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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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### University of Notre Dame

Nancy Reeves Dreux Assistant Professor of Political Science, Department of Political Science  
Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science

August 2023 –  
July 2021 –

## EDUCATION

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### Washington University in St. Louis

2021

Ph.D. Political Science

### Creighton University

2015

B.A. Political Science & English

*Phi Beta Kappa*

## PUBLICATIONS

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### Monograph

- Jacob M. Montgomery and Erin L. Rossiter. 2022. *Adaptive Inventories: A Practical Guide for Applied Researchers*. Cambridge Elements Series: Elements in Quantitative and Computational Methods for the Social Sciences.

### Journal Articles

- Gustavo Diaz and Erin L. Rossiter. 2025. “Balancing Precision and Retention in Experimental Design.” Forthcoming, *Political Analysis*.
- Rossiter, Erin L. and Jeffrey J. Harden. 2025. “The Development of an Issue Public: Evidence from The Eras Tour.” Forthcoming, *Journal of Politics*.
- Greene, Kenneth F., Erin L. Rossiter, Enrique Seira, and Alberto Simpser. 2025. “Interacting as Equals Reduces Partisan Polarization in Mexico.” *Nature Human Behavior* 9(1): 147-155.
  - 2024 APSA Elections, Public Opinion, and Voting Behavior Section Best Paper Award
- Rossiter, Erin L. and Taylor N. Carlson. 2024. “Cross-Partisan Conversation Reduced Affective Polarization for Republicans and Democrats Even After the Contentious 2020 Election.” *Journal of Politics* 86(4): 1608-1612.
- Rossiter, Erin L. 2022. “Measuring Agenda Setting in Interactive Political Communication.” *American Journal of Political Science* 66(2): 337-351.
  - 2018 Society for Political Methodology Best Poster Award
  - 2022 Thomas E. Patterson Best Dissertation Award Honorable Mention
- Montgomery, Jacob M. and Erin L. Rossiter. 2020. “So Many Questions, So Little Time: Integrating Adaptive Personality Inventories into Public Opinion Research.” *Journal of Survey Statistics and Methodology* 8(4): 667-690.

## UNDER REVIEW

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- Revisiting Celebrity Political Influence with Personalized Interventions (with Shay Hafner)
- From the Briefing Room to Your Living Room: How the President Sets the Media’s Agenda (with David R. Miller and Benjamin S. Noble)

## SELECTED WORKS IN PROGRESS

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- The Similar and Distinct Effects of Political and Non-Political Conversation on Affective Polarization.
  - 2020 Society for Political Methodology Best Poster Award Co-Winner
  - 2020 Timothy E. Cook Best Graduate Student Paper, APSA Political Communication Section
  - 2022 APSA Experimental Research Section Best Dissertation Award Co-Winner
- Can Social Networks Counter Support for Political Violence? Evidence from a Network Dyad Experiment. (with Carly Wayne and Taylor N. Carlson)
- To Discuss or Not to Discuss? How Selective Exposure to Political Discussion Conditions Experimental Findings on Polarization. (with Taylor N. Carlson)

## GRANTS

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### External Grants

- U.S. National Science Foundation (SES-2241835). “Collaborative Research: Interpersonal Pathways to Radicalization & Deradicalization.” Total award: \$375,858. Notre Dame award: \$57,389. (2023–2025, Co-PI with Carly Wayne and Taylor N. Carlson).
- U.S. National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant (SES-1938811). “When Does Interparty Conversation Harm or Heal Affective Polarization?” Total award: \$23,298 (2020–2021, Co-PI with Jacob M. Montgomery).

### Internal Grants

- Notre Dame Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Art Small Research Grant. “To Discuss or Not to Discuss? How Selective Exposure to Political Discussion Conditions Experimental Findings on Polarization.” \$2500 (2023).
- Washington University in St. Louis Graduate Research Seed Grant. \$1,500 (2020).

## HONORS & AWARDS

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- APSA Elections, Public Opinion, and Voting Behavior Section Best Paper Award (2024)
- APSA Experimental Research Section Best Dissertation Award Co-Winner (2022)
- APSA Political Communication Section Thomas E. Patterson Best Dissertation Award Honorable Mention (2022)
- Washington University in St. Louis Association of Women Faculty Student Award (2021)
- APSA Political Communication Timothy E. Cook Best Graduate Student Paper Award (2020)
- Society for Political Methodology Best Poster Award (Applied), PolMeth XXXVII (2020)
- Washington University in St. Louis Graduate Student Senate Travel Award (2019)
- Society for Political Methodology Best Poster Award (Methods), PolMeth XXXV (2018)
- Honorable Mention, National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship (2016)
- Faculty Award for Academic Excellence, Creighton University Political Science (2015)

## SOFTWARE

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- `catSurv`. “Computerized Adaptive Testing for Survey Research.” Published on CRAN. (with Jacob M. Montgomery)
- `chatr`. “Designing Conversation-Based Experiments with Chatter.” Published on GitHub.
- `blockclstr`. “Blocked Cluster Designs for Conversation-Based Experiments.” Published on GitHub.
- “Chatter: Software for Conversation-Based Experiments.” Online interface.

## MEDIA COVERAGE OF RESEARCH

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- Anderssen, Erin. “Taylor Swift is in her Toronto era, and her fans can teach us a thing or two about joy.” *The Globe and Mail*. November 8, 2024.
- Barret, Joe. “Swifties’ Election Ground Game: Phone-Banking, Fundraising and Lots of Bracelets.” *The Wall Street Journal*. October 19, 2024.
- Singer, Ethan and Ronda Kaysen. “Will Taylor Swift’s Endorsement Actually Affect the Election?” *The Upshot, New York Times*. September 12, 2024.

- Lee, Chantelle. “Swifties Band Together to Show Palestinian Solidarity at Taylor Swift’s Eras Tour.” *Time*. June 25, 2024.
- Yang, Angela. “The Justice Department wants to ‘break up Live Nation.’ Taylor Swift fans are ready for it.” *NBC News*. May 24, 2024.
- “America’s political scientists are worried about ‘lethal partisanship.’” *The Economist*. October 7, 2021.

## INVITED TALKS AND CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

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### Invited

- University of Chicago Political Science Quantitative Methods Workshop (2024)
- University of Rochester (2024)
- University of Illinois, Urbana Champaign, Politics Workshop (2023)
- Text as Data Political Science Reading Group (2022)
- American University, Government Speaker Series (2021)
- University of California, Los Angeles, Methods Workshop (2020)
- University of North Carolina, American Politics Research Group (2020)
- Pennsylvania State University, New Faces in Political Methodology XI (2019)
- International Methods Colloquium (2019)

### Conference Presentations

- UCSD Center for American Politics Conference (2024)
- BYU Political Conversations and Polarization in the United States (2024)
- Polarization Research Lab Annual Meeting (2024)
- University of Chicago Center for Effective Government American Politics Conference (2023)
- MPSA (2015, 2022, 2023, 2024)
- PolMeth, poster (2019, 2020, 2022)
- APSA (2018, 2019, 2020, 2021)
- PolNet (2020, 2021)
- Harvard Experimental Political Science Graduate Student Conference (2020)
- NYU-CESS Conference on Experimental Political Science (2020)
- Visions in Methodology (2019)
- New Directions in Text as Data, poster (2018)
- SPSA (2018)
- International Total Survey Error Workshop (2018)
- St. Louis Area Methods Meeting, poster (2018)
- St. Louis Chapter R-Ladies Meeting (2017)

## TEACHING

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### University of Notre Dame

- Social Influence in Politics, Undergraduate (Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2021)
- Introduction to Quantitative Methods, Graduate (Fall 2023, Fall 2022)
- Experimental Design, Graduate (Spring 2024, Spring 2022)
- Programming for the Social Sciences, Graduate (Spring 2023)

### Washington University in St. Louis

- Social Influence in Politics, Undergraduate (Spring 2021)
- Introduction to Python, Graduate Summer Course (August 2018)

## SERVICE

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### Departmental Service at the University of Notre Dame

- Graduate Policy Committee (2023-2024)
- Graduate Admissions Committee (2022-2023)
- Methods Field Co-Chair (2021-2022)
- Senior Thesis Awards Judge (2022)
- Notre Dame Mock Trial Faculty Advisor (2022-present)

## **Student Advising at the University of Notre Dame**

- Dissertation Committee Member
  - Amy Brooke Grauley
  - Adriana Albanus
  - Peitong Jing
  - Gregory Wurm (Sociology, Defended July 2024)
- Methods Paper Committee Member
  - Adriana Albanus
  - Emma Schroeder (Defended November 2024)
  - Alejandra Campos (Defended December 2022)
- Senior Thesis Advisor
  - Robert Christmann (2022)
  - Benjamin Sullivan (2023)
  - Will Dieterich (2023)
  - Rebeca Santa Maria (2024)
  - Haley Brandt (2024)
- International Development Studies Capstone Advisor
  - Luke Van de Walle (2023)

## **Discipline**

- Member, APSA Experimental Section Best Dissertation Award Committee (2023)
- Section Chair, MPSA Program Committee, Political Methodology Section (2023)
- Advisory Board Member, Polarization Research Lab (2022-present)
- Member, PolNet Program Committee (2022)
- Editor, PolMeth Listserv (2019-2021)
- Reviewer: *American Journal of Political Science*, *American Political Science Review*, *American Politics Research*, *British Journal of Political Science*, *Comparative Political Studies*, John Templeton Foundation. *Journal of Experimental Political Science*, *Journal of Politics*, Pew Charitable Trusts, *Political Analysis*, *Political Behavior*, *Political Opinion Quarterly*, *Political Psychology*, *Politics & Gender*, *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, *Science Advances*, Time-Sharing Experiments for the Social Sciences