

Tom Barton

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Education

Royal Holloway, University of London

2020 –

PhD

Politics

Advanced Quantitative Methods Steer

Thesis title: The Impact of Voter ID Laws on Participation and Political Engagement.

Original data collection. Advanced Quantitative Methods

Supervisors: Prof. Chris Hanretty & Prof. Oliver Heath

2019 – 2020

MSc

Elections, Campaigns and Democracy.

Distinction.

Dissertation title: Self-Selection or Socialisation: Explaining the Link Between Social Values and University Attendance.

University of Kent

2016 – 2019

BA (Hons)

Politics and International Relations with Quantitative Research.

1st Class.

Dissertation title: The Impact of Voter Identification Laws on Electoral Turnout and Perceptions of Democratic Integrity: A Comparative Study.

Research Assistance

June 2022

Research Assistant for Deliberation Event on Uncivil Speech

Department of Politics, International Relations and Philosophy

Royal Holloway, University of London

Primary Investigators: Dr Kaat Smets, Dr Johnathan Seglow and Dr Sofia Collignon

January 2022 – March 2022

Research Assistant for the Electoral integrity Project (Part-Time)

Department of Political Science

Royal Military College, Canada

Primary Investigators: Dr Holly-Ann Garnet and Prof. Toby James

<https://www.electoralintegrityproject.com/reports>

Publications

Barton, T. (2022) Understanding a Key Electoral Tool: A New Dataset on the Global Distribution of Voter Identification Laws.

[10.1080/00344893.2022.2113117](https://doi.org/10.1080/00344893.2022.2113117)

Working Papers

Barton, T. Effects of changing voter ID laws on participation: A synthetic difference-in-difference approach.

Barton, T. The Relationship Between Voter ID Laws and Turnout: Going Beyond the United States.

Barton, T. and Virgo, L. Does the Minister Agree with Me: Do MPs' Positions on Brexit Affected the Asking of Parliamentary Questions?

Blog Posts

Barton, T. and Hanretty, C. (2020) US elections MRP polling: Voter fraud concerns heaviest in Trump states. Online Blog: Survation. Available at:

<https://www.survation.com/us-elections-exclusive-mrp-polling-voter-fraud-concerns-heaviest-in-trump-states/>

Technical Skills

Coding Languages: R | Basic Knowledge of Python

Software: SPSS | Excel | Qualtrics | STATA | Basic Knowledge of ArcGIS

Systems: Github

Courses: 2021 Oxford Spring School in Advanced Research Methods (Machine Learning). *Taught by Dr Thomas Robinson (Durham)*

Presentations, Workshops and Seminars

April 2022

UK in a Changing Europe: British Politics After Brexit (Presenter) (Co-author with Lewis Virgo)

Does the Minister Agree with Me: Have MPs' Positions on Brexit Affected the Asking of Parliamentary Questions?

April 2022

PSA Annual Conference 2022: Politics from the Margins (Presenter)

The Relationship Between Voter ID Laws and Turnout: Going Beyond the United States

July 2021

Electoral Integrity Project pre-IPSA World Congress Workshop (Presenter)

Understanding a Key Electoral Tool: A New Dataset on the Global Distribution of Voter Identification Laws

July 2021

PSA Early Career Network 'Random Access Memories' Conference (Co-Presenter with Lewis Virgo)

When Emotions Run High: Have MPs' Positions on Brexit Affected the Asking of Parliamentary Questions?

April 2021

8th Education PGR Conference at Warwick (Presenter)

Self-Selection or Socialisation: Explaining the Link Between Social Values and University Attendance

February 2021

Toronto Data Workshop on Reproducibility (Presenter)

Self-Selection or Socialisation: Explaining the Link Between Social Values and University Attendance

Academic Service

Journals Reviewed For: Electoral Studies

Teaching

Undergraduate:

January 2021 – June 2021

Research Methods for Social Scientists
Department of Criminology, Royal Holloway,
(Methods Lab Assistant, led revision sessions,
assessed coursework and exams)
Online

September 2021 –

Researching Politics and International Relations:
Analysis, Design and Practice
Department of Politics, International Relations and Philosophy
Royal Holloway
(Seminar Leader)
In-person and Hybrid

January 2023

How and why people vote
Department of Politics, International Relations and Philosophy
Royal Holloway
(Guest Lecture on Voter ID Laws)
In-person

Postgraduate:

September 2021 – April 2022

Introduction to Quantitative Methods
Department of Political Science
UCL
(Seminar Leader)
In-person and Online

Scholarships, Grants and Awards

PSA EPOP & YouGov Survey Project: Public Attitudes Towards Voter ID Laws **2021**

ESRC (SeNSS) Research Training Support Grant (Course Attendance: £450) **2021**

ESRC (SeNSS) 1+3 PhD Studentship (Advanced Quantitative Methods Steer) **2019**

Activities

Postgraduate Research Peer Mentor	September 2021 – July 2022
SeNSS Student Forum Chair	July 2021 – July 2022
Accredited Election Observer (UK Electoral Commission)	May 2021 –
SeNSS Student Forum Deputy Chair	July 2020 – July 2021
SeNSS Student Forum Master's Representative	October 2019 – July 2021