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## Academic Employment

**George Washington University**, Washington, DC

Assistant Professor, 2017 - present

**Massachusetts Institute of Technology**, Cambridge, MA

Associate Professor of Political Science (without tenure), 2016 - 2017

Assistant Professor of Political Science, 2012 - 2016

## Education

**Stanford University**, Ph.D., Political Science, 2012

Advisors: Jonathan Rodden, Simon Jackman, Barry Weingast, and David Brady

Fields: American Politics, Comparative Politics, and Political Methodology (Statistics)

**Stanford Law School**, Juris Doctorate, 2011

**Williams College**, B.A., *magna cum laude*, 2002

Majors: Economics (highest honors) and Political Science

## Research Interests

American Politics, Representation, Public Opinion, State & Local Politics, Environmental Politics and Policy, Statistical Methodology

## Research

### *Published Articles*

#### **Peer Reviewed Articles**

12. "On the Representativeness of Primary Electorates." Forthcoming. *British Journal of Political Science* (with John Sides, Chris Tausanovitch, and Lynn Vavreck)

11. "Partisan Gerrymandering and the Political Process: Effects on Roll-Call Voting and State Policies." Forthcoming. *Election Law Journal*. Symposium on Partisan Gerrymandering and the Efficiency Gap. (with Devin Caughey and Chris Tausanovitch)
10. "Geography, Uncertainty, and Polarization." Forthcoming. *Political Science Research and Methods*. (with Nolan McCarty, Jonathan Rodden, Boris Shor, and Chris Tausanovitch)
9. "Incremental Democracy: The Policy Effects of Partisan Control of State Government." Forthcoming. *Journal of Politics*. (with Devin Caughey and Yiqing Xu)
8. "Renewable energy policy design and framing influences public support in the United States." 2017. *Nature Energy*. 2(17107). (with Leah Stokes)
7. "Estimating Candidates' Political Orientation in a Polarized Congress." 2017. *Political Analysis*. 25(2). (with Chris Tausanovitch)
6. "The Dynamics of State Policy Liberalism, 1936-2014." 2016. *American Journal of Political Science*. 60(4). (with Devin Caughey)
5. "Mayoral Partisanship and Municipal Fiscal Policy." 2016. *Journal of Politics*. 78(4). (with Justin de Benedictis-Kessner).
4. "Dynamic Estimation of Latent Opinion Using a Hierarchical Group-Level IRT Model." 2015. *Political Analysis*. 23(2). (with Devin Caughey)
3. "Representation in Municipal Government." 2014. *American Political Science Review*. 108(3). (with Chris Tausanovitch)
2. "Measuring Constituent Policy Preferences in Congress, State Legislatures and Cities." 2013. *Journal of Politics*. 75(2). (with Chris Tausanovitch)
1. "How Should We Measure District-Level Public Opinion on Individual Issues?" 2012. *Journal of Politics*. 74(1). (with Jonathan Rodden)

#### **Book Chapters and Law Review Articles**

5. "Latent Constructs in Public Opinion." Forthcoming. *Oxford Handbook on Polling and Polling Methods*. R. Michael Alvarez and Lonna Atkeson, ed. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
4. "The Application of Big Data in Surveys to the Study of Elections, Public Opinion, and Representation." 2016. *Data Analytics in Social Science, Government, and Industry*. R. Michael Alvarez, ed. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
3. "The Political Economy of Expropriation and Privatization in the Oil Sector." 2012. *Oil and Governance: State-Owned Enterprises and the World Energy Supply*. David G. Victor, David Hults, and Mark Thurber, eds. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press.
2. "Democratization and Counter-majoritarian Institutions: The Role of Power and Constitutional Design In Self-Enforcing Democracy." 2012. *Comparative Constitutional Design*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. (with Susan Alberts and Barry R. Weingast).
1. "Business as Usual? Analyzing the Doctrinal Development of Environmental Standing Doctrine since 1976." 2011. *Harvard Law and Policy Review*. Volume 5.2. (with Gregory Wannier).

## *Unpublished Articles*

### **Under Review**

"Policy Preferences and Policy Change: Dynamic Responsiveness in the American States, 1936-2014" (with Devin Caughey) *Revise and resubmit at the American Political Science Review*

"Does the Ideological Proximity Between Congressional Candidates and Voters Affect Voting Decisions in Recent U.S. House Elections?" (with Chris Tausanovitch) *Revise and resubmit at Political Behavior*

"Ideology in the European Mass Public: A Dynamic Perspective" (with Devin Caughey and Tom O'Grady)

### **Works in Progress**

Book Project: "Dynamic Democracy: Citizens, Politicians, and Policymaking in the American States, 1936-2015" (with Devin Caughey)

"Responsiveness and Election Proximity in the United States Senate"

"The Effect of Changing Temperatures on State-Level Opinion About Climate Change" (with Parrish Bergquist and Susan Solomon)

"Polarization and Partisan Divergence in the American Public, 1946-2012" (with Devin Caughey and James Dunham)

"The Impact of the Partisan Composition of County Legislatures on Fiscal Policies" (with Justin de Benedictis-Kessner)

"Economic Voting in Gubernatorial Elections"

"Urban Elections and Representation" (Invited submission for the 2019 Annual Review of Political Science)

## Teaching Experience

### **Instructor:**

American Political Institutions (Graduate-level) (MIT), 2014, 2016

Public Opinion and Elections (MIT), 2016

Energy Policy (MIT), 2013

Democracy in America (MIT), 2013, 2014

Constitutional Law & Judicial Politics (MIT), 2013, 2015

Making Public Policy (MIT), 2012, 2014

### **Teaching Assistant:**

Introduction to American Law (Stanford University), 2010

Judicial Politics and Constitutional Law (Stanford University), 2009

Political Economy of Energy Policy (Stanford University), 2008

Introduction to International Relations (Stanford University), 2008

Introduction to Public Policy (Stanford University), 2007

Introduction to Econometrics (Williams College), 2002

## Invited Talks

2016-2017: University of Virginia; UCLA

2015-2016: Washington University in St. Louis; Texas A&M; Arizona State University Conference on Campaigns, Elections and Representation

2014-2015: Yale; Columbia; Duke

2013-2014: Princeton; Boston University; Rochester University

2012-2013: MIT American Politics Conference; Columbia Representation Conference; Princeton Media & Politics Conference; Annual Meeting of the Society for Political Methodology

## Grants

Jeptha H. and Emily V. Wade Award (\$59,686)

MIT Energy Institute (MITEI) Seed Grant (\$137,147)

MIT SHASS Research Fund (\$8,734)

## Awards and Honors

Award for best paper on State Politics & Policy at the 2014 American Political Science Conference.

Graduate Fellowship, Dept. of Political Science, Stanford University, 2006-2012

David A. Wells Prize in Political Economy for Best Undergraduate Economics Thesis, Williams College, 2002

Phi Beta Kappa, Williams College, 2002

## University Service

### **Massachusetts Institute of Technology:**

Member, Energy Education Task Force, 2012-

Parking and Transit Committee, 2013-

Member, Graduate Political Science Admissions Committee, 2013-2015

Faculty Fellow, Burchard Scholars, 2013-2015

**Stanford University:**

- President, Stanford Environmental Law Society, 2009-2010
- Executive Board Member, Stanford Environmental Law Society 2008-2010
- Member, University Committee on Graduate Studies, 2007-2009
- Member, University Library Committee, 2007-2008
- President, Political Science Graduate Students Association, 2007-2008

## Professional Service

**Reviewer:** American Political Science Review, American Journal of Political Science, Journal of Politics, Political Analysis, Political Behavior, Econometrica, Quarterly Journal of Political Science, Legislative Studies Quarterly, Political Research Quarterly, American Politics Research, British Journal of Political Science, Journal of Law and Courts, Public Opinion Quarterly, Political Science Research and Methods, State Politics and Policy Quarterly, Journal of Experimental Political Science

**Editorial Board,** Journal of Politics, 2017-

**Executive Committee,** Urban Politics Section of the American Political Science Association, 2015-2017

**Member,** Best Paper Committee, Urban Politics Section of the American Political Science Assoc., 2015

## Community Service

Sierra Club: National Board of Directors (2009-2015)

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