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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

### **Book Project**

*When Business Executives Become Politicians*

In progress, this book examines business owners and executives who serve as mayor in American cities, considering why they run for office, why voters elect them, and how they shape public policy.

### **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**

“A Regression Discontinuity Design for Studying Divided Government” with Justin Phillips (accepted, *State Politics and Policy Quarterly*)

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

“Representation in American Cities: Who Runs for Mayor and Who Wins?”

“Social Class and Representation in American Cities”

“Imposing Deadlines” with Dan Alexander and Justin Phillips

“Lobbying in Divided and Unified Government” with Sebastian Thieme

## **Teaching**

State Politics and American Federalism, Department of Politics, Princeton University (Fall 2019)

Urban Politics and Policymaking, Woodrow Wilson School, Princeton University (Spring 2019)

## **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**

“Rationalist Explanations for Legislative Impasse” with Dan Alexander and Justin Phillips. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, August 2019

“Lobbying in Divided and Unified Government” with Sebastian Thieme. State Politics & Policy Conference, June 2019

“Rationalist Explanations for Legislative Impasse” with Dan Alexander and Justin Phillips, Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2019

“Social Class and Representation in American Cities.” Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2019

“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

“Representation in American Cities: Who Runs for Mayor and Who Wins?” 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

### **Departmental Service**

Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, Woodrow Wilson School, Princeton University (2018- )

### **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*, *Journal of Politics*, *Political Behavior*, *Politics, Groups, and Identities*, *Public Opinion Quarterly*, *Quarterly Journal of Political Science*, *State Politics and Policy Quarterly*, *Urban Affairs Review*