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Academic Appointments

Assistant Professor of Politics and Public Affairs, Princeton University

Postdoctoral Fellow, Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions, Vanderbilt University, 2017–2018

Education

Ph.D., Political Science, Columbia University, 2017

Dissertation: “America’s Mayors: Who Serves and How Mayors Shape Policy”

Committee: Justin Phillips (Sponsor), Shigeo Hirano, Ester Fuchs, Robert Erikson, Megan Mullin

M.Phil., Political Science, Columbia University, 2014

M.A., Political Science, Columbia University, 2013

B.A., *summa cum laude*, Political Science, Temple University, 2009

Research and Teaching Interests

US State and Local Politics & Public Policy, Representation, Subnational Institutions, Public Finance

Publications

“Candidate Choice without Party Labels: New Insights from Conjoint Survey Experiments” with Alexander Coppock. 2018. *Political Behavior* 40(3):571-591.

“Is Divided Government a Cause of Legislative Delay?” with Justin Phillips. 2018. *Quarterly Journal of Political Science* 13(2):173–206.

Working Papers

“The Business of Being Mayor: Mayors and Fiscal Policy in U.S. Cities”

“America’s Mayors: Descriptive Representation in U.S. Cities”

“A Regression Discontinuity Design for Studying Divided Government” (with Justin Phillips)

“Social Class and Representation in American Cities”

Teaching Experience

Graduate Assistant, Empirical Reasoning Center, Barnard College (2015-2017)

Teaching Assistant, Quantitative Political Research, Prof. Mark Lindeman (Fall 2016)

Teaching Assistant, The American Congress, Prof. Gregory Wawro (Fall 2015)
Teaching Assistant, Labor and American Politics, Prof. Dorian Warren (Fall 2014)
Teaching Assistant, American Urban Politics, Prof. Carlos Vargas-Ramos (Spring 2014, Spring 2017)
Teaching Assistant, State Politics, Prof. Justin Phillips (Spring 2013)
Teaching Assistant, Introduction to American Politics, Prof. Justin Phillips (Fall 2012, Fall 2013)

Research Experience

Research Assistant, Prof. Justin Phillips (2013-2014)
Research Assistant, Prof. Shigeo Hirano (2012-2014)
Research Assistant, Prof. Ira Katznelson (2012)

Grants

Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant, National Science Foundation, 2017
Dissertation Development Grant, Department of Political Science, Columbia University, 2016
Dissertation Development Grant, Department of Political Science, Columbia University, 2015
Dissertation Development Grant, Department of Political Science, Columbia University, 2014

Awards & Fellowships

Susan Clarke Young Scholars Award, Urban Politics Section, American Political Science Association, 2018
Dissertation Fellowship, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Columbia University, 2015, 2016
Teaching Fellowship, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Columbia University, 2012-2015, 2016-2017
Summer Research Fellowship, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Columbia University, 2012-2016
Honorable Mention, Graduate Research Fellowship, National Science Foundation, 2012
Faculty Fellowship, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Columbia University, 2011-2012

Conference Presentations

“Social Class and Representation in American Cities.” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, September 2018
“A Regression Discontinuity Design for Studying Divided Government” with Justin Phillips. State Politics & Policy Conference, June 2018
“America’s Mayors: Descriptive Representation in U.S. Cities.” Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2018
“The Business of Being Mayor: Mayors and Fiscal Policy in U.S. Cities.” Local Political Economy Pre-Conference at Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, August 2017
“America’s Mayors: Descriptive Representation in U.S. Cities.” Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2017
“The Business of Being Mayor: Mayors and Fiscal Policy in U.S. Cities.” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, September 2016
“The Business of Being Mayor: Mayors and Fiscal Policy in U.S. Cities.” Politics and History Network Conference, June 2016
“Does Divided Government Cause Legislative Gridlock?” with Justin Phillips. State Politics & Policy Conference, May 2016
“The Business of Being Mayor: Mayors and Fiscal Policy in U.S. Cities.” Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2016
“Candidate Choice in the Presence and Absence of the Party Heuristic.” Annual Meeting of the Midwest

Political Science Association, April 2016

“The Business of Being Mayor: Mayors and Fiscal Policy in U.S. Cities.” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, September 2015

“Does Divided Government Cause Legislative Gridlock?” with Justin Phillips. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, September 2015

“Mayors and Fiscal Health.” Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2015

“Does Divided Government Cause Legislative Gridlock?” with Justin Phillips. Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2015

“The Business of Being Mayor.” Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, January 2015

Invited Talks and Presentations

“The Business of Being Mayor: Mayors and Fiscal Policy in U.S. Cities.” Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions, Vanderbilt University, September 2017

“Regression Discontinuity Designs.” Columbia Political Science Methods Workshop, December 2015

“The Business of Being Mayor.” Graduate Student Seminar, Department of Political Science, Columbia University, October 2015

“Mayors with Money.” Political Economy Breakfast, Columbia University, March 2015

“Topics in Experimental Methods: Advanced Blocking.” Political Science Methods Workshop, April 2014.

“List Experiments.” Columbia Political Science Methods Workshop, November 2013

Professional Service

Member, Conference Committee, APSA Class and Inequality Section, 2017

Co-coordinator, Political Science Graduate Student Seminar, Columbia University, 2015-2016

Manuscript Referee, *American Politics Research*, *American Journal of Political Science*, *American Political Science Review*, *Political Behavior*, *Quarterly Journal of Political Science*, *Urban Affairs Review*

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