CV - Phil Swatton

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Phil Swatton
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Education

PhD Government, in progress

2019 - Present

Department of Government, University of Essex

- Thesis on the application of measurement models and methods in British political science
- Research presented at top conferences including American Political Science Association annual conference and Royal Statistical Society annual conference
- Awarded University of Essex Social Sciences Doctoral Scholarship

MSc Political Science, Distinction

2018 - 2019

Department of Government, University of Essex

- Modules included advanced quantitative research methods and public opinion
- Awarded University of Essex Masters Excellence Scholarship

BA International Relations and Politics, 1st

2015 - 2018

School of Politics, Philosophy, International Relations, and Environmental Studies, Keele University

- Modules covered areas such as comparative European politics and British politics
- Active in student societies such as the debate society and Labour students society
- Awarded Owen Powell Student Prize for outstanding achievement

Work Experience

Occasional Lecturer

December 2021 - January 2022

School of Social Sciences and Humanities, University of Suffolk

• Political Argumentation and Persuasion: Module on the nature of politics, compromise, rhetoric, and negotiation

Senior Postgraduate Teaching Assistant

October 2020 - Feburary 2022

Department of Political Science, University College London

- Principles of Social Science Research: Taught module on philosophy of science and causal inference winter 2020
- Introduction to Quantitative Research Methods: Taught module on statistics and R programming spring 2021
- Measurement in Data Science: Taught module on measurement theory and models winter 2021

Teaching Assistant, Instructor

Summer 2020, Summer 2021

Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis, University of Essex

- Webscraping and Data Management in R: Taught module on webscraping and intermediate R programming in 2020 and 2021 summer schools
- Introduction to R: Instructor for introduction to R weekend session in the 2021 summer school
- Technical Support: Provided general technical support for R and Stata during week 2 of the 2021 summer school

Research Assistant 2020-Present

Department of Government, University of Essex

• Project on Party Survival: Using webscraping to build unique party survival dataset for research with Roi Zur

- Project on Political Ideology: Designing survey to measure political ideology in several dimensions for Royce Carroll
- Project on Inequality: Combining data from several sources and using webscraping to build unique dataset on inequality and politics for Filip Kostelka

Software

Statistics R, Stata
Front-end HTML, CSS, SCSS, JavaScript, Jekyll
Markup Markdown, R Markdown, LaTeX
Version Control Git, Github
Survey Design Qualtrics

Additional Courses

Quantitative Text Analysis

2021

Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis

- Course on quantitative text analysis
- \bullet Included natural language processing, supervised text analysis methods, unsupervised text analysis methods

Multilevel Models: Practical Applications

2020

Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis

- Course on multilevel modelling
- Included random intercepts, slopes, age-period-cohort models