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Appointment

Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Technical University of Munich

Education

New York University
Ph.D. candidate, Department of Politics, 2016 – 2022
Committee: Jonathan Nagler, Joshua A. Tucker, Patrick J. Egan & Hye Young You

University of Chicago
M.B.A., 2014

Harvard University
B.A. in Economics, 2009

Publications

"Geographic Boundaries and Local Economic Conditions Matter for Views of the Economy" with James Bisbee. *Conditionally Accepted* at *Political Analysis*.

"Don't Republicans Tweet Too? Using Twitter to Assess the Consequences of Political Endorsements by Celebrities" with Cristian Vaccari, Jonathan Nagler and Joshua A. Tucker. *Perspectives on Politics*, Volume 18, Issue 1, pp. 144–160, March 2020.

"Democratic deconsolidation revisited: Young Europeans are not dissatisfied with democracy" *Research & Politics*, Volume 6, Issue 1, January 2019.

"How Many People Live in Political Bubbles on Social Media? Evidence From Linked Survey and Twitter Data" with Gregory Eady, Jonathan Nagler, Andrew Guess, and Joshua A. Tucker. *SAGE Open*, Volume 9, Issue 1, February 2019.

"The Happiness Gap in Eastern Europe" with Simeon Djankov and Elena Nikolova. *Journal of Comparative Economics*, Volume 44, Issue 1, pp. 108-124, February 2016.

Working Papers

The Limited Impact of Russia's Election Interference on Twitter in the 2016 US Election (with Gregory Eady, Tom Paskhalis, Denis Stukal, Richard Bonneau, Jonathan Nagler and Joshua A. Tucker). *Revise and Resubmit at Nature Communications*.

Group-Economic Evaluations and Measurement of Perceptions of Inequality Using Novel Survey Questions (with Suzanna Linn and Jonathan Nagler). Presented at APSA 2020.

The Divided (But Not More Predictable) Electorate: A Machine Learning Analysis of Voting in American Presidential Elections (with Seo-young Silvia Kim). *Under review.*

Programmatic Competition in the Age of Identity Politics. *Under review.*

Opinion Change and Learning in the 2016 US Presidential Election: Evidence from a Panel Survey Combined with Direct Observation of Social Media Activity (with Gregory Eady, Richard Bonneau, Jonathan Nagler, and Joshua Tucker). Presented at MPSA 2019.

Book Chapter

"Technocracy in Central/Eastern Europe and its impact on democratization," with Joshua Tucker. 2020. In Caramani D. & E. Bertsou (Eds.), *The Technocratic Challenge to Democracy*. Routledge Research on Social and Political Elites.

Conference and Workshop Presentations

2021: PolMeth Annual Meeting (virtual poster), PolMeth Europe (virtual poster),
MPSA (virtual presentation)

2020: PolMeth (virtual poster), APSA (virtual presentation)

2019: International Communication Association, APSA, MPSA, Economic Science Association,
Toronto Political Behavior Workshop (poster), NYU Abu Dhabi Winter Experimental
Social Sciences Institute

2018: MPSA, PolMeth Annual Meeting (poster)

Prior (selected): American Economic Association, Tilburg Institute for Behavioral Economics
Research, University of Zurich (Technocratic Challenge to Democracy Research Workshop)

Teaching

Technical University of Munich (2021-Present)

Technology and Psychology of Persuasion (A course in behavioral political economy)
Political Information in a Digital Era (Insurgent Politics)

New York University (Teaching Assistant, 2017-2021)

Politics Department Data Fellow
Introduction to Political Theory, TA
Inequality, Populism, and Voting, TA
Biology and Political Behavior, TA
Politics Senior Honors I & II, TA

University of Chicago, Booth School of Business (Teaching Assistant)

Big Data (A course on machine learning methods)

Harvard University (Instructor)

Experiments in Economics

Harvard University (Teaching Fellow)

Psychology and Economics
Dealing with the Global Financial Crisis
Principles of Economics
International Trade and Policy
Economics, Media and Democracy

Service

Journal of Quantitative Description: Digital Media, Member of the Editorial Board

Referee: Political Analysis, Public Opinion Quarterly, Electoral Studies, The International Journal of Press/Politics, Political Communication, European Political Science Review, Journal of Quantitative Description: Digital Media, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Kyklos, National Science Centre of Poland

Grants & Awards

Craig Newmark Fellowship (approx. $14,000)	2020-21
MacCracken Fellowship (approx. $150,000)	2016–2021

Other awards: Fellowship from the NYU Provost's Global Research Initiatives, George Downs Prize awarded in 2018 and 2019 by the NYU Department of Politics, The Center for Social and Political Behavior at NYU travel grant, NYU Dean's Travel Grant (2019), APSA Travel Grant (2018), Fama-Miller Center Research Grant at the University of Chicago, University of Chicago Booth School of Business Graduate Fellowship, Oscar Mayer Fellowship at the University of Chicago, Marshall Goldman grant, Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies at Harvard University, Research fellowship (James H. and Emily A. Stone Fund at Harvard University), Director's award for service in Governor Schwarzenegger's Office awarded by the Harvard Kennedy School, Shelby Davis Scholar, United World College Scholarship

Other Publications

Washington Post, The Monkey Cage (7)
Peterson Institute Policy Briefs (2)

Professional Experience

Teaching assistant, **New York University**	2017 – 2021
Research analyst, **Peterson Institute for International Economics**	2014 – 2016
Research assistant, **University of Chicago**	Jan. 2014 – Aug. 2014
Research affiliate, **Massachusetts Institute of Technology**	2009 – 2011
Internship, **Office of Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger**, Sacramento, CA	Summer 2006

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