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## Academic Appointments

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Assistant Teaching Professor *September 2017-*  
Department of Politics, Drexel University *August 2018*

Visiting Scholar *September 2016-*  
Department of Government & Politics, University of Maryland, College Park *August 2017*

## Education

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Ph.D. Political Science, University of California, Davis *June 2017*

*Major Fields:* American Politics & Political Methodology

*Dissertation:* “Taking Shortcuts? Assessing Whether and How Citizens Use Heuristics to Evaluate and Elect U.S. Senators and U.S. Senate Candidates”

*Committee:* Erik J. Engstrom (Chair),  
Frances E. Lee (University of Maryland, College Park),  
Cheryl Boudreau, and James F. Adams

M.A. Political Science, University of California, Davis *March 2015*

B.A. Political Science, Vanderbilt University *May 2008*

## Peer-Reviewed Publications

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“Yea or Nay: Do Legislators Benefit by Voting Against their Party?” Forthcoming. *Legislative Studies Quarterly*.

“Balancing Act? Testing a Theory of Split-Party U.S. Senate Delegations.” 2015. *Electoral Studies* 38(1): 19-27.

# Current Research

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## Working Papers

- “Does Candidate Gender Affect Vote Choice? Evidence from U.S. Senate Election Exit Polls, 1990-2012”
- “Female Employment and the Gender Voting Gap,” with Chitrlekha Basu
- “Working Both Sides of the Aisle? Senate Delegations and the Distribution of Federal Funds,” with James M. Curry

## Research in Progress

- “Determinants of the Personal Vote in US House Elections, 1980-2016” with Adam F. Cayton
- “Does Party Meeting Attendance Increase Party Loyalty? Evidence from the U.S. House Republican Conference,” with Adam M. Dynes
- “Do Women Support More Liberal Candidates than Men? Examining the Gender Gap in Presidential Primary Elections, 1984-2012”
- “The Role of Candidate Gender in State Legislative Elections,” with Lynda W. Powell, Jacque Gao, and Maria Silfa
- “We Changed our Minds: How Donald Trump Changed Preferences on Free Trade Among Mass Partisans,” with Kristin N. Garrett and Timothy W. Taylor

# Awards & Fellowships

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Merk Family Distinguished Prospectus Award, UC-Davis Department of Political Science (\$4,000)	<i>Summer 2015</i>
Faculty-Student Research Fellowship with Erik J. Engstrom and Robert Huckfeldt, UC-Davis Department of Political Science (\$4,000)	<i>Summer 2012</i>
Political Science Department Fellowship, UC-Davis (\$4,000)	<i>Fall 2011</i>

# Conference Participation

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- **Annual Meetings of the American Political Science Association**
  - Presented: 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018
  - Panel Chair: 2016 and 2017
  - Panel Discussant: 2016 and 2017
  - Organizer of Accepted Full Panel Proposal: 2016 (x2), 2017, and 2018 (x2)
  - Non-Participating Organizer of Accepted Author Meets Critics Roundtable: 2017 (*Insecure Majorities: Congress and the Perpetual Campaign*, by Frances E. Lee)

- **Annual Meetings of the Midwest Political Science Association**
  - Presented: 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, and 2019 (scheduled)
  - Panel Chair: 2015, 2016, and 2017
  - Panel Discussant: 2016, 2017, 2018, and 2019 (scheduled)
  - Non-Participating Organizer of Accepted Author Meets Critics Roundtable: 2019 (*Electoral Incentives in Congress*, by Jamie L. Carson and Joel Sievert)
- **Annual Meetings of the Southern Political Science Association**
  - Presented: 2014
  - Panel Discussant: 2018
- **Annual Meetings of the Western Political Science Association**
  - Presented: 2016

## Research Experience

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Research Assistant, Erik J. Engstrom, Summer 2013 & Summer 2014

## Teaching Experience

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Assistant Teaching Professor, Drexel University, 2017-2018

- Introduction to American Politics (Fall 2017, Winter 2018, Spring 2018, and Summer 2018)
- Elections, Public Opinion, and Voting Behavior (Spring 2018)
- The U.S. Presidency (Winter 2018)
- United States Congress (Fall 2017)

Instructor, University of California, Davis, 2016

- Introduction to American Politics (Summer 2016)

## Professional Service & Memberships

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Reviewer: *American Politics Research*, *Legislative Studies Quarterly*,  
*Political Science Research & Methods*, *SAGE Open*

Graduate Student Peer Mentor, Department of Political Science, UC-Davis 2012-17

Member, American Political Science Association 2011-Present

Member, American Political Science Association LGBT Caucus 2011-Present

Member, Midwest Political Science Association 2013-Present

Member, Southern Political Science Association 2014-Present

Member, Western Political Science Association 2015-Present

## Computing Skills

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R, Stata, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Qualtrics, MTurk

# References

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