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### **RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS**

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Comparative Politics: Europe & North America  
Migration: Citizenship, Immigrant Incorporation, and Representation  
Political Parties & Electoral Systems  
Political Science Education & Pedagogy

### **ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

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**Assistant Teaching Professor**, Department of Political Science, Northeastern University, July 2018-present

**Harvard College Fellow**, Department of Government, Harvard University, July 2016-June 2018

**Lecturer**, Department of Government, Harvard University, January 2015-June 2016

### **EDUCATION**

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**Ph.D. in Political Science**, Harvard University, March 2015

Dissertation: "Constituents at the Gate: European Political Parties and the Representation of Migration-Background Communities"

**B.A. in Political Science**, University of Rochester, May 2007

*magna cum laude*; high research honors in political science; minors in German and Russian.

### **PUBLICATIONS**

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1. "From "Good" to "Effective": Teaching Writing Skills Explicitly in Political Science," in Pedagogy Through the Research Process, Julia Hellwege, Eric Loepp and Daniel Mallinson, eds. Palgrave Macmillan: Forthcoming.
2. (with Sarah E. James and George Soroka) "Explicit Content: Two Experiments on Bringing Writing Instruction into the Political Science Classroom." Forthcoming. *Journal of Political Science Education*.
3. Book Review: "Dilemmas of Inclusion: Muslims in European Politics" by Rafaela Dancygier, 2017. *EuropeNow*, July 2018
4. Book Review: "Thinking Like a Political Scientist: A Practical Guide to Research Methods" by Christopher Howard, 2017. *Journal of Political Science Education* 14(1): 138-140

5. Book Review: "Contesting Immigration Policy in Court" by Leila Kavar, 2015. *Journal of Race, Ethnicity, and Politics* 2(1): 145-147.
  6. (with Joshua Dean, Jacob Eschenburg, Caleb Miller, and Levente Szentkiralyi,) "2016 APSA Teaching and Learning Conference and Track Summaries: Teaching How to Teach." *PS: Political Science and Politics* 49(3): 583-584.
  7. (With Jennifer L. Hochschild) "Searching (with Minimal Success) for Links among Immigration and Imprisonment." *Oxford Handbook of Race, Ethnicity and Crime*, Michael Tonry and Sandra Bucerius, eds. 2013.
  8. "Anti-Immigrant Politics." *M.E. Sharpe Encyclopedia of American Immigration, 2nd Ed.* 2013.
- Non-peer reviewed contributions to Active Learning in Political Science, Political Science Educator*

## **PAPERS IN PROGRESS**

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- (with Sarah E. James, George Soroka, and Matthew Reichert) "Using Rubrics as a Teaching Tool for Social Science Writing" In preparation for publication
- "Descriptive Representation and Coordination Problems: Migration-Background and Female Candidates under Cumulative Voting;" In preparation for publication, draft available upon request.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

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### **Conference Papers**

- "Feedback Loop: Reflections from a Peer Review-Intensive Seminar," American Political Science Association Teaching and Learning Conference, Albuquerque, February 2020
- (with Sarah E. James and George Soroka) "Explicit Instruction Strategies for Political Science Writing," American Political Science Association, Boston, September 2018. (*Panel Organizer*)
- "Representing Women and Immigrant Minorities in French Communes: Differential Effects of Electoral Rules," Northeastern Political Science Association, Philadelphia, November 2017.
- (with George Soroka) "A Modular Approach to Teaching Writing and Academic Integrity in the Discipline: GovWrites," American Political Science Association Teaching and Learning Conference, Long Beach, February 2017.
- "The Intersection of Gender and Immigrant Representation in Legislatures: The German Case," American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, September 2016.
- "Preference Voting and Descriptive Representation in the German Cities," International Conference of Europeanists, Paris, July 2015.
- "Showing up First to the Party: Immigration-Background Activists and Political Party Outreach Efforts," American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., August 2014.
- "Ethnic Mandates without Ethnic Candidates? Increasing Representation of Migrant-Background Voters under Cumulative Voting in Hamburg & Bremen," Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2014.

"Constituents at the Gate: Social Democratic Parties and the Extension of Citizenship and Naturalization Rights in Europe," American Political Science Association, Seattle, Wash., September 2011.

"Making the List: The Rise (and Varying Success) of Immigrant-Origin Political Candidates in Western Europe," Graduate Student Conference, BMW Center for German and European Studies, Georgetown University, February 2011. (*Best Paper Award*)

"Ethnic Conflict In Democracies: Applying Theories of Protest and Violence to Ethnopolitics," National Conference on Undergraduate Research, Dominican University of California, April 2007.

"Post-Devolution Changes in Scottish Party Identification: One Country with Two Fault Lines?" Undergraduate Research Conference, Rice University, January 2005.

### **Workshops and Invited Presentations**

(with Sarah E. James and George Soroka) "Using Rubrics in the Political Science Classroom," American Political Science Association Teaching and Learning Conference, Albuquerque, February 2020

"Teaching Peer Review in Political Science," International Teaching and Learning Conference, Brighton, UK, June 2019

"Introduction to Political Parties," GPI US Summer Programs, July and August 2017

"Die Qual der Wahl—wie bunt muss ein Parlament aussehen?" Studienstiftung des Deutschen Volkes, Auslandstreffen Boston 2015, April 2015.

"Who Counts vs. Who Counts: Variations in Open-List Ballots and Representation of Migration-Background Candidates" Migration and Immigrant Incorporation Workshop, Department of Sociology, Harvard University, October 2014.

"Development of Migrant Strategies and Candidate Recruitment in Bremen and Rotterdam" Brown Bag Seminar, Working Group on Migration, University of Duisburg-Essen, June 2012.

"Variations in the Recruitment of Immigrant-origin Candidates and Voters in Rotterdam" Center for Ethnic and Migration Studies, University of Liège, May 2012.

"Maas Participation: Political Parties and Immigrant Outreach in Rotterdam" Political and Civic Participation Conference, PIDOP Consortium, University of Surrey, April 2012.

"What (if anything!) Can American Ethnic Politics Teach us about Political Incorporation in Europe?" CIMIC Working Group, Erasmus University Rotterdam, December 2011.

### **TEACHING and ADVISING EXPERIENCE**

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#### **Northeastern University, Boston, MA**

##### **Course Head/Instructor of Record**

- "Comparative Politics" & "Comparative Politics (Honors)"
- "Immigration Politics"
- "Political Science Senior Capstone"
- "Quantitative Techniques"
- "Research Methods" (undergraduate and graduate)

**Internships Coordinator**, July 2018-present

**Faculty Leader**, *Dialogues of Civilization* Study Abroad Program: "Unity and Diversity: Politics and Migration in the Netherlands," Summer 2020 (Virtual Study Abroad), Summer 2021

**Member**, 2021 College Board AP Comparative Government & Politics Standard Setting Panel,

**Harvard University**, Cambridge, MA

**Course Head/Instructor of Record**

- "Political Parties in Developed Democracies" (graduate and undergraduate sections)
- "Politics of Citizenship and Naturalization" (graduate and undergraduate sections)
- Senior Thesis Tutorial

**Teaching Fellow**

- "Foundations of Comparative Politics" (as head teaching fellow)
- "Is the American Racial Order Being Transformed?" (as head teaching fellow)
- "Introduction to Political Science Research Methods"
- "Comparative Politics in Latin America"

**Departmental Writing Fellow, Government**, Fall 2014-Spring 2017

**Advisor**

- 4 undergraduate theses in Government and 1 undergraduate thesis in Social Studies
- Visiting Undergraduate Student Program: primary academic adviser for short-term exchange students at Harvard, 2012-2020
  - Non-resident 2012-2016; in residential housing 2016-2020
- National fellowships advisor, Dudley House, Harvard, 2017-2018
- Minor field advisor: European History, Politics and Societies, 2016-2018

**University of Rochester**, Rochester, NY

**Teaching Assistant**

- "Introduction to Comparative Politics"

**RESEARCH AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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**Coordinator**, John F. Kennedy Memorial Policy Fellows

Administrator of short-term fellowship at the Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies, bringing German journalists and policymakers to Harvard as short-term resident fellows, 2014-2018

**Curriculum Development**, Harvard University (Department of Government)

Part of development team for online tool to teach writing skills and academic integrity within political science, 2014-2018

Departmental delegate to College Board's AP Symposium on Government & Politics, Philadelphia, November 2017

**Visiting Researcher Appointments**

Erasmus University Rotterdam (Sociology), 2011; University of Duisburg-Essen (Sociology) & Bremen International Graduate School of Social Sciences, 2012

**Research Assistant**, University of Sydney

"Crossroads of Migration" project, Anna Boucher and Justin Gest, eds.

**Research Assistant**, Die Junge Akademie

Set-Theoretic Methods: A User's Guide for Qualitative Comparative Analysis (QCA) and Fuzzy Sets in the Social Sciences. Carsten Q. Schneider and Claudius Wagemann, Cambridge University Press, 2012 (employed Dec. 2009-July 2011, as translation and research assistant)

**Communications Intern**, Office of Mayor Vera Katz (Portland, OR), Summer 2004

**District Intern**, Office of Congressman Earl Blumenauer (Portland, OR), Summer 2003

## **SELECTED AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS**

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### **Teaching Awards & Grants**

Faculty Fellowship, Northeastern University Global Experience Office, Summer 2019  
Teaching Inquiry Fellowship, Northeastern University Center for Advancing Teaching and Learning through Research, Spring & Fall 2019  
Teach Partnership, Harvard Extension School, Digital Teaching and Learning, 2017-18  
Certificate of Excellence/Distinction in Teaching, Derek Bok Center for Teaching and Learning, Harvard University, Fall 2012, Spring 2015 & Spring 2018

### **Fellowships & Grants**

Northeastern University Full-Time Faculty Professional Development Grant, 2020-21  
Graduate Dissertation Completion Fellowship, Harvard University, 2013-2014  
Graduate Research Dissertation Fellowship, Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies, 2011-12  
Mid-Dissertation Summer Grant, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Summer 2011  
Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research, Summer 2010  
Foreign Language and Area Studies Summer Grant, Turkey, 2009  
DAAD Election Observer, Germany, September 2009  
Fulbright Fellowship to Austria, 2007 (declined in order to begin graduate studies)

### **Academic Recognition**

Take-Five Scholar, University of Rochester, 2006-2007  
Everett S. Ascher Award for Best Paper in Political Science, University of Rochester, 2006  
Phi Beta Kappa, 2006

## **LANGUAGES**

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German, Dutch (proficient)  
Turkish (intermediate reading, basic spoken)  
French, Danish (basic reading only)

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

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- American Political Science Association
  - Social Media Coordinator, Section on Political Science Education, 2020-present
  - Award Committees:
    - Migration & Citizenship, Best Dissertation Award, 2021
- International Association for the Study of German Politics
- Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies at Harvard University (local faculty affiliate)