewenberg Prize Award (2024) Conference Co-Organizer—JAWS MPSA Conference-within-a-Conference (2023); SoCal PIPE Conference (2023)

Panel Chair/Discussant—APSA (2020); MPSA (2019, 2021, 2023, 2024); SoCal PIPE (Fall 2023); SPSA (2022)

Professional Section Leadership—Political Organizations and Parties (executive council, 2024-present)

Workshop Series Co-Organizer—[Junior Americanist Workshop Series](#) (founding member, 2020-present)

Workshop Series Discussant—PIPE Collaborative (2023)

INSTITUTIONAL  
SERVICE

**American University**

Academic Integrity & Grievance Committee, School of Public Affairs, August 2024-

Speaker Series Co-Coordinator, Department of Government, August 2024-

**University of California, Riverside**

Political Science Graduate Admissions Committee, September 2023-June 2024

**East Tennessee State University**

Coordinator, Public Administration Minor, August 2021-May 2023

Faculty Advisor, Students of Political Science for Inclusion, February 2023-May 2023

Faculty Advisor, Women in Political Science, October 2022-May 2023

Member, College of Arts & Sciences Internal Research and Creative Activity Council, March 2022-May 2023

**Washington University in St. Louis**

American Politics Research Workshop Student Coordinator, August 2017-May 2018

Graduate Student Recruitment Coordinator, Spring 2018

**MEDIA**

**APPEARANCES &** Friedman, Adam. "What Happens When a Cash-Poor Billionaire Wants a New Sports Stadium?  
**COVERAGE** Lobbying". *Tennessee Lookout*. July 26, 2023.

Friedman, Adam. "Cash for Clout: Tennessee's Million Dollar Club." *Tennessee Lookout*. July 24, 2023.

Johnson, Theodore R. "Reparations Won't Start With Congress. A President Needs to Do That." *Politico*. June 21, 2019.

**COMPUTER  
SKILLS**

L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Python, R, Stata

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