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## Education

**University of California San Diego**  
PhD Political Science  
*San Diego, CA*

2020-

**University of Warwick**  
M.Sc. Statistics with Distinction  
*Coventry, UK*

September 2020

**Reed College**  
B.A. Mathematics and Political Science (Interdisciplinary)  
*Portland, OR*

January 2018

## Focus

Voting and Elections • Voter Behaviour • Election Administration •  
American Politics • Promissory Democracy

## Ongoing Research

**Voter Information and RCV**, an experimental approach to examining how information seeking behaviour changes when voters are faced with ranked-choice voting, rather than traditional single-preference.

## Past Projects

**Quantifying Gerrymandering with MCMC Methods**, a summary and quick application of the most current methods used to quantify gerrymandering in US States, based on Markov Chain Monte Carlo simulation. M.Sc. dissertation project, available upon request.

## Leadership Activities

**Chief Adjudicator** 2014-  
Several Debating Tournaments

- Chief Adjudicator of several schools and universities tournaments in Greece.
- On the Chief Adjudicator's Panel for the World Schools Debating Championship in **2019** and **2021**.
- For the above, helped train, test, and allocate a judging pool of over 150 judges.

**Co-coach** 2016-2019  
Greek National Schools Debate Team, Athens, GR

- Trained five-member national debating delegation to compete in the World Championship.
- Placed in top twenty teams for three years running.

<b>Teaching</b>	<b>Teaching Assistant</b> , The VRA 50 Years Later • Economic Theories and Political Behavior • Politics of Multiculturalism.
	<b>Non-academic</b> , Speech and Debate teacher at the Hellenic-American Educational Foundation (2014-2021), multiple students reaching national finals.
<b>Honors Awards</b>	Outstanding Dissertation in Statistics (Postgraduate) Award, University of Warwick.
	Invited to deliver a TEDx Talk on debating and community in Greece, TEDx Patras 2016.
	World Debating Champion in the English as a Foreign Language category, WUDC Thessaloniki 2016.
	Phi Beta Kappa
<b>Other Skills</b>	<u>Languages:</u> Greek (Native), English (Fluent), French (Working Knowledge). <u>Software:</u> LaTeX, R, Python, STATA, SQL, C++, Github.