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**ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

Princeton University

Assistant Professor of Politics and Public Affairs (July 2020 - present)

Postdoctoral Research Associate (July 2019 - June 2020)

**EDUCATION**

Stanford University Graduate School of Business

Ph.D. in Business Administration (Political Economics) (September 2014 - June 2019)

University of Rochester

B.A. *magna cum laude* in Economics, Political Science, and Russian Studies with minor in Mathematics (September 2010 - May 2014)

**PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATION**

Li, Zhao. 2018. "How Internal Constraints Shape Interest Group Activities: Evidence from Access-Seeking PACs." *American Political Science Review* 112(4): 792–808.

- Co-winner of the 2020 Jack Walker Award from the Political Organizations and Parties section of the American Political Science Association.

**INVITED CONTRIBUTIONS**

Li, Zhao. 2019. "Looking Inside the Black Box of Firms: A Proposal for A Research Agenda." *The Political Economist* 15(2): 17–19.

Li, Zhao. "Analyzing the Evidence: Who's Funding Google's PAC?" Forthcoming in *American Politics: Power and Purpose*, 16th edition, Theodore J. Lowi, Benjamin Ginsburg, Ken Shepsle, and Stephen Ansolabehere. New York: W.W. Norton.

Li, Zhao. Review of *Game Changer: How Dark Money and Super PACs Are Transforming U.S. Campaigns*, Henrik M. Schatzinger and Steven E. Martin, forthcoming at *Political Science Quarterly*.

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| **WORK PAPERS** | The Foreclosure Crisis and the Tea Party Movement: Evidence from Nationwide Campaign Finance and Real Estate Transactions |
| | Inferring Issue-Specific Candidate Positions from Itemized Campaign Contributions Using Supervised Machine Learning (with Adam Bonica) |
| | Economic Geography and Special Interest Entrenchment: Evidence from the Shale Boom and State Campaign Finance (with Richard DiSalvo) |
| **SELECTED WORK IN PROGRESS** | Lemons in the Political Marketplace: A Big-Data Approach to Detect 'Scam PACs' |
| **RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS** | Stanford Graduate School of Business |
| | Research Assistant for Prof. Anat Admati on Admati, Anat R. 2017. "A Skeptical View of Financialized Corporate Governance." *Journal of Economic Perspectives* 31(3): 131-50. |
| | Research Assistant for Prof. Anat Admati on her comment to the UK Parliament's Treasury Committee on bank resolution and recovery (2017) |
| **TEACHING** | As instructor |
| | Money and Influence in Policymaking (undergraduate): 2020-2021 |
| | American Politics Seminar: Money in American Politics (undergraduate): 2021 |
| | Graduate Reading Course (PhD): 2020 |
| | As course assistant |
| | Economic Analysis of Political Institutions (PhD): 2016-2018 |
| | Microeconomic Theory (PhD): 2015-2017 |
| **INVITED PRESENTATIONS** | 2020 |
| | University of California, Los Angeles |
| | "Corporate Welfare: Who Comes Out on Top" Seminar, Institute for Humane Studies and the Program in Corporate Welfare at the University of California, Irvine |
| | Interest Groups, Policy Outcomes, and Representation in U.S. Politics, Princeton University (discussant) |
| | Annual Conference on Political Institutions and Political Economy, University of Southern California (canceled due to the COVID-19 pandemic) |

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| **INVITED PRESENTATIONS (CONT'D)** | 2019 |
| | California Institute of Technology |
| | Annual Research Conference on Strategy and the Business Environment (discussant) |
| | Institute for Democratic Engagement and Accountability (IDEA), The Ohio State University |
| | 2017 |
| | Center for the Study of American Politics Summer Conference, Yale University (poster) |
| **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS** | American Political Science Association Pre-conference on Frontiers on Money in Politics Research: 2020 |
| | Annual Summer School on American Political Economy in Comparative Perspective: 2020 |
| | Annual Strategy and the Business Environment Conference: 2020 |
| | Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association: 2018-2020 |
| | Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association: 2018-2019, 2020 (cancelled due to COVID-19) |
| | Annual Meeting of the Society for Political Methodology: 2017-2018 (poster), 2019 |
| **MEDIA APPEARNACES** | Marketplace Public Radio (2020) |
| **FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS, AND HONORS** | American Political Science Association |
| |     Jack Walker Award (2020) |
| | National Science Foundation |
| |     Travel Grant for the Annual Meeting of the Society for Political Methodology (2017-2018) |
| | Stanford University |
| |     Stanford Interdisciplinary Graduate Fellowship (2017-2019) |
| | Stanford Graduate School of Business |
| |     GSB PhD Tuition Fellowship (2014-2019) |
| |     GSB PhD Stipend Fellowship (2014-2019) |

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| **FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS, AND HONORS (CONT'D)** | University of Rochester |
| | Rochester International Scholarship (2010-2014) |
| | Phi Beta Kappa (2014) |
| | Omicron Delta Epsilon (2014) |
| | James D. McGill Memorial Prize (2014) |
| | Book Award (2012) |
| | Burton Fellowship (2011) |
| **SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION** | Founding co-organizer for the American Political Science Association Pre-conference on Frontiers on Money in Politics Research (2020-2021) |
| | Manuscript referee for *American Journal of Political Science* (2019×2), *American Political Science Review* (2019, 2020×2), *Business and Politics* (2020), *Journal of Experimental Political Science* (2020), *Journal of Politics* (2019×2, 2020×2), *Oxford University Press* (2020), *Political Research Quarterly* (2019), and *Science Advances* (2019) |
| | Jack Walker Award Selection Committee for the Political Organizations and Parties of the American Political Science Association (2021) |
| | Panel chair for the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (2020) |
| | Panel discussant for the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (2020) |
| | Poster discussant for the Annual Meeting of the Society for Political Methodology (2019, 2020) |
| **SERVICE TO PRINCETON UNIVERSITY** | Co-organizer of the Political Economy Workshop (2020-2021) |
| | Senior Thesis Research Funding Committee for the Department of Politics (2020-2021) |
| | Undergraduate Academic Advising Committee for the School of Public and International Affairs (2020-2021) |
| **COMPUTATIONAL SKILLS** | R, SQLite, Stata, Matlab, Mathematica, Qualtrics |
| **REFERENCES** | Available upon request |