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## EDUCATION

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### **Columbia University**

Ph.D. in Political Science

*Expected Spring 2024*

M. Phil. in Political Science

*April 2021*

M.A. in Political Science

*June 2019*

Fields: American Politics; Quantitative Methods

### **University of Chicago: Harris School of Public Policy**

Masters in Public Policy with Honors

*June 2018*

Specialization in Politics and Institutions

Certificate in Survey Research

### **University of Chicago: The College**

*June 2017*

B.A. Public Policy Studies with Honors

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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### **Columbia University, Department of Political Science**

Fall 2021

*GSAS Research Fellow for Professor Ira Katznelson*

*New York, NY*

- Conducted legal research on SCOTUS rulings on civil rights in the years immediately following 9/11
- Collected and summarized government communications about responses to terrorist plots abroad

### **Columbia University, Department of Political Science**

October 2019-January 2020

*Graduate Research Assistant (with Professor Michael Ting)*

*New York, NY*

- Analyzed the literature on bureaucratic ideology for a forthcoming paper on drift and corruption

### **University of Chicago, Department of Political Science**

April 2017-October 2018

*Graduate Research Assistant (with Professor Will Howell)*

*Chicago, IL*

- Conducted research and wrote literature reviews on several topics including political scandals and the media's response to the 2016 presidential election; resulting paper published in *AJPS*
- Provided research memos and contributed to multiple projects, which were featured in *Presidents, Populism, and the Crisis of Democracy* (University of Chicago Press)

### **Behavioral Insights and Parenting Lab**

January 2017-May 2017

*Graduate Research Assistant*

*Chicago, IL*

- Surveyed parents at Head Start pre-schools to test behavioral interventions on student absenteeism
- Translated survey instrument and proctor instructions from English to Spanish

### **University of Chicago, Survey Lab**

October 2016-January 2017

*Research Assistant*

*Chicago, IL*

- Gathered data on individuals' experiences with dental care in under-served neighborhoods
- Helped translate survey from English to Spanish and surveyed respondents in Spanish

## WORKING PAPERS

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Coloring in the Lines: Segregation, Citizenship, and Racial Redistricting in U.S. City Councils

Generically Partisan: Polarization in Political Communication about Partisans under Polarization” with Andrew Gelman and Susan Gelman

## WORKS IN PROGRESS

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See You in Round 2?: Measuring the Runner-up Effect in Nonpartisan Mayoral Races” with Shigeo Hirano and John Marshall

Politics in the Age of Political Science: An Analysis of Political Budget Cycles in U.S. States with Andrew Gelman, Daniel Markovits and Samuel Housekeeper

## SKILLS

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### Language and Technical Skills

- Spanish: Native (Speaking, Reading, Writing)
- Proficient in MS Office Suite, Latex, Qualtrics, Stata, QGIS, and R
- Basic Proficiency in Java, Python, and ArcGIS

## TEACHING AND SERVICE

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### Columbia University Teaching Fellow

- Intro to American Politics (with Prof. Miller) *Fall 2019 & Summer 2022*
- State Politics (with Prof. Phillips) *Spring 2020*
- Research Design & Data Analysis (with Prof. Hirano) *Fall 2020*
- Urban Politics (with Prof. Vargas-Ramos) *Spring 2021 & Spring 2022*

### Columbia Political Science Diversity and Equity Committee

Spring 2022-

*Graduate Student Committee Member*

- Helped construct a survey and facilitated focus groups to measure department environment for URM students in hopes of reducing attrition

### The Coding School’s Data Science Research Program

Summer 2022

*Graduate Student Mentor*

Volunteered as a mentor to under-served and underrepresented high school students interested in learning to code in order to conduct social science research

### Columbia DEI Office Summer Research Program

Summer 2021

*Graduate Student Instructor*

Constructed curriculum and lectured students from HBCUs to develop social science research projects and apply to PhD programs

## GRANTS & AWARDS

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Provost Diversity Fellows Small Grants Program	<b>\$2,000</b>
Dissertation Improvement Grant (Internal)	<b>\$3,000</b>
Columbia Provost Diversity Fellowship 2018	<b>\$8,000</b>

## INVITED TALKS

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### **ESRA 2023**

Considerations of Local Redistricting: A Simulation Analysis of Over 100 U.S. Cities

### **MPSA 2023**

Coloring in the Lines: Majority-Minority Districts and Descriptive Representation in U.S. Cities

### **APSA 2022**

Drawing People In (and Out): An Outlier Analysis of Bias in Urban Redistricting

### **MPSA 2020 [Canceled due to Covid]**

See You in Round 2? Estimating the Effect of Winning First-Round Elections on Second Round Success in Non-Partisan U.S. Mayoral Elections

## REFERENCES

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Shigeo Hirano  
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