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| EDUCATION | The University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, USA | |
| | Ph.D., Political Science, Expected Spring 2022 | |
| | Thesis: "Addressing Data Quality Issues in Political Science" Concentrations: Comparative Politics and Political Methodology Committee: Graeme Robertson (chair), Lucy Martin, Brigitte Seim, Santiago Olivella, Ted Enamorado Graduate Minor: Statistics | |
| | M.A., Political Science, 2018 | |
| | Thesis: "Reconceptualizing Civil Society and its Strength" Committee: Graeme Robertson (chair), Lucy Martin, Brigitte Seim | |
| | Kenyon College, Gambier, Ohio, USA | |
| | B.A., Political Science and Modern Languages and Literatures (High Honors), $summa\ cum\ laude,$ Phi Beta Kappa, May 2014 | |
| Research Interests | Civil society, development, measurement of democracy and civil society, survey methodology | |
| Under Review | "Why Join? How Civil Society Organizations' Attributes Signal Congruence and Impact Community Engagement," Conditionally accepted, <i>Journal of Experimental Political Science</i> | |
| RESEARCH IN PROGRESS | "Distances in Latent Space: A Novel Approach to Analyzing Conjoints" | |
| | "Using Mixture Models to Assess Enumerator and Survey Quality" | |
| | "Enumerator Effects in Experimental Research: Causes and Consequences for Inference in Survey and Lab-in-the-Field Experiments," with Brandon de la Cuesta and Jim Qian | |
| | "Marketing Taxation? Experimental Evidence on Enforcement and Bargaining in Malawian Markets," with Lucy Martin and Brigitte Seim | |
| | "Investigating Tax Policy Preferences Among Citizens in Weak-State Contexts," with Lucy Martin and Brigitte Seim | |

"Populism as a Determinant of Foreign Aid Allocation," with Jacob Smith.

Conference Presentations

"Marketing Taxation? Experimental Evidence on Enforcement and Bargaining in Malawian Markets," with Lucy Martin and Brigitte Seim. Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the American Political Science Association, September 2020.

"Distances in Latent Space: A Novel Approach to Analyzing Conjoints." Poster presented at the 37th Annual Meeting of the Society for Political Methodology (Virtual), July 2020.

"Using Mixture Models to Assess Enumerator and Survey Quality: An Extension of Probabilistic Record Linkage." Poster presented at the 36th Annual Meeting of the Society for Political Methodology, Cambridge, MA, July 2019.

"Foreign Aid's Impact on the Demand Side of Civil Society in Developing Countries." Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 2019.

"Populism as a Determinant of Foreign Aid Allocation," with Jacob Smith. Paper presented at the Annual Conference of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 2018.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant for Lucy Martin and Brigitte Seim Sept. 2017 – Present

- Assist with USAID-funded RCT project in Malawi (contracted to NORC at the University of Chicago) designed to improve tax compliance in Malawian markets, part of a broader project intended to improve governance Local Governance and Accountability Project (LGAP)
- Analyze survey data, including developing operationalizations of key concepts using survey questions
- Manage information exchange with survey partner (IPA) and project implementer (DAI)
- Constructed survey instruments
- Traveled to Malawi in order to help facilitate rollout of endline survey in October 2018
- Co-author of Impact Evaluation Final Report

Research Assistant for Brigitte Zimmerman March 2018 – May 2018

• Used R to aggregate a project level merge of AidData 3.1 and V-Dem 8.0 up to the country-year level.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Instructor

POLI 291: Undergraduate Learning Assistant Practicum FA 2021

POLI 281: Data in Politics I SP 2021, FA 2021

POLI 784: Regression Models Lab SP 2019, SP 2020

SP 2018

Teaching Assistant

POLI 130: Intro to Comparative Politics

POLI 150: International Relations and Global Politics FA 2018

POLI 271: Modern Political Thought FA 2017

Professional Experience

Associate Scholar, Foreign Policy Research Institute's Eurasia Program

Apr. 2016 – Present

- Write articles for FPRI on a variety of topics, focusing on Eurasia
- Write opinion pieces on political developments in Eurasian countries
- Communicate with the FPRI scholarly community

Consultant, The Cloudburst Group, on USAID Project LER II Armenia CB.003

Dec. 2018 – July 2019

- With Graeme Robertson drafted the Civil Society and Media Evidence in Armenia Review for USAID Armenia
- With Graeme Robertson provided feedback on draft versions of the Civil Society in Armenia Field Assessment, including adding additional intervention recommendations

UkraineAlert Intern, Atlantic Council's Eurasia Center

May 2015 - July 2017

- Gathered articles for the Recommended Reads section of UkraineAlert
- Provided general research assistance to the UkraineAlert editor, including creating profiles of politicians who could serve as the subject of articles
- Proof-read and edited the German translation of the Atlantic Council's Hiding in Plain Sight

 $Research\ Intern,$ Foreign Policy Research Institute's Project on Democratic Transitions

Feb 2015 - Apr. 2016

- Researched democratic transitions, including US spending on democracy assistance in Central Asia
- Gathered democracy measurement scores for Eurasian countries from Polity IV, Freedom House's Nations in Transit and World Bank's Voice and Accountability Scores
- Evaluated pros and cons of Polity IV, Nations in Transit and Voice and Accountability Scores
- Provided general research support
- Wrote opinion pieces for FPRI's Geopoliticus blog

SERVICE

Departmental:

- Coordinator, Methods and Design Workshop (Fall 2020)
- Methods Graduate Representative (Fall 2020)

Referee:

• AJPS

IN THE PUBLIC FORUM

COMMUNICATING "Armenia and the Velvet Revolution: The Merits and Flaws of a Protest-based Civil Society," Foreign Policy Research Institute's Geopoliticus Blog, February 19, 2019

> "Baltic Energy Sources: Diversifying Away from Russia," Foreign Policy Research Institute's Baltic Bulletin, June 15, 2017

> "Why Did Russia Let Ukraine's Joan of Arc Go?," with Julian Nundy and Rashad Mammadov, News Decoder, June 9, 2016

"No End to Information War in Ukraine," News Decoder, May 27, 2016

"Lithuania Moves to Bolster Electricity Security," Foreign Policy's Baltic Bulletin, March 23, 2016

"What on Earth Just Happened in Ukraine?," Foreign Policy Research Institute's Geopoliticus, February 19, 2016

"The West Needs to Stop Obsessing About Putin," with Melinda Haring, Foreign Policy Research Institute's Geopoliticus, November 25, 2015

"The human rights situation in Crimea today is deplorable,' German MP Says,", Atlantic Council's New Atlanticist, November 30, 2015, translation of speech given by German MP Dr. Christoph Bergner at the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung on October 21, 2015

"The Eurasian Economic Union's growth is not good for democracy in the region," Foreign Policy Research Institute's Geopoliticus, September 22, 2015

"The West Should Press for Democracy in Western Ukraine, Leave East to Putin for Now," Foreign Policy Research Institute's Geopoliticus, July 22, 2015

"Remembering Roman," with Melinda Haring, Atlantic Council's New Atlanticist, May 19, 2015

"Do sanctions on Russia create more problems than they solve?," Foreign Policy Research Institute's Geopoliticus, March 31, 2015

Awards and SCHOLARSHIPS

Graduate School Summer Research Fellowship (\$5,000)

2021

Thomas M. Uhlman Summer Research Fellowship (\$3,250) 2020 Pi Sigma Alpha, Political Science Honors Society 2014 Spanish Prize, Kenyon College 2014 Phi Beta Kappa Fall 2013 Inductee 2010 Kenyon Honors Scholarship National Merit Scholarship 2010 TECHNICAL Statistical computing in R, Python, and Stata, Bayesian inference with Stan, Skills typesetting in IATEX, version control with Git, linear programming with AMPL German: Native Speaker LANGUAGES Spanish: Functionally Fluent

> Russian: Advanced Proficiency French: Basic Proficiency