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Academic Employment & Affiliations

2021- *Assistant Professor*
Department of Politics and Government, Claremont Graduate University
Faculty Affiliate Computational Justice Lab (Economics), CGU
Faculty Affiliate Inequality and Policy Research Center, CGU
2024 *Citrin Visiting Scholar*
UC Berkeley Political Science and Citrin Center for Public Opinion Research
2020 *Postdoctoral Research Fellow*
Weidenbaum Center, Washington University in St. Louis

Education

2020 PhD in Political Science, University of California Los Angeles
2015 MA in Political Science, University of Washington, WA
2011 BA in Government, Skidmore College, NY

Book Project

My book project (with Marcel Roman), tentatively titled *Making Americans: The Racial Politics of Reproduction*, develops a theory of racialized attitudes toward reproduction (e.g. births, birth control, and abortion) in the United States. I argue that while American demographic engineering projects (such as immigration policy, incarceration, zoning, and others) have been studied extensively, the literature lacks nuanced theoretical engagement with reproduction, despite its foundational role in shaping the nation's demographic trajectory.

In an era marked by declining fertility rates, shrinking dominant-group populations, increasing diversity, and the rising prominence of "great replacement" ideology, reproduction is poised to become an increasingly critical site of political, economic, and cultural conflict. Drawing on a broad corpus of historical and contemporary data—including public opinion, archival texts, and voting returns—this project employs qualitative, observational, and causal methods to examine the extent to which racial concerns have shaped

and sustained reproductive attitudes in the United States throughout the 20th century to present.

Publications

[\[Replication Files\]](#)

- 2025 26. **Tyler Reny**, Benjamin J. Newman, Marcel Roman, and David O. Sears “Late-adolescents entering college intending a career as police officers hold more right-leaning views than their peers.” *conditional accept at PNAS*
25. **Tyler Reny**, Kirill Zhirkov, and Bae, Byengseon. “A Conjoint Study of Anti-Racism and Partisan Affect.” *forthcoming at JREP* [\[PDF\]](#)
- 2024 24. **Tyler Reny**, Andrew Reeves, and Dino Christenson. “Rising Seas, Rising Concerns: How Climate Change Vulnerability Shapes Opinions Towards Policy” *forthcoming at Environmental Politics* [\[PDF\]](#)
23. Ferwerda, Jeremy, Justin Gest, **Tyler Reny**. “Temporal Deprivation and Populism: Evidence from 19 European Countries” *European Journal of Political Research* [\[PDF\]](#)
22. Jessica Geiger and **Tyler Reny**. “Embracing the Status Hierarchy: How Sexism, Immigration Attitudes, and Prejudice Shaped Non-White Support for Trump” *Perspectives on Politics* [\[PDF\]](#)
- 2023 21. **Tyler Reny**, Benjamin Newman, John Holbein, and Hans Hassell. “Public mass shootings cause large surges in Americans’ engagement with gun policy” *PNAS Nexus* [\[PDF\]](#)
20. **Tyler Reny** and Justin Gest. “How Elite Co-Identity Reinforcement Facilitates Persuasion: The Case of Immigration Attitudes” *Politics, Groups, and Identities* [\[PDF\]](#)
19. Ben Newman, **Tyler Reny** and Jennifer Merolla. “Race, Prejudice, and Support for Racial Justice Countermovements: The Case of “Blue Lives Matter”” *Political Behavior* [\[PDF\]](#)
- 2022 18. **Tyler Reny**, and Matt Barreto. 2022. “Xenophobia in the Time of Pandemic: Othering, Anti-Asian Attitudes, and COVID-19” *Politics, Group, and Identities* [\[PDF\]](#)
- Press: [\[Washington Post\]](#)
17. Newman, Benjamin, **Tyler Reny**, and Bea-Sim Ooi. 2022. “The Color of Disparity: Racialized Income Inequality and Support for Liberal Economic Policies” *Journal of Politics* [\[PDF\]](#)
- Press: [\[The New York Times\]](#)

- 2021 16. **Tyler Reny** and Benjamin J. Newman. “The Opinion Mobilizing Effect of Social Protest Against Police Violence: Evidence from the 2020 George Floyd Protests” *American Political Science Review* [PDF]
- 2020 15. **Tyler Reny**, and David O. Sears. 2020. “Hands Off My Obamacare: Self-Interest and Symbolic Attitudes in The Health Care Debate” *Research & Politics* July-September: 1-6. [PDF]
14. **Tyler Reny**. 2020. “Masculine Norms and Infectious Disease: The Case of COVID-19” *Politics and Gender* 16: 1028-1035. [PDF] [Gated]
- Press: [Washington Post] [Vox] [InsideHook] [Mother Jones] [FiveThirtyEight]
13. Newman, Benjamin J., Stephanie L. DeMora, and **Tyler Reny**. 2020. “Female Empowerment and the Politics of Language: Evidence Using Gender-Neutral Amendments to State Constitutions” *British Journal of Political Science* 1-12. [PDF]
- 2019 12. Valenzuela, Ali A. and **Tyler Reny**. 2019. “Evolution of Experiments on Racial Priming” *Forthcoming in Advances in Experimental Political Science* Eds. James N. Druckman and Donald P. Green [PDF]
- Awards: Co-winner of 2021 APSA Experimental Research section Best Book Award
11. **Tyler Reny**, Bryan Wilcox-Archuleta, and Vanessa Cruz Nichols. 2019. “Threat, Mobilization, and Latino Voting in the 2018 Election” *Forum: A Journal of Applied Research in Contemporary Politics* 16(4): 631-657 [PDF]
10. **Tyler Reny**, Ali A. Valenzuela, and Loren Collingwood. 2019. “‘No, You’re Playing the Race Card’: Testing the Effects of Anti-Black, Anti-Latino and Anti-Immigration Appeals in the post-Obama Era” *Political Psychology* 41(2): 283-302. [PDF] [Appendix]
- Press: [Vox’s The Weeds Podcast]
9. **Tyler Reny**, Loren Collingwood, and Ali Valenzuela. 2019. “Vote Switching in the 2016 Election: Racial and Immigration Attitudes, Not Economics, Explains Shifts in White Voting” *Public Opinion Quarterly* 83(1): 91-113. [PDF] [Appendix]
- Press: [The Economist] [The Economist] [Vox] [Daily Beat Podcast Pt. 1] [Daily Beat Podcast Pt. 2] [Phys.org]
- 2018 8. **Tyler Reny**, and Benjamin J. Newman. 2018. “Protecting the Right to Discriminate: The Second Great Migration and Racial Threat in the American West.” *American Political Science Review*. 112(4): 1104-1110. [PDF] [Appendix]
- Awards: Charles Redd Award for Best Paper on Politics of the American West (WPSA 2018)

7. Gest, Justin, **Tyler Reny**, and Jeremy Mayer. 2018. “Roots of the Radical Right: Nostalgic Deprivation in the United States and Britain” *Comparative Political Studies* 51(13): 1694–1719. [\[PDF\]](#)

6. **Tyler Reny** and Paru Shah. 2018. “Immigrant Political Ambition: New Americans and the Quest for Political Office.” *Social Sciences Quarterly* 99(3): 1038-1059.[\[PDF\]](#)

• Press: [\[Voice of America\]](#)

2017 5. **Tyler Reny**. 2017. “Demographic Change, Latino Countermobilization, and the Politics of Immigration in U.S. Senate Campaigns” *Political Research Quarterly* 70(4): 735–748. [\[PDF\]](#) [\[Supplement\]](#)

2016 4. Barreto, Matt, **Tyler Reny**, and Bryan Wilcox-Archuleta. 2017. “Survey Methodology and the Latina/o Vote: Why a Bilingual, Bicultural, Latino-centered Approach Matters” *Aztlán: A Journal of Chicano Studies*. 42(2): 211-227.[\[PDF\]](#)

Other Publications

2025 3. **Tyler Reny**. 2025. Review of *How the Heartland Went Red: Why Local Forces Matter in an Age of Nationalized Politics Perspectives on Politics*. [\[PDF\]](#)

2. Garcia-Rios, Sergio I., Angela X. Ocampo, **Tyler Reny**, and Bryan Wilcox-Archuleta. 2017. “El peso del voto latino en 2016.” *Foreign Affairs Latinoamerica* 17(1): 11-15. [\[PDF\]](#)

2016 1. **Tyler Reny** and Sylvia Manzano. 2016. “The Negative Effects of Mass Media Stereotypes of Latinos and Immigrants.” In *Media and Minorities: Questions on Representation from an International Perspective*. Eds Georg Ruhrmann, Yasemin Shooman, and Peter Widmann. Jewish Museum of Berlin Press. [\[PDF\]](#)

REVISE AND RESUBMIT

UNDER REVIEW

1. **Tyler Reny**, Marcel Roman, Benjamin J. Newman, and “The Immigration-to-Reproduction Shift: Latino Population Growth and White Support for Legal Abortion”

IN PREPARATION

5. Gest, Justin, **Tyler Reny**, and Jeremy Ferwerda. “How Demographic Decline Reduces Immigration Prejudice: A Study in 17 European Countries”

4. **Tyler Reny**, Sean Merritt, and Aliriza Dogac Icoz. “Racial Threat and Opposition to Marijuana Legalization”

3. Eunji Kim, **Tyler Reny**, and Esteban Fernandez. “Narrative Legitimacy: Copaganda and the Cultural Foundations of Police Trust”
2. **Reny, Tyler** and Benjamin J. Newman. “Racial Threat as Potential Outgroup Entry: Historical Evidence Using New Mass Transit”
1. Newman, Benjamin J., **Tyler Reny**, and Bryan Wilcox-Archuleta. “The Distribution of Culture in a Polarized Era: The Case of Popular Films about Racism”

Invited Talks

2024	Yale ISPS Justice and Injustice Conference UC Berkeley Identity Politics Workshop
2023	David Sears Political Psychology Lab CGU Tuesday Talk Series CGU DPE Workshop
2022	Duke Behavior and Identities Workshop David Sears Political Psychology Lab
2021	Vanderbilt Research on Individuals, Politics and Society Lab Wellesley College Research Methods Seminar CGU Tuesday Talk Series CGU DPE Workshop

Research Grants and External Funding

Total: \$1,573,375

2024	Team Players Project (Co-PI with Justin Gest) <i>Robert Wood Johnson Foundation</i> (\$1,300,000)
2022	Pluralism (With Justin Gest) <i>New Pluralists</i>
2018	“Populism and Immigration Attitudes in Europe” (Co-PI with Justin Gest and Jeremy Ferwerda) <i>National Endowment for Democracy, European Liberal Forum, and Alliance of Liberals and Democrats for Europe</i> (\$200,000)
2018	“How In-Group Elite Rhetoric Shapes Immigration Attitudes” (Co-PI with Justin Gest) <i>Partnership for a New American Economy</i> (\$73,375)

Grants, fellowships, honors & awards

2025	Emerging Scholar Award from the APSA EPOVB (Elections, Public Opinion, and Voting Behavior) Section
2023	Lincoln Land Faculty-Student Collaboration Award (\$5,000)
2022	Fletcher Jones Foundation Award (\$9,000) RSF Research Grant (\$35,000)
2020	Weidenbaum Center Research Grant (\$10,000)

2019	APSA Travel Grant (\$200)
	Distinguished Junior Scholar Award from the APSA Political Psychology Section (\$400)
2018	UCLA Fellowship in Political Psychology (\$500)
	Charles Redd Award for Best Paper on Politics of the American West (WPSA 2018) (\$250)
	APSA Political Communication Subsection Travel Award (\$700)
	UCLA Hoffenberg Fellow
	APSA Travel Grant (\$100)
	CSREP Mark Q. Sawyer Professional Development Travel Grant (\$300)
	Harrell Rodgers Graduate Student Travel Scholarship (\$500)
	UCLA Fellowship in Political Psychology (\$500)
2017	APSA First Generation Scholars in the Profession Travel Grant (\$250)
	UCLA Luskin Center for History and Policy Fellowship (\$5,000)
	UCLA Fellowship in Political Psychology (\$500)
	UCLA Graduate Research Mentorship Award (\$36,000)
	UCLA Graduate Research Summer Mentorship Award (\$6,000)
2016	UCLA Hoffenberg Award
	UCLA Fellowship in Political Psychology (\$500)
	UCLA Graduate Research Mentorship Award (\$36,000)
	UCLA Graduate Research Summer Mentorship Award (\$6,000)
	APSA Warren E. Miller Fund Research Grant (\$2,000)
2015	Department of Political Science Best Graduate Student Paper Award, University of Washington (\$500)
2014	Donald R. Matthews Graduate Fellowship Summer Stipend, University of Washington (\$5,000)
2013	Donald R. Matthews Graduate Fellowship, University of Washington (\$51,000)
2011	<i>Phi Beta Kappa</i>
	Susan Riley Gunderson '64 Prize for Excellence in the Study of American Government (\$500)
2009	<i>Pi Sigma Alpha</i>
	Levine Internship Award (\$3,000)

INFORMAL & REPORTS

2022	<i>How to Promote Pluralism in America's Diversifying Democracy</i> [Link]
2021	<i>Europe's Path Back From the Fringe</i> [Link] .
2020	<i>If you think real men don't wear masks, you're more likely to get coronavirus</i> (July). Monkey Cage. The Washington Post. [Link] .
	<i>Americans who are biased against Asians are more likely to fear the coronavirus</i> (April). Monkey Cage. The Washington Post. [Link] .
2019	"Democracy Fund + UCLA Nationscape Methodology and Representativeness Assessment" with Chris Tausanovitch, Lynn Vavreck, Alex Rossell Hayes, and Aaron Rudkin (December). Nationscape.
2018	"To win over moderates, Democrats need a coherent immigration policy" with Justin Gest (July). LA Times Op-Ed. [Link] .

- “Should I Stay or Should I Go? How Effective Transit Oriented Development Can Lead to Positive Economic Growth Without Displacing Latinos” (March). LPPI. [\[Link\]](#).
 Press: [Mercury News](#) || [Citylab](#) || [Block Club Chicago](#) || [Curbed](#) || [East Bay Express](#).
 “Why the GOP’s anti-immigration politics are here to stay.” (July). LSE US Centre Blog. [\[Link\]](#).
- 2017 “In contrast to the exit poll, official election results in Illinois show Latino turnout was up and vote for Trump was down.” (February). The Huffington Post. [\[Link\]](#).
 “No, Trump didn’t do surprisingly well among Latino voters: Let’s once and for all dispense with that exit-poll-based fiction.” (January). The New York Daily News. [\[Link\]](#).
- 2016 “Trump fared worse than Romney in Florida Hispanic vote.” (December). The Hill. [\[Link\]](#).
- 2014 *Minority Representation Gaps, by the Numbers* (October). Monkey Cage. The Washington Post. [\[Link\]](#).
Represent 2020: Toward a Better Vision for Democracy (September). New American Leaders Project. [\[Link\]](#).
- 2013 *Run Local: New American Electorate and the 2013 Municipal Elections* (March). New American Leaders Project. [\[Link\]](#).
Obama Barely Touched Immigration in His Speech, but That’s a Good Thing (February). National Journal’s Next America. [\[Link\]](#).
- 2012 *From the Community to the Capitol: Immigrants Flex Political Muscle in the 2012 Congressional Races* (October). New American Leaders Project. [\[Link\]](#).
How the U.S. is Still Struggling with Universal Suffrage (September). National Journal’s Next America. [\[Link\]](#).
Educating Tomorrow’s Workforce is Crucial for America’s Prosperity (July). National Journal’s Next America. [\[Link\]](#).

Conference Presentations

Southern California Political Behavior Conference (2025)
 American Political Science Association Annual Conference (2016, 2017, 2018, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024)
 Western Political Science Association Annual Conference (2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025)
 Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference (2015, 2017, 2018, 2019)
 Politics of Race, Immigration, and Ethnicity Consortium Conference (PRIEC) (2014, 2015, 2016, 2022, 2023)
 State Politics and Policy Conference (2013)

Additional Experience

- 2020- Co-PI Multiwave National Panel Study of COVID19 (UCLA, UNM, ASU, UNC)
 2019-2020 Project Coordinator, Democracy Fund + UCLA Nationscape Survey
 2017- Research Fellow, UCLA Latino Public Policy Institute (LPPI)
 2015- Research Assistant, Assistant Professor Justin Gest, George Mason University

2015-	Research Fellow, New American Leaders Project, NY
2014-	Research Assistant, Professor Matt Barreto, UCLA
2014	Research Consultant, New American Leaders Project, NY
2011-2013	Program and Research Associate, New American Leaders Project, NY
2011	Research Assistant for Associate Professor David Karp, Skidmore College, NY
2011	Research Assistant for Dr. Tom Gais, Rockefeller Institute, NY
2009-2011	Research Assistant for Professors Bob Turner and Patricia Ferraioli, Skidmore College, NY
2011	Research Intern for Senator Olympia Snowe (ME), Washington, D.C.

Teaching & Advising

FACULTY

SPE 487 Visualizing Data
 PP 484 Survey Research
 PP 333 Identity Politics
 PP 302 American Political Behavior
 SPE 489 Computational Tools for Social Science

WORKSHOPS

2025	“Navigating the Dissertation: From Day 1 of Classes to a Successful Defense”
2023	“Building Skills in Graduate School for Academia and Beyond”
	“The Hidden Curriculum: What You Should Learn in Grad School (But Might Not)”
	“Surveys 101: Fundamentals of Survey Research”
2022	“Preparing for the Academic Job Market”

GRADUATE INSTRUCTOR

2016-2019	Graduate Bootcamp in R Statistical Programming
2017-2019	Introduction to R
2016-	Political Science Department R Maven

GRADUATE ADVISING

Co-Chair Jessica Geiger
 Co-Chair Shawn Matiossian (Vice President, Recruitment, Live Nation)
 Member Adriana Mendoza (Associate State Director, AARP)
 Member Carrie Downey (City Councilwoman for the city of Coronado)
 Member Ryan Cummins (Orange County Department of Education)
 Member Gia Honnen-Weisdorn (Professor of Law, Pepperdine)
 Member Christopher Freeland (City Manager Indian Wells)

Member Bernard Nkem
Member Hengjiang Lin
Member Claudia Alegre (UCLA)

UNDERGRADUATE INSTRUCTOR

2019 Instructor: 1960s Cluster: Data Analysis and Research Design
2018 Instructor: Introduction to Data Analysis

UNDERGRADUATE TA

2018 TA: Political Communications. Professor Georgia Kernell
TA: Political Communications. Professor Tim Groeling
2015 TA: Introduction to American Politics. Professor Mark Smith
TA: Introduction to American Politics. Professor Megan Frances
2014 TA: Introduction to American Politics. Professor Becca Thorpe

Service

2025 Editorial board member Politics, Groups, and Identities (PGI)
Award committee APSA Psychology Best Dissertation Prize
2024 Organized / hosted PRIEC conference at CGU
2023- Co-founder CGU Political Behavior Research Lab
2022 APSA Robert Lane Best Book in Political Psychology Award Committee member (2022)
2022- CGU Qualifying exam committees (American politics, public law, and methods)
2015- Reviewer for *American Political Science Review*, *American Journal of Political Science*, *Journal of Politics*, *American Sociological Review*, *Political Behavior*, *Public Opinion Quarterly*, *Political Research Quarterly*, *American Politics Research*, *Political Science Quarterly*, *Religion and Politics*, *Politics and Gender*, *Politics, Groups, and Identities*, *Journal of Racial and Ethnic Politics*, *Journal of Experimental Political Science*, *Perspectives in Politics*, *Journal of Elections, Computational Communication Research*, *Public Opinion & Parties*, *Social Psychology and Personality Science*, *Translational Issues in Psychological Science*

Skills

R, SPSS, STATA, Python, L^AT_EX, SQLite, QGIS, GIMP
Survey design and programming (Qualtrics), Webscraping
Proficient in Spanish

References

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