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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Saint Michael's College Assistant Professor of Political Science Affiliated Faculty in the Criminology Program	<i>August 2020 - present</i> Colchester, VT
University of California, Davis Associate Instructor of Political Science	<i>January 2018-June 2020</i> Davis, CA

EDUCATION

University of California, Davis Ph.D. in Political Science	<i>June 2020</i>
University of California, Davis M.A. in Political Science	<i>June 2017</i>
Weber State University B.S. in Political Science, <i>summa cum laude</i> University and Departmental Honors, English minor	<i>April 2014</i>

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Policing policy, state & local politics, public opinion, political psychology, experimental methods

PUBLICATIONS

“Police Violence and Public Opinion after George Floyd: How the Black Lives Matter Movement and Endorsements Affect Support for Reforms.” with Cheryl Boudreau & Scott A. MacKenzie. Forthcoming at *Political Research Quarterly*.

“Police Violence and Public Perceptions: An Experimental Study of How Information and Endorsements Affect Support for Law Enforcement.” with Cheryl Boudreau & Scott A. MacKenzie. 2019. *The Journal of Politics*. 81(3): 1101-1110.

RESEARCH UNDER REVIEW

“Unworthy Victims and Threatening Adversaries: Islam, Muslims, and United States Foreign Policy” with Evan W. Sandlin

“Assessing Public Policies to Facilitate COVID-19 Vaccination in Partisan America” with Carlos A. Algara (*Featured in The Monkey Cage blog at The Washington Post*)

WORKING PAPERS & ONGOING PROJECTS

“Partisanship and Public Perceptions of the Police” with Cheryl Boudreau & Scott A. MacKenzie

“Polarized Pandemic Politics: How Endorsements & Attributes Affect the Likelihood of COVID-19 Vaccination in the U.S.” with Carlos A. Algara

“Lotteries and COVID-19 Vaccination Rates.” with Carlos A. Algara, Samuel J. Fuller, and Sara Kazemian.

“Israel, Palestine, and U.S. Public Opinion.” with Evan W. Sandlin

“Public Opinion of Local Redirect Policies and Police Funding.” with Cheryl Boudreau & Scott A. MacKenzie

“Crisis and Confidence: An Experiment on Public Opinion and Officer-involved Shootings”

PUBLIC SCHOLARSHIP

[“As Little As \\$20 in Cash Might Persuade The Reluctant to Get Vaccinated, Our Research Shows.”](#) with Carlos Algara. 2021. *Washington Post*: Monkey Cage blog.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Saint Michael’s College

August 2020 - present

- Intro to American National Politics, Politics of Cities, U.S. Constitutional Law: Government Power, U.S. Constitutional Law: Rights & Liberties, Law & Social Change, Criminal Justice

University of California, Davis

January 2018 - June 2020

- American National Government, Urban Public Policy

Center for Educational Effectiveness Summer Workshop Series

Summer 2015

Workshop Participant

Davis, CA

- Six-week interactive series in which course design using the backward design model, focusing on learner-centered teaching, was examined.

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION & INVITED TALKS

“Police Violence and Public Opinion after George Floyd: How the Black Lives Matter Movement and Endorsements Affect Support for Reforms.” with Cheryl Boudreau & Scott A. MacKenzie. Presented at the **University of California Center Sacramento**, October 2021.

“Policing and Politics: An Experimental Examination of the Political Effects of Officer-involved Shootings.” Presented at the **Experimental Political Science Workshop** in the Department of Political Science at the University of California, Davis, October 2019.

“Police Violence and Public Perceptions: An Experimental Study of How Local Law Endorsements Affect Support for Black and White Candidates” with Cheryl Boudreau & Scott A. MacKenzie. Presented at the **Politics of Policing Virtual Conference**, sponsored by the Conflict Consortium’s Virtual Workshop series, January 2019.

“Police Violence and Public Perceptions: An Experimental Study of How Local Law Endorsements Affect Support for Black and White Candidates” with Cheryl Boudreau & Scott A. MacKenzie. Presented at the **Race & Law Enforcement Symposium at the University of Southern California**, October 2018.

“2014 Legislative Agenda Issues” Polling data presented on behalf of the Olene S. Walker Institute for Politics and Public Service at the **Utah Legislative Policy Summit**, January 2014.

Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association 2021, 2019, 2017

Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association 2021, 2020*, 2018

*Canceled due to COVID-19

Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association 2019, 2017

AWARDS, GRANTS, & HONORS

Faculty-Student Collaborative Summer Research Award with Scott MacKenzie Summer 2017
\$5,000

UC Davis, Department of Political Science

Summer Methods Training Grant for Annual Political Networks Conference June 2017
\$1,000

UC Davis, Department of Political Science

Outstanding Graduate April 2014

Weber State University, College of Social & Behavioral Sciences

Outstanding Graduate April 2014

Weber State University, Department of Political Science

Outstanding Academic Achievement April 2014

Weber State University, Department of Political Science

Outstanding Ralph Nye Senior April 2014

Weber State University, Honors Program

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

College

Secretary September 2020 - present
Colchester, VT
SMC Chapter of American Association of University Professors

Steering Committee Member September 2020 - present
Colchester, VT
Criminology Program

Coordinator of Annual Constitution Day Programming September 2020 - present
Colchester, VT
Saint Michael's College

Interim Pre-Law Advisor March 2021 - present
Colchester, VT
Saint Michael's College

Faculty Development Committee Member July 2021 - present
Colchester, VT
Saint Michael's College

Course and Peer Evaluation Committee Member
Saint Michael's College

August 2021 - present
Colchester, VT

Department
Dual Enrollment Coordinator
Saint Michael's College

June 2021 - present
Colchester, VT

Discipline
Reviewer
American Political Science Review, The Journal of Politics, Political Behavior

Ongoing

Conference Panel Chair/Discussant
MPSA (2021)

Recurring

CERTIFICATIONS & PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative valid until:
Social & Behavioral Research - Basic/Refresher IRB Certification October 2023

American Political Science Association
Section Member: Civic Engagement - Experimental Research - Race, Ethnicity, and Politics -
State Politics & Policy - Urban & Local Politics

Midwest Political Science Association

American Association of University Professors

Pi Sigma Alpha & Phi Kappa Phi Honor Societies

SKILLS

Languages: Bulgarian (conversational fluency), English (native language)

Programming: R, Stata, z-Tree, Qualtrics, L^AT_EX

REFERENCES

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