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Areas of Specialization: Democratic Theory, Deliberative Politics, Applied Philosophy of Social Science
Areas of Competence: General Political Theory, Public Opinion, Political Psychology, Race Politics
Tertiary Interests: Politics & the Arts, Legislative Studies, Health Politics, Networks, Politics & Technology
Languages: French (Reading); German (Reading)

EDUCATION

2000	Ph.D.	University of Chicago	Political Science
1996	M.A.	University of Chicago	Political Science
1991	B.A.	Northwestern University	Philosophy & Mathematical Methods in the Social Sciences (MMSS)

POSITIONS

July 2026	Ann & Darrell Dreher Chair in Political Communication & Policy Thinking (<i>Pending Board Approval</i>)	
2022 — Present	Arts & Sciences Alumni Endowed Professor of Political Science Professor (by courtesy) of Philosophy Professor (by courtesy) of Communication Professor (by courtesy) of Public Affairs	The Ohio State University
2020 — Present	Director, Institute for Democratic Engagement & Accountability	
2019 — 2022	Professor of Political Science	
2011 — 2019	Associate Professor of Political Science	
2003 — 2011	Assistant Professor of Political Science	
2001 — 2003	Robert Wood Johnson Scholar in Health Policy Research	University of Michigan
2000 — 2001	Visiting Assistant Professor of Ethics, Politics, & Economics	Yale University
2022 — Present	Visiting Professor (Summers)	University of Siena
2012 — 2014	Visiting Scholar, Institute for Policy Research	Northwestern University

HONORS & AWARDS

2025 Distinguished Scholar Award	The Ohio State University
2022 Distinguished Service Award	Evans Scholars Foundation
2021 Community Engaged Scholar Award	The Ohio State University
2020 Andrew Carnegie Fellowship	The Carnegie Corporation
2020 Joan Huber Faculty Fellowship	The Ohio State University
2019 Best Book Award (Honorable Mention)	APSA Experimental Research Section
2018 Distinguished Advising Award	Evans Scholars Foundation
2013 Best Paper Award	APSA Political Networks Section
2011 Heinz Eulau Award for Best Paper in the APSR	American Political Science Association
2009 Distinguished Teaching Award (Semi-Finalist)	The Ohio State University
2002 Roberta Sigel Award	International Society for Political Psychology
2001 Scholar in Health Policy Research	Robert Wood Johnson Foundation
1999 Research Fellowship	Mellon Foundation
1998 Grodzins Teaching Prize	University of Chicago
1996 Dissertation Fellowship	National Science Foundation
1994 Century Fellowship	University of Chicago
1991 Scholar of the Year	Evans Scholars Foundation

PUBLICATIONS

Books

2018 **Neblo, Michael A.**, Kevin M. Esterling, and David MJ Lazer. *Politics with the People: Building a Directly Representative Democracy*. Cambridge University Press.

- *American Academy of Arts and Sciences (AAAS) Democratic Citizenship Commission Best Practice*
- Included in Orientation for New Members of Congress, 2019, 2021
- Featured in Hearing before the House Select Committee on the Modernization of Congress 2019
- Best Book Award, APSA Experimental Research Section 2019 (Honorable Mention)
- *Perspectives on Politics*, “Critical Dialogue,” 2019, Review by James Fishkin with a Reply.
- *Kirkus Review*

2015 **Neblo, Michael A.** *Deliberative Democracy Between Theory and Practice*. Cambridge University Press.

- Reviewed in: *Ethics*, *Perspectives on Politics*, and *Contemporary Political Theory*
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Articles & Chapters (* Peer Reviewed)

Scudder, Mary, and **Michael Neblo**. "Political Animals with Two Ears and One Mouth: Listening in (Deliberative) Democratic Politics." *Political Communication* (2025) 32:3.

Neblo, Michael A., and Euchan Jang. "Citizen Capacity for Democracy." In *Handbook of Innovations in Political Psychology*, pp. 138-156. Edward Elgar Publishing, (2025).*

Rubineau, Brian, Shinwon Noh, **Michael A. Neblo**, and David MJ Lazer. "Pathways of Peer Influence on Major Choice." *Social Forces* 102:3 (2024): 1089-1110.*

Minozzi, William, Ryan Kennedy, Kevin M. Esterling, **Michael A. Neblo**, and Ryan Jewell. "Testing the Benefits of Public Deliberation." *American Journal of Political Science* 68:1 (2024): 319-334.*

Alnemr, Nardine, Selen A. Ercan, Nick Vlahos, John S. Dryzek, Andrew Leigh, and **Michael Neblo**. "Advancing Deliberative Reform in a Parliamentary System: Prospects for Recursive Representation." *European Political Science Review* 16:2 (2024): 242-259.*

Neblo, Michael A. & Avery White. "Varieties of Citizen Engagement in Deliberation about Biotechnology." *The American Journal of Bioethics* 23:12 (2023): 90-92.

Kingzette, Jon and **Michael Neblo**. "Deliberative Field Experiments." In *Research Methods in Deliberative Democracy*. United Kingdom: Oxford University Press, (2022).*

Neblo, Michael, and Avery White. "The Digital Citizen." *Science* 377:6601 (2022): 38-38.

Richards Jr, Robert C., and **Michael A. Neblo**. "Active Is as Active Does: Deliberative and Non-deliberative Political Communication in Context." *Journal of Deliberative Democracy* 18:2 (2022).*

Esterling, Kevin M., William Minozzi, and **Michael A. Neblo**. "Does Familiarity Breed Esteem? A Field Experiment on Emergent Attitudes Toward Members of Congress." *Political Research Quarterly* 76:1 (2023): 173-185.*

Kielty Abigail, Amy Lee, and **Michael A. Neblo**. "Connecting to Congress During COVID-19: Political Representation and Two-Way Crisis Communication." *Digital Government: Research and Practice* 3:2 (2022).*

Neblo, Michael A., and Jeremy L. Wallace. "A Plague on Politics? The COVID Crisis, Expertise, and the Future of Legitimation." *American Political Science Review* 115:4 (2021): 1524-1529.*

White, Avery, and **Michael Neblo**. "Capturing the Public: Beyond Technocracy & Populism in the US Administrative State." *Daedalus: The Journal of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences* (2021): 172.

Neblo, Michael A. "Deliberating Online: The Unique Value of Common Ground for Action." *The Kettering Review* (2021).

Kennedy, Ryan, Anand E. Sokhey, Claire Abernathy, Kevin M. Esterling, David MJ Lazer, Amy Lee, William Minozzi, and **Michael A. Neblo**. "Demographics and (Equal?) Voice: Assessing Participation in Online Deliberative Sessions." *Political Studies* 69:1 (2021): 66-88.*

Neblo, Michael A. "Impassioned Democracy: The Roles of Emotion in Deliberative Theory." *American Political Science Review* 114:3 (2020): 923-927.*

Kingzette, Jon, and **Michael A. Neblo**. “The Civic Culture(s): Groups, Norms, and the Health of Democracy.” *Journal of Race, Ethnicity, and Politics* (2020): 1-13.*

Adashi, Eli Y., Michael M. Burgess, Simon Burall, I. Glenn Cohen, Leonard M. Fleck, John Harris, **Michael Neblo** et al. “Heritable Human Genome Editing: The Public Engagement Imperative.” *The CRISPR Journal* 3:6 (2020): 434-439.*

Neblo, Michael A., and Emily Ann Israelson. “A Humble Form of Government: Democracy as the Politics of Collective Experience.” In *The Routledge Handbook of Philosophy of Humility*, 129-138. Routledge, (2020).

Green, Jon, Emily Ann Israelson, Abigail Kieilty, Jonathon Kingzette, and **Michael Neblo**. “Civility in the 2018 Ohio Midterm Elections.” In *Civility in the U.S. Senate Debates*. Tucson, AZ: National Institute for Civil Discourse, (2020).

Minozzi, William, Hyunjin Song, David MJ Lazer, **Michael A. Neblo**, and Katherine Ognyanova. “The Incidental Pundit: Who Talks Politics with Whom, and Why?” *American Journal of Political Science* 64:1 (2020): 135-151.*

Abernathy, Claire, Kevin M. Esterling, Justin Freebourn, Ryan Kennedy, William Minozzi, **Michael A. Neblo**, and Jonathan A. Solis. “Constituent Communication through Telephone Town Halls: A Field Experiment Involving Members of Congress.” *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 44:4 (2019): 617-646.*

Neblo, Michael, Kevin Esterling, and David Lazer. “Critical Dialogue: Reply to Fishkin’s Review of *Politics with the People*.” *Perspectives on Politics*, 17:2 (2019): 27-531.

Dryzek, John, André Bächtiger, Simone Chambers, Joshua Cohen, James Druckman, Andrea Felicetti, James Fishkin, **Michael Neblo**, et al. “The Crisis of Democracy and the Science of Deliberation.” *Science* 363:6432 (2019): 1144-1146.*

Rubineau, Brian, Yisook Lim, and **Michael Neblo**. “Low Status Rejection: How Status Hierarchies Influence Negative Tie Formation.” *Social Networks* 56 (2019): 33-44.*

Neblo, Michael A. “Connecting to Congress.” *Connections: The Annual Journal of the Kettering Foundation* (2019).

Green, Jon, Jon Kingzette, and **Michael Neblo**. “Deliberative Democratic Decision-Making.” In *The Oxford Encyclopedia of Political Decision Making*. Oxford University Press (2019).

Neblo, Michael and Avery White. “Politics in Translation: Communication Between Sites of the Deliberative System.” In *The Oxford Handbook of Deliberative Democracy*. Oxford University Press (2018).

Neblo, M., W. Minozzi, K. Esterling, J. Kingzette, J. Green, and D. Lazer. “The Need for a Translational Science of Democracy.” *Science*, 355:6328 (2017): 914-915.*

Minozzi, William, **Michael Neblo**, Kevin Esterling, and David Lazer. “Field Experiment Evidence of Substantive, Attributional, and Behavioral Persuasion by Members of Congress in Online Town Halls.” *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* 112:13 (2017): 3937-3942.*

Lazer, David, Anand Sokhey, Kevin Esterling, Ryan Kennedy, and **Michael Neblo**. “Expanding the Conversation: Multiplier Effects from a Deliberative Field Experiment.” *Political Communication* 32:4 (2015): 552-573.

Neblo, Michael A. “Reform Pluralism as Political Theology and Democratic Technology.” *Election Law Journal* 13:4 (2014): 526-533.

Esterling, Kevin M., David MJ Lazer, and **Michael A. Neblo**. "Connecting to Constituents: The Diffusion of Representation Practices among Congressional Websites." *Political Research Quarterly* 66:1 (2013): 102-114.

Goold, Susan Dorr, **Michael A. Neblo**, Scott Kim, Raymond DeVries, Gene Rowe, and Peter Muhlberger. "What is Good Public Deliberation?" *Hastings Center Report* 42:2 (2012).

Neblo, Michael A. "Deliberation's Legitimation Crisis." *Critical Review* 23:3 (2012): 405-419.

Lazer, David, **Michael Neblo**, Ines Mergel, Curt Ziniel, and Kevin Esterling. "The Multiple Institutional Logics of Innovation." *International Public Management Journal* 14:3 (2011): 311-340.

Esterling, Kevin, **Michael Neblo**, and David Lazer. "Representative Communication: Website Interactivity & Distributional Path Dependence in the U.S. Congress." *Political Communication* 28:4 (2011): 409-439.

Esterling, Kevin, **Michael Neblo**, and David Lazer. "Estimating Treatment Effects in the Presence of Selection on Unobservables: The Generalized Endogenous Treatment Model." *Political Analysis* 19:2 (2011): 205-226.

Esterling, Kevin, **Michael Neblo**, and David Lazer. "Means, Motive, and Opportunity in Becoming Informed about Politics: A Deliberative Field Experiment Involving Members of Congress and their Constituents." *Public Opinion Quarterly* 75:3 (2011): 483-503.

Lazer, David, **Michael Neblo**, and Kevin Esterling. "The Internet and the Madisonian Cycle: Possibilities and Prospects for Consultative Representation." In *Connecting Democracy: Online Consultation and the Flow of Political Communication* (2011): 265-285.

Neblo, Michael A., Kevin Esterling, Ryan Kennedy, David Lazer, and Anand Sokhey. "Who Wants to Deliberate—and Why?" *American Political Science Review* 104:3 (2010): 566-583.

Lazer, David, Brian Rubineau, Nancy Katz, Carol Chetkovic, and **Michael Neblo**. "The Co-evolution of Networks and Political Attitudes." *Political Communication* 27 (2010): 248-274.

Esterling, Kevin, **Michael Neblo**, and David Lazer. "Improving Congressional Websites." *Brookings Institution Issues in Technology Innovation*. No. 2 (2010).

Bächtiger, André, Simon Niemeyer, Marco Steenbergen, **Michael Neblo**, and Jürg Steiner. "Disentangling Diversity in Deliberative Democracy: Competing Theories, Their Empirical Blind Spots, and Complementarities." *Journal of Political Philosophy* 18:1 (2009): 32-63.

Neblo, Michael A. "Meaning and Measurement: Reorienting the Race Politics Debate." *Political Research Quarterly* 62:3 (2009): 474-484.

Neblo, Michael A. "Three-Fifths a Racist: A Typology for Analyzing Public Opinion About Race." *Political Behavior* 31:1 (2009): 31-35.

Goldschmidt, Kathy, David Lazer, **Michael Neblo**, and Kevin Esterling. "Online Town Hall Meetings—Exploring Democracy in the 21st Century." *Congressional Management Foundation, Washington, DC* (2009).

Pritts, Joy, **Michael Neblo**, Laura Damschroder, and Rodney Hayward. "Veterans' Views on Balancing Privacy & Research in Medicine: A Deliberative Democratic Study." *Journal of Medicine & Law* 12:1 (2008): 17-32.

Neblo, Michael A. “Family Disputes: Diversity in Defining and Measuring Deliberation.” *Swiss Political Science Review* 13:4 (2007): 527-557.

Damschroder, Laura, **Michael Neblo**, Joy Pritts, Rosemarie Kalarickel, John Creswell, and Rodney Hayward. “Patients, Privacy, & Trust,” *Social Science & Medicine* 64:1 (2007): 223-235.

Lazer, David, **Michael Neblo**, Ines Mergel, Curt Ziniel, and Kevin Esterling. “Members of Congress Websites: Diffusion at the Tip of the Iceberg.” *Proceedings of the International Conference on Digital Government Research* 22:8 (2007) 26-34.

Neblo, Michael. “Philosophical Psychology with Political Intent.” In *The Affect Effect: Dynamics of Emotion in Political Thinking and Behavior* Chicago, IL: University of Chicago Press (2007).

Esterling, Kevin, **Michael Neblo**, and David Lazer. “Measuring and Explaining the Quality of Websites in the (Virtual) House of Representatives.” In *Current Issues & Trends in E-Government Research* Hershey, PA: The Idea Group (2007).

Esterling, Kevin, **Michael Neblo**, and David Lazer. “Home (Page) Style.” *International Journal of E-government Research* 2:1 (2005): 48-62.

Neblo, Michael A. “Thinking through Democracy: Between the Theory and Practice of Deliberative Politics.” *Acta Politica* 40:2 (2005): 169-181.

Neblo, Michael A. “Giving Hands and Feet to Morality.” *Perspectives on Politics* 2:1 (2004): 99-100.

Neblo, Michael A. and Larry Nucci. “The Emergence of Post-Culturalism.” *Human Development* 41:1 (1998): 172-179.

Work in Progress

(Book) Bringing the Public Back into Public Opinion with Jon Green and William Minozzi (exp. 2027): 18th-century reformers contrasted the king’s whims with “public opinion” — citizens discussing the common good in public. 20th-century market researchers developed opinion surveys to measure individuals’ *private* preferences. By extending these methods to politics, however, they inverted the meaning of “public opinion.” Democracy became just another market transaction. Researchers acknowledge this problem but persist in seeking public opinion through well-understood but poorly adapted surveys. We combine theoretical, methodological, and computational advances to measure and interpret public opinion in ways that restore its authentic role in democracy.

Minozzi, William and **Michael Neblo.** “A Scalable Democratic Innovation to Mitigate Affective Polarization.” *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences.* (Revise & Resubmit)

Simonson, Matthew, David Lazer, William Minozzi, and **Michael Neblo.** “Terrorism, Social Influence, and Public Opinion about Immigration: A Natural Experiment.” *Nature Communications* (Revise & Resubmit).

Castradori, Marco, William Minozzi, and **Michael Neblo.** “Has Change Begun Already? Latent Demand for ‘Claiming’ Democracy Among Nigerian Citizens.” First review.

Castradori, Marco, William Minozzi, and **Michael Neblo.** “Seeing Beyond the Clientelist Horizon: Prospects for Democratic Reform in Nigeria.” First review.

Esterling, Kevin, **Michael Neblo**, Jonathan Collins, and Joseph Kahne. “Connecting Congress to Classrooms: Deliberative Town Halls with High School Seniors Studying Civics.” First review.

Minozzi, William, David Lazer, Anand Sokhey, Lauren Ratliff Santoro, and **Michael Neblo**. “Athletic Democracy: Reconciling Deliberation and Participation.” First review.

Minozzi, William, **Michael Neblo**, and Andrew Leigh “A Randomized Field Trial on Motives for Engaging with Elected Officials.” First review.

Minozzi, William and **Michael Neblo**. “Thrasymachus’s Blush: The Science & Politics of Motivated Reasoning & Principled Rhetoric.” First review.

Green, Jon and **Michael Neblo**. “Redistricting, Representation, and the Dilemmas of a (Hyper)Extended Republic.” First review.

Green, Jon, Jon Kingzette, William Minozzi, and **Michael Neblo**. “A Speech Act Theory of the Survey Response.” First review.

Lazer, David, Anand Sokhey, William Minozzi, Kevin Esterling, and **Michael Neblo**. “Conflict and Contagion: The Social Control of Political Participation.” First review.

Minozzi, William, Abigail Kielty, Ryan Kennedy, and **Michael Neblo**. “Open Mouths or Open Minds: Elected Officials’ Motivations to Deliberate.” First review.

Nebo, Michael and Avery White. “Motive Matters: Liberalism and Insincerity.” First review.

An, Jungbae, William Minozzi, and **Michael Neblo**. “Affiliation, Expertise, and the Promise of Non-Electoral Representation: A National Field Experiment on Deliberation with Congressional Committee Leaders.”

Jang, Euchan, William Minozzi, and **Michael Neblo**. “Deliberation’s Dark Matter: Silence, Incivility, & Systematic Exclusion.”

Neblo, Michael, Laura Moses, and David Lazer. “Social Inequalities in Exposure to and Engagement with Civic Campaigns on Facebook.”

Kennedy, Ryan, Anand Sokhey, **Michael Neblo**, David Lazer, and Kevin Esterling “Who Can Be Persuaded? The Conditionality of Mass-Elite Communication.”

Rubineau, Brian, Shinwon Noh, David Lazer, and **Michael Neblo**. “Brokerage and Leadership.”

Nebo, Michael. “The Weight of Passion: A Revisionist History of Political Emotion.”

Nebo, Michael. “Change for the Better: Linking the Mechanisms of Deliberative Opinion Change to Normative Theory.”

Ramakrishnan, Karthick, **Michael Neblo**, and Kevin Esterling. “Illegality, National Origin Cues, and Public Opinion on Immigration.”

Neblo, Michael, David Lazer, William Minozzi, and Kevin Esterling. “Logos, Ethos, Pathos: Mechanisms of Opinion Change in a Deliberative Field Experiment.”

Minozzi, William, **Michael Neblo**, and David Siegel “A Theory of Deliberation as Interactive Reasoning.”

Nebo, Michael. “Narrative Democracy: Myths of Founding in Four Magical Realist Novels.”

Reviews

Neblo, Michael A., Kevin M. Esterling, and David M. J. Lazer. Review of Democracy When the People Are Thinking: Revitalizing Our Politics Through Public Deliberation. By James S. Fishkin. New York: Oxford University Press, 2018. *Perspectives on Politics* 17, no. 2 (2019): 529–31.

Michael Neblo & Benjamin Jones. (2007). Review of Strategies of Commitment and Other Essays by Thomas Schelling. *Ethics*.

Neblo, Michael (2003). Review, Communicative Action and Rational Choice, J. Heath. *Ethics*.

Michael Neblo. (2003). Review of Choices, Values, and Frames by Daniel Kahneman and Amos Tversky. *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*.

Michael Neblo. (2002). Review of Rational Lives by Dennis Chong. *Ethics*.

Opinion / Editorial

“A Shop-Like Class Needed to Educate Citizens.” The Columbus Dispatch: March 15th, 2021.

“Representing Is Hard. Online Town Halls Can Help.” (with Kevin Esterling and David Lazer). *Roll Call*: November 30th, 2018.

“Can Members of Congress Change Your Mind?” (with David Lazer) *Politico*: April 19th, 2015.

“Politicians and citizens talking without shouting? It can happen.” *The Washington Post*: March 16th, 2015

“Digital town halls take political discussions beyond sound and fury” *The Conversation*: March 16th, 2015

“Town Halls, Without the Screaming or Scripting” *The Boston Globe*: August 30th, 2009

“The Political Process Worked – This Time, Anyway” (with Chad Flanders) *The Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*: April 27th, 2008

“Why Make It Hard to Vote?” (with Chad Flanders) *The Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*: January 13th, 2008

Policy Briefs, White Papers, & Public-Facing Scholarship

Over eighty reports to elected officials on the results of their Deliberative Town Halls

Collin Burden, Tim Hysom, Kevin Esterling, David Lazer, and Michael Neblo. 2007. *Gold Mouse Report 2007*. Washington, D.C.: Congressional Management Foundation.

Michael Neblo. 2001. *Felony Disenfranchisement*. National Commission on Federal Election Reform.

Data Sets (Selected)

Connecting to Congress Deliberative Town Hall Experiments

Ninety field experiments pairing incumbent elected officials with random samples of their constituents. Most involved members of Congress or legislators from Australia, the UK, Chile, Nigeria, or N. Ireland, an expert with a sample of constituents via an online platform. Various vendors and methods of recruitment. Random assignment to treatment (deliberative session) and control. Each experiment had up to six survey waves — Baseline survey — Background materials survey — Experimental session survey — Post experimental session survey — Follow-up survey one week after experimental session - Post-election survey, early November 2006, 2007, 2019-present. Approximately 500 variables across the 6 waves. Codebook available. Data not publicly available. Funding source: NSF Digital Government Program (IIS-0429452).

Cooperative Congressional Election Study Datasets (2006-08, 2010-12, 2014; 2016-2018)

Public opinion surrounding immigration and border security policy. Polimetrix weighted sample. Extensive question wording experiments. Three rolling cross sections, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2010, 2011, 2012. Two waves for each cross section, late summer (pre-election) and early November (post-election). 1000 responses for each year. Approximately 700 variables per year. Codebook available. Data not publicly available. Funding sources: Ohio State University; UCR; UC Berkeley.

Connecting to Congress Web Quality/Content Coding (dataset)

Codes indicators of the content and quality of legislative websites for both House and Senate. Coding categories include issue quality, constituent communication, usability, and technology. Two panels, 2006 and 2007. Separate dataset for coding reliability study 535 observations per wave. Approximately 200 variables each wave. Codebook available. Data not publicly available. Funding source: NSF Digital Government Program (IIS-0429452).

National Survey on Immigration Policy (dataset)

National survey using the baseline survey from the deliberation experiments. Summer 2006. 1002 responses. Approximately 450 variables. Codebook available. Data not publicly available. Funding source: NSF Digital Government Program (IIS-0429452).

Press Secretary IT Survey (dataset)

A survey on IT adoption and use among U.S. Congressional offices. Press secretaries were respondents. Over 100 in sample. Codebook available. Data not publicly available. Funding source: NSF Digital Government Program (IIS-0429452).

GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS

Andrew Carnegie Fellowship

EUComMeet Co-Investigator (Grant from the EU)

NSF Co-Investigator CAREER Award (Ritchie)

USAID: Support for Foreign Delegations' Attendance at Summit

Open Society Foundation: Global Innovations in Democracy

Kaido Family Foundation: Running unrestricted gifts at \$10,000 each.

Fanelli Family Foundation: \$5,000 Running unrestricted gifts.

Rockefeller Brothers Foundation: "Deliberative Town Halls with Opposed Constituencies," \$25,000

Institute of Education Sciences, co-PI, "Connecting Classrooms to Congress: Fostering Civic Engagement via Online Deliberative Town Halls," \$2,000,000, 4 years

"The Perceived Legitimacy of Democratic Innovations in Government and Governance." Facebook (\$250,000, unrestricted). Principal Investigator.

“Connecting to Congress,” Democracy Fund (\$200,000). Principal Investigator.

IDEA ad grant, Google (\$120,000). Principal Investigator.

IDEA ad grant, Facebook (\$3,000). Principal Investigator.

“Connecting to Congress About COVID,” Democracy Fund (\$95,000). Principal Investigator.

“Government Crisis Communication,” Ohio State University (\$50,000). Principal Investigator.

“State Legislative CGA” The Kettering Foundation. \$70,000. Principal Investigator.

“Connecting to Constituents” The Democracy Fund / National Issues Forum Institute. \$180,000. Principal Investigator.

“Common Ground for Action.” The Kettering Foundation. \$58,000. Principal Investigator.

“Intellectual Humility in Public Discourse.” *The John Templeton Foundation*. \$225,000. Co-PI.

“Ongoing Republican Consultation: The National Issues Forum as a Form of Constituent Communication to Congress.” The Kettering Foundation. \$20,000. Principal Investigator.

“Consolidating Data from the National Issues Forum.” *The Kettering Foundation*. \$49,000. Principal Investigator.

TEACHING, ADVISING, & MENTORING

Courses Taught

Methods of Political Analysis (Chicago); Ethics, Politics, and Economics (Yale); Deliberation in Practice (Yale); Inter-Disciplinary Perspectives on Immigration (OSU); Social Theory for Social Scientists (OSU); Introduction to Political Theory (OSU); Theories of Democracy (OSU); Politics and the Novel (OSU); 20th Century Political Thought (OSU); Fundamental Concepts of Political Theory (OSU); The Political Thought of John Rawls (OSU); The Political Thought of Jürgen Habermas (OSU); Education for Citizenship (OSU).

Dissertation Committees

2027 Pim Trommelen (expected) (<i>chair</i>)	2019 Avery White (<i>co-chair</i>)
2027 Stephen Jackman (expected) (<i>chair</i>)	2019 Taleed El-Sabawi (OSU, Public Health)
2027 Edward Hohe (expected) (<i>chair</i>)	2018 Sarah Shugars (Northeastern)
2026 Euchan Jang (expected) (<i>chair</i>)	2017 Sergio Diaz Sierra
2026 Junbae An (<i>expected</i>) (<i>co-chair</i>)	2017 Jakob Miller
2026 Emily Ann Israelson (expected) (<i>chair</i>)	2017 Alison Craig (Assoc. Prof. U. TX-Austin)
2025 Anthony Brown (<i>chair</i>)	2017 Lauren Ratliff (Asst. Prof. U. TX-Dallas)
2024 Abigail Kielty (<i>co-chair</i>)	2017 Nicholas Felts (<i>chair</i> ; Kettering Fndtn.)
2024 Kaitlin McClamrock	2016 Laurel Gleason (OSU, Communications)
2023 Laura Moses	2016 Jess Goode
2022 Grant Sharratt	2015 Jin Song (Com; Assoc. Prof. U. Vienna)
2022 Dong-Hye Kim (Asst. Prof. Honsei U.)	2014 Matthew Hitt (Assoc. Prof. Col. St.)
2021 Matthew Chick (Wash. U., St. Louis)	2013 Samantha Howe (OSU, Policy)
2021 Saskia Goldberg (U. of Stuttgart)	2013 Aubin Calvert (U. of British Columbia)
2021 Jonathon Kingzette (<i>co-chair</i>)	2012 Bentley Allan (Assoc. Prof. Johns Hopkins)
2021 J. David Whitsett	2012 Marlene Gerber (University of Zurich)
2021 Ruthie Pertsis	2012 David Traven (Asst. Prof., CSUF)
2021 Linnea Turco (Clin. Asst. Prof. U. of C.)	2009 S.J. Min. (Assoc. Prof., Pace University)
2020 Jon Green (<i>co-chair</i>) (Asst. Prof. Duke)	2008 Ramona Peel (Assoc. Prof., LLCC)
2020 Brandon Zaffini (Asst. Prof. Geneva Col.)	2008 Anna Shadley
2020 Andrew Podob	2004 Andrew Holbrook

Master's Thesis Advisor

2026 Stephen Jackman; 2019 K. Davis; 2018 A. Newman; 2012 Daniel Davis; 2011 Jessica Beardsley; 2011 Philip Jackson; 2010 Todd Rho'Dess

Senior Theses

2025 Natalie Miller; 2023 Stephen Jackman; 2022 Shruti Narak (Fulbright; department best thesis award); 2018 Sjors Verhaak; 2013 Imaan Ali (departmental thesis award winner; U. of Michigan PhD candidate); 2011 Andrew Proctor (Princeton U. PhD; now faculty at U. of MN); 2010 Michael Eizyk; 2009 Jennifer Forestal (Northwestern U. PhD; now faculty at Loyola U.); 2008 Robert Gulotty (Stanford U. PhD; Asst. Prof. U. of Chicago); 2007 Mitchell Krumm (Indiana U. PhD); 2006 Benjamin Jones (Yale U. PhD); 2006 Jonathan Rardin.; 2005 Chas Runco; 2005 Alana Shockey; 2004 Erin Butcher. (I have twice been recognized for outstanding undergraduate research advising and mentorships.)

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT & IMPACT

Congressional Testimony: 2025, 2023, 2021, 2019

Presentation to the Chilean Constitutional Council: 2024

Global Innovations in Democracy Convening: 2024, 2023, 2022

Distinguished Speaker, Institute for Citizens & Scholars: 2023

Keynote Speaker: ACM Collective Intelligence Conference: 2023

Presentation at Orientation for New Members of Congress: 2021, 2023

PNAS: News Coverage: Roll Call, Boston Globe, Politico, The Monkey Cage, Smithsonian Magazine

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (Selected)

"Vertical Deliberation for Collectively Intelligent Decisions" ACM Collective Intelligence Conference Keynote Address (2022).

"Neither Resignation. Nor Revolution." Biden School of Public Affairs. U. of Delaware (2022). Invited Talk.

"Thrasymachus's Blush." Stanford University. (2021). Invited Talk.

"Deliberative Town Halls in Australia." Johns Hopkins University (2020). Invited Talk

"Directly Representative Democracy." (Invited Talk). NYU, Marquette, U. of IL, Purdue, NICD, Trinity College, Dublin (2019); Harvard University; McGill University; Northwestern University; University of Bremen, Germany (2018); Villa Vigoni, Italy. (2017); University of Zurich. (2015).

"A Model of Public Reason as Cooperative Anaphora." (Invited Talk). Washington University Political Theory Workshop. St. Louis, MO. (2013).

"Logos, Ethos, Pathos." (2012). Rutgers University Whitman Center for Democracy (invited).

Michael Neblo. 2012. "Comments on Stories and Spaces: How Americans Make Race." Workshop at Washington University. St. Louis, MO. (invited)

Michael Neblo 2011. "Logos, Ethos, Pathos." University of British Columbia (invited).

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