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Positions

University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee — Department of Political Science

ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

Milwaukee, WI

Aug. 2018 –

Education

Stony Brook University

PH.D., POLITICAL SCIENCE

Stony Brook, NY

2013 – 2018

University of Mannheim

M.A., POLITICAL SCIENCE (WITH DISTINCTION)

Mannheim, Germany

2011 – 2013

University of Mannheim

B.A., POLITICAL SCIENCE

Mannheim, Germany

2008 – 2011

Research Interests

political attitudes and behavior, ideology and moral reasoning, text analysis, measurement, causal inference, experimental methods

Publications

REFEREED JOURNAL ARTICLES

- forth-coming **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. Forthcoming at *Public Opinion Quarterly*.
- 2019 **Personality and Prosocial Behavior: A Multilevel Meta-Analysis**, with Reuben Kline, Alexa Bankert, and Lindsey Levitan. *Political Science Research and Methods* 7(1): 125–142.
- 2018 **Measuring Morality in Political Attitude Expression**, *Journal of Politics* 80(3): 1028–1033.
- 2017 **The General Error Correction Model in Practice**, with Matthew J. Lebo. *Research and Politics* 4(2): 2053168017713059.
- 2015 **Why People ‘Don’t Trust the Evidence’: Motivated Reasoning and Scientific Beliefs**, 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

- 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**, 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**, 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**, *Working Paper of the Mannheim Center for European Social Research* 148.

Software

R **ArfimaMLM: Arfima-MLM Estimation For Repeated Cross-Sectional Data**, R package version 1.3

CRAN, Github

Work in Progress

- R&R **Complaints About Police Misconduct Have Adverse Effects for Black Citizens**, with Benjamin J. Newman.
Hypothesis Testing with Error Correction Models, with Ellen M. Key and Matthew J. Lebo.
- in prep. **Everyone Cares about Fairness: Why Morality Doesn't Fit in a Bag of Words**, with Robert Klemmensen and Erik Gahner Larsen. In preparation for submission
Let's Talk Politics: A Naive Approach for Measuring Political Sophistication, in preparation for submission.
Asking the Right Questions: A Framework to Develop Gender-Balanced Knowledge Batteries, with Kathleen Dolan. Data analysis.
Why Knowledge is Not Good Enough: Examining Individual Preconditions for Strategic Voting, with Lukas Stoetzer and Benjamin Schlegel. Data analysis.
Reliable Sources? Correcting Misinformation in Polarized Media Environments, with Nicholas R. Davis, Taraleigh Davis, Amanda Heideman, Jason T. Neumeyer, and Shin Young Park. Data analysis.
Preaching to the Choir? Inter-Group Conflict and the Instrumental Use of Fake News, with Paul C. Bauer, Bernhard Clemm von Hohenberg, and Emmy Lindstam. Grant proposal submitted.
Glass Half-Full or Half Empty: Does Optimism about Women's Representation in Elected Office Matter?, with Kathleen Dolan. Preparing further data collection.
Change My View: Do Moral Appeals Facilitate Compromise?, Preparing further data collection.

Conference Presentations & Invited Talks

- APSA** 2015, 2017, 2018, 2020
EPSA 2017, 2020*
ECPR 2020
ISPP 2017, 2020
MPSA 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020*
PolMeth 2016
Other Toronto Political Behavior Workshop, 2018; Zurich Text as Data Workshop, 2019
- 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** American politics, public opinion and elections, ideology, media and politics
Methods Probability, linear models, maximum-likelihood, measurement, causal inference, text analysis, Bayesian statistics

INSTRUCTOR

- 2020 **Political Psychology**, undergraduate lecture (online)
2019–2020 **Introduction to American Government and Politics**, undergraduate lecture (online)
2019 **Advanced Techniques of Political Science Research**, graduate lecture
2018 **Techniques of Political Science Research**, graduate lecture
2017 **Political Psychology**, undergraduate seminar (online)
2016–2017 **Introduction to American Government**, undergraduate lecture
2015–2017 **Math Refresher for Political Science PhD Students**, graduate seminar

TEACHING ASSISTANT

- 2015–2018 **Recitation for Data Analysis II: Linear Regression**, Ph.D. seminar (with Prof. Michael Peress)
2014–2017 **Recitation for Data Analysis I: Introduction to Probability Theory**, Ph.D. seminar (with Prof. Yanna Krupnikov)

Advising and Student Committees

Dissertation Committee, Member Nicholas R. Davis (2020)
Shin Young Park (ongoing)
Yunus Emre Orhan (ongoing)

Master's Thesis Committee, Member Jon Gutman (2020)
Robert Machado (2020)
Jason Neumeyer (2020)
Katelyn Raatz (ongoing)

Honors, Grants & Scholarships

2017 **Early Career Scholars Travel Award**, International Society of Political Psychology
Milton Lodge Award for Outstanding Graduate Student Research, Department of Political Science, Stony Brook University

2016 **Distinguished Travel Award**, Stony Brook University, GSO
POLMETH Travel Grant, National Science Foundation
Professional Development Award, Stony Brook University, GSEU

2012–2013 **Fulbright Scholarship**, The Fulbright Commission

2012–2013 **International Travel Grant**, German National Academic Foundation

2011–2013 **Academic Scholarship**, German National Academic Foundation

Skills

Software R, Stan, \LaTeX , Stata, Qualtrics

Languages German (native), English (fluent)

Service

Reviewer American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, American Politics Research, British Journal of Political Science, European Union Politics, International Journal of Health Policy and Management, Journal of Politics, Mobilization, Political Communication, Political Psychology, Political Science Research & Methods, Politics & Gender, Public Opinion Quarterly, Research & Politics, Science and Public Policy, Social Cognition, Social Science Quarterly

Coordinator Experimental Politics Lab, Department of Political Science, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 2018–
Political Psychology Speaker Series, Department of Political Science, Stony Brook University, 2015–2017

Memberships

APSA, MPSA, ISPP, Society for Political Methodology