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Education

Ph.D. Political Science, Vanderbilt University, *Currently Enrolled*

Fields: American Politics, Political Methodology

Dissertation: Big Government or Bad Government? The Politics of America's Rural Revolt

Committee: Larry M. Bartels (co-chair), Joshua D. Clinton (co-chair), Allison P. Anoll,
and Katherine J. Cramer (University of Wisconsin)

M.A. Political Science, Vanderbilt University, 2019

M.A.P. Applied Politics, The University of Akron, 2015

B.S. Political Science, Murray State University, 2013

Summa Cum Laude

Commonwealth of Kentucky Secondary Education Teaching Credential

Publications

1. 2020. "Exit Strategy: Career Concerns and Revolving Doors in Congress " (with Hye Young You). *American Political Science Review*. 114(1): 270-284.
2. *Revise and Resubmit*. "Polling Place Changes and Political Participation: The Effect of Election Administration in North Carolina Presidential Elections, 2008-2016" (with Joshua D. Clinton, Nick Eubank, and Adriane Fresh). *Political Science Research & Methods*.
3. *Revise and Resubmit*. "The Politics of Locating Polling Places: Race and Partisanship in North Carolina Election Administration, 2008-2016" (with Joshua D. Clinton, Nicholas Eubank, and Adriane Fresh). *Election Law Journal*.

Working Papers

1. "The Politics of Pain: Medicaid Expansion and the Opioid Epidemic"
2. "Look Up at That Mansion on the Hill: Does Mass Media Activate the Politics of Resentment?" (with Marc J. Trussler).

Work in Progress

1. *Big Government or Bad Government? The Politics of America's Rural Revolt* (dissertation book project).
2. "Bad Government, Not Big Government: Explaining the "Politics of Resentment" Across the US."
3. "Historical Legacies of Large Scale Government Experience: The Political Legacies of the TVA"
4. "Measuring Congressional District Population Features Across US History: 1790-2019" (with Joshua D. Clinton and Natalie N. Robbins).
5. "Perceptions of Inequality Across the Urban/Rural Divide" (with Eunji Kim).

Other Published Work

1. "Republicans face political risks on impeachment. But history shows not all is lost." *The Washington Post*. (with Jon Meacham). Dec. 18, 2019.
Media Coverage: MSNBC.

Teaching Experience

Vanderbilt University

Fall 2019 - Teaching Assistant, Presidential Leadership (UG), John Geer and Jon Meacham
August 2019 - Instructor, Math Camp (G)
Fall 2018 - Teaching Assistant, Political Strategy and Game Theory (G/UG), Alan Wiseman
Spring 2018 - Teaching Assistant, Data Science for Politics (UG), Joshua Clinton
Fall 2017 - Teaching Assistant, Statistics for Political Science I (G), Cecilia Mo
Spring 2017 - Teaching Assistant, Political Parties (UG), Marc Hetherington
Fall 2016 - Teaching Assistant, The American Presidency (UG), Sharece Thrower
August 2016 - Teaching Assistant, Math Camp (G), Brenton Kenkel and Hye Young You
Spring 2016 - Teaching Assistant, The American Presidency (UG), David Lewis

The University of Akron

Spring 2015 - Teaching Assistant, Inside the White House (UG), David Cohen
Fall 2014 - Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Government and Politics (UG), David Cohen
Spring 2014 - Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Government and Politics (UG), Daniel Coffey
Fall 2013 - Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Government and Politics (UG), David Cohen

Calloway County High School, Murray, KY

Spring 2013 - Student Teacher for courses on American Government and World Civilizations

Research Assistance

Vanderbilt University

Summer 2019 - Larry Bartels
Spring 2019 - Joshua Clinton
Spring 2019 - David Lewis
Summer 2018 - Joshua Clinton
Summer 2017 - David Lewis
Fall 2016-Spring 2017 - Marc Hetherington

The University of Akron

Spring 2015 - David Cohen
Fall 2013 - Nancy Marion

Conferences and Invited Talks

"The Affordable Care Act, the Opioid Epidemic, and the Politics of Pain." Paper presented at the 2020 MPSA Conference, Chicago, IL. April. 2020. (Scheduled)

"The Affordable Care Act, the Opioid Epidemic, and the Politics of Pain." Paper presented at the 2020 The Politics of Health Conference, Nashville, TN. April. 2020. (Scheduled)

"One Nation Buried Under Trump: The Plight of Rural America". Paper presented at the Third Presidential Legacy Conference: The Legacy and Record of Donald J. Trump, Alliance, OH. April 2, 2020. (Scheduled)

"The Affordable Care Act, the Opioid Epidemic, and the Politics of Pain." Paper presented at the 2020 SPSA Conference, San Juan, Puerto Rico. Jan. 2020.

"Look up at that Mansion on the Hill: Does the Mass Media Activate the Politics of Resentment" (with Marc J. Trussler). Paper presented at the 2019 APSA Conference, Washington, D.C., August 31, 2019.

"The Real Revolving Door: The Careers and Lobbying Activities of Federal Bureaucrats" (with Scott Limbocker and Hye Young You). Paper presented at 2018 APSA Conference, Boston, MA, August 31, 2018.

"Polling Place Changes and Political Participation in North Carolina" (with Joshua D. Clinton, Nick Eubank, and Adriane Fresh). Paper presented at 2018 MPSA Conference, Chicago, IL, April 6, 2018.

"Career Concerns of Revolving Door Lobbyists" (with Hye Young You). Paper presented at 2017 MPSA Conference, Chicago, IL, April 9, 2017.

"The Election of 1880: The Evolution of Presidential Nominations and Campaigns" (with John C. Green, Eric Davis, and Steven Theobald). 2015 James A. Garfield Symposium, Mentor, OH.

Honors and Awards

Southern Political Science Association Travel Grant -\$300, 2020.

Vanderbilt University Graduate School Conference Travel Grant - \$500, 2019

Outstanding Graduating Senior in Political Science, Murray State University, 2013.

Additional Training

Northwestern-Duke University Causal Inference Workshop, June 19-23, 2017, Chicago, IL.

Professional and Departmental Service

Co-President, Vanderbilt Political Science Graduate Student Association, Spring 2017- Spring 2019.

Graduate Student Affiliate, Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions, Vanderbilt University.

Member, Pizza and Politics Workshop, Vanderbilt University.

Member, APSA, MPSA, SPSA.

Panel Chair, MPSA (2020).

Discussant, SPSA (2020).

Referee for the *Quarterly Journal of Political Science*.

Research and Teaching Interests

American Political Institutions, Campaigns and Elections, Inequality, Interest Groups, Public Opinion, Representation.

Other Professional Experience

Voter Protection Fellow, Tennessee Democratic Party, Nashville, TN, Fall 2018.

Campaign Researcher, Jim Cooper for Congress, Nashville, TN, Summer 2015.

Fundraising Executive, Kimberly Wood and Associates, Akron, OH, Fall 2014- Summer 2015.

Intern, Jim Cooper for Congress, Nashville, TN, Summer 2014.

References

Available upon request