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Research Interests

Queer Politics
Queer Linked Fate
Racial and Ethnic Politics
Minority Group Insecurity

Fields of Specialization

American Politics
Comparative Politics

Education

Ph. D in Political Science- the University of North Texas	Expected 2027
Fields of Study: American Politics, Comparative Politics	
B.S. in Political Science-Texas A&M University-Commerce	May 2022
Minor in Latin American & US Latino Studies, Minor in Sociology	

Conference Presentations and Papers

Elwell, Michael “LGBTQ+ Hate Crime in America” Invited to Baylor McNair Research Symposium
October 1st-2nd 2020

Elwell, Michael “LGBTQ+ Hate Crime in America” *Lesbian, Gay, Transgender, and Bisexual Politics*
Southern Political Science Association Annual Conference, Online-January 6th-9th 2021

Elwell, Michael “Explaining LGBTQ+ Hate Crimes: How Pride Influences Prejudice” Invited to Baylor
McNair Research Symposium, Online-August 21st, 2021

Elwell, Michael “The Dark Side of Pride: Anti-LGBTQ+ Hate Crimes Following Queer Celebrations”
The Impact of Violence and Hate Crimes on LGBTQ+ Politics and Community Southern Political Science
Association Annual Conference, San Antonio, Texas-January 12th -15th, 2022

Elwell, Michael “From Gay Bashing to Hate Crime: Assessing the Effect of Political Rhetoric on Anti-
LGBTQ+ Hate” *Presidential Politics Panel*-Southwestern Social Sciences Association Annual
Conference, March 30th-April 1st, 2023

Elwell, Michael “From Flags to Fate: Developing a Queer Utility Heuristic” Politics of Race, Immigration and Ethnicity Consortium, Denton, Texas-November 16th-17th, 2023

Elwell, Michael. “Queering Parties: Assessing Minority Acceptance in European Party Platforms as a Function of Queer Salience in Europe” *LGBTQ Candidates, Parties, and Laws*-Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Vancouver, British Columbia-March 28th-30th, 2024

Elwell, Michael. “From Flags to Fate: Towards Developing a Queer Utility Heuristic” *LGBTQ Identity, Survival, and Resistance*- Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Vancouver, British Colombia-March 28th-30th, 2024

Selected Manuscripts and Research

Elwell, Michael “Queering Parties: Assessing Minority Acceptance in European Party Platforms as a Function of Queer Salience in Europe”-2023-*Unpublished Manuscript*

Elwell, Michael. “From Flags to Fate: Developing a Queer Utility Heuristic”-2023- *Journal Submission*

Elwell, Michael. “Pride and Protesting: Queer Linked Fate and Protest Motivation”-2024-*Preparation for Journal Submission*

Elwell, Michael. “Organizationally Queer: Group Membership and Politics in the LGBTQ+ Community”-2024-*Working Paper*

Elwell, Michael. “Intersectional Solidarity: How Overlapping Identities Frames Support for Minorities in the Queer Community”-2024-*Working Paper*

Co-Authored Papers

Elwell, Michael and Ayal Feinberg. “LGBTQ+ Hate Crime in America”-2020- *Unpublished Manuscript*

Elwell, Michael, Ayal Feinberg and Regina Branton. “The Darker Side of Pride: Why Pride Festivities Increase Anti-LGBTQ+ Hate Crime”-2022 - *Preparation for Journal Submission*

Elwell, Michael and Brian Hamel. “What Factors Explain LGBTQ+ Policy in U.S. Cities?”-2024-*Preperation for Journal Submission*

Elwell, Michael and Roman Hlatky. “Violence and Attitudes Towards the LGBTQ Community”-2024-*Working Paper*

Teaching

Fall 2024- US and Texas Constitutions and Institutions 2306 (Co-taught with Dr. DeAnne Roark)

Summer 2025- US and Texas Constitutions and Institutions 2306

Fall 2025- US Political Behavior and Policy 2305.003

Professional Service

Peer Reviewer-Politics, Groups and Identities

Peer Reviewer-Political Research Quarterly

Peer Reviewer-Sexuality Research and Social Policy

Organizational Committee-Texas Undergraduate Research Conference for Social Sciences

Panel Chair-Texas Undergraduate Research Conference for Social Sciences

Invited Speaking Engagements and Lectures

“Mass Media: The Good, The Bad, and The Laughable”-University of North Texas, October 5th, 2022

“Who’s Ready to (Political) Party? Not Your Average Gathering”-University of North Texas, October 19th, 2022

“Interest Groups”-University of North Texas, March 27th, 2023

Civil Rights 1 & 2-University of North Texas, April 25th and April 30th, 2024

Teaching and Research Assistantships

Dr. Kimi King: US Political Behavior and Policy 2305 (Fall 2022)

Dr. Gloria Cox: US and Texas Constitutions and Institutions 2306 (Fall 2022; Fall 2023)

Dr. Nicole Gligor: US Political Behavior and Policy 2305 (Spring 2023)

Dr. Wendy Watson: The American Legal System 3200 (Spring 2023)

Dr. Wendy Watson: Research Assistantship (Summer 2023)

Dr. Roman Hlatky: US Political Behavior and Policy 2305 (Fall 2023)

Dr. Michael Greig: US Political Behavior and Policy 2305 (Spring 2024)

Dr. Marijke Breuning: US and Texas Constitutions and Institutions 2306 (Spring 2024)

Dr. Andrew Enterline: US Political Behavior and Policy 2305 (Summer 2024)

Dr. Jose Raul Guerrero: US and Texas Constitutions and Institutions 2306 (Fall 2024)

Mr. Eddie Meaders: US and Texas Constitutions and Institutions 2306 (Spring 2025)

Dr. Brian Hamel: Research Assistantship (Spring 2025)

Honors and Awards

Charldean Newell Graduate Political Science Scholarship-University of North Texas- 2022-Present

TRiO McNair Scholars Program 2019-2022

TRiO Student Support Services 2021-2022

Recipient-Claude and Ethel Hall Scholarship-Texas A&M University-Commerce 2019-2022

Recipient-TAMU-C Political Science Departmental Scholarship 2019-2022

Dean's List-College of Humanities, Social Sciences, and Arts- Spring 2021, Fall 2021

President's List- Texas A&M University-Commerce-Spring 2022

Memberships and Professional Affiliations

American Political Science Association- 2025-Present

Southern Political Science Association-Student Member-2020-Present

Pi Sigma Alpha- National Political Science Honor Society-2021-Present

Professional Skills

Stata, Microsoft Office Suite, D2L, Canvas

References

Dr. Ayal Feinberg, Director of the Center for Holocaust Studies and Human Rights

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Dr. Deidre Hill Jenkins, Assistant Director

Ronald E McNair Scholars Program

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