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Academic Appointments

2019- , Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Yale University

Faculty Fellow, Institution for Social and Policy Studies

Faculty Fellow, Center for the Study of American Politics

Co-Director, Center for the Study of Inequality (2022-)

2017-2019, Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Pennsylvania State University

2016-2017, Postdoctoral Research Associate, Department of Politics, Princeton University

2015-2016, Predoctoral Fellow, University of Pennsylvania

Education

Ph.D. Political Science, The University of Chicago, June 2016.

Dissertation: Who's on the Bench?: Political Implications of Judicial Characteristics and Judicial Selection Methods in the U.S.

★ Edward S. Corwin Award for best dissertation in the field of public law, APSA, 2017.

M.A. Political Science, The University of Chicago, 2012.

M.P.P. Rutgers University Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy, 2006.

B.A. Urban Studies, Brown University, 2002.

Peer-Reviewed Articles

““Better Too Much Than Not Enough”: The Nomination of Women of Color to the Federal Bench,” with Laura P. Moyer and Rorie Spill Solberg. 2022. *Journal of Women, Politics & Policy*: 1-13.

“Local Public Finance and Discriminatory Policing: Evidence from Traffic Stops in Missouri,” with Elliott Ash and Jeffrey Fagan. 2020. *Journal of Race, Ethnicity, and Politics* 5(3):450-480.

“Voter Response to Salient Judicial Decisions in Retention Elections.” 2019. *Law & Social Inquiry*. 44(1):170-91.

“Bias and Judging,” with Maya Sen. 2019. *Annual Review of Political Science*. 22:241-259.

Other Academic Publications

“No Justice, No Peace: Political Science Perspectives on the American Carceral State” with Hannah Walker and Laurel Eckhouse. 2020. *Journal of Race, Ethnicity, and Politics*. 5(3):427–449.

Works Under Review and in Progress

Diversity, Equity, and Injustice [Book manuscript in progress.]

“Can Racial Diversity Among Judges Affect Sentencing Outcomes?” Conditionally Accepted, *American Political Science Review*

★ Law and Courts Section Best Conference Paper Award, APSA, 2019

★ Lucius Barker Award for best paper related to race, ethnicity, and politics, MPSA, 2019.

“How Judges’ Professional Experience Impacts Case Outcomes: An Examination of Public Defenders and Criminal Sentencing,” with Maya Sen. *Invited to Revise and Resubmit*

“Registering Returning Citizens to Vote,” with Jennifer Doleac, Laurel Eckhouse, Eric Foster-Moore, Hannah Walker, and Ariel White. *Under Review*

Fellowships & Grants

Russell Sage Foundation, “Registering Re-entering Citizens to Vote,” 2021. With Jennifer Doleac, Laurel Eckhouse, Eric Foster-Moore, Hannah Walker, and Ariel White. (\$166,865)

J-PAL North America Grant, “Registering Re-entering Citizens to Vote,” 2019. With Jennifer Doleac, Laurel Eckhouse, Eric Foster-Moore, Hannah Walker, and Ariel White. (\$174,636)

J-PAL North America Pilot Grant, “Registering Re-entering Citizens to Vote,” 2019. With Jennifer Doleac, Laurel Eckhouse, Eric Foster-Moore, Hannah Walker, and Ariel White. (\$49,126.30)

MIT Election Data and Science Lab New Initiatives Grant, “Finding Families Affected by Felon Disfranchisement,” 2019. With Laurel Eckhouse, Hannah Walker, and Ariel White. (\$9,992.13)

University of Pennsylvania Predoctoral Fellowship for Excellence through Diversity, September 2015- June 2016.

University of Chicago Division of Social Sciences Research Grant, Summer 2013.

University of Chicago Center for the Study of Race, Politics and Culture Research Grant, Summer 2013.

Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models Summer Institute, June- July 2013.

Robert A. Catlin Memorial Scholarship, Rutgers University, Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy, 2005-2006.

Ozzie and Jeanne Bloustein Fellowship in Public Policy, Rutgers University, Bloustein School, 2004- 2005.

Awards

Law and Courts Section Best Conference Paper Award, APSA, 2019

Lucius Barker Award for best paper related to race, ethnicity, and politics, MPSA, 2019.

Edward S. Corwin Award for best dissertation in the field of public law, APSA, 2017.

John A. Garcia Award to support attendance at the Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research Summer Program, June- July 2012.

Conference Presentations

Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association: 2014, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020.

Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association: 2013, 2017.

Visions in Methodology: 2017.

Polmeth: 2015 (poster), 2020.

Philadelphia Region American Politics Conference: 2015.

State Politics and Policy Conference: 2013, 2018.

Invited Talks and Workshops

University of California, Berkeley, American Politics Research Workshop, November 2021; American Bar Foundation, Speaker Series, September 2021; University of Minnesota, American Politics Workshop, March 2021; Duke University, REP Speaker Series, September 2020; Princeton Policing Conference, Princeton University, November 2019; Yale Center for the Study of Race, Indigeneity, and Transnational Migration, Yale University, October 2019; Identity Politics Research Group, Columbia University, May 2019; University of California, San Diego, May 2018; American Politics Workshop, George Washington University, March 2018; Ethics and Political Science Program, Texas A & M University, September 2017; Center for the Study of American Politics, Yale University, April 2017; Center for the Study of Democratic Politics, Princeton University, April 2017

Teaching

Yale University

The Politics of HBO's "The Wire". Spring 2020, Spring 2022.

The Politics of Crime and Punishment in American Cities. Fall 2019, Summer 2020, Summer 2021.

Pennsylvania State University

The Politics of Crime and Punishment in American Cities. Spring 2019.

The Scientific Study of Politics. Spring 2018, Fall 2018.

Introduction to American National Government. Spring 2018.

Methods of Political Analysis (Graduate). Fall 2017, Fall 2018.

The University of Chicago

Political Science Bachelor's Thesis Colloquium: 2014- 2015 Academic Year.

Social Science Inquiry I: Fall 2014.

Service

Discipline: Editorial Board, *Journal of Law and Courts*, 2021-; Editorial Board, *Law & Social Inquiry*, 2020-2022; Editorial Board, *Justice System Journal*, 2019-; Section Chair, Law and Society, 2019 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association; Coordinator, Justice and Injustice Mini Conference, 2018-2021, Annual Meetings of the American Political Science Association
Yale University: Co-director, Center for the Study of Inequality, 2022- ; Chair, American Politics graduate exam committee, Spring 2022; Graduate admissions committee, 2019-2020
Pennsylvania State University: Graduate admissions committee

Reviewer: *American Journal of Political Science*; *American Political Science Review*; *Journal of Law and Courts*; *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*; *Journal of Politics*; *Journal of Race, Ethnicity, and Politics*; *Law & Social Inquiry*; *Political Research Quarterly*; *PS: Political Science & Politics*; *Quarterly Journal of Political Science*

Additional Experience

Project Manager, Initiative for Regional and Community Transformation, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ, March 2010- March 2012.

Consultant, The Estis Group, Atlanta, GA, September 2007- December 2009.

Analyst, Governor's Office of Planning and Budget, Atlanta, GA, July 2006- August 2007.

Financial Analyst, Goldman Sachs, New York, NY, July 2002- May 2004.

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