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Education

Yale University

PHD, POLITICAL SCIENCE

New Haven, CT

2020 - 2026 (expected)

- Fields: American Politics, Quantitative Methods, Comparative Politics
- Dissertation: *The Policy Influence of Non-Profit Service Providers in Local Politics*
- Committee: Gregory Huber (chair), Joshua Kalla, Allison Harris
- Certificate of College Teaching Preparation

University of Notre Dame

South Bend, IN

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN APPLIED AND COMPUTATIONAL MATHEMATICS AND STATISTICS

2016 - 2020

- Double Major: Political Science
- Senior Thesis Advisor: David Campbell

Publications

Ottone, Nicholas and Limor Peer. 2025. “Code Review, Reproducibility, and Improving the Scholarly Record”. *Harvard Data Science Review* 7(3).

Hernandez, Natalie, **Nicholas Ottone** and Joshua Kalla. 2025. “Targeted Abortion Frames Do Not Mobilize Political Action-Taking”. *American Politics Research* 53(4), 353-368.

Broockman, David, Joshua Kalla, **Nicholas Ottone**, Erik Santoro and Amanda Weiss. 2024. “Shared Demographic Characteristics Do Not Reliably Facilitate Persuasion in Interpersonal Conversations: Evidence from Eight Experiments”. *British Journal of Political Science* 54(4): 1477–85.

Working Papers

Harris, Allison, **Nicholas Ottone** and Hannah Walker. “Diversity among Courthouse Colleagues and Individual Decision Making.”

Huber, Gregory, **Nicholas Ottone** and Erik Snowberg. “The Coherence of Citizen Preferences”. *Under Review*

Ottone, Nicholas, “Do Americans Prefer Outsourcing Local Services to Non-Profits and Businesses? Evidence from Experimental Survey Data”. *Under Review*

Ottone, Nicholas and Amanda Weiss. “The Electoral Effects of U.S. Prison Construction.”

Ottone, Nicholas and Limor Peer. “Unintended Research Code Errors and Computational Reproducibility”. *Working Paper*

Selected Work in Progress

The Policy Influence of Non-Profit Service Providers in Local Politics, book project

“Outsourcing Immigration? Religious Social Welfare and Service Provision to Immigrants in the U.S” (with Ekin Dursun)

“The Electoral Effects of Prison Closures” (with Amanda Weiss)

“Public Broadcasting and Political Behavior” (with Amanda Weiss)

Professional Experience

- 2022-2024 **Editorial Assistant**, American Political Science Review
2021-2024 **Data Archive Research Assistant**, Yale University Institution for Social and Policy Studies
2021-2022 **Graduate Research Coordinator for Allison Harris**, Yale University
2020 **Graduate Research Assistant for Joshua Kalla**, Yale University
2017-2020 **Undergraduate Research Assistant**, University of Notre Dame Kellogg Institute of International Studies
2019-2020 **Data Analytics Intern**, Brookings Institution Communications
2019 **Data Science Intern, Machine Learning Specialist**, 84.51, Chicago

Awards, Fellowships, & Grants

- 2024 **Democratic Innovations Grant**, Institution of Social and Policy Studies, Yale University
2023 **Graduate Research Fellowship**, Center for the Study of American Politics, Yale University
2020 **John Roos Prize for Best Senior Thesis in American Politics**, University of Notre Dame
Outstanding Applied and Computational Mathematics and Statistics Major Award,
University of Notre Dame
2019 **Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program Grant**, University of Notre Dame

Presentations

- “The Political Effects of U.S. Prison Construction”, Justice and Injustice Conference, 2025, *accepted, poster presentation*
“Group Diversity and Individual Decision-Making”, Barney Ford Lab Annual Meeting / Politics of Race, Immigration, and Ethnicity Consortium, 2025, *accepted*
“American Prison Construction and Political Attitudes”, American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2025, *accepted*
“The Policy Influence of Non-Profit Service Providers in Local Politics”, American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2025, *accepted*
“The Policy Influence of Non-Profit Service Providers in Local Politics”, Yale Alumni Nonprofit Alliance, 2025, *invited talk*
“Do Prisons Make Communities More Conservative? The Political Effects of American Prison Construction”, Consortium on American Political Economy Junior Working Group, 2025
“The Policy Influence of Non-Profit Service Providers in Local Politics”, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2025
“Do Prisons Make Communities More Conservative? The Political Effects of American Prison Construction”, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2025
“The Policy Influence of Non-Profit Service Providers in Local Politics”, Consortium on American Political Economy Junior Working Group, 2025
“Group Diversity and Individual Decision-Making”, Rebecca B. Morton Conference on Experimental Social Science, 2025, *poster presentation*
“Nonprofit Service Providers as Interest Groups on the Inside”, American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2024
“Do Americans Prefer Outsourcing to Non-Profits and Businesses? Evidence from Experimental Survey Data”, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2024
“Do Americans Prefer Outsourcing to Non-Profits and Businesses? Evidence from Experimental Survey Data”, Rebecca B. Morton Conference on Experimental Social Science, 2024, *poster presentation*
“Diversity among Courthouse Colleagues and Individual Decision Making”, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2023
“Targeted Abortion Frames Do Not Mobilize Political Action-Taking: Evidence from Survey and Field Experiments”, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2023
“Do Targeted Abortion Frames Mobilize Action-Taking? Perhaps Not”, Rebecca B. Morton Conference on Experimental Social Science, 2023, *poster presentation*

Teaching Experience

Fall 2022, 2023, 2025	Data Science for Political Campaigns , Teaching Fellow	<i>Yale University</i>
Summer 2024	The United State Congress , Teaching Fellow	<i>Yale University</i>
Spring 2024	Theory and Practice of Quantitative Methods , Teaching Fellow	<i>Yale University</i>
Spring 2023	Introduction to American Politics , Teaching Fellow	<i>Yale University</i>

Service & Professional Associations

SERVICE

2024-2025	Search Committee Member , Statlab Job Search	<i>Yale University</i>
2022-2024	Graduate Student Coordinator , American Politics and Public Policy Workshop	<i>Yale University</i>
2021	Graduate Student Coordinator , American Politics Graduate Student Workshop	<i>Yale University</i>

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Political Science Association, Midwest Political Science Association

SKILLS

Languages: Spanish (intermediate)

Programming/Coding: R, Python, Stata, SQL, web scraping