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Academic Appointments

West Virginia University

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science.

2023–

Education

Ph.D. Political Science. Michigan State University.

2023

M.A. Political Science. Michigan State University.

2019

B.A. Political Science, History, & Zoology. University of Wisconsin-Madison.

2015

Research Interests

American Institutions: Judicial Politics, U.S. Federal Courts, Judicial Nominations, Separation of Powers

Research Methodology: Machine Learning, Natural Language Processing, Survey Research

Peer-Reviewed Articles

King, Jonathan M. and Jessica A. Schoenherr. “A Matter of Opinion? The Strategic Selection of Supreme Court Opinion Writers.” Forthcoming at *The Journal of Law and Courts*.

King, Jonathan M., Peter McAndrews, and Ian Ostrander. “President Trump and the Politics of Judicial Nominations.” 2022. “President Trump and the Politics of Judicial Nominations.” *Justice System Journal*. 43(4): 524-543.

King, Jonathan M. and Ian Ostrander. 2020. “Prioritizing Judicial Nominations After Presidential Transitions.” *Presidential Studies Quarterly* 50(3): 592-610.

Working Papers

King, Jonathan M., Ian Ostrander, and Jessica A. Schoenherr. “Dropping the Anchor: Gender and Judicial Nominations.” (*Revise and Resubmit*).

King, Jonathan M. and Ian Ostrander. “Quick to Judge? Confirmation by Cloture in the Post-Nuclear Senate.” (*Under Review*).

Bird, Christine C., Jonathan M. King, and Zachary A. McGee. “The Voting Behavior of Federalist Society Senators in Federal Judicial Nominations.” (*Under Review*).

King, Jonathan M., Jessica A. Schoenherr, and Katelyn E. Stauffer. “‘You Reached Out to Me for Help’: Female Attorneys, Anti-Feminist Causes, and Their Effects on Symbolic Representation.”

King, Jonathan M. “The Determinants of Senator Voting in Lower Court Nominations: Partisanship, Senate Rules, and Nominee Diversity”

King, Jonathan M. “Just A Number? The Impact of Age on Federal Judicial Nominations.”

Fellowships, Grants, and Awards

External Research Support

King, Jonathan M. (Co-PI) and Ryan C. Black (PI). “Doctoral Dissertation Research: Personality Trait Estimation of U.S. Federal Circuit Court Judges.” (Award Number: 2017311). Law and Sciences Division, National Science Foundation. August 2020-July 2021. \$31,300.

Internal Research Support

Michigan State University Graduate Office Fellowship, 2021, \$4,095.
Michigan State University College of Social Science Research Scholars Award, 2021, \$3,750.
Michigan State University Graduate Office Fellowship, 2021, \$1,980.
Michigan State University Graduate Office Fellowship, 2020, \$2,100.

Awards

Teaching Award, Department of Political Science, Michigan State University. 2023.
Michigan State University Cloud Computing Fellowship, 2020-2021.
Prestage-Cook Travel Award, Southern Political Science Association, 2019.
APSA Travel Grant, American Political Science Association, 2018, 2022.

Conference and Workshop Presentations

American Political Science Association: 2018, 2022.
Midwest Political Science Association: 2019, 2021, 2022, 2023.
Southern Political Science Association: 2019, 2023.
Conference In Honor of Steven S. Smith, Washington University in St. Louis: 2023.

Teaching

Instructor of Record, Michigan State University

Constitutional Law. Spring 2023. Fall 2022.
Judicial Politics. Spring 2022, Spring 2021, Fall 2020.
Undergraduate Honors Research Seminar. Fall 2022.
Independent Study. Spring 2022, Fall 2021, Summer 2021, Spring 2021.

Lab Section Instructor, Michigan State University

Introduction to Political Analysis. Spring 2019.

Teaching Assistant, Michigan State University

Judicial Politics. Fall 2021.
Video Games and Society. Summer 2022, 2021.
Introduction to Data Analysis. Summer 2020.
Campaigns and Elections. Fall 2018.
Evaluating Evidence. Summer 2018.

Service

Reviewer: *Journal of Politics, Political Research Quarterly, Political Behavior, Journal of Data Science*

Award Committee Member: Teaching and Mentoring (Law and Courts Section of the American Political Science Association, 2024)

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