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Positions

Carlos III University of Madrid — Juan March Institute of Social Sciences   *Madrid, Spain*

Associate Professor   *2024 –*
Ramón y Cajal Fellow   *2023 –*
Visiting Professor   *2022 – 2023*

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee — Department of Political Science   *Milwaukee, WI*

Affiliated Faculty   *2022 – 2024*
Assistant Professor   *2018 – 2022*

Education

Stony Brook University   *Stony Brook, NY*

Ph.D., Political Science   *2013 – 2018*

University of Mannheim   *Mannheim, Germany*

M.A., Political Science (with distinction)   *2011 – 2013*

University of Mannheim   *Mannheim, Germany*

B.A., Political Science   *2008 – 2011*

Research Interests

political psychology, misinformation, deliberation, moral reasoning, text analysis, measurement, causal inference, experimental methods

Publications

Refereed Journal Articles

2024 · **Women Also Know Stuff: Challenging the Gender Gap in Political Sophistication**, *[16]
American Political Science Review 188(2): 903–921.

Lexical Ambiguity in Political Rhetoric: Why Morality Doesn't Fit in a Bag of Words, *[15]
with Robert Klemmensen.
British Journal of Political Science 54(1): 201–219.

Complaints About Police Misconduct Have Adverse Effects for Black Citizens, with Benjamin J. Newman. *[17]
Political Science Research and Methods 12(3): 451–474.

2023 · **When Information Is Not Enough for Strategic Voting**, with Benjamin Schlegel and Lukas Stoetzer. [14]
Electoral Studies 86(102692): 1–6.

Asking the Right Questions: A Framework for Developing Gender-Balanced Political Knowledge Batteries, with Kathleen Dolan. *[13]
Political Research Quarterly 76(1): 393–406.

Glass Half-Full or Half Empty: Does Optimism about Women's Representation in Elected Office Matter?, with Kathleen Dolan. *[12]
Journal of Women, Politics & Policy 44(2): 139–151.

2022 · **Hypothesis Testing with Error Correction Models**, with Ellen M. Key and Matthew J. Lebo. *[11]
Political Science Research and Methods 10(4): 870–878.

Reliable Sources? Correcting Misinformation in Polarized Media Environments, *[10]
with Nicholas R. Davis, Taraleigh Davis, Amanda Heideman, Jason T. Neumeyer, and Shin Young Park.
American Politics Research 50(1): 17–29.

2020 · **Social Media and the Changing Information Environment: Sentiment Differences in Read versus Re-Circulated News Content**, with Yanna Krupnikov, Kerri Milita, John B. Ryan, and Stuart Soroka. *[9]
Public Opinion Quarterly 84(S1): 195–215.

2019 · **Personality and Prosocial Behavior: A Multilevel Meta-Analysis**, [8]
with Reuben Kline, Alexa Bankert, and Lindsey Levitan.
Political Science Research and Methods 7(1): 125–142.

2018	**Measuring Morality in Political Attitude Expression**,	*[7]
	Journal of Politics 80(3): 1028–1033.	
2017	**The General Error Correction Model in Practice**, with Matthew J. Lebo.	[6]
	Research and Politics 4(2): 2053168017713059.	
2015	**Why People 'Don't Trust the Evidence': Motivated Reasoning and Scientific Beliefs**,	*[5]
	with Milton Lodge and Charles S. Taber.	
	Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science 658(1): 121–133.	

Book Chapters and Other Publications

2023	**Change My View: Do Moral Appeals Facilitate Compromise?**,	*[4]
	In: *Informationsflüsse, Wahlen und Demokratie. Festschrift für Rüdiger Schmitt-Beck.* Ed. Thorsten Faas, Sascha Huber, Mona Krewel, Sigrid Roßteutscher, Baden-Baden: Nomos: 169–196.	
2014	**Political Information Flows and Consistent Voting: Personal Conversations, Mass Media, Party Campaigns and the Quality of Voting Decisions at the 2009 German Federal Election**,	[3]
	with Rüdiger Schmitt-Beck. In: *Voters on the Move or on the Run? Information-processing and Vote Choice in a Complex World.* Ed. Bernhard Weßels, Hans Rattinger, Sigrid Roßteutscher, Rüdiger Schmitt-Beck, Oxford: Oxford University Press: 193–216.	
2013	**Helfen politische Gespräche, 'korrekt' zu wählen? Eine Analyse zur Bundestagswahl 2009**,	*[2]
	with Rüdiger Schmitt-Beck. In: *Zivile Bürgergesellschaft und Demokratie. Aktuelle Ergebnisse der empirischen Politikforschung. Festschrift für Oscar W. Gabriel zum 65. Geburtstag.* Ed. Silke I. Keil, S. Isabell Thaidigsmann, Wiesbaden: Springer VS: 117–138.	
2012	**Correct Voting in Deutschland: Eine Analyse der Qualität individueller Wahlentscheidungen bei der Bundestagswahl 2009**,	*[1]
	Working Paper of the Mannheim Center for European Social Research 148.	

Software

R Package	**discursive: Measuring Discursive Sophistication in Open-Ended Survey Responses**, Version 0.1.1	*CRAN, Github*
	ArfimaMLM: Arfima-MLM Estimation For Repeated Cross-Sectional Data, Version 1.3	*Github*

Grants & Awards

2023	**Proyecto competitivo de la Agencia Estatal de Investigación**, Ministerio de Economía y Competitividad. Title: Noticias Falsas, Populismo y Apoyo a la Democracia (PID2022-139755NB-I00, PI: Guillermo Cordero)	*73,125€*
2022	**Ramón y Cajal Fellowship**, Ministerio de Ciencia e Innovación (RYC2021-031784-I, PI: Patrick W. Kraft)	*236,350€*
	NSF RAPID Grant, National Science Foundation. Title: Comparative Study of Rally Effects During the Ukraine War (PIs: Yanna Krupnikov & John B. Ryan)	*$149,246*
2021	**Discovery and Innovation Grant**, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. Title: We Need To Talk: Correcting Misinformation Through Political Discussions (PI: Patrick W. Kraft)	*$120,000*
2017	**Early Career Scholars Award**, International Society of Political Psychology	*$500*
	Milton Lodge Award for Outstanding Graduate Student Research, Stony Brook University	*$500*
2016	**Distinguished Travel Award**, Stony Brook University, GSO	*$1,500*
	Polmeth Travel Grant, National Science Foundation	*$500*
	Professional Development Award, Stony Brook University, GSEU	*$550*
2012–2013	**Fulbright Scholarship**, The Fulbright Commission	*$22,000*
2012–2013	**International Travel Grant**, German National Academic Foundation	
2011–2013	**Academic Scholarship**, German National Academic Foundation	

Work in Progress

in prep. **Can Dialogue Lead to Durable Change in Climate Change Opinion?**,
with Jennifer Jerit. In preparation for submission.

Intersectional Representation and Political Engagement: The Impact of Race and Gender on Women's Political Attitudes and Engagement,
with Kathleen Dolan and Amanda Heideman. In preparation for submission.

Emotional framing, moralization, and the effectiveness of corrective information,
with Sarah Wagner and Pirmin Stöckle. In preparation for submission.

data analysis **We Need to Talk: Correcting Misinformation Through Political Discussions**,
with Enes Ayasli and Nasrin Haghighat Chaleshtari. Data analysis in progress.

It's a Matter of Choice: Misinformation Correction under Selective Exposure,
with Amanda Heideman, Taraleigh Davis, and Jason T. Neumeyer. Preparing further data collection.

Don't Shoot the Messenger: The Role of Expert Cues in Correcting Misinformation on Climate Change,
with Nicholas R. Davis, Shin Young Park, and Chan Song Kim. Preparing further data collection.

Conference Presentations & Invited Talks

APSA	2015,	2017, 2018,	2020	
EPSA		2017,	2020*,	2023
ECPR			2020	
ISPP		2017,	2020	
MPSA	2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020*,		2022	
PolMeth		2016		

Other Toronto Political Behavior Workshop, 2018
Zurich Text as Data Workshop, 2019
ISCAP Mini Conference, 2021

Invited Talks University of Konstanz, Center for Data and Methods, 2020
University of Barcelona, Department of Political Science, 2020
University of Amsterdam, Political Psychology Meeting, 2020
(***** Canceled due to COVID-19)

Teaching

Substantive Public opinion and elections, ideology, media and politics, morality and politics, political behavior, political psychology
Methods Probability, linear models, maximum-likelihood, measurement, causal inference, experiments, text analysis, Bayesian statistics

Courses Taught

UC3M	**Mathematics for Social Sciences and Basic Statistics**, graduate seminar	'22, '23, '24
	Applied Quantitative Methods for the Social Sciences I, graduate lecture	'22, '23, '24
	Applied Quantitative Methods for the Social Sciences II, graduate lecture	'23, '24, '25
	R Basics for Social Sciences, faculty seminar	'24, '25
	Introduction to Machine Learning in R, graduate workshop	'24
	Causal Inference, graduate lecture	'25
UWM	**Techniques of Political Science Research**, graduate lecture	'18, '20, '21
	Advanced Techniques of Political Science Research, graduate lecture	'19, '21, '22
	Introduction to American Government and Politics, undergraduate lecture	'19, '20
	Advanced Political Science Methodology: Computational Social Science, graduate seminar	'20
	Political Psychology, undergraduate seminar	'20, '21
SBU	**Math Refresher for Political Science PhD Students**, graduate seminar	'15, '16, '17
	Introduction to American Government, undergraduate lecture	'16, '17
	Political Psychology, undergraduate seminar	'17

Advising and Student Committees

Dissertation Advisor	**2023:** Carisa Bergner (Biostatistician – Medical College of Wisconsin)
Dissertation Committee	**2024:** Enes Ayasli (Data & Business Intelligence Analyst – EPAM Systems)
	2023: Taraleigh Davis (Assistant Professor – Bradley University)
	Samantha Hagle (Teaching Assistant Professor – Marquette University)
	2022: Yunus Emre Orhan (Postdoctoral Fellow – North Dakota State University)
	2020: Nicholas R. Davis (Research Director – Argosy Foundation)
TFGs & TFMs	**2024:** 11 students
	2021: 2 students
	2020: 3 students

Service

Reviewer	Acta Politica, American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, American Politics Research, British Journal of Political Science, Comparative Political Studies, European Union Politics, International Journal of Health Policy and Management, International Review of Administrative Sciences, Journal of Applied Social Psychology, Journal of Politics, Journal of Women, Politics & Policy, Mobilization, Political Analysis, Political Behavior, Political Communication, Politics & Gender, Political Psychology, Political Research Quarterly, Political Science Research & Methods, Political Studies, Presidential Studies Quarterly, Public Choice, Public Opinion Quarterly, PS: Political Science & Politics, Research & Politics, Science and Public Policy, Social Cognition, Social Science Quarterly
Coordinator	Madrid Empirical Social Science Network, Carlos III University of Madrid, 2023–
	Experimental Politics Lab, Department of Political Science, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 2018–2023
	Political Psychology Speaker Series, Department of Political Science, Stony Brook University, 2015–2017
Department	Funding Committee, Carlos III University of Madrid, Member 2023–2024
	Graduate Committee, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Member 2021–2022
	Department Scholarships Selection Committee, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Member 2019–2020, Chair 2020–2021
	Sabbatical Committee, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Member 2019–2021
Memberships	APSA, ISPP, MPSA, Society for Political Methodology, Fulbright Association

Skills

Software	R, Stan, LaTeX, Stata, Qualtrics
Languages	German (native), English (fluent), Spanish (basic)