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## Education

- Ph.D. The Ohio State University. Political Science. 2008
- M.A. The Ohio State University. Political Science. 2005
- B.A. Calvin College. Political Science. 2002

## Academic Appointments

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Michigan State University, 2008-Present.

## Research and Teaching Interests

*American Politics:* Campaigns and Elections, the News Media, Public Opinion, Political Behavior, Political Parties, Congress, American Political Development

*Research Methods:* Dynamic Models (Event History, Time Series, Panel Data), Real-time Data Acquisition and Analysis, Natural Language Processing, Computer Programming, Bayesian Methods

## Publications

“Riding Waves of Money: Contribution Dynamics in the 2008 Presidential Nomination Campaign” with Dino Christenson. Forthcoming. *Journal of Political Marketing*

## Working Papers

“How Firm a Foundation? Campaign Dynamics in Partisanship.” with Brandon Bartels and Janet M. Box-Steffensmeier. *Under Review*

“Can the Free Media be Bought? Senate Candidate Influence on Local Campaign Coverage.” *Under Review*

“Prelude to Populism: Mass Electoral Support for the Grange and Greenback Parties.” with Samuel DeCanio. *Under Review*

“The Temporal Durability of Party Identification” with Brandon Bartels, Janet M. Box-Steffensmeier and Renee M. Smith. *In preparation for journal submission*

“The Spinning Message: The Sources and Consequences of Campaign Agendas in Presidential Campaigns.” *In preparation for journal submission*

“A Tale of Two Primaries: How Iowa and New Hampshire Shape the Invisible Primary” with Dino Christenson. *In preparation for journal submission*

“Survival Models for Censored Repeating Events.” with Janet M. Box-Steffensmeier and Suzanna Linn. *Work in progress*

## Conference Presentations

“The Primary Issues: The Dynamic Nature of Issues in the 2008 Primary” with Dino Christenson. 2009. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association: Toronto, ON.

“Raising the Battle Cry: Communication Strategy and the Case of Iraq” with Evan Parker-Stephen. 2009. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association: Toronto, ON.

“Campaigning for Money During the 2008 Invisible Primary.” with Dino Christenson. 2009. Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association: Chicago, IL.

“The Visible Primary: Dynamics in Presidential Primary Campaign Coverage” with Dino Christenson. 2008. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association: Boston, MA.

“Campaign Dynamics in Partisanship.” 2008. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association: Boston, MA.

“A Tale of Two Primaries: Iowa and New Hampshire’s Relationship with the Invisible Primary 2008” with Dino Christenson. 2008. Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association: Chicago, IL.

“Mediators or Moderators? Newspaper Coverage of Senate Campaigns.” 2007. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association: Chicago, IL.

“The Spinning Message: Agenda Dynamics in the 2000 Presidential Campaign.” 2007. Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association: Chicago, IL.

“Whose Agenda Is It? Comparing News Media and Candidate Agenda Setting Effects in the 2000 Presidential Election.” 2006. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association: Philadelphia, PA.

“Competing Agendas: A Bayesian Censored Vector Autoregression Model of Campaign Agenda Setting.” 2006. Political Methodology Summer Meeting: Davis, CA.

“Prelude to Populism: Economic Conflict and Electoral Support for Third Parties.” with Samuel DeCanio. 2006. Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association: Chicago, IL.

“Communication and Mobilization in 2004: Intermediaries and Voters in the American Presidential Contest.” with Paul A. Beck and Richard Gunther. 2005. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association: Washington D.C.

“Value Cleavages and Partisan Conflict: The 2004 American Presidential Election in Comparative Perspective.” with Richard Gunther, H.C. Kuan, and Paul A. Beck. 2005. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. Washington D.C.

“Campaign Information and Candidate Support.” 2005. Political Methodology Summer Meeting: Tallahassee, FL.

“Grangers and Greenbackers: Economics, Information, and Agrarian Third Parties in the 19th Century.” with Samuel DeCanio. 2005. Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association: Chicago, IL.

“Information and Institutional Evaluation: A Cross-Institutional Analysis.” with Brandon L. Bartels and Kathleen M. McGraw. 2004. Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association: Chicago, IL.

“Religion, Social Theology, and Civic Engagement.” 2002. Paul B. Henry Institute’s Symposium on Religion and Politics: Grand Rapids, MI.

## **Academic Grants and Awards**

### AMERICAN POLITICAL SCIENCE ASSOCIATION

Graduate Student Travel Grant. 2006.

### SOCIETY FOR POLITICAL METHODOLOGY

Invited graduate student participant. 2005–2007. Political Methodology Summer Meeting.

### OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

University Fellowship. 2002–2003 and 2006–2007.

Fellow. Program in Statistics and Methodology. 2004–2005.

Summer Research Fellowship. Program for Enhancement in Graduate Studies. 2005.

Research and Development Grant. Program for Enhancement in Graduate Studies.

## **Teaching Experience**

Undergraduate: Political Polarization; Political Behavior; Techniques in Political Analysis

Graduate: Quantitative Techniques in Political Science, Advanced Methods in Political Analysis

## **Professional Service and Affiliations**

Member, American Political Science Association, Midwest Political Science Association, Southern Political Science Association.

Communications Director, APSA Elections and Public Opinion Section

## **Miscellaneous Experience**

Marketing Manager – Ehlers for Congress. Full-time employee on a successful congressional reelection campaign. May - November 2000.

## References

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