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EMPLOYMENT:

Associate Professor of Political Science. *The University of Rochester* (2021-)
Assistant Professor of Political Science. *The University of Rochester* (2015 - 2021)
Visiting Associate Research Scholar *Mamdouha S. Bobst Center for Peace and Justice* (2018-2019)
Max Weber Fellow. *The European University Institute* (2014-15)

EDUCATION

Ph.D. *Princeton University* (2015)
A.M. *Princeton University* (2010)
M.Sc. *The London School of Economics and Political Science* (2007)
A.B. *Dartmouth College* (2006)

RESEARCH

[Designing Political Order: Why Monopolies of Violence Are Socially Inefficient \(But Individually Rational\)](#) (w/ Emiel Awad & Brenton Kenkel) Accepted at *World Politics*

[The Economic Effects of Leaders' Economic Interests: Evidence from Election by Lot in the Florentine Republic](#) - *The Journal of Politics*, 82(2) (2024)

[Historical Border Changes, State Building, and Contemporary Trust in Europe](#) - *American Political Science Review*, 116(3) (2022), 875-895. (w/ David Carter & Luwei Ying)

[What Do We Learn about Voter Preferences from Conjoint Experiments?](#) - *American Journal of Political Science*, 66: 1008-1020 (2022). (w/ Korhan Koçak & Asya Magazinnik)

[A Revolution of Rights in American Founding Documents](#) - *Journal of Political Institutions and Political Economy*: Vol. 3: No. 2, pp 124-147 (2022). (w/ Michael Barber and Jeremy Pope)

[The European Coal Curse](#) - *Journal of Economic Growth* 26.1 (2021): 77-112. (w/ Elena Esposito)

[Systemic Uncertainty and Territorial Claims](#) - *International Organization* 75.1 (2021): 103-146. (w/ David Carter)

[Learning About Growth and Democracy](#)) - *The American Political Science Review* 114.4 (2020): 1195-1212. (w/ Sergio Montero)

[Endogenous Parliaments: Urban Agglomeration, Technological Accumulation, and the Deep Roots of Executive Constraints in Europe](#) - *International Organization* 73.4 (2019), pp. 793-837 - (w/ Carles Boix)

[The Evolution of National Constitutions](#) - *Quarterly Journal of Political Science* (2019): Vol. 14: No. 1, pp 89-114. (W/ Michael J. Barber)

[The Economic Origins of the Territorial State](#) - *International Organization* 71.1 (2017): 97-130

[The Historical Origins of Territorial Disputes](#) - *The American Political Science Review* 110.4 (2016): 675. (w/ David B. Carter)

[Time is Power: The Non-Institutional Sources of Stability in Autocracies](#) - *The Journal of Politics* 78.4 (2016): 1279-1295 (w/ Carlos Velasco-Rivera).

WORKING PAPERS

[A Cause to Fight: Ideological Motivation in Civil Wars with Evidence from the British Battalion in Spain](#) (w/ Xiaoyan Qiu) Revisions requested at *The American Journal of Political Science*

The Direct Cost to Voters of Precinct Closure and Consolidation (w/ Sharece Thrower)
Revisions requested at *Political Science Research and Methods*

Detecting Preference Cycles in Forced-Choice Conjoint Experiments (w/ Korhan Koçak, Asya Magazinnik, & Anton Strezhnev) *Under Review*

The Effect of Gender on Perceptions of Politicians' Ideology: Implications for Candidate-Choice Experiments (w/ Morgan Gillespie) *Under Review*

The Effect of Local News on Political Knowledge (w/ Sergio Montero) *Under Review*

Attributes, Electability, and Ideology (w/ Korhan Koçak, & Asya Magazinnik)

Dislike, not Distrust (w/ Dot Sawler)

IN PROGRESS

Do Voters Prefer Women and Young Candidates? Re-evaluating Evidence from Conjoint Experiments (w/ Bahar Zafer)

DORMANT

How Wide is the Ethnic Boundary? Prices, Elections, and Ethnicity in the Construction of National Markets (w/ Brendan Cooley & Bethany Lacina)

Coal, Early Industrialization, and the Persistence of Left-Wing Partisanship (w/ Elena Esposito)

A Variance Decomposition Approach for Bounding Neighborhood Effects (w/ Anderson Frey)

BOOK MANUSCRIPT: *Models All The Way Down* (w/ Korhan Koçak, & Asya Magazinnik)

FURTHER ACHIEVEMENTS

Outstanding Article Award, APSA International History & Politics Section (w/ David Carter and Luwei Ying) - 2023

Robert Keohane Award for best paper by a junior scholar in *International Organization* - 2018

Ernest B. Haas Best Dissertation Award - APSA European Politics and Society Organized Section - 2015,

Best Poster Award from the Society for Political Methodology Annual Meeting - 2013

The Neihaus Center for Globalization and Governance - *Graduate Fellowship* - 2008-10

Dartmouth College, Department of Sociology - *The Truxal Prize* - 2006
Awarded to the most outstanding senior pursuing graduate work.

Invited Presentations

George Mason University Public Choice Seminar (2014), History and Politics Network - Yale (2014), Bocconi University (2015), Brigham Young University (2015), History and Politics Network - Harvard (2015), Vanderbilt University (2016), University of Chicago (2016), Oxford University - Nuffield College (2016), University of Montreal - Economics (2017), University of Pennsylvania (2017), Yale University (2017), Vanderbilt University (2018), Yale (Formal Theory and Comparative Politics Conference - 2018), Princeton (2019), UC Berkeley (Formal Theory and Comparative Politics Conference - 2019), NYU (2019), Queens University (Scheduled & Canceled 2020), NYU Abu Dhabi (2021), University of Michigan (2021), University of Chicago Methods [Virtual] (2022)

TEACHING

Instructor

Experimental Methods - The University of Rochester - (Graduate)

Senior Honors Thesis Workshop - The University of Rochester - (Undergraduate)

Positive Political Theory - The University of Rochester - (Undergraduate)

State Building and Conflict - The University of Rochester - (Graduate)

Graduate Research Seminar - The University of Rochester - (Graduate)

Introduction to International Relations - The University of Rochester - (Undergraduate)
Order Violence and the State - (Undergraduate)
Introduction to Statistics - Summer 2010 -In the Woodrow Wilson School - (Undergraduate)
Advanced Statistics - Summer 2011 - In the Woodrow Wilson School - (Undergraduate)

Teaching Assistant

Democracy - Fall 2010 - Carles Boix & Nolan McCarty- (Undergraduate)
Advanced Statistics - Fall 2011 - Xun Pang - (Graduate)
Introduction to International Relations- Spring 2012 - David Carter - (Undergraduate)

DEPARTMENTAL/ PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Editorial Board

Historical Political Economy - 2020 –3

Division Chair

APSA Political Economy Section - 2019

Faculty Hiring Committee

American Politics, University of Rochester - 2016
Omnibus Search (Chair), University of Rochester - 2022

Graduate Admissions Committee

University of Rochester - 2016, 2018, 2020, 2021

Organizer

Summer Conference on Applied Methods for Political Science (Summer - C.A.M.P.S.) (with Anderson Frey) - 2019 (University of Rochester)
Comparative Politics Workshop (with Jack Paine) - 2016-17,2017-18, (University of Rochester).
Conference on Causal Inference and the Study of Conflict - (With Kosuke Imai, Carlos Velasco Rivera, & Graeme Blair) - May, 2012.
The Columbia, Princeton, Yale Historical Political Economy Working Group (With Alexandra Cirone) - 2012-2015

Reviewer

The American Political Science Review, American Economic Review, International Organization The American Journal of Political Science, The Journal of Politics, World Politics, The Quarterly Journal of Political Science, The Quarterly Journal of Economics, Journal of Conflict Resolution, International Studies Quarterly, The British Journal of Political Science, Conflict Management and Peace Science, The Journal of Experimental Political Science, Nationalities Papers, Comparative Political Studies; Comparative Politics; Political Science Research and Methods; Oxford Economic Papers