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Education

The Pennsylvania State University

Ph.D. Political Science, August 2018 Fields: American Politics and Methodology

Dissertation: Party Coalitions, Party Ideology, and Party Action: Extended Party Networks in the United States

Committee: Lee Ann Banaszak (chair), Michael Berkman, Bruce Desmarais, John McCarthy (Penn State sociology), and Michael Nelson

The Pennsylvania State University

M.A. Political Science, 2015 Fields: American Politics and Methodology

Case Western Reserve University

B.A. Political Science and Mathematics (minor in Economics), 2010

Academic Positions

Miami University

Associate Professor 2024 -
Assistant Professor 2018 - 2024

Peer Reviewed Articles

Hannah, A. Lee, **Kevin Reuning**, and Anne Whitesell. 2023. "The Party Replies: Examining Local Party Responsiveness to Prospective Campaign Volunteers." *Political Research Quarterly*, 76(2):931-943

Whitesell, Anne, **Kevin Reuning**, and A. Lee Hannah. 2023. "Local Political Party Presence Online" *Party Politics*, 29(1), 164-175.

Reuning, Kevin and Sean McElwee. 2022. "The precarious: how American voters view the working class." *Politics, Groups and Identities*, 10(5):788-806.

Reuning, Kevin, Anne Whitesell, and A. Lee Hannah. 2022. "Facebook algorithm changes may have amplified local republican parties" *Research & Politics*. April-June 2022:1-6.

Hassell, Hans J. G., Matthew R. Miles and **Kevin Reuning**. 2022. "Does the Ideology of the Newsroom Affect the Provision of Media Slant?" *Political Communication* 39(2):184-201. Replication materials

Bucci, Laura and **Kevin Reuning**. 2021. "The State of Labor in the Democratic Party Coalition." *Party Politics*. 27(6):1243-1253

Reuning, Kevin and Lee Ann Banaszak. 2020. "Measuring Protest for Comparisons: Multi-Dimensional Scaling of Action, Message, and Community" *Mobilization* 25(3):339-363

- Reuning, Kevin** and Eric Plutzer. 2020. "Valid vs. Invalid Straightlining: When is Straightlining a Good Indicator of Poor Data Quality?" *Survey Research Methods* 14(5):439-459
- Fariss, Christopher J., Michael R. Kenwick and **Kevin Reuning**. 2020. "Estimating One-Sided Killings from a Robust Measurement Model of Human Rights" *Journal of Peace Research* 57(6):801-814.
- Reuning, Kevin**. 2020. "Mapping Influence: Partisan Networks Across the United States, 2000 to 2016" *State Politics & Policy Quarterly*, 20(3):267-291. Replication materials. Networks available [here](#)
- Reuning, Kevin** and Nick Dietrich. 2019. "Media Coverage, Public Interest, and Support in the 2016 Republican Invisible Primary." *Perspectives on Politics*, 17:2. Replication materials.
- Reuning, Kevin**, Michael R. Kenwick and Christopher J. Fariss. 2019. "Exploring the Dynamics of Latent Variable Models." *Political Analysis*, 27(4):503-517. Replication materials.

Editor Reviewed Publications

- Cooney, Samantha R., Patrick J. Gauding, Anna A. Meier, and **Kevin Reuning**. 2022. "Community, Solidarity, and Collective Power: The Role of Graduate Student Organizations and Graduate Worker Unions" in *Strategies for Navigating Graduate School and Beyond*, eds. Kevin G. Lorentz II, Daniel J. Mallinson, Julia Marin Hellwege, Davin Phoenix, and J. Cherie Strachan. American Political Science Association.
- Fariss, Christopher J., Michael R. Kenwick, and **Kevin Reuning**. 2020. "Measurement models." Chap 20 in *SAGE Handbook of Research Methods in Political Science and International Relations*, eds. Luigi Curini and Robert Franzese.

Working Papers

- "The Political Activities of Union Locals"
- "Campaign Activity and Voters' Perceptions of Candidate Ideology" with Hans Hassell and Michael Heseltine
- "Party Networks Online: Using Facebook to Identify "Us" and "Them"" with Anne Whitesell and Lee Hannah.
- "Counting Crowds: Measuring Contentious Political Action across the United States" with Jay Ulfeder and Chris Fariss.

Editor Reviewed Blog Posts

- "Local Republican Parties on Facebook Spread Claims of Fraud." *3Streams* with Anne Whitesell and A. Lee Hannah
- "Local political parties are more likely to use Facebook than websites to connect with voters." *LSE: American Politics and Policy Blog* with A. Lee Hannah, Anne Whitesell, Tim Binnig (Miami student), Emily Cain (Miami student), Austin Lucous (Wright State student), and Whitney Tyler (Wright State student)
- "Who were the protesters at the Democratic National Convention this week?" *The Monkey Cage*. with Shan-Jan Sarah Liu, Patricia Posey. July 29 2016
- "Three surprising facts about the protesters at the Republican National Convention" *The Monkey Cage*. with Shan-Jan Sarah Liu, Patricia Posey. July 24 2016

Project covered in: The Chronicle of Higher Education and USA Today

“Donald Trump has nothing left to gain from media coverage.” *The Monkey Cage*. with Nick Dietrich.
January 15th 2016

Courses Taught

Miami University

POL 306: Applied Research Methods: Fall 2018; Spring 2019; Fall 2019; Spring 2020; Fall 2020; Spring 2021; Spring 2022; Fall 2022; Fall 2023

POL 307: Public Opinion Lab: Fall 2024

POL 345U: Social Movements and Protest: Fall 2018; Spring 2020; Fall 2020; Spring 2021; Spring 2022; Spring 2023 Spring 2024

POL 345Y: Class and Inequality in American Politics: Fall 2019; Spring 2021; Fall 2022; Fall 2023; Fall 2024

POL 491/591: Social Network Analysis: Spring 2023; Spring 2024

Pennsylvania State University

PL SC 426: Political Parties and Interest Groups: May 2017

Book Reviews

Small Power: How Local Parties Shape Elections. By David Doherty, Conor M. Dowling, and Michael G. Miller. New York in *Perspectives on Politics*

Invited Talks

“Fascism in Contemporary America” as part of the center for Global Studies’ International Education Week. Penn State, October 24, 2017

“The Strategies of Protest: Action, Message, and Community” with Lee Ann Banaszak. Case Western Reserve University, March 29, 2017.

Presentations

“Union Locals in a Polarized Country: A Survey of Ohio Union Locals” 2024 Midwest Political Science Association

“Campaign Activity and Voters’ Perceptions of Candidate Ideology” 2024 Midwest Political Science Association with Hans Hassell and Michael J. Heseltine

“Reassessing the Effect of Candidate Extremism on Vote Choice and Turnout” 2024 Midwest Political Science Association with Austin Cutler and Hans Hassell

“Counting Crowds: Measuring Contentious Political Action across the United States” 2022 American Political Science Association with Jay Ulfeder and Chris Fariss.

“Party Networks Online: Using Facebook to Identify “Us” and “Them”” 2022 American Political Science Association with Anne Whitesell and Lee Hannah.

“Explaining Loss and Victory: How Local Parties Explain Election Outcomes” 2021 American Political Science Association with Anne Whitesell and Lee Hannah.

“Conceptualizing and Measuring Social Class in the United States” 2019 American Political Science Association with Sean McElwee

“The State of Labor in the Democratic Party Coalition” 2019 State Politics and Policy Conference with Laura Bucci

“Divided Donors, Divided Parties: The Impact of State Party Networks on Legislative Polarization” 2019 Midwest Political Science Association

“The Ideology of Media Outlets” 2019 Midwest Political Science Association with Hans J.G. Hassell and Matthew R. Miles

“Outside the Convention: Partisan Activism and Protester Motivations at the 2016 RNC and DNC” with Lee Ann Banaszak

Methodological Challenges of Surveying Right-Wing Demonstrations and Protests in CEE, Warsaw, Poland

2017 American Sociological Association

2017 American Political Science Association

“State Parties Coalitions In and Outside the Legislature” 2018 PolNet

“Shifting Coalitions: The Effect of Extended Party Networks on State Legislature Ideology” 2017 American Political Science Association

“Exploring the Dynamics of Latent Variable Models” with Michael R. Kenwick and Christopher J. Fariss.

QuaSSI Colloquium Series, March 2, 2017

Varieties of Democracy Modeling Week, University of Gothenburg, October 11-14, 2016

2016 American Political Science Association

“The Tea Party Movement’s Short Romance with Annual Protest Demonstrations” with John McCarthy, Patrick Rafail and Hyun Woo Kim. 2016 American Sociological Association Annual Meeting

“Measuring Variation in State Party Networks, 2004 to 2014.” 2016 State Politics and Policy Conference

“Does Childhood Experience with War Deaths Affect One’s Attitude toward the Use of Force?” with Ted Chen and Chuyu Liu.

2016 Peace Science Society Conference

2016 International Studies Association Conference

“Party Fractionalization and Protest Inside and Outside the Convention” with Lee Ann Banaszak and Karen Beckwith. 2016 Center for American Political Responsiveness at Pennsylvania State University

“Parties, Protest, and Political Opportunity.” 2015 European Consortium of Political Research Conference

Research Interests

Substantive: Social movements, protest, American political parties, and collective action.

Methodology: Measurement models, social network analysis, and time series.

Awards & Fellowships

Student Recognition of Teaching Excellence for Fall 2020
 Quantitative Social Science Institute (QuaSSI) Predoctoral Fellow, 2016-2017
 University Graduate Fellowship, The Pennsylvania State University, 2013-2018

Masters' Committees

Chair: Olivia Balakos (Expected 2025); Isabelle Sistino (2023); Jacob Bemis, Wilson Maier, Lily Wilmont (2022); Emily Cain, Blake Mullenix (2021); Virginia Bulger (2019)
Committee: Tess Von Hemel (2022); Shannan Lunar (2021); Sara Carnahan, Muriel Truax (2020)

Honors Thesis

Alex Dyer (2022); Alex Foltz (2021)

Service

Service to the Discipline

Division Chair for State Politics and Policy Division, 2024 APSA
 Program Co-Chair for PolNet, 2023
 Conference panel discussant: MPSA 2022; APSA 2021; MPSA 2019
 Conference panel chair: MPSA 2022; MPSA 2019

Journal/Edited Volume Reviewer: American Journal of Political Science; American Review of Politics; American Sociological Review; Ask: Research and Methods; British Journal of Political Science; Electoral Studies; Journal of Adolescence; Journal of International Communication; Labor Studies Journal; Mobilization; Perspectives on Politics; Perspectives on Psychological Sciences; Political Analysis; Political Behavior; Public Opinion Quarterly; PS: Political Science & Politics; Research in Social Movements, Conflict and Change; State Politics and Policy Quarterly; Science; Social Networks; Sociological Forum; Sociological Methods and Research; and Survey Research Methods
Book Manuscript Proposal Review: Cambridge University Press.
Full Manuscript Review: Princeton University Press.

Service to the University

Miami University

University:

Representative, Miami University Senate (Fall 2021 -)
 Faculty Fellow, Center for Analytics and Data Science (2021 -)
 Data Analytics Degree Program Steering Committee (Fall 2018-)

Department of Political Science:

Member, Mentoring Task Force (Fall 2019 -)
 Member, American Politics Field Committee (Fall 2018 -)
 Member, Political Theory and Methodology Committee (Fall 2018 -)
 Member, Colloquium Committee (Fall 2018 - Spring 2021)
 Member, Awards Committee (Fall 2018 -)
 Member, Graduate Studies (Fall 2020 -)

Pennsylvania State University

Graduate Representative, Pennsylvania State University Faculty Senate *November 2016 - Spring 2018*
Organizer, Social Movement Research Group *Fall 2015 - Spring 2018*
Record Keeper, Coalition of Graduate Employees *Spring 2016 - Spring 2017*
Liberal Arts Delegate, Graduate and Professional Student Association *Spring 2016 - November 2016*
President, Graduate Association of Political Science *Fall 2014 - Spring 2015*

Professional Memberships

American Political Science Association
 Political Organizations and Parties Section
 State Politics and Policy Section
 Class and Inequality Section
Midwest Political Science Association

Programming Experience

Statistics: R, STATA, STAN
Programming: Python, C++, Javascript
Other: LaTeX

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