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EDUCATION

Yale University, New Haven, CT

Ph.D., Political Science, May 2025 (expected)

- Field Certifications: American Politics (with distinction), Comparative Politics, Qualitative and Historical Methods
- Resident Graduate Affiliate of Yale's Institution for Social and Policy Studies

Certificate of College Teaching Preparation, August 2023

M.Phil., Political Science, December 2021

M.A., Political Science, December 2021

Williams College, Williamstown, MA

B.A. (*cum laude*), Political Science (with highest honors), History, and Leadership Studies, June 2018

- Richard W. Krouse Prize in Political Science
- Ruchman Fellow at the Oakley Center for Humanities and Social Sciences (2017-18)

DISSERTATION

“The President’s First Moves: The Dynamics of Agenda Construction, 1968-2022”

This book-length dissertation takes up the question of how presidents determine their domestic policy priorities at the start of their terms. It advances an agency-centered perspective on agenda construction that emphasizes self-assertion over conformity to external constraints, exploring variation in how presidents leverage their agency – and examining the effects with which it operates – across nine case studies from the modern era.

- Committee: Stephen Skowronek (chair), Christina Kinane, Ian Turner

SCHOLARSHIP

Forthcoming

“Domestic Policy Prioritization in the Obama Administration: An Initial Look at Barack Obama’s Political Project.” In *Evaluating the Obama Presidency: From Transformational Goals to Governing Realities*, edited by Meena Bose and Paul Fritz. Berlin: De Gruyter.

Revised and Resubmitted

“The Case for Agency: Three Dimensions of Discretion in Presidential Agenda Construction” (at *Presidential Studies Quarterly*)

Working Papers

“Congressional Expectations of Presidential Self-Restraint” with John A. Dearborn (in development as book project)

“Institutional Interests and the American Presidency”

“Revisiting the Signing Statement”

“The President’s Publics: Societal Constructions and Policy Resonance”

In Progress

“‘It Will Drop Off the Screen Quickly’: The Unresolved Social Politics of the 1990s”

“Overreach, Not Outreach: Presidential Ambition as an Institutional Motivation”

“Self-Restraint and the American Founding”

Interests

American Politics, The Presidency, Political Leadership, American Political Development, Congress, American Political Thought, Public Policy, Qualitative and Mixed Methods

PRESENTATIONS

2024: MPSA (scheduled), Princeton’s Congress and History Conference (scheduled)

2023: APSA (panel dissolved due to labor action), MPSA, Hofstra’s Thirteenth Presidential Conference: Barack Obama, Yale’s American Politics and Public Policy Workshop

2022: APSA, MPSA, Chapman’s Presidents and Executive Politics Micro-Conference: Evaluating the Presidency in the 21st Century, Yale’s American Politics and Public Policy Workshop

2021: MPSA

2020: SPSA, Yale’s Institution for Social and Policy Studies Summer Workshop

2019: University of Texas at Austin’s Graduate Conference in Public Law, University of Michigan’s Graduate Conference in U.S. History, Yale’s Institution for Social and Policy Studies Summer Workshop

GRANTS/AWARDS

2023: Stan I. Bach Fellowship (\$50,000)

2022: O’Donnell Grant from the Scowcroft Institute at Texas A&M (\$2,500), Graduate Policy Fellowship at Yale’s Institution for Social and Policy Studies (\$5,500)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Yale University Department of Political Science

PLSC 214: The Politics of American Public Policy (Teaching Fellow: Spring 2022)

PLSC 113: Introduction to American Politics (Teaching Fellow: Fall 2021)

PLSC 205: The American Presidency (Lead Teaching Fellow: Spring 2021)

PLSC 318/597: Lincoln: Statecraft and Rhetoric (Teaching Fellow: Fall 2020)

PLSC 452: Introduction to Statistics: Political Science (Grader: Fall 2019)

Williams College Department of Political Science

PSCI 201: Power, Politics, and Democracy in America (Teaching Assistant: Fall 2016, Fall 2017)

SERVICE

University

Director – Dahl Research Scholars (2021-)

Facilitator – Yale’s Workshop in American and Comparative Political Behavior (2019-21)

Discipline

Discussant – APSA (2023, 2022), MPSA (2022), University of Texas at Austin’s Graduate Conference in Public Law (2019)

Graduate Student Representative – APSA’s Presidents and Executive Politics Executive Council (2022-)

Editorial Assistant – *American Political Science Review* (2020-22)

PUBLIC WRITING

“Impeachment and American Political Development” (with John A. Dearborn). *A House Divided*, 2019.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

2022: Four-part workshop in teaching writing to undergraduates, formal models of domestic politics course audit

2021: Critical pedagogy working group

2020: Formal models of American politics course audit

RESEARCH ASSISTANCE

Research Assistant for Stephen Skowronek, 2018-

- For various projects

Research Assistant for Ruth Bloch Rubin, 2021

- For *Divided Parties, Strong Leaders*

Research Assistant for Nuno Monteiro, 2019-20

- For *Questions in the Social Sciences*

Research Assistant for Jacob Hacker, 2019

- For *Let Them Eat Tweets*

SKILLS

Technical

R, Stata, ArcGIS, LaTeX

Languages

French (limited proficiency), Italian (limited proficiency)

REFERENCES

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