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Education

University of California, Davis

Ph.D., Political Science (June 2020).

Fields: American Politics, Comparative Politics

M.A., Political Science, 2020.

The Ohio State University

B.A., Political Science, Research Distinction in Political Science, 2013.

Research Interests

American Politics: social networks, political participation, behavior, psychology,

polarization, and partisan sorting

Dissertation "Change and Choice in American Voters' Political Discussion Networks 2000-2016"

Committee: Robert Huckfeldt (Co-Chair), Christopher Hare (Co-Chair),

Amber Boydstun, Anand Sokhey

Publications "Polarized Networks? New Evidence on American Voters' Political Communication Networks" Conditionally accepted at *Political Behavior* (with Chris Hare)

> Butters, Ross and Christopher Hare. 2017. "Three-fourths of Americans regularly talk politics only with members of their own political tribe" The https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/monkey-Washington Post. cage/wp/2017/05/01/three-fourths-of-americans-regularly-talk-politics-

only-with-members-of-their-own-political-tribe (May 1, 2017)

Research Under Review

"Partisan Context and Close Social Networks: Rejecting the "Other" Presented at 2019 MPSA and WPSA

"Revisiting Social Networks and Correct Voting: Extension and Mechanisms" Presented at 2017 APSA and 2018 MPSA (with Anand Sokhey)

"The Secret to Senate Holds: Historical Analysis and Quantification of the Impact of Holds" Presented at 2013 SPSA, MPSA, and 2017 APSA (with Alison Craig and Janet Box-Steffensmeier).

Works in Progress

"Continuity and Change in Rejecting Disagreeable Discussants from Core

Networks: 2000-2016"

"Nature of Political Ties: Disagreement in Traditional Name Generating Batteries Over Time"

"The Influence of Partisan Polarization and Geographic Neighborhood Context on Congressional Rollcall & Cosponsorship Policy Networks" 2018 PolNet (wth Carlos Algara)

Research Experience

Department of Political Science, University of Rochester

Research Assistant, August 2019-Present, (with Gerald Gamm)

Department of Political Science, University of California, Davis

Investigator, June 2016-March 2017, (with Chris Hare and Robert Huckfeldt)
UC-Davis Module, 2016 Cooperative Congressional Election Study
Research Assistant, May 2015-June 2016, (with Amber Boydstun) Data Driven,
Computational Models for Discovery and Analysis of Framing" NSF Social-Computational Systems program, No. IIS-1211266

Department of Political Science, The Ohio State University

Research Assistant, Dec. 2011-May 2013, (with Janet Box-Steffensmeier)

Academic Experience

University of California, Davis

Associate Instructor

Introduction to American Politics, Sept. 2017-Dec. 2017

Teaching Assistant

Research Methods in Politics and Policy, Jan. 2018-Present Policy Analysis in California, June 2017-August 2017, Jan. 2018-June 2019 Mass Media and Politics, March 2016-June 2016 Introduction to Comparative Politics, Jan. 2016-March 2016 American Government: The Presidency, April 2015-June 2015 West European Politics: German Politics Jan. 2015-March 2015

Investigator

UC-Davis Module, 2016 CCES, June 2016-March 2017

Graduate Student Researcher

"Data Driven, Computational Models for Discovery and Analysis of Framing" with Amber Boydstun, Sept. 2015-Dec. 2015 UC-Center Sacramento Speaker Series Coordinator, May 2016-June 2017 UC-Center Sacramento Senior Editor — Land Use and Development Lectureship and White Paper Competition, July 2016-December 2016

Service and Training

Teaching and Learning Conference at APSA, August 2019 Mental Health Gatekeeper Training (UC-Davis), May 2019 Undergraduate Research Mentor-Mentee Program, *Mentor*, (UC-Davis), Fall 2018-Spring 2019 Reviewer for Political Behavior (2017) and Political Communication (2018)

 $\mbox{American Politics Reading Group, } \mbox{\it Co-Founder and Coordinator}$

(UC-Davis), with Carlos Algara and Christopher Hare, Winter 2016-Present

Graduate Association of Political Science Students (UC-Davis) Public Relations Coordinator, Fall 2016-Summer 2018

Graduate Association of Political Science Students (UC-Davis) Bulletin Board Coordinator, Fall 2015-Summer 2016

Graduate Association of Political Science Students (UC-Davis) Mentorship Program, Fall 2015-Present

Invited Talks

"Polarized Networks? New Evidence on American Voters' Political Discussion Networks," Arsalyn Youth Forum: Caught Between Red and Blue, June 2018, University of California, Davis.

Awards and Fellowships

Leaders for the Future Fellowship: Creating Leaders Through Scholarship, Business Skills, and Innovation, Summer 2019-Summer 2020

UC-Davis Political Science Dept. Travel Award, PolNet 2015, MPSA 2016 MPSA 2017, APSA 2017, MPSA 2018, MPSA 2019 \$3000

Political Networks Travel Fellowship Award, Summers 2015, 2017, 2018, \$2300

UC-Davis Humanities Institute Reading Group Award, Fall 2016, \$300

UC-Davis Political Science Dept. Summer Methods Travel Award, ICPSR 2015, PolNet 2017, \$2000

Summer Research Stipend, Summer 2015, \$5000

First Year Graduate Student Fellowship, Fall 2014, \$6000

Research Distinction and Independent Study, Department of Political Science, The Ohio State University. Adviser: Janet Box-Steffensmeier

Undergraduate Research Grant, Social and Behavioral Sciences, "The Secret to Secret Senate Holds: Historical Analysis and Quantification of the Impact of Holds", 2013, \$1000

Undergraduate Research Office Summer Fellow, "The Secret to Secret Senate Holds: Historical Analysis and Quantification of the Impact of Holds" 2012, \$2800

Undergraduate Research Grant, Social and Behavioral Sciences, "The Secret to Secret Senate Holds: Historical Analysis and Quantification of the Impact of Holds", 2012, \$1000

Undergraduate Research Scholarship Arts and Sciences (OSU), 2012, \$4500 Lyndon Baines Johnson Research Travel Grant recipient 2012, \$2060

National Buckeye Scholar, 2009-2013, \$7200 annually

Trustees Scholarship, 2009-2013, \$1050 annually

Work Experience

Ohio Department of Job and Family Services

Labor Market Analyst, January 2014-August 2014

Researcher, May 2013-January 2014

Parliament of Canada

Intern for Earl Dreeshen, Member of Parliament, Red Deer - Mountain View, May 2011-June 2011

Additional University of Michigan

Training Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research, Time-Series

Analysis Course, Summer 2015

Reed College, Ohio State University, and George Mason University

Political Networks Conference NSF-Sponsored Workshops, Introductory and Advanced

Network Analysis Courses, Spring 2015, 2016, and 2018

Skills and Proficient in R, STATA, LATEX, Qualtrics, and ArcGIS

Certificates Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI) Certification

Currently learning z-tree, Python, and HTML programming

Proficient in the Microsoft Office Suite and database programs, including

Microsoft Access

References Available upon request