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Curriculum Vitae

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EMPLOYMENT

SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY, Assistant Professor of Political Science, August 2021-

EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, PhD, Political Science, Fall 2016–August 2021.
Dissertation: *The Strategic Construction of the Legislative Agenda: Mitigating the Risks of Party Brands*

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, Master of Arts, Political Science, Fall 2016–April 2018
Thesis: *Committees and Delegation in the US House of Representatives*

UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, Master of Science in Community and Regional Planning, 2014

UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS, B.A. *Departmental Honors* in Political Science, 2012
Minors in English and Journalism
Honors Thesis: *The Effect of Local Government Form on the Adoption of LEED Policy*

REFEREED JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

The Junior Americanist Workshop Series (JAWS), *PS: Political Science and Politics*,
Accepted for Publication November 2021. (With Zander Furnas, Christina Ladam,
Joshua McCrain, David Miller, and Rachel Porter)

Congressional Oversight and Electoral Accountability, *Journal of Theoretical Politics*,
Published Online January 2022. (With Michael Pomirchy)

Majority Party Agenda Setting: Picking Fights or Avoiding Them?, *Legislative Studies Quarterly*,
Published Online June 2021. (With Sarah A. Treul)

Place Matters: Government Capacity, Community Characteristics, and Social Capital
Across United States counties, *Journal of Public Policy*, Published Online
September 2020. (With Michele M. Hoyman, Jamie R. McCall, and Laurie E.
Paarlberg)

Majority Party Strategy and Suspension of the Rules in the House, *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, Published Online July 2020

The Electoral Consequences of Roll Call Voting: Health Care and the 2018 Election, *Political Behavior*, Published Online May 2020. (With Sarah A. Treul, Jason M. Roberts, and Will Patton)

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Does a Partisan Public Increase Democratic Stability? in *Research Handbook of Political Partisanship*, Edward Elgar Publishing. 2020. (With John Aldrich, Arvind Krishnamurthy, Nicholas Madan, Katelyn Mehling, Kristen Renberg, and Hannah Ridge)

Making the Right Bet: The Long Term Consequences of Successful Party Recruitment, in *New Directions in Congressional Politics*, Routledge Press. 2020. (With Sarah A. Treul and Maura McDonald)

WORKING PAPERS

Institutionalizing American Empire: Race, Empire, and the Creation of Territorial Delegates to Congress, 1960-1978 (with Elliot Mamet)

Inducing Polarization? The Effect of Congressional Procedure and Partisan Lawmaking on Ideal Point Estimation (with Joshua Y. Lerner)

A Bayesian Parametric Approach to Measuring Legislative Effectiveness (with Joshua Y. Lerner)

The Congressional Foundations of the Administrative Presidency

Committees and Delegation in the US House of Representatives, *Masters Thesis*

A Closer Look at Minority Views: Strategic Behavior of Minority Party Members in Committee (with Sarah A. Treul)

PRESENTATIONS

American Political Science Association Annual Conference, *Inducing Polarization: Procedural Bias in Ideal Point Estimation*, 2021

American Political Science Association Annual Conference, *Institutionalizing American Empire: Race, Empire, and the Creation of Territorial Delegates to Congress, 1960-1978*, 2021

Congress & History Annual Conference, *Inducing Polarization: Procedural Bias in Ideal Point Estimation*, 2021

Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, *A Bayesian Parametric Approach to Measuring Legislative Effectiveness*, 2021

American Political Science Association Annual Conference, *Majority Party Agenda Setting: Picking Fights or Avoiding Them?*, 2020

Southern Political Science Association Annual Conference, *Majority Party Strategy and Suspension of the Rules in the House*, 2020

Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models (EITM) Workshop Presentation, *Congressional Decisions to Restrict or Expand the Capacity of the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs*, Summer 2019

Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, *Does Government Matter in the Formation of Social Capital?*, 2019

American Political Science Association Annual Conference, *Committees and Delegation in the US House of Representatives*, 2018

Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, *Motivation, Capacity, and Legislative Delegation Decisions: Evidence from US House Committees*, 2018

Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, *A Closer Look at Minority Views: Strategic Behavior of Minority Party Members in Committee*, 2018

Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, *The Effect of Town Halls on Representation in Congress*, 2018

University of North Carolina, American Politics Research Group, *Motivation, Capacity, and Legislative Delegation Decisions: Evidence from US House Committees*, 2018

Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference Poster Presentation, *The Effect of Local Government Form on the Adoption of LEED Policy*, 2012

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY

Classes Taught:

- Political Science 2305—American Government, Fall 2021
- Political Science 5337—U.S. Congress (MA Course), Fall 2021

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT CHAPEL HILL

Classes Taught:

- Political Science 208—Political Parties and Elections, Fall 2018, Spring 2019, Spring 2020, Fall 2020
- Political Science 201—Politics of Bureaucracy, Fall 2019, Spring 2021

- Political Science 101—Introduction to State and Local Government (Online), Summer 2018

Recitation Sections led as a Graduate Teaching Assistant:

- Political Science 100—Introduction to American Government, Fall 2017 (3 Sections)
- Political Science 101—Introduction to State and Local Government, Spring 2018 (3 Sections)

Methods teaching and research consulting:

- Statistical Consultant, Odum Institute Research Hub, Fall 2018—Present
- Graduate Teaching Assistant, Data Matters Data Science Short Course, Summer 2018

UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

Tutoring Experience (University of Kansas Athletics):

- Tutored student athletes for courses in Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, and Comparative Politics

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research assistant for Mathew McCubbins; Summer 2019

Research assistant for Jason M. Roberts and Erik J. Engstrom on *The Politics of Ballot Design: How States Shape American Democracy* book project; Summer/Fall 2018

Research assistant, *Trends in State Tobacco Control Legislation*, Gillings School of Global Public Health; Fall 2016-Summer 2017

AWARDS AND HONORS

Uhlman Summer Fellowship, UNC Chapel Hill

Allan J. Cigler Academic Research Award for Undergraduate Research

Big 12 Commissioner's Honor Roll

Academic All Big 12 First Team

University of Kansas College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Honor Roll

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Duke-Northwestern Causal Inference Workshop, Duke University; Summer 2019

Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models (EITM) Summer Institute, Emory University; Summer 2019

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Referee for the *Journal of Politics*

Referee for *Legislative Studies Quarterly*

Discussant, American Political Science Association Annual Conference, *Congress and Policy Making* panel, 2020

Co-founder and Co-Organizer, Junior Americanist Workshop Series, 2020-2021

REFERENCES

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