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Education

University of Pennsylvania August 2015–May 2021 (expected)
Ph.D. Political Science

Primary field: American Politics

Secondary field: Political Theory

Dissertation title: “Tangled Fates: Casting Racial and Economic Equality in Twentieth Century America”

Dissertation committee: Adolph Reed Jr. (chair), Rogers Smith, Marie Gottschalk, Julia Lynch

University of Puget Sound August 2006–May 2010
B.A. Politics and Government

American Politics, highest honors

Thesis: “A Breakthrough in *Brown*? The Court, Judicial Review, and the Elected Branches”

Fellowships, Grants, and Recognition

University of Pennsylvania

Andrea Mitchell Center for the Study of Democracy, graduate fellowship 2020–2021

Center for the Study of Ethnicity, Race and Immigration, research grant 2019–2020

Political Science Department summer research grant 2018, 2020

Dissertation Research Fellowship, Teece Fellowship 2019–2020

Graduate and Professional Student Assembly Travel Grant 2017

Dean’s Travel Grant 2016–2018

Benjamin Franklin Fellowship 2015–2020

Awarded as Leo S. Rowe Fellow, 2017–2018

George Mason University

Adam Smith Fellowship 2018–2019

Teaching Experience

Instructor, University of Pennsylvania

PSCI 130: Introduction to American Politics Summer 2020

Teaching Assistant, University of Pennsylvania

PSCI 237: The American Presidency Spring 2018

Professor Marie Gottschalk

PSCI 271: Classic American Constitutional Law Fall 2017

Professor Rogers Smith

PSCI 202: Public Policy Process Spring 2017

Professor Marc Meredith

PSCI 130: Introduction to American Politics Fall 2016

Professor Matt Levendusky

Teaching Recognition, University of Pennsylvania

Center for Teaching and Learning Certificate Spring 2018

Penn Prize for Excellence in Teaching by Graduate Students (finalist) Spring 2018

Research Interests

American Politics
Race and Ethnicity
Race, Class, and Inequality
Public Policy Process

American Political Development
Historical Institutionalism
Public Law and Constitutional Development

Research Experience

Research Affiliations, University of Pennsylvania

Research assistant, Mary Summers, Senior Fellow, Fox Leadership Program 2018–present
Research assistant, Professor Dawn Teele Summer 2016

University and Departmental Service

Co-coordinator, Eleventh Thesis Mini-Conference May 2019
Volunteer judge, Penn Mock Trial Program 2016–2019
Coordinator, American Politics Faculty and Student Workshop Series 2017–2018
Representative, Graduate Student Government of the School of Arts and Sciences 2017–2018
Coordinator, Political Science Graduate Student Conference 2016–2017

Working Papers

“Class, Race, and Institutionalizing Inequalities: Excluding Agricultural Workers from the New Deal”
“The Origins of the Anti-Discrimination Ideology: An Institutional Consideration of the NAACP”
“The March on Washington Movement, the Fair Employment Practices Committee, and the Long Quest for Racial Justice,” with Sidney M. Milkis

Conference Presentations

“Current Issues in Labor & Work: Precarity, Automation, and Inclusion”
American Political Science Association, Virtual Conference, September 2020
Panel chair
“Tangled Fates: Race, Labor, and the Legacy of the Fair Employment Practices Committee (FEPC)”
Western Political Science Association, Virtual Conference, May 2020
“The Politics of Intolerance,” paper presentation for panel
“Class, Race, and Institutionalizing Inequalities: Agricultural Worker Exclusions and the NLRA”
American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, August 2019
“Theorizing Structures of Domination, Challenging Modalities of Racial Exclusion,” paper presentation for panel
“Reframing the Ideology of Civil Rights: Debates over Employment Policy, 1920–1940”
Western Political Science Association, San Diego, CA, April 2019
“Dynamics of Policy Change: Institutions, Ideologies, & Outcomes,” paper presentation for panel
“Reframing the Ideology of Civil Rights: Early Twentieth Century Debates over Employment Policy”
Andrea Mitchell Center Graduate Workshop Series, Philadelphia, PA, November 2018
“Anti-Racist Political Mobilization and the Formation of Collective Identity,” paper presentation for panel

“The Origins of the Anti-Discrimination Ideology: An Institutional Consideration of the NAACP”
Western Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA, March 2018
“Ideological Construction in American Political Development,” paper presentation for panel

“Inevitable or Indelible? An Institutional Consideration of the Anti-Discrimination Agenda of Civil Rights”
Western Political Science Association, Vancouver, BC, April 2017
“Law and Social Movements,” paper presentation for panel

Conference Attendance

Liberty Fund Colloquium, Indianapolis, IN, March 2017
“Liberty and Responsibility in the Political Thought of Frederick Douglass”
Colloquium participant

Jack Miller Center Summer Institute, Philadelphia, PA, August 2016
Colloquium participant

Professional Experience

Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) March 2013–June 2015
Program associate, Office of the Executive Director
Program coordinator, Assessment of Prevention, Diagnosis, and Treatment Options

Independent Sector April 2011–February 2013
Associate, Nonprofit Strategy
Associate, Advocacy and Research

Non-Peer-Reviewed Publications

Independent Sector. “Beyond the Cause: The Art and Science of Advocacy.” 2012.
<https://independentsector.org/resource/beyond-the-cause-the-art-and-science-of-advocacy/>

Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute, Methodology Committee. “The PCORI Methodology Report.” 2013. <https://www.pcori.org/research-results/about-our-research/research-methodology/pcori-methodology-report>

References

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