# Molly Offer-Westort

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# ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Chicago 2021 - present

Post-doctoral fellow, Golub Capital Social Impact Lab, Graduate School of Business, Stanford University 2019-2021

#### **EDUCATION**

# Yale University

Ph.D., Political Science and Statistics & Data Science	(expected December 2019)
M.Phil., Political Science	December 2017
M.A., Statistics & Data Science	May 2017

# **Woodrow Wilson School, Princeton University**

M.P.A., Economics and Public Policy

May 2011

# **Grinnell College**

B.A., Anthropology May 2005

# PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Molly Offer-Westort, Alexander Coppock, and Donald P. Green. "Adaptive experimental design: Prospects and applications in political science." *American Journal of Political Science*, (2021).

- P. M. Aronow and Molly Offer-Westort. (2017) "Understanding Ding's apparent paradox." *Statistical Science*, 32(3): 346-348.
- P. M. Aronow, Lauren Pinson, Molly Offer-Westort, and Ana C. Perez-Gea. (2017) "Information and access to United Nations diplomatic missions: Results from a randomized

field experiment." Applied Economics Letters, 24(9): 594-597.

# **WORKS IN PROGRESS**

"Shrinkage estimation for factorial experiments." With P.M. Aronow.

"Re-analysis of the Negative Income Tax experiments: Identification and estimation under differential attrition."

"Experimentation for homogeneous policy change." With Drew Dimmery.

"Improving convenience samples through shared questions." With Fredrik Sävje, Jonathon Baron, Jun Won Park, and P.M. Aronow.

"Group identity formation in response to group experiences." With Gregory Huber and Alan Gerber.

#### OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Molly R. Offer-Westort and Donald P. Green. "10 Things to Know About Adaptive Experimental Design." 2018. EGAP Methods Guides.

# **POSTERS AND PRESENTATIONS**

Presentation, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Virtual 2021

Presentation, Research Workshop on American Politics, University of California Berkeley, 2020

Presentation, Washington University in St. Louis, Data Science Lab, 2020

Presentation, American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Virtual, 2020

Presentation, Causal Inference Group, Graduate School of Business, Stanford University, 2020

Presentation, Southern California Methods Conference, University of California Riverside, 2019

Presentation, American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, 2019

Poster, PolMeth XXXVI, Boston, 2019

Presentation, Quantitative Methods Seminar, Department of Politics, New York University, New York, 2019

Presentation, Visions in Methodology, University of Georgia, 2019

Poster, Conference on Experimental Political Science, Center for Experimental Social Science, New York University, New York, 2019

Presentation, Conference on Digital Experimentation, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston, 2018

Presentation, American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Boston, 2018

Presentation, American Politics and Public Policy Workshop, Department of Political Science, Yale University, 2018

Presentation, Human Nature Lab, Yale University, 2018

Presentation, Experiments Workshop, Institution for Social and Policy Studies, Yale University, 2017

Poster, Atlantic Causal Inference Conference, Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, 2015

# AWARDS, HONORS, and FELLOWSHIPS

Graduate Policy Fellow, Institution for Social and Policy Studies, Yale	2016-2017
Frazier Jelke Fellowship Fund in International Studies	2015-2016

# **SERVICE**

Reviewer: American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, Journal of Causal Inference, Journal of Survey Statistics and Methodology, Political Analysis, Review of Economic Studies, Institute for Evaluation of Labour Market and Education Policy

#### **TEACHING**

Data-Driven Impact, ALP 301, Project Mentor Spring 2020 with Susan Athey and Niall Keleher, Graduate School of Business, Stanford

Introduction to R Workshop Series, Instructor StatLab, Yale

Spring 2019

Introduction to Stata Workshop, Instructor StatLab, Yale

February 2019

Introduction to R Workshop, Instructor PolicyLab, Institution for Social and Policy Studies, Yale November 2019

Theory of Statistics, S&DS 242, Teaching Fellow Spring 2018 Graduate and undergraduate level, with Andrew Barron, Statistics and Data Science, Yale

Statistical Case Studies, S&DS 425, Teaching Fellow Spring 2018 Graduate and undergraduate level, with Xiaofei (Susan) Wang, Statistics and Data Science, Yale

Probability and Statistics, S&DS 238, Teaching Fellow Fall 2017 Graduate and undergraduate level, with Joseph Chang, Statistics and Data Science, Yale

Game Theory and International Relations, PLSC 346, Teaching Fellow Spring 2017 Undergraduate level, with Alexandre Debs, Political Science, Yale

Introduction to Game Theory, PLSC 518, Teaching Fellow Graduate Level, with Alexandre Debs, Political Science, Yale

# RESEARCH POSITIONS AND ACADEMIC CONSULTING

Statistical Consultant, StatLab, Yale University Library

2018-2019

Fall 2016

Ph.D. Research Intern, Facebook, Core Data Science Menlo Park, CA

Summer 2018

Manager, ISPS Behavioral Research Lab

2016-2019

Co-manager, ISPS Behavioral Research Lab (with Vivekinan Ashok and Kyle Peyton) 2015-2016

Research Consultant, EGAP-USAID 2016 Impact Evaluation Clinic

2016

Research Consultant, Center on International Cooperation, New York University, NY  $$2010{\text -}2011$$ 

Research Consultant, Princeton University and Clinton-Bush Fund for Haiti 2010–2011

Research Consultant, Princeton University and Greater Donnelly Initiative 2009–2010

# RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Office of Queen Máxima of the Netherlands, UN Secretary General's Special Advocate for Inclusive Finance for Development, Researcher

New York, NY

2011–2014

Freelance Data Analyst (USAID, Mercy Corps, Catholic Relief Services)

Mali, Nigeria, Liberia, Uganda, Mauritania, Niger

World Bank Development Impact Evaluation Initiative, Field Coordinator

Washington, DC and Dakar, Senegal

United States Peace Corps Madagascar

2007–2009

Grinnell Corps Lesotho

2005–2006

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