**Christopher Junk**

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|  | **Education** |  |  |
|  | University of Iowa, PhD, Political Science | 2016-present | |
|  | Major in statistical methodology and international relations. |  |  |
|  | St. Ambrose University, BA, International Studies and Spanish | 2016 |  |

**Skills & Expertise**

**Software Proficiency**: R, Stata, Excel, Python, Microsoft Office

**Methodology**: Ordinary Least Squares (OLS), Maximum Likelihood Estimation (MLE), Markov-Chain Monte Carlo (MCMC), Time Series, Network Analysis, Spatial Analysis

**Soft skills:** Collaboration, Oral/written communication, Time management

**Data Experience**

**Research Assistant**, “Informal Economies, Societal Stability and Regime Resilience in China and Russia” with

William Reisinger, Marina Zaloznaya, Wenfang Tang January 2019 - present

Managed and cleaned data collected through surveys in China and Russia regards social networks and corruption.

I used Stata and R to recode and restructure the dataset for use in analyses as well as estimating and interpreting analyses and reporting findings to the primary researchers.

**Managing Editor & Replication Analyst**, Foreign Policy Analysis May 2018 - present

As managing I handle plagiarism reports, proofreading, and general workflow of manuscripts from submission to publication.

As replication analyst I attempt to replicate the empirical analyses in manuscripts and correspond with authors to assure validity of inferences and correct coding practices.

**Collaboratory Manager**, Department of Political Science, University of Iowa August 2018 - January 2019

I managed the updating and maintenance of the computer lab for graduate students and undergrads enrolled in statistical courses.

I served as an informal TA for undergraduate and graduate statistics courses.

Assist undergraduate and graduate students in statistical modeling and analysis.

**Working Papers**

Democratic Repression: Responding in Kind?

In this paper I use webscraped events data (SPEED Project) to analyze the dynamic relationship between public dissent and state repression. Using a series of random effects logit models I find that democracies typically respond to dissent with an equivalent use of force.

Terrorism and Spanish Elections: Does Terrorism Impact Support for the Central Government?

In this paper I use Spanish polling data to assess the impact of terrorism in Spain on support for the two major political parties. Using time series models (ADL and GECM) I find that only particularly catastrophic events influence public opinion, while average terrorism has no effect.

**Conferences Presentations**

Midwest Political Science Association (2019)

Iowa Association of Political Scientists (2014, 2016)

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