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EDUCATION

University of California, Los Angeles

2020-Present

Ph.D., Political Science (expected completion May 2025)

University of Otago / Te Whare Wānanga o Otāgo

2019-2020

M.A. with Distinction, Politics

Amherst College

2013-2017

B.A. with Distinction, Political Science and Music, Summa Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa

Worester College, Oxford University

2016

Visiting Student in Politics

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Election administration, electoral reform, local politics, New Zealand politics, criminal justice

PUBLISHED ARTICLES

Ferrer, Joshua. 2021. "Re-evaluating Consensus in New Zealand Election Reform." Political Science. DOI: 10.1080/00323187.2020.1859337

WORKING PAPERS

The Effects of Proportional Representation on Election Lawmaking: Evidence from New Zealand. *Representation.* (Revise and Resubmit).

Does Electing Election Officials Improve Election Administration? Evidence from Georgia and Texas

How Partisan Is Local Election Administration? (with Igor Gevn and Daniel M. Thompson)

OTHER PUBLICATIONS AND REPORTS

Did last year's Black Lives Matter protests push cities to defund police? Yes and no. (with Joyce Nguy). Washington Post. 2021.

Online Political Campaigning in New Zealand. Transparency International New Zealand. 2020.

Consensus-based NZ electoral reform is a lovely idea. And it's mostly a myth. The Spinoff. 2020.

2018 Primary Turnout and Reforms (with John Fortier, Michael Thorning, and Matthew Weil). Bipartisan Policy Center. 2018.

PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Midwestern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2022

Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2022

New Zealand Political Studies Association Annual Meeting, 2019

GRANTS AND REWARDS

Graduate Research Mentorship, University of California, Los Angeles, 2021-Present (\$20,000)

Graduate Summer Research Mentorship, University of California, Los Angeles, 2021 (\$6,000)

Alumni Fellowship, University of California, Los Angeles, 2020-2021

Yaman Didem MA Thesis Prize for best thesis in Politics, University of Otago, 2020

Postgraduate Publishing Bursary, University of Otago, 2020

Fulbright Extension Award, University of Otago, 2020

New Zealand Politics Postgraduate Conference Paper Prize, New Zealand Political Studies Association, 2019

Fulbright Graduate Student Award to New Zealand, 2019

Densmore Berry Collins Prize in Political Science, Amherst College, 2018

TEACHING

University of Otago, Departmental Tutor:

Politics of the European Union, 2019 (undergraduate lecture).

Amherst College, TA:

Intro to Stats, Fall 2017 (undergraduate lecture).

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Reviewer: Representation

SELECTED PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE

Graduate Research Assistant, Professor Miriam Golden, UCLA.	2020-2021
Consultant, Democracy Project, Bipartisan Policy Center.	2018

Post-Baccalaureate Research Fellow, Professor Jonathan Obert, Amherst College. 2018

Domestic Policy Council Intern, The White House. 2015

Research Assistant, Professor Austin Sarat, Amherst College. 2014-2015

ACADEMIC REFERENCES

Dan Thompson, Professor, UCLA. (dthompson@polisci.ucla.edu).

Kathleen Bawn, Professor, UCLA. (kbawn@polisci.ucla.edu).

Janine Hayward, Professor, University of Otago. (janine.hayward@otago.ac.nz).

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