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EDUCATION

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA

Ph.D., Political Science

September 2021 – present

Fields: American Politics, Models & Methods

Dissertation: Making Democracy: How Organizations, Policymakers, and Voters

Shape American Election Administration

Committee: Charles Stewart III (Chair), Andrea Campbell, and Devin Caughey

Graduate Student Researcher, MIT Election Data and Science Lab

University of Rochester, Rochester, NY

B.A., Political Science and Statistics (magna cum laude)

August 2016 – December 2019

Minor in Legal Studies

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Election administration, voting rights, legislatures, local politics, political institutions, survey experiments

Publications

- 1. Jaffe, Jacob, **Joseph R. Loffredo***, Samuel Baltz, Alejandro Flores, and Charles Stewart III. 2024. "Trust in the Count: Improving Voter Confidence with Post-Election Audits." *Public Opinion Quarterly*. DOI: 10.1093/poq/nfae029.
 - · Joint lead author
 - Winner, Best Poster at the 2023 Election Science, Research, and Administration Conference

Under Review

Kuriwaki, Shiro, Mason Reece, Samuel Baltz, Aleksandra Conevska, **Joseph R. Loffredo**, Can E. Mutlu, Taran Samarth, Kevin E. Acevedo Jetter, Zachary Djanogly Garai, Kate Murray, Shigeo Hirano, Jeffrey B. Lewis, James M. Snyder, Jr., and Charles H. Stewart, III. "Cast vote records: A database of ballots from the 2020 U.S. Election."

Works in Progress

Reece, Mason, **Joseph R. Loffredo**, Alejandro Flores, Samuel Baltz, and Charles Stewart III. "Hidden Partisanship in American Elections."

Loffredo, Joseph R. "Legislating Democracy: When State Legislators Change Access to the Ballot"

Loffredo, Joseph R. and Alejandro Flores. "Where We Vote: The Changing Landscape of Where Americans Cast Votes."

Slaughter, Christine M., **Joseph R. Loffredo**, and Alejandro Flores. "Motivating Participation: Encouraging Minority Voters to Overcome the Costs of Voting."

RESEARCH ASSISTANCE Professor Charles Stewart III, Massachusetts Institute of Technology Professor Asya Magazinnik, Massachusetts Institute of Technology 2022 – *present* 2022

TEACHING Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Teaching Assistant, Quantitative Research Methods I: Regression (17.800) Fall 2024

(Professor: F. Daniel Hidalgo)

University of Rochester

Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Categorical Data Analysis (STT 218) Fall 2019

(Professor: Joseph Ciminelli)

Teaching Assistant, Argument in Political Science (PSC 202W) Fall 2018

(Professor: Gerald Gamm)

Professional Civis Analytics, Washington, DC February 2020 – August 2021

EXPERIENCE Client Support Analyst

New York State Assembly, Rochester, NY February 2019 – May 2019

District Aide

AWARDS James D. McGill Memorial Prize, University of Rochester, 2020

Presentations American Political Science Association (2024, 2023)

Midwest Political Science Association (2024) Southern Political Science Association (2024, 2023)

Election Science, Research, and Administration Conference (2024, 2023) Symposium on the Politics of Immigration, Race, and Ethnicity (2023)

Service Referee: Electoral Studies (2)

Conference Discussant: Midwest Political Science Association (2024)

Department: Social Co-Chair, Graduate Student Council (MIT Political Science, 2023–2024)

MEMBERSHIP American Political Science Association

Midwest Political Science Association Southern Political Science Association

Proficient in: R, Python, Tableau, Qualtrics, LATEX, GIS

REFERENCES Charles Stewart III Asya Magazinnik

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