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Education

August 2023 – present	Texas A&M University (College Station, TX) <i>PhD Political Science</i>
May 2023	University of Georgia (Athens, GA) <i>MA Political Science</i> Thesis: Who Follows How To Vote Cards in Australia? Committee: Shane P. Singh (Chair), Mollie Cohen, Joseph Ornstein
May 2023	University of Georgia (Athens, GA) <i>BA International Affairs, Pure Mathematics Minor</i>

Research Interests

Comparative Politics	Comparative Political Behavior & Institutions, Electoral Systems & Turnout
Political Methodology	Applied Econometrics (MLE & Time-Series Cross-Sectional Data), Formal Political Theory
Number Theory	p -adic Number System, the Dirichlet Convolution, Arithmetic in the Quaternions (IH)

Publications & Working Papers

Working Papers	Rajan, Reshikesav , and Shane Singh. 2023. “Does Toothless Compulsory Voting Increase Turnout? Evidence from India.” <i>Writing in Progress</i> .
	Rajan, Reshikesav . 2022a. “Modelling Ideological Polarization: Spatial Representations of Ideological Shifts in the US.” <i>Writing in Progress</i> .
	———. 2022b. “Predicting Coalition Formation Using Notions of p -adic Distance.” <i>Writing in Progress</i> .

Presentations

2023	“Predicting Coalition Formation Using Notions of p -adic Distance.” Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association. April 13, 2023.
2022	“The Effects of Toothless Compulsory Voting: A Study in Karnataka, India.” Presented at the SPIA Undergraduate Research Colloquium at the University of Georgia. April 22, 2022. “The Effects of Toothless Compulsory Voting: A Study in Karnataka, India.” Presented at the CURO Symposium at the University of Georgia. April 4, 2022.
2021	“Modelling Polarization: A Step Towards Predicting Democratic Erosion.” Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association. Virtual: April 14-18, 2021.
2020	“Mathematically Modelling Polarization.” Presented in INTL 3416: Democratic Erosion at the University of Georgia. November 24, 2020.

Research Experience

Texas A&M University

Research Assistant, Prof. Guy Whitten, Fall 2023 (August-September), Spring 2024

University of Georgia

Research Assistant, Prof. Megan Turnbull, Protests Against Election Violence, May 2020 - July 2020

Teaching Experience

Texas A&M University

- Teaching Assistant, POLS 200: Foundations of Political Science, Prof. Todd Kent, Fall 2023 (October-December)

Departmental Service

University of Georgia

- Member of the American Founding Group – led by Prof. Keith Dougherty (Fall 2022–present)
- Spring 2023 SPIA Visitation Day for prospective PhD and MA Students
- SPIA Student Union: President, Fall 2022-Spring 2023

Grants & Awards

- Lechner Graduate Grant, Texas A&M University Department of Political Science, 2023-2024

Interviews & Talks

1. “An Evening with Senator Kristina Keneally.” Conducted an interview/moderated a Q&A with then Deputy Leader of the Opposition in the Australian Senate and former New South Wales Premier the Honourable Kristina Keneally for SPIA Student Union. September 6, 2021. <https://youtu.be/xC4jKfOLGpM>

Language Skills

- English (Native Speaker)
- Tamil (Native Speaker)
- Classical Latin (Intermediate)
- Classical & Vedic Sanskrit (Intermediate)
- Hindi (Beginner)
- Classical Greek (some grammatical understanding)

Coding Skills

- R
- Stata
- \LaTeX
- Atlas.ti (Qualitative Data Analysis)
- Qualtrics

References

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