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Education

Yale University   *New Haven, CT*
PHD, POLITICAL SCIENCE   *2020 - present*
- Fields: American Politics, Quantitative Methods, Comparative Politics
- Dissertation Title: The Causes and Consequences of Outsourcing Social Services to Non-Profits
- Committee: Gregory Huber (chair), Joshua Kalla, Allison Harris

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

Hernandez, Natalie, **Nicholas Ottone** and Joshua Kalla. 2025. "Targeted Abortion Frames Do Not Mobilize Political Action-Taking". *American Politics Research*.

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.

Kloser, Matthew, Catherine Floyd, Chloe Sprang, Megan Rogers, **Nicholas Ottone** and Matthew Rice. 2023. "Exploring high school biology students' discussions of multi-genre texts." *International Journal of Science Education*: 1-28.

Working Papers

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 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"

"Diversity among Courthouse Colleagues and Individual Decision Making." (with Allison Harris and Hannah Walker)

"American Prison Construction and Political Attitudes." (with Amanda Weiss and Ja'nae Jackson)

"Correlates of Local Outsourcing: Evidence from Federal Grant Data."

Professional Experience

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 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" (co-authored with Allison Harris and Hannah Walker), 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" (co-authored with Allison Harris and Hannah Walker), Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2023

"Targeted Abortion Frames Do Not Mobilize Political Action-Taking: Evidence from Survey and Field Experiments" (co-authored with Natalie Hernandez and Joshua Kalla), Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2023

"Do Targeted Abortion Frames Mobilize Action-Taking? Perhaps Not" (co-authored with Natalie Hernandez and Joshua Kalla), Rebecca B. Morton Conference on Experimental Social Science, 2023, *poster presentation*

Teaching Experience

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

Service & Professional Associations

SERVICE

2024-2025	**Search Committee Member**, Statlab Job Search	*Yale University*
2022-2024	**Editorial Assistant**, American Political Science Review	
2022-2024	**Graduate Student Coordinator**, American Politics and Public Policy Workshop	*Yale University*
2021	**Graduate Student Coordinator**, American Politics Graduate Student Workshop	*Yale University*

Professional Memberships

American Political Science Association, Midwest Political Science Association

Skills

Languages: Spanish (intermediate)
Programming/Coding: R, Python, Stata, SQL, web scraping