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CONTACT INFORMATION

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EDUCATION

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA

Ph.D., Political Science

September 2021 – *present*

Fields: American Politics, Models & Methods

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

Under Review

“Trust in the Count: Improving Voter Confidence with Post-Election Audits” (with Jacob Jaffe, Alejandro Flores, Samuel Baltz, and Charles Stewart III; *Revise & Resubmit, Public Opinion Quarterly*)

Working Papers

“The Cost of Electoral Confidence” (with Alejandro Flores and Charles Stewart III)

“Legislating Democracy: When State Legislators Change Access to the Ballot”

“Where We Vote: The Changing Landscape of Where Americans Cast Votes” (with Alejandro Flores)

“The Party of Law and Order: Issue Ownership in Local Sheriff and Prosecutor Elections” (with Gabrielle Péloquin-Skulski)

RESEARCH ASSISTANCE

Professor Charles Stewart III, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
Professor Asya Magazinnik, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

2022, 2023
2022

TEACHING

University of Rochester

Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Categorical Data Analysis (STT 218)
(Professor: Joseph Ciminelli)

Fall 2019

Teaching Assistant, Argument in Political Science (PSC 202W)
(Professor: Gerald Gamm)

Fall 2018

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Civis Analytics, Washington, DC
Client Support Analyst

February 2020 – August 2021

New York State Assembly, Rochester, NY
District Aide

February 2019 – May 2019

AWARDS

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

PRESENTATIONS

Conferences

Christine M. Slaughter, **Joseph Loffredo**, and Alejandro Flores. “Motivating Participation: How Political Elites Can Encourage Minority Voters to Overcome the Costs of Voting.” Paper presented at the Symposium on the Politics of Immigration, Race, and Ethnicity (SPIRE), New Haven, CT, September 29, 2023.

Joseph Loffredo, Alejandro Flores, and Charles Stewart III. “The Cost of Electoral Confidence.” Poster presented at the 2023 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Los Angeles, CA, August 31, 2023.

Joseph Loffredo and Gabrielle Péloquin-Skulski. “The Party of Law and Order: Issue Ownership in Local Sheriff and Prosecutor Elections.” Poster presented at the 2023 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Los Angeles, CA, August 31, 2023.

Jacob Jaffe, **Joseph Loffredo**, Alejandro Flores, Samuel Baltz, and Charles Stewart III. “What Effect do Audits Have on Electoral Confidence.” Poster presented at the 2023 Election Science, Research, and Administration Conference, Athens, GA, June 2, 2023.

** Winner, award for best poster presented at ESRA 2023*

Joseph Loffredo. “Polling Places of Interest: How Where We Vote Shapes Voting Behavior.” Poster presented at the 2023 Election Science, Research, and Administration Conference, Athens, GA, June 2, 2023.

Joseph Loffredo, Alejandro Flores, and Charles Stewart III. “The Cost of Electoral Confidence.” Paper presented at the 2023 Election Science, Research, and Administration Conference, Athens, GA, June 1, 2023.

Joseph Loffredo and Alejandro Flores. “Where We Vote: The Changing Landscape of Where Americans Cast Votes.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association (Election Science Conference-within-a-Conference), St. Pete’s Beach, FL, January 12, 2023.

Workshops

Gabrielle Péloquin-Skulski, Jean-François Daoust, **Joseph Loffredo**, Samuel Baltz, and Alejandro Flores. “Speaking Canada’s Official Languages: The Electoral Rewards of Speaking Both of Canada’s Official Languages.” MIT Political Experiments Research Lab, May 15, 2023.

Joseph Loffredo and Gabrielle Péloquin-Skulski. “The Party of Law and Order: Issue Ownership in Local Sheriff and Prosecutor Elections.” MIT Graduate Students Works-in-Progress Workshop, April 13, 2023.

Jacob Jaffe, **Joseph Loffredo**, Alejandro Flores, Samuel Baltz, and Charles Stewart III. “What Effect do Audits Have on Electoral Confidence.” MIT Political Experiments Research Lab, March 6, 2023.

Joseph Loffredo, Alejandro Flores, and Charles Stewart III. “The Cost of Electoral Confidence.” MIT Political Experiments Research Lab, November 14, 2022.

MEMBERSHIP

American Political Science Association
Southern Political Science Association

PROGRAMMING

Proficient in: R, Python, Tableau, L^AT_EX, GIS

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