John L. Ray

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Current position

Teaching fellow, Department of Political Science, University of California-Los Angeles' Center for American Politics and Public Policy

Areas of specialization

American politics; formal methods.
Representation, the bureaucracy, Congress, Congressional elections, party coalitions, social networks, text-as-data, Latino representation

Education

2018	PhD in Political Science, University of California-Los Angeles
2018	MS in Statistics, University of California-Los Angeles
2010	BS in Decision Sciences, Carnegie Mellon University

Publications

2018	(R & R) Ray, John. "Walk This Way, Talk This Way: Legislator Speech and Lobbying."
2018	(In progress) Bawn et al, *Parties on the Ground: Some Preliminary Evidence*, Chicago, University of Chicago Press.
2017	Ray, John. "Bureaucrats and Their Constituents: Congressional Monitoring in the Modern Era." In *A Companion to Congress: The First Branch*, Ed. Ginsberg, Benjamin and Wagner Hill, Kathryn. Yale University Press.
2017	(R & R) Ocampo, Angela and Ray, John. "Many Are Called, But Few Are Chosen: Latino Congressional Candidates and Representation."

Grants, honors & awards

2017   University of California Dissertation Fellowship. $1,220.
2017   University of California Dissertation Fellowship. $500.
2017   Political Science Dissertation Research Funding. $1000.
2016   Swarr Prize for Best Graduate Paper, University of California-Los Angeles. $500.
2014   Graduate Summer Research Mentorship, University of California-Los Angeles. $6,000.
2012   University of California-Los Angeles Teaching Fellowship.

Conference presentations

2017   "Congressional Influence Over Rulemaking: The Role of Investigations and Audits." Midwestern Political Science Association annual meeting, Chicago, IL.
2016   "Bureaucrats and Their Constituents: Congress, the GAO, and Representation." American Political Science Association annual meeting, Philadelphia, PA.
2016   "The Bureaucracy and Representation in the Modern Era." Midwest Political Science Association annual meeting, Chicago, IL.
2016   "Elite Networks and Latino Political Representation: Who Decides?" Western Political Science Association annual meeting, San Diego, CA.
2015   "Social Choice and Coordination Problems in Open House Primaries." With Kathleen Bawn, Knox Brown, Angela Ocampo, Shawn Patterson and John Zaller. Presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA.
2015   "Many Are Called, But Few Are Chosen: Latino Congressional Candidates and Representation." Presented at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Las Vegas, NV.
2014   "Outside Spending in Open-Seat Primaries." Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwestern Political Science Association, Chicago, CA.

Original Courses

PS6: Introduction to Statistics and Programming. Summer 2017.
GC60: American in the 1960s: Social Movements and Policy Change. Spring 2016.

Graduate Programming Seminars

"An introduction to ggplot in R." May 21, 2017 at University of California-Los Angeles.
"Data management in R." March 22, 2017 at University of California-Los Angeles. "An Introduction to Spatial Analysis in R." August 23, 2016 at University of California-Los Angeles.

Teaching Assistant Courses

PS6: Introduction to Data Analysis. Multiple quarters.
PS30: Game theory, politics, & strategy. Spring 2015.
PS40: Introduction to American Politics. Multiple quarters.
PS125A: Arms Control & International Security. Fall 2013.
PS140A: Congress and U.S. Legislative Studies. Winter 2014.