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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Student, Political Science, Michigan State University

M.A., Political Science, University of Michigan, 2023

B.A., Political Science, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities, 2022

PUBLICATIONS

Cota, Matthew T. 2024. "Speaking Off the Bench: Analyzing the Extrajudicial Appearances of Supreme Court Justices" in Robert X. Browning, ed., *Partisan Rhetoric and Polarization: The Year in C-SPAN Archives Research*, *Volume 10*. Purdue University Press.

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In Progress

Cota Matthew T., Rachael B. Houston, Elizabeth A. Lane, and Jessica A. Schoenherr. "Beyond the Front Page: Supreme Court Media Coverage in the Digital Age." Presented at MPSA 2023, SPSA 2024. (*Invited to revise and resubmit*)

Cota Matthew T. "The Court Under Threat: Hostility to Judicial Legitimacy and its Effect on the U.S. Supreme Court."

Armaly, Miles T., Ryan C. Black, and Matthew T. Cota. "Are You Experienced?" Experience and Heterogeneity in Behavioral Acclimation on the U.S. Supreme Court."

Cota, Matthew T. "The Effect of Law Clerk Gender on Opinion Readability at the U.S. Supreme Court."

Cota, Matthew T. and Bailey G. Oates. "Evaluating Public Response Towards Female Judicial Opinion Writers." Presented at MPSA 2025.

Black, Ryan C. Jonathan M. King, Matthew T. Cota. "Courting President Trump."

Black, Ryan C., Matthew T. Cota, and Timothy R. Johnson. "Examining Judicial Symbols in State Courts of Last Resort." Presented at MPSA 2022; 2023.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE Course Instructor

- Constitutional Law. Fall 2024, Spring 2025.

Lab Section Instructor

- Methods of Political Analysis. Spring 2023, Spring 2024.

Teaching Assistant

- Society and the Individual. Summer 2024, Summer 2025.
- Social Science Approaches to Law. Summer 2023.
- Honors Research Seminar. Fall 2022, Spring 2023.
- Constitutional Law. Fall 2022.
- Judicial Politics. Summer 2022, Fall 2023.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant, Ryan Black, Fall 2022

Conference Presentations Midwest Political Science Association: 2022-2023, 2025

Center for C-SPAN Research Conference: 2023

Awards and Honors

Graduate Student Teaching Award, Department of Political Science, Michigan State University, 2025

Best Methods Poster Award, Department of Political Science, Michigan State University, 2023.

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