

Maggie K Martin

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Education

Stony Brook University, State University of New York , Stony Brook, NY	May 2025
Ph.D. Political Science	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Concentration: Political Psychology, American PoliticsAdvisor: Dr. Leonie Huddy	
M.A. Political Science	May 2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Advisor: Dr. Leonie Huddy	
Colgate University , Hamilton, NY	May 2019
Bachelor of Arts	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Double Major: Political Science & Psychological Sciences<i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	

Dissertation

Martin, Maggie. The Role of Masculine & Feminine Identities in American Politics.

In my dissertation research, I advance previous work by developing a refined measure of masculinity and femininity to better understand partisanship and preferences on gender-related policies. The MF Gender Identity Scale invites respondents to position themselves on a continuum from completely masculine to completely feminine, complemented by follow-up questions to assess the depth of their identification with each gender. Initial findings reveal that respondents base their gender identity not only on personal traits—similar to the Bem Sex Role Inventory—but also on factors such as gender roles, biological sex, physical attributes, and sexual orientation. My research indicated that individuals high in traditional gender identity – men who see themselves as very masculine and women who see themselves as very feminine – tend to align more with the Republican Party. I argue that this new measure of gender identity sheds light on how personal gender identity impacts political attitudes, particularly those related to gender, which are crucial for understanding broader issues of partisanship and ideology. Additionally, I extend this research to explore how this personal gender identity affects preferences for traditional versus non-traditional candidates in primary elections. My findings suggest that individuals with a strong traditional identity are more likely to support masculine candidates, particularly masculine male candidates. In this project, I also analyze how voter preferences are influenced by policy information, assessing how individual variation in gender identity plays a role.

Publications

“Men Care Too: Gender, Empathy, and Political Compassion.” (with Leonie Huddy) In *Masculinity in American Politics*, edited by Dan Cassino & Monika McDermott. New York University Press: New York.

Work in Progress

Masculinity and Voter Bias: Candidate Preferences Shaped by Traditional Gender Identity. *Working Paper*.

Defending Masculinity: On the Political Consequences of Gender Identity (with Leonie Huddy). *Working Paper*.

Report on Masculine-Feminine Gender Identity Measure Analysis of Items on ANES Pilot Study. (with Leonie Huddy). *Submitted to the ANES Board*.

Teaching Experience

Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY

Instructor of Record – Full Semester Sessions

Political Psychology: Political Science 346 (Fall 2024 & Spring 2025 Semesters)

2024 – Present

- Created syllabus for a 16-week course covering various topics in the field of political psychology, including theoretical and methodological foundations, developing political attitudes, political decision-making, experimental methods, social groups and social identities, polarization, political action, and political communication.

- Teaching 50 students in person 2 days a week in which I facilitate class discussion, lead lectures, administer exams, evaluate projects and papers, and facilitate class activities.

US Foreign Policy: Political Science 336 (Fall 2023 & Spring 2024 Semesters)

2023 – 2024

- Devised syllabus for a 16-week course covering various topics on U.S. foreign policy including theoretical approaches, the role of institutions, subject areas (terrorism, religion, and gender), regional relations, and the future of foreign policy.
- Taught 48 students in person 3 days a week in which I facilitated class discussion, led lectures, administered 2 exams, and assigned 3 papers encouraging students to integrate theory and application.

Instructor of Record – Summer / Winter Sessions

Political Psychology: Political Science 346 (Summer 2023; Summer 2024; Winter 2025)

2023 – 2024

- Devised syllabus for a 6-week summer course and 3-week winter course covering various topic on the field of political psychology, including overviews of different types of research from biopolitics, to group and politics, and media communication.
- Teach students how to design experimental studies in political science and build their familiarity with reading peer reviewed journal articles.
- Instructs 20 students in an asynchronous online format in which they watch recorded lectures, take reading quizzes based on the assignments each week, and submit a research proposal design as their final paper.

US Foreign Policy: Political Science 336

January 2023

- Devised syllabus for a 3-week winter course covering various topics on U.S. foreign policy including theoretical approaches, the role of institutions, subject areas (terrorism, religion, and gender), regional relations, and the future of foreign policy.
- Taught 14 students in an asynchronous online format in which they watched recorded lectures each day, completed 3 writing assignments and 3 exams throughout the course.

Presentations

Personal Masculine and Feminine Identities in Relation to Candidate Identity. Poster presentation at the Political Psychology Pre-Conference meeting at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA. 2024.

Personal Masculine and Feminine Identities in Relation to Candidate Identity. Paper presented at the Gender in Political Psychology Conference at Brandeis University, Waltham, MA. 2024.

Political Consequences of Gender Identity (with Leonie Huddy). Paper presented at the annual EPOVB Conference at Florida State University. 2024.

Gender Identity and Partisan Sorting (with Leonie Huddy and Lauren Palladino). Paper presented at the meeting of the Empirical Study of Gender Research Network at Cornell University, Ithaca, NY. 2023.

Gender Identity and Partisan Sorting (with Leonie Huddy and Lauren Palladino). Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Los Angeles, CA. 2023.

Gender Identity and Partisan Sorting (with Leonie Huddy and Lauren Palladino). Paper presented at the annual meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, Montreal, Canada. 2023.

Gender, Empathy, and Political Behavior (with Leonie Huddy). Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL. 2022.

Awards, Grants & Fellowships

Stony Brook Foundation Board of Trustees Dissertation Completion Endowed Fellowship (\$10,000)	Spring 2024
Frank Myers Graduate Teaching Award	Fall 2023
Faculty of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences Grant, Katherine Sawyer (\$3,500)	May 2023
Faculty of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences Grant, Leonie Huddy (\$3,500)	April 2022
Rapoport Summer Fellowship (\$4,000)	May 2021

Lee Koppelman Fellowship Year 2 (\$3000)

Fall 2021

Lee Koppelman Fellowship Year 1 (\$3000)

Fall 2020

Other Research Experience

Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY

2020 – Present

Graduate Research Assistant

- Leonie Huddy (Fall 2022, Spring 2023)
- Katherine Sawyer (Fall 2021, Spring 2022, Summer 2023)
- Yanna Krupnikov (Summer 2021)
- Hannah Nam (Fall 2020, Spring 2021)

Summer Work Study Research Assistant

- Researched and identified contact information and current job positions for alumni of the Department of Political Science at Stony Brook University, using LinkedIn and online search engines.

Park Square Executive Search, Boston, MA

2019 – 2022

Research Associate, (Full Time July 2019 – August 2020; Part-Time May 2020 - August 2021)

- Responsible for market intelligence, candidate identification, and organizational mapping across life sciences, technology, and non-profit / academia verticals.
- Research candidates and relevant companies in order to assist with business development projects across the practice to demonstrate the firm's emphasis on research and expertise to potential clients.
- Research and synthesize weekly industry updates, assist with the practice's quarterly newsletter and various projects to grow, and develop the knowledge base of the Life Sciences practice.

Mentoring

Supervising Undergraduate Research Assistant (*Fall 2023 & Spring 2024 Semesters*)

2023 - Present

- Managed a senior undergraduate student in their assistance on *Political Consequences of Gender Identity* research project.
- Instructed and reviewed written content coding and data analysis throughout the semester.

Supervising Undergraduate Research Assistant

Spring 2023

- Managed a senior undergraduate student in their assistance on *The Political Role of Gender-Linked Traits* research project.
- Instructed and reviewed data coding throughout the semester and assisted in preparation of end-of-semester presentation on her analyses from the dataset

Professional Affiliations

American Political Science Association

International Society of Political Psychology

Pi Sigma Alpha – Political Honor Society

Psi Chi – Psychology Honor Society

References

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