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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

University of Rochester

- Associate Professor (with tenure), Dept of Political Science, July 2009-present
- Assistant Professor, Dept of Political Science, July 2002-June 2009

EDUCATION

Harvard University

- Ph.D. in Political Science, Dept of Government, Nov. 2002
- A.M. in Political Science, Dept of Government, Nov. 1997

Brown University

- A.B. in International Relations with Honors, May 1995
Graduated Magna Cum Laude (highest honor available)
- Study Abroad, Université de Genève & Institut Universitaire de Hautes Etudes Internationales (through Smith College), Geneva, Switzerland, 1993-94

PUBLICATIONS

“Selective Contestation: The Impact of Decentralization on Ethnoterritorial Party Electoral Strategy,” *Electoral Studies*, 52 (April 2018): 94-102.

“Multilevel Elections and Party Fortunes: The Electoral Impact of Decentralization in Western Europe.” *Comparative Politics*, 47.4 (July 2015): 379-98.

“Institutional Change and Ethnoterritorial Party Representation at the European Level.” in Andrew C. Gould, and Anthony M. Messina, editors. *Europe's Contending Identities: Supranationalism, Ethnoregionalism, Religion, and New Nationalism*. New York: Cambridge University Press, 2014. 100-117.

“Issue Salience, Issue Ownership, and Issue-based Vote Choice.” (co-authored with Éric Bélanger). *Electoral Studies*, 27.3 (Sept. 2008): 477-91.

Updated October 2018

Party Competition between Unequals: Strategies and Electoral Fortunes in Western Europe. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press (Cambridge Studies in Comparative Politics), 2008. *Winner of the 2010 Council for European Studies Best Book Prize, the 2009 William H. Riker Award (Best Book, Political Economy Section, APSA) and the 2009 Best Book Award (European Politics & Society Section, APSA)*

“Competition Between Unequals: The Role of Mainstream Party Strategy in Niche Party Success.” *American Political Science Review*, 99.3 (August 2005): 347-59.

Book Review of Marcus Kreuzer’s “Institutions and Innovation: Voters, Parties, and Interest Groups in the Consolidation of Democracy – France and Germany, 1870-1939,” *Comparative Political Studies*, 35.6 (August 2002): 744-48.

WORK IN PROGRESS AND PAPERS UNDER REVIEW

“How Do Niche Parties React to Policy Appeasement? The Effect of Decentralization on Regionalist Party Programmatic Strategies.”

“Transferring Power to Maintain Control: Decentralization as a National-Level Electoral Strategy in Western Europe.”

“Endogenous Institutions: The Origins of Compulsory Voting Laws.” (with Gretchen Helmke).

“Bringing Government Back to the People? The Impact of Political Decentralization on Voter Engagement in Western Europe.”

“Institutional Change as Strategy: The Role of Decentralization in Party Competition.” *Winner of the 2010 James B. Christoph Prize for the Best Conference Paper on British Politics presented by a junior faculty member, awarded by the British Politics Group.*

SELECT ACADEMIC HONORS

Grants, the Program in Empirical Policy Research, Wallis Institute, Rochester, NY, 2018 (x2),
2017, 2014, 2008, 2007, 2006

Goergen Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching, University of Rochester, 2013

James B. Christoph Prize for the Best Conference Paper on British Politics, 2010

Council for European Studies Best Book Prize, 2010

William H. Riker Prize, for best book on political economy, Pol. Economy section, APSA 2009

Best Book Award, European Politics and Society section, APSA 2009

Alternate, AAUW American Postdoctoral Research Leave Fellowship, 2006-07
Samuel H. Beer Prize for the Best Dissertation on British Politics, 2004
Honorable Mention, Best Paper on European Politics, APSA 2003
James B. Christoph Prize for Best British Politics Paper by Ph.D. Candidate at APSA, 2000
Program for the Study of Germany and Europe Dissertation Writing Fellowship, Harvard, 2000
Center for European Studies Graduate Student Affiliate, Harvard, 1998-2002
Sawyer Predoctoral Fellowship for the Performance of Democracies, Fall 1999
Krupp Foundation Fellowship for Dissertation Research, 1998-1999
National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship, 1995-1998
William Gaston Premium Scholarship for Outstanding Performance in Major, Brown U., 1995
Anne Crosby Emery Fellowship, May 1995 (declined)
Phi Beta Kappa Membership, May 1995

INVITED TALKS

University of Toronto, Political Science Department Seminar Series, February 2018
Arizona State University, School of Politics and Global Studies, January 2016
Binghamton University, Keynote Address, Han-Jyun Hou Conference, May 2013
Emory University, Political Institutions and Methodology Colloquium, March 2013
ECPR, Parties Summer School, Brussels, Belgium, September 2011
University of Wisconsin, Political Economy Speaker Series, April 2011
UCLA, Comparative Politics Workshop, June 2010
Columbia University, Seminar on Modern Europe, December 2009
University of Rochester, LLE Science and Technology Seminar, December 2008
University of Michigan, Comparative Politics Speaker Series, November 2008
Princeton University, Political Institutions and Economic Policy (PIEP) Conference, May 2008
Cornell University, Institute for European Studies, April 2008
University of Wisconsin, Madison, Politics through the Lens of Parties Conference, April 2007
University of California, Davis, Political Science Department Seminar, June 2006
University of Michigan, Challenges to Parties and Representation Conference, May 2005

University of Rochester, Wallis Institute of Political Economy Seminar, May 2004

University of Notre Dame, Kellogg Institute Lecture Series, April 2004

Harvard, Challenges to Political Parties in Europe since 1870 Conference, April 2001

Yale University, Society for Comparative Research's International Student Retreat, May 2000

SELECT CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

“How Do Niche Parties React to Policy Appeasement? The Effect of Decentralization on Regionalist Party Programmatic Strategies.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association (Chicago, IL, April 2018) and the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (San Francisco, CA, Sept 2017)

“Arena Shopping: The Effects of Decentralization on Selective Entry of Ethnoterritorial Parties in National Parliamentary Elections.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (Philadelphia, PA, Sept 2016), Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association (Chicago, IL, April 2016), the Conference of Europeanists (Paris, France, July 2015) and the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association (Chicago, IL, April 2015).

“Transferring Power to Maintain Control: Decentralization as a National-Level Electoral Strategy in Western Europe.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (Washington, DC, August 2014).

“Decentralization as a National-Level Electoral Strategy in Western Europe.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association (Chicago, IL, April 2014) and the Conference of Europeanists (Amsterdam, NL, June 2013).

“Multilevel Elections and Party Fortunes: The Electoral Impact of Decentralization in Western Europe.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (Seattle, WA, Sept. 2011) and the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association (Chicago, IL, April 2011).

Roundtable Presentation, “Citizen-Government Linkages and Representation” roundtable, Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association (Chicago, IL, April 2011).

“Institutional Change and Ethnoterritorial Party Representation at the European Level.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (Washington, DC, Sept. 2010) and the “European Identities? Regionalism, Nationalism and Religion” Conference (London, UK, Oct. 2008).

“Institutional Change as Strategy: The Role of Decentralization in Party Competition.” Presented

at the Annual Meetings of the American Political Science Association (Toronto, Canada, Sept. 2009) and the Midwest Political Science Association (Chicago, IL, April 2009). *Awarded the James B. Christoph Prize for the Best Conference Paper on British Politics, 2010.*

“Endogenous Institutions: The Origins of Compulsory Voting Laws.” Co-authored with Gretchen Helmke. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association (Chicago, IL, April 2008) and the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (Chicago, IL, Sept. 2007).

“Decentralization: An Institutional Strategy of Appeasement in Party Competition.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (Boston, MA, August 2008) and the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association (Chicago, IL, April 2008).

“Bringing Government Back to the People? The Impact of Political Decentralization on Voter Engagement in Western Europe.” Presented at the European Union Studies Association Meeting (Montreal, Canada, May 2007), the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association (Chicago, IL, April 2007), and the Joint Sessions of the European Consortium for Political Research (Edinburgh, UK, March 2003).

“Issue Salience, Issue Ownership and Issue-based Vote Choice: Evidence from Canada.” Co-authored with Éric Bélanger. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Canadian Political Science Association (London, ON, Canada, June 2005), the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association (Chicago, IL, April 2005), and the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (Chicago, IL, Sept. 2004).

“The Critical Role of Non-Proximal Parties in Electoral Competition: Evidence from France.” Presented at the Conference of Europeanists (Chicago, IL, March 2004) and the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (Philadelphia, PA, August 2003). *Awarded Honorable Mention for Best Paper in the Field of European Politics and Societies at APSA 2003*

“Competing with the Neophyte: The Role of Mainstream Party Strategy in Rising Party Success.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association (Chicago, IL, Apr. 2002) and the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (San Francisco, CA, Aug.-Sept. 2001).

“The Sub-National Effects of National-Level Strategies: The Case of Devolution in the United Kingdom.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (San Francisco, CA, Aug.-Sept. 2001).

“Stability in the Face of Change: The Strategic Role of Mainstream Political Parties in the Maintenance of Western European Political Landscapes.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (Washington, DC, Aug-Sept. 2000). *Awarded James B. Christoph Prize for best paper on British Politics presented by a graduate student at the Annual Meeting of the APSA.*

“Understanding Policy Failure: The Overlooked Role of Ethnic Credibility in Party Strategic Success.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (Washington, DC, Sept. 2000).

“The Failure of British Devolution: The Overlooked Role of Ethnic Sentiment in Party Strategic Success.” Presented at the 8th Summer School on European Parties and Party Systems (Keele University, Keele, U.K. Sept. 6-17, 1999).

“When Ethnicity Proves Insufficient: Understanding the Discrepancy in the Scottish and Welsh Votes for Devolution.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (Atlanta, GE, Sept. 1999).

PROFESSIONAL AND LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES

Appointments

Journals

Editorial Board Member, *Comparative Political Studies*, 2013-

Editorial Board Member, *Party Politics*, 2008-

Editorial Board Member, *The American Journal of Political Science*, 2014-2018

Editorial Board Member, *Acta Politica*, 2011-2018

Committees

Executive Committee Member, British Politics Group, 2018-2020

Division Co-Chair, Comparative Politics of Advanced Industrial Societies, APSA, 2018

Member, Best Paper Award Committee, Elections, Public Opinion and Voting Behavior Section of APSA, 2017

Executive Committee Member, Representation and Electoral Systems Section, APSA, 2016-

Member, Riker Best Book Prize Committee, Political Economy Section of APSA, 2015

Member, Kellogg/Notre Dame Award Committee, Midwest Political Science Assoc., 2014

Division Co-Chair, Political Organizations and Parties Section, APSA Meeting, 2013

Member, Best Dataset Award Selection Committee, Comparative Politics Section, 2013

Council Member, Political Economy Section of APSA, Sept 2010-2012

Treasurer/Secretary, Representation and Electoral Systems Section, APSA, 2007-2010

Chair, Best Book Award Selection Committee, European Politics and Society Section, 2010

Member, Haas Dissertation Fellowship Competition Selection Committee, European Union Studies Association, 2009

Member, Jack Walker Outstanding Article Prize Committee, Political Organizations and Parties Section of APSA, 2009

Member, Party Politics Award Prize Committee, Political Organizations and Parties Section of APSA, 2007

Member, Longley Award Prize Committee, Representation and Electoral Systems Section of APSA, 2007

Member of the Diversity Committee, Political Methodology Section of the American Political Science Association, 2006-07

Member, Stokes Dissertation Research Award Committee, British Politics Group, 2006

Panel Chair and Discussant at a Conference

Discussant, “New Approaches to Political Parties’ Issue Ownership” panel, American Political Science Association Annual Mtg, San Francisco, CA, 2017

Discussant, “Identity and Party Competition” panel, Kopf Conference, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ, Feb. 2017

Chair and Discussant, “Party Competition in Comparative Perspective,” panel, American Political Science Association Annual Mtg, Philadelphia, PA, 2016

Chair and Discussant, “Political Parties and Elections,” panel, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Mtg, Chicago, IL, 2016

Discussant, *Revenge of the Radical Right* Book Conference, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ, Jan. 2016

Discussant, “Party Competition in Europe: Voters, Parties and the Media” panel, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Mtg, Chicago, IL, 2015.

Discussant, “Citizen-Elite and Citizen-Policy Linkages” panel, American Political Science Association Annual Mtg, Washington, DC, 2014.

Discussant, “Issue Competition and Policy Agendas” panel, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Mtg, Chicago, IL, 2014.

Chair and Discussant, “Voter Reactions to Party Behavior” panel, American Political Science Association Annual Mtg, Chicago, IL, 2013.

Chair and Discussant, “Immigration, Labour and Welfare States: Exploring the Nexus” panel, Conference of Europeanists, Amsterdam, NL, June 2013.

Chair, “Making and Breaking Cabinets” panel, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Mtg, Chicago, IL, 2013.

Discussant, “Determinants of Radical Politics” panel, American Political Science Association Annual Mtg, Seattle, WA, 2011.

Chair, “The Politics of Rights in the UK” panel, American Political Science Association Annual Mtg, Seattle, WA, 2011.

Discussant, “Party Politics in Government” panel, American Political Science Association Annual Mtg, Washington, DC, 2010.

Discussant, Author Meets Readers Roundtable on “The Rise of Regional Authority,” Conference of Europeanists, Montreal, Canada, April 2010.

Discussant, European Parties and Representation Workshop, Syracuse University, April 2009

Chair and Discussant, “Explaining European Parties’ Policy Positioning and Electoral Support” panel, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Mtg, 2009

Discussant, “Spatial Models of European Politics” panel, American Political Science Association Annual Mtg, 2007

Discussant, “Regional Organization, Representation and Political Control” panel, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Mtg, 2007

Discussant, Conference on the Dynamics of Parties' Policy Position Taking, Binghamton University, March 2007

Chair, “Intraparty Operations” panel, American Political Science Association Annual Mtg, 2006

Discussant, “Party Strategy in Western Europe: Contemporary Challenges to Established Patterns” panel, American Political Science Association Annual Mtg, 2006

Chair and Discussant, “Parties’ Policy Dynamics in Western Europe” panel, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Mtg, 2006

Chair, “Radical Right in Comparative Perspective” panel, American Political Science Association Annual Mtg, 2005

Chair and Discussant, British Politics Panel: “The Social and Ideological Bases of Party Support,” American Political Science Association Annual Mtg, 2005

Chair and Discussant, “Voter Behavior in Comparative Perspective” panel, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Mtg, 2005

Discussant, “Subnational Party Politics” panel, American Political Science Association Annual Mtg, 2004

Discussant, British Politics Group Panel: “The Second Post-Devolution Regional Elections and British Identity,” American Political Science Association Annual Mtg, 2003

Discussant, Conference on Losers’ Consent: Elections and Democratic Legitimacy, Democratic Performance Conference, SUNY Binghamton, Oct. 2002

Discussant, “Contextual Politics of Regional Nationalism in Western Europe from a Comp. Perspective” panel, American Political Science Association Annual Mtg, 2002

Anonymous Reviewer

Acta Politica; American Journal of Political Science; American Political Science Review; British Journal of Political Science; Comparative Political Studies; Comparative Politics; Electoral Studies; Environmental Politics; European Journal of Political Research; Journal of Elections, Public Opinion and Parties; Journal of Politics; Journal of Theoretical Politics; Legislative Studies Quarterly; Nationalism & Ethnic Politics; National Science Foundation grants; Party Politics; Perspectives on Politics; Political Behavior; Political Research Quarterly; Political Science Research and Methods; Political Studies; Public Choice; Public Opinion Quarterly; Regional and Federal Studies; Social Science Quarterly; Swiss Political Science Review; West European Politics; World Politics.

University and Department Service

Director of Undergraduate Outreach, Univ. of Rochester, 2016-2018
Undergraduate Major Advisor, Univ. of Rochester, 2002-06, 2007-09, 2010, 2012-13, 2016-18
Chair, PSC Undergraduate Curriculum Reform Committee, Univ. of Rochester, 2015-16
Member, Undergraduate Honors Committee, University of Rochester, 2015-16
Chair, Graduate Admissions Committee, University of Rochester, 2014-15
Member, Discover Grant (undergrad research) Review Committee, Univ. of Rochester, 2014-
Member, CPE Faculty Search Committee, University of Rochester, 2013
Chair, Undergraduate Honors Committee, University of Rochester, 2012-13
Member, Department Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, 2012-13
Undergraduate Major Advisor, University of Rochester, 2002-06, 2007-09, 2010, 2012-13
Chair, Comparative Politics Faculty Search Committee, University of Rochester, 2010-12
Organizer, Comparative Politics Workshop, University of Rochester, 2010-2012
Comparative Politics Faculty Search Committee, University of Rochester, 2009-2010
Graduate Admissions Committee, University of Rochester, 2008-09
International Field Research Grant Selection Committee, University of Rochester, 2009
Thesis Advisor, Take Five Scholars Program, University of Rochester, 2008-09
International Relations Major Committee, University of Rochester, 2007-08
Senior Honors Thesis Advisor, University of Rochester, 2007-08
Beinecke Scholarship Selection Committee, University of Rochester, 2006
Chair, Undergraduate Honors Committee, University of Rochester, 2005-06
Senior Honors Thesis Advisor, University of Rochester, 2005-06
Co-organizer, Riker Seminar Series, University of Rochester, 2004-05
Graduate Admissions Committee, University of Rochester, 2003-04
European Studies Major Committee, University of Rochester, 2003-04
Co-Chairperson, British Study Group, Center for European Studies, Harvard Univ., 2001-02
Graduate Student Representative, Center for European Studies, Harvard University, 2000-02

COURSES TAUGHT

Department of Political Science, University of Rochester

Undergraduate Courses:

- Comparative Political Parties – Spring 2018, Fall 2016, Spring 2016, Fall 2013, Fall 2012, Fall 2011, Spring 2011, Fall 2007, Fall 2005, Spring 2005, Spring 2004, Fall 2002
- Ethnic Politics – Spring 2011
- Identity, Ethnicity and Nationalism – Fall 2018, Fall 2017, Fall 2015, Fall 2014, Spring 2013, Spring 2010, Spring 2009, Spring 2006, Spring 2005
- Introduction to Comparative Politics – Fall 2018, Fall 2017, Fall 2016, Fall 2015, Fall 2014, Fall 2013, Fall 2012, Fall 2011, Fall 2010, Fall 2008, Fall 2007, Fall 2005, Fall 2004, Spring 2004, Spring 2003

Graduate Courses:

- Western European Politics – Fall 2004, Spring 2003
- Comparative Parties and Elections – Spring 2017, Spring 2015, Fall 2012, Spring 2010, Spring 2008, Spring 2006

Department of Government, Harvard University

- Comparative Party Politics – Spring 2002, Fall 1999