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Employment

University of Virginia

Center for Effective Lawmaking Postdoctoral Research Associate, 2023-

Education

University of Rochester

Ph.D., Political Science, 2023

Subfields: American Politics & Comparative Politics & Methods

Johns Hopkins University

M.A. American Foreign Policy, International Economics and China Studies, 2018

Beijing Foreign Studies University

M.A. American Studies, 2018

Guangdong University of Foreign Studies

B.A. English and International Economics Law, 2015

Research Interests

Legislative politics, causal inference, public policy, money in politics (lobbying, interest groups, campaign), federalism, racial and ethnic politics, bureaucratic politics, executive politics, judicial politics

Publications

1. “The Importance of Position: Agency Discretionary Budgets and PAS Appointees”, with Lawrence Rothenberg (2022, *Presidential Studies Quarterly*)
2. “Reward of Legislating: Member's Legislative Performance and Lobbyists' Personal Contributions” (2023, *Interest Groups & Advocacy*)

Working Papers (Available Upon Request)

1. “City Lobbying and Member’s Legislative Performance” (Job Market Paper)
2. “Minority Staff and Bill Sponsorship in the U.S. House”
3. “Racial Gap: Evidence from Congressional Staff”

4. “Performance and Position: Legislator Ability and Budgetary Success”, with Lawrence Rothenberg (under review)
5. “Coordination and Information Transmission in Intergovernmental Lobbying”, with Lawrence Rothenberg (submitted for the special issue of *Publius: The Journal of Federalism*)

Research in Progress

1. “Committee-Level Legislative Effectiveness Score” (Dataset project with Craig Volden and Alan Wiseman)
2. “Dead Bills: Political Dynamics and Strategic Revival of Unsuccessful Bills in Congress”, with Yu Ouyang and Yang (Leo) Yang
3. “Capacity in the Time of Inconsistency, with Lawrence Rothenberg and Junlong (Aaron) Zhou
4. “Lobbying the Legislature vs. Lobbying the Bureaucracy”
5. “Imperial Presidency: Agency Characteristics and Executive Order Formulation”

Conference Presentations

American Political Science Association Annual Conference (2021, 2022, 2023)
American Political Science Association Local Political Economy Pre-Conference (2022)
Congress and History Conference (2020, 2021)
Effective Lawmaking Annual Conference (2023)
Representative Bureaucracy Workshop (scheduled 2024)
Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference (2021, 2022, 2023)
Southern Political Science Association Annual Conference (2021, 2022)

Invited Talks

Chinese University of Hongkong, Shenzhen, 2024
University of North Texas, Nanjing University, 2023
Political Science Review Workshop (organized by Tsinghua University), Beijing Foreign Studies University, 2022
Peking University, Beijing Foreign Studies University, 2020

Teaching Experience

Business and Politics (Graduate, Instructor, Spring 2024, Batten School of Public Policy, UVA)
Strategy Beyond Markets (Graduate, TA for David Primo, Fall 2021, Simon Business School)
Business and Politics (Undergraduate, TA for David Primo, Spring 2022, Spring 2023, Rochester)
Introduction to Positive Political Theory (Undergraduate, TA for Stuart Jordan, Fall 2021, Rochester)
Politics and Markets (Undergraduate, TA for David Primo, Spring 2021, Rochester)
Introduction to International Relations (Undergraduate, TA for Hein Goemans, Spring 2021, Rochester)

Fellowships and Honors

American Political Science Association Congressional Fellowship Program, Finalist, 2023-2024
Center for the Study of Democratic Politics Postdoctoral Fellowship, Princeton University, Finalist, 2023-2024
Center for Effective Lawmaking, Small Grant Competition, University of Virginia and Vanderbilt University, 2022
Prestage-Cook Travel Award, Southern Political Science Association, 2021
Lanni Research Fund, University of Rochester, 2020
Conference Travel Grant, University of Rochester, 2021-2023
University Fellowship, University of Rochester, 2018-2023
Henry Kissinger Center Junior Scholar Grant (research assistance for Francis Gavin), Johns Hopkins SAIS, 2017
Winner of the American Studies Network Essay Competition, China-U.S. Education Trust, 2017
Scholarship for Comprehensive Excellence, Beijing Foreign Studies University, 2016
Graduate with the Highest Distinction, Guangdong University of Foreign Studies, 2015
National Scholarship for Academic Excellence, Ministry of Education (China), 2013
Scholarship for Comprehensive Excellence, Guangdong University of Foreign Studies, 2011-2015

Professional Experience

Editor, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Washington, DC, 2018
Administrative Assistant, Columbia Global Centers| East Asia, Beijing, China, 2015

Language and Skills

Programming: R, Stata, LaTeX
Languages: English (fluent), Chinese (native), French (beginner)

References

Lawrence Rothenberg, Professor, University of Rochester (lawrence.rothenberg@rochester.edu)
Craig Volden, Professor, University of Virginia (volden@virginia.edu)
Wendy Schiller, Professor, Brown University (wendy_schiller@brown.edu)
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