

John Kuk

CONTACT INFORMATION

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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Washington University in St. Louis
Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Department of Sociology

9/2017-Present

EDUCATION

University of California, San Diego

Ph.D., Dec 2017

Department of Political Science

Dissertation: *An Unequal and Polarized Democracy: Why Has Unequal Growth Caused Party Polarization in the American Public*

Committee: James Fowler (Co-Chair), Gary Jacobson (Co-Chair), Seth Hill, Stephan Haggard, Lane Kenworthy, James Druckman (Northwestern University)

Seoul National University

M.A., 2011

Political Science

Seoul National University

B.A., 2009

Political Science, *magna cum laude*,

Agricultural Economics (minor) and Philosophy (minor)

RESEARCH INTEREST

American politics, politics of inequality, political behavior, machine learning, text analysis, and political methodology.

PUBLICATIONS

Zoltan Hajnal, **John Kuk**, and Nazita Lajevardi. "We All Agree: Strict Voter ID Laws Disproportionately Burden Minorities." *The Journal of Politics* 80.3 (2018): 1052–1059.

John Kuk, Deborah Seligsohn, and Jack Jiakun Zhang. "The Effect of Rising Import Competition on Congressional Voting Towards China." *Journal of Contemporary China* 27.109 (2018): 103–119

WORKING PAPERS

John Kuk and Zoltan Hajnal. "Parties, State Legislatures, and Gender Inequality." Invited to **Revise and Resubmit** at *Legislative Studies Quarterly*.

Geoff Boeing, Max Besbris, Ariela Schachter, and **John Kuk**. "Housing Search in the Age of Big Data: Smarter Cities or the Same Old Blind Spots?" Invited to **Revise and Resubmit** at *Housing Policy Debate*.

John Kuk. "The Effect of Economic Distress on Racial Attitudes." *Under Review*

John Kuk. "Red American Dream, Blue American Dream: The Geography of Intergenerational Mobility and Voting Behavior." *Under Review*

John Kuk. "Inequality and Public Polarization: Have Voters Become Polarized as Income Inequality Rises?"

John Kuk, Zoltan Hajnal, and Nazita Lajevardi. "A Disproportionate Burden: Strict Voter Identification Laws and Turnout." *Under Review*

	Max Besbris, Ariela Schachter, and John Kuk . “The Geography of Information: Inequalities in Online Advertisements for Rental Housing.” <i>Under Review</i>
	John Kuk . Deborah Seligsohn, and Jack Jiakun Zhang. “The Partisan Divide in U.S. Congressional Communications after the China Shock.” <i>Under Review</i>
	John Kuk and Inbok Rhee. “North Korean Elites and Their Propaganda Strategy: Analyzing Korean Central News Agency Text Data.”
WORKS IN PROGRESS	<p>John Kuk. <i>The Economic Origins of Identity Politics</i>. <i>Book manuscript in preparation</i></p> <p>Max Besbris, Jacob Faber, Ariela Schachter, and John Kuk. “The Impact of Homicide on Rental Market.”</p> <p>Mitch Downey, John Kuk, and Nazita Lajevardi. “The Disparate Rejection Rate of Voter Registration Applications.”</p>
GRANTS AND AWARDS	<p>Weidenbaum Center on the Economy, Government, and Public Policy Small Grant (with Ariela Schachter) 2018</p> <p>UCSD Political Science TA Excellence Award 2017</p> <p>Sanford Lakoff Fellowship 2017</p> <p>UCSD Graduate Student Association Travel Grant 2015, 2016</p>
TEACHING	<p>Instructor of Record:</p> <p>Growing Up Poor Across America Spring 2018, Fall 2018</p> <p>Statistics for Sociology Fall 2019</p> <p>Teaching Assistant with Discussion/Recitation Sections:</p> <p>Causal Inference (Graduate) Spring 2017</p> <p>Introduction to American Politics Fall 2014, Spring 2016</p> <p>Political Inquiry (undergraduate research design, statistics) Fall 2013</p> <p>Introduction to Comparative Politics Winter 2016</p> <p>Guest Lectures:</p> <p>Introduction to American Politics Summer 2016</p> <p>Korean Politics Spring 2014, Summer 2014, Spring 2015</p>
INVITED TALKS & PRESENTATIONS	<p>Invited Talk</p> <p>University of Mannheim, Collaborative Research Center September 2018</p> <p>Indiana University, American Politics Workshop April 2019</p> <p>Presentations</p> <p>APSA 2010, 2015, 2017, 2018</p> <p>MPSA 2015, 2017, 2018, 2019</p> <p>SPSA 2018</p> <p>Polmeth 2014, 2015, 2018</p> <p>Cooperative Congressional Election Studies (CCES) Sundance 2019</p>

	<p>Politics of Race, Immigration, and Ethnicity Consortium (PRIEC) 2018, 2019</p> <p>ASA 2018</p> <p>Population Association of America (PAA) 2019</p> <p>Election Science, Reform, and Administration 2018</p> <p>The Political Economic Implications of Legislative Institutions Texas A&M 2019</p> <p>Political Economy Workshop at Michigan State University 2018</p> <p>International Political Economy Society (IPES) 2017</p> <p>UCSD North Korea Workshop 2017</p> <p>Political Networks 2011</p>
PROFESSIONAL & DEPARTMENT SERVICE	<p>Panel Chair, MPSA 2018, 2019</p> <p>Panel Discussant, MPSA 2018, 2019</p> <p>Panel Discussant, SPSA 2018</p> <p>Panel Chair, Polmeth 2018</p> <p>APSA Class and Inequality Section Conference Committee 2017</p> <p>University of California, San Diego</p> <p>President, Political Science Graduate Student Association, 2014–2015</p> <p>Co-organizer, Human Nature Group, 2015–2017</p> <p>System Administrator of HNG Supercomputer, 2015–2016</p> <p>Seoul National University</p> <p>Organizer, Comparative Politics Workshop 2010–2011</p> <p>President, Political Science Graduate Student Association, 2010–2011</p>
OTHER ACTIVITIES	<p>Fire fighter (alternative service for military duty) Fall 2005 – Fall 2007</p>
CITIZENSHIP	<p>United States of America and Republic of Korea (dual citizenship)</p>
REFERENCES	<p>Gary Jacobson (gjacobson@ucsd.edu) Distinguished Emeritus Professor, Political Science</p> <p>James Fowler (folwer@ucsd.edu) Professor, Political Science and Medical Genetics</p> <p>Zoltan Hajnal (zhajnal@ucsd.edu) Professor, Political Science and School of Global Policy and Strategy</p> <p>Ariela Schachter (ariela@wustl.edu) Assistant Professor, Sociology</p>