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Employment

The Ohio State University

Assistant Professor, 2024 -

Stanford Graduate School of Business

Postdoctoral Scholar, 2023-2024

Princeton University

CSDP Postdoctoral Research Associate, 2022-2023

Education

University of Rochester

Ph.D., Political Science, 2022

M.A., Political Science, 2020

University of Pennsylvania

B.A., Economics, 2013

Research

Publications

“Motivated Corporate Political Action: Using an SEC Experiment” with Mary Kroeger
(*The Journal of Politics*, 2023)

Book Project

Modern Federalism: How States Navigate and Shape Federal Directives with Mary Kroeger (In Progress)

Working Papers

“Do Incumbents Still Enjoy a Financial Advantage? How Individuals Ceased to Advantage Incumbents While Corporate America Continues to Favor Them” with Andrew C. W. Myers, Alexander Fournaies, and Andrew B. Hall (R&R, *American Political Science Review*)

“Partisan Commenting: Evidence from State Government Involvement in Rulemaking” with Mary Kroeger

“How Crisis Reshapes Government Talent” with Jacob R. Brown and Hunter E. Rendleman

“Legislators, Rulemaking, and Campaign Contributions”

Works in Progress

“Bureaucrats on Boards” with Benjamin C.K. Egerod, Michael Mueller, and Jan Stuckatz

“How Staffers’ Work Experience Shapes Legislative Priorities and Outcomes” with Hunter E. Rendleman

Teaching Experience

THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

The American Presidency (Undergraduate), Fall 2024

Quantitative Political Analysis II (Graduate), Spring 2025-2026

Business-Government Relations (Undergraduate), Spring 2026

UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER

Introduction to American Politics, Summer 2020

Invited Talks/Conferences

UNC-Chapel Hill American Politics Research Group (2025); UC Berkeley American Politics Research Workshop (2025); CBS-Princeton Money in Politics Conference (2025); UCSD American Politics Conference (2025); Washington University in St. Louis American Politics Conference (2023); Money in Politics APSA Pre-Conference (2021)

Academic Service

Section Head, Presidency & Executive Politics, Midwest Political Science Association Conference 2024

Organizer, Interest Group Politics Conference, Princeton University, 2023

Non-Academic Employment

Budget Analyst, NYC Office of Management and Budget, New York, NY, March 2015 - July 2016

Legal Assistant, Milbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCloy LLP, New York, NY, June 2013 - March 2015