

## Damon C. Roberts

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**Appointments**      Lab Fellow, American Politics Research Lab

**Education**      *Ph.D. Candidate*, Department of Political Science  
University of Colorado Boulder, August 2019 - Present  
Concentration: American Politics and Methodology  
  
*Masters of Arts*, Political Science  
University of Colorado Boulder, May 2021  
Concentration: American Politics and Political Methodology  
  
*Bachelor of Science*, Political Science  
Boise State University, Boise, ID, May 2019  
Concentration: American Politics and Public Policy

**Research Interests**      In American Politics: Political Psychology and Behavior, Political Communication, Identity, Elections and Participation  
  
Methodological Interests: Experiments, Survey and Polling, Text Analysis and Machine Learning

### Academic Publications

#### Peer Reviewed Work

- 5 Roberts, Damon C. and Jennifer Wolak. 2022. "Do Voters Care about the Age of their Elected Representatives?" *Political Behavior*.<sup>1</sup>
- 4 Fahey, James J. Damon C. Roberts, and Stephen M. Utych. 2022. "Principled or Partisan? The Effect of Cancel Culture Framings on Support for Free Speech." *American Politics Research*.
- 3 Roberts, Damon C. and Stephen M. Utych. 2021. "A Delicate Hand or Two-Fisted Aggression? How Gendered Language Influences Candidate Perceptions." *American Politics Research*.
- 2 Roberts, Damon C. and Stephen M. Utych. 2021. "Polarized Social Distancing: Residents of Republican-Majority Counties Spend More Time Away from Home During the COVID-19 Crisis." *Social Science Quarterly*.

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<sup>1</sup>Coverage of paper in: *The Economist*, University of Colorado News

- 1 Roberts, Damon C. and Stephen M. Utych. 2020. "Linking Gender, Language, and Partisanship: Developing a Database of Masculine and Feminine Words." *Political Research Quarterly*. doi: 10.1177/1065912919874883.

## **Under Review**

Roberts, Damon C. "Not So Different After All: Journalists Use Gendered Language Too." *Under Review*

Roberts, Damon C. Andrew M. Engelhardt, and Stephen M. Utych. "Racial Identity and Attitudes Towards Social Programs." *Under Review*

Roberts, Damon C. "Giving the leaves back to the tree: Using random forest models in the multiple imputation with chained equations framework for missing data." *Under Review*

## **Working Papers**

"Material Status and White Political Identity."

"Red Yard Signs, Blue Yard Signs: Partisan Cues through Electoral Marketing." (with Anand E. Sokhey)

"It Depends on Who's President: Immigration Legislation Variance Under Different Presidential Administrations."

"Group Identity and Candidate Viability." (with John D. Griffin and Stephen M. Utych)

"Emotional Reactions to Gendered Language." (with Stephen M. Utych)

"Social Communication, Social Expertise, and the Foundations of Political Involvement." (with Scott D. McClurg and Anand E. Sokhey)

## **Public Scholarship**

- 1 Roberts, Damon C. and Jennifer Wolak. 2022. "Will Biden's age keep him from being re-elected?" *Washington Post*. Url: [washingtonpost.com](https://www.washingtonpost.com)

## **Interviews**

- *Colorado Public Radio*. On: The effects of candidate age on electability. August 31, 2022.

## **Software**

ScrapeCongress (R) - Can be found at <https://github.com/damoncharlesroberts/ScrapeCongress>

**Conference  
Presentations**

Roberts, Damon C. 2022. "Changing norms and polarization: How elites advance mass polarization." Presented at Junior Americanist Workshop Series (JAWS).

Lin, Jennifer, Todd Makse, Damon C. Roberts, and Anand E. Sokhey. 2022. "The Levels of Conceptualization Framework and Political Discussion." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Political Science Association, Chicago.

Garrett, Tyler P. and Damon C. Roberts. 2022. "Don't Interrupt Me: The Interruption of Female and Nominees of Color in Federal Judiciary Confirmation Hearings." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Political Science Association, Chicago.

McClurg, Scott, Damon C. Roberts, and Anand E. Sokhey. 2022. "The Relationship between Social Expertise and Internal Political Efficacy." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Political Science Association, Chicago.

Roberts, Damon C. 2022. "Giving leaves back to the tree: A primer on the use of random forest models in the multiple imputation with chained equations for handling missing political data." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Political Science Association, Chicago.

Roberts, Damon C. and Jennifer Wolak 2021. "Do Voters Care about the Age of their Elected Representatives?" Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. Seattle, WA.

Roberts, Damon C. 2021. "The Origins of White Political Identity." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Political Science Association, remote.

Lin, Jennifer, Todd Makse, Damon C. Roberts, and Anand E. Sokhey. 2021. "The Levels of Conceptualization Framework and Political Discussion." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Political Science Association, remote.

Roberts, Damon. C. Stephen M. Utych, and John Griffin. 2021. "Proximity, Identity, and Viability: How Minority Voters Decide." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Political Science Association, remote.

Roberts, Damon C. Drew M. Engelhardt, and Stephen M. Utych. 2021. "The Policy Preferences of White Identifiers." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Political Science Association, remote.

Roberts, Damon C. and Stephen M. Utych. 2020. "An Expanded Gendered Language Dictionary for Political Analysis." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, remote.

Utych, Stephen M. and Damon C. Roberts. 2019. "Gendered Language and Conservatism in American Politics." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

Roberts, Damon C. 2018. "Environment or Jobs? Why Do Americans Support One Over the Other?" Pi Sigma Alpha 2018 National Student Conference, Washington, D.C.

**Invited Talks and Guest Lectures** Spring 2022 - "An Introduction to Quantifying Text in Political Communication". Guest Lecture at Colorado State University for Graduate Seminar in Political Communication

Spring 2022 - Life as a Graduate Student. Guest Lecture at University of Kentucky for PS 492

Spring 2021 - "The media's role in the use of gender and racial stereotypes in politics". Guest Lecture at Colorado State University for undergraduate course on Media and Politics.

**Research Assistant** Methods Lab Coordinator (Department wide support for methods and coding challenges for Undergraduates) - Fall, 2021

The LeRoy Keller Center for the Study of the First Amendment - Spring, 2021

## **Teaching**

### **Instructor of Record**

PSCI 3075 - Applied Political Science Research - Fall, 2022

PSCI 2075 - Quantitative Research Methods - Summer, 2022

### **Grading Assistant**

PSCI 3225 - Strategy and Politics (Game theory) - Spring, 2022

PSCI 3201 - U.S. Campaigns and Elections - Fall, 2020

### **Teaching Assistant - Two Recitation Sections**

PSCI 1101 - Introduction to American Politics - Fall 2019, Spring 2020

**Honors, Grants, and Awards** 2022. Teamwork Grant - University of Colorado Boulder, Department of Political Science

2021. Travel Grant - Elections, Voting, Public Opinion, and Behavior Section - American Political Science Association

2021. Time-Sharing Experiments for the Social Sciences Short Studies Program Grant - TESS Funded by the National Science Foundation

2021. Small Research Grant - University of Colorado Boulder, Department of Political Science

2020. ICPSR Summer Short Course Scholarship - University of Colorado, Department of Political Science

2020. Summer Co-Authorship Grant - University of Colorado Boulder, Political Science Graduate Program

2019. Boise State University - School of Public Service Small Research Grant

2019. Boise State University - School of Public Service Student Travel Grant

2019. Lean Six Sigma Green Belt Certification

2018. Associated Students of Boise State University Travel Grant

2017. Inducted into the Pi Sigma Alpha Political Science National Honor Society

2016. Inducted into the Phi Eta Sigma National Honor Society

**Technical Skills** R, Stata,  $\text{\LaTeX}$ , Python, Julia, Qualtrics, Diction 7, HTML, CSS, SPSS

### **Working Knowledge**

JavaScript, AWS, JAGS, MPLUS

**Methods Training** Experiments, Quasi-Experiments and Causal Inference, Surveys, GLM, MLM, Natural Language Processing, Structural Equation Models, Text as Data, Machine Learning, Bayesian Statistics, Formal Modeling

### **Service**

#### **Discipline Service**

2022 Northglenn STEM High School PBL. Theme: Social Movements. Expert Judge

2021 Northglenn STEM High School PBL. Theme: Congressional District Drawing. Expert Judge

2020 - Present. American Association for Public Opinion Research Communications Committee and AAPOR Website Subcommittee

## **University and Department Service**

2022 - Present. Comps Liaison (University of Colorado Boulder)

2021 - 2022. MOPS (Mentors of Political Science) Coordinator (University of Colorado Boulder)

2020 - Present. Graduate Student Advisor, (Undergraduate) Political Science Club (University of Colorado Boulder)

2018 - 2019 President, Pi Sigma Alpha National Honor Society, Xi Chi Chapter (Boise State University)

2017 - 2018 Financial Officer, Pi Sigma Alpha Political Science National Honor Society, Xi Chi Chapter (Boise State University)

2015 Founder and President of Boise State University's Biology Club

## **Professional Affiliations**

2019 - Present. Member. American Association for Public Opinion Research

2018 - Present. Member. American Political Science Association

2018 - Present. Member. Midwestern Political Science Association