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Education

- 1998 Ph.D., Political Science, University of New Orleans
Concentrations: American Political Behavior, American Political Institutions, Urban and
Minority Politics

Dissertation: *Critical Elections and the Dynamics of Partisan Change in the South* (Chair: Dr. Charles D.
Hadley).
- 1992 M.A., U.S. Politics & History, University of Keele (England)
- 1991 B.A., (Honours) Political Theory & Institutions, University of Liverpool (England)

General Areas of Research and Teaching

Southern politics, voting behavior, race and racial attitudes, Florida politics, comparative politics, civic engagement,
research methods.

Teaching Positions Held

- 2005-date: Associate Professor (with tenure), University of Central Florida
1999-2005: Assistant Professor, University of Central Florida
1998-1999: Lecturer, University of New Orleans
1994-1998: Graduate Teaching Assistant, University of New Orleans

Other Positions Held

- 2011-2015: Fellow and Director of Research, Lou Frey Institute for Politics and Government, University of Central
Florida

Administrative Appointments

- August 2008-August 2013: Graduate Program Director, Department of Political Science

Responsible for curriculum planning, catalogue updates, advising all graduate students, handling all inquiries about
the graduate program, new student orientation, GTA orientation; GTA selection, assignment, and orientation;

admissions; chair of graduate committee; chair of PhD committee; general program oversight; institutional effectiveness (yearly program assessment); compiling and updating graduate program handbook; developed new brochures for MA and PhD programs; proposed major curriculum changes to MA program, including thesis proposal hearings, collapsing of MA tracks to afford greater student choice in coursework, development of new comprehensive exam and standardized rubrics for evaluation, and new research methods course; coordinated the publicizing of the new Security Studies PhD program, student recruitment and chair of PhD admissions committee.

Research

Journal Articles and Book Chapters (since 2011)

Knuckey, Jonathan and Myunghee Kim. 2020. "The Politics of White Racial Identity and Vote Choice in the 2018 Midterm Elections." *Social Science Quarterly* 101 (4): 1584-1599

Knuckey, Jonathan and Komysha Hassan. 2020. "Authoritarianism and Support for Trump in the 2016 Presidential Election." *Social Science Journal*.

Knuckey, Jonathan. 2018. "I Just Don't Think She Has a Presidential Look: Sexism and Vote Choice in the 2016 U.S. Presidential Election." *Social Science Quarterly* 100 (1): 342-358.

Kim, Myunghee, Nikola Mirilovic, and Jonathan Knuckey. 2018. "Attitudes toward Homosexuality and Perceptions of the United States Abroad." *Social Science Quarterly* 100 (1): 123-139.

Knuckey, Jonathan and Aubrey Jewett. 2018. "Florida: Old South Electoral Strategy Trumps the Newest Southern Politics," in Branwell DuBose Kapeluck and Scott Buchanan (eds.) *The 2016 Presidential Election in the South* (University of Arkansas Press)

Knuckey, Jonathan. 2017. "The Myth of the 'Two Souths?' Racial Resentment and White Party Identification in the Deep South and Rim South." *Social Science Quarterly* 98 (2): 728-749.

Knuckey, Jonathan and Myunghee Kim. 2016. "Evaluations of Michelle Obama as First Lady: The Role of Racial Resentment." *Presidential Studies Quarterly*. 46 (2): 365-386.

Knuckey, Jonathan, and Myunghee Kim. 2015. "Racial Resentment, Old-Fashioned Racism, and the Vote Choice of Southern and Nonsouthern Whites in the 2012 U.S. Presidential Election." *Social Science Quarterly* 96 (4): 905-922.

Knuckey, Jonathan. 2015. "The Survival of the Democratic Party outside the South: An Update and Reassessment." *Party Politics* 21 (4): 539-552

Knuckey, Jonathan and Tyler Branz. 2014. "Florida: Si se puede" in Branwell DuBose Kapeluck and Scott Buchanan (eds.) *The 2012 Presidential Election in the South* (Lynn Rienner)

Knuckey, Jonathan. 2013 "Dixie Backlash? Anti-Southern Affect and Party Support outside the South." *American Review of Politics* 34 (Fall 2013): 179-206. (Special edition on Southern Politics)

Knuckey, Jonathan. 2012. "The 'Palin Effect' in the 2008 Presidential Election." *Political Research Quarterly* 65 (2): 275-289.

Knuckey, Jonathan. 2011. "Racial Resentment and Vote Choice in the 2008 Presidential Election." *Politics and Policy* 39 (4): 559-582.

Recent paper presentations (past 5 years)

2021. Jewett, Aubrey, and Jonathan Knuckey, Jonathan, “The 2020 Presidential Election in Florida: Miami Dade Hispanics Push Trump to Victory.” Annual meeting of the Florida Political Science Association, March 27, Virtual Conference.

2020. Kim, Myunghee and Jonathan Knuckey. “Global Leadership of the U.S. and China.” Southern Political Science Association meeting, San Juan, PR, January 9-11, 2020.

2020. Kim, Myunghee and Jonathan Knuckey. “Trump’s Personality and His Leadership Perceptions.” Paper was accepted for presentation at the Midwest Political Science Association annual meeting, April 17-19, 2020, Chicago, IL (meeting was cancelled).

2019. Knuckey, Jonathan, and Myunghee Kim. “The Politics of White Racial Identity and Vote Choice in the 2018 Midterm Elections.” Northeastern Political Science Association meeting, Philadelphia, PA, November 7-9.

2019. Matthews, Adrienne and Jonathan Knuckey. “The 2018 Gubernatorial Election in Georgia.” Annual meeting of the Southern Sociological Society, Atlanta, GA.

2019. Kim, Myughee and Jonathan Knuckey. “Trump and the ‘Model Minority’: Asian American Voting Behavior in 2016.” Annual meeting of the Midwestern Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

2019. Kim, Myughee and Jonathan Knuckey. “Racial Prejudice, Sexism and Vote Choice for Trump in the 2016 U.S. Presidential Election.” Annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Austin ,TX.

2019. Kim, Myughee and Jonathan Knuckey. “Racial Prejudice toward Asian Americans and Vote Choice for Trump in the 2016 Election.” Annual meeting of the Northeastern Political Science Association, Montreal, Quebec.

2018. Conkwright, Ethan and Jonathan Knuckey. “The 2016 Presidential Election and Partisan Change in Florida.” Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Social Science Association, Orlando, FL.

2018. Knuckey, Jonathan and Komysha Hassan. “Authoritarianism and Support for Trump in the 2016 Election.” Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Social Science Association, Orlando, FL. (*Winner of Pi Sigma Alpha Award for Best Paper*)

2018. Kim, Myunghee, Jonathan Knuckey and Xiongwei Cao. “Voting Behavior among Asian Americans in the U.S. Presidential Election.” Annual meeting of the Midwestern Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

2018. Knuckey, Jonathan. “Testing the Southern Exceptionalism Hypothesis in the 2016 Election.” Biennial Citadel Symposium on Southern Politics, Charleston, SC.

2018. Knuckey, Jonathan. “I Just Don’t Think She Has a Presidential Look: Sexism and Vote Choice in the 2016 U.S. Presidential Election.” Annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA.

2017. Knuckey, Jonathan. “Sexism and Vote Choice in the 2016 Election” Annual meeting of the Northeastern Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA.

2017. Knuckey, Jonathan. “White Racial Consciousness and Vote Choice in the 2016 Presidential Election.” Annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Vancouver, BC.

2017. Knuckey, Jonathan. “White Racial Consciousness and Support for Donald Trump: A Comparison of Southerners and Non-Southerners.” Annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA.

2016. Knuckey, Jonathan and Myunghee Kim. “A Different Kind of Republican? Sources of Affective Evaluations Toward Donald Trump.” Annual meeting of the Northeastern Political Science Association, Boston, MA.

2016. Knuckey, Jonathan. "Racial Resentment and Republican Voting in Southern Subpresidential Elections in the Obama Era." Presented at the Citadel Symposium on Southern Politics, Charleston, SC.

Teaching

Courses Taught

Undergraduate:

POS 2041 – American National Government

POS 2041h – Honors American National Government

CPO 3103 – Comparative Politics

POS 3173 – Southern Politics

POS 3703 – Scope & Methods of Political Science

POS 4204 – Political Behavior

Graduate:

POS 6045 – Seminar in American Politics

POS 6174 – Seminar in Southern Politics

POS 6207 – Seminar in Political Behavior

POS 6145 – Seminar on the American Presidency

Recent Student Supervision

Ph.D. Dissertation Supervision

External Reader

Stephanie Williams (University of South Florida), "In Defense of the Forgotten Man: The Sustained Legacy of the Southern Strategy on the Post-Reagan Era Presidency.

M.A. Thesis Supervision

Thesis Chair

Tiffeni Russo, "Attitudes Toward Transgender Individuals." (Defended, Spring 2021)

Heidi Beck, "The Effects of Divided Government on Voter Turnout." (Defended Summer 20)

Graham Romich. "A Reassessment of the Presidential Use of Executive Orders, 1953-2008." (Defended, Fall 2015).

Tiffany Quick, "The Gender Gap in Political Behavior: A Comparative Perspective." (Defended, Summer 2013).

Tyler Branz, "Have Nominating Conventions Lost Power?" (Defended, Spring 2010).

Janelle Middents, "Explaining Split-ticket Voting in the American Electorate." Defended, (Spring 2010).

Thesis Committee Member

Brett Jones, "Public Opinion and the President's Use of Executive Orders: Aggregate- and Individual Level Analyses Across Time" Defended Spring, 2016.

Michael Jones. "Environmentalism And Environmental Constitutional Ballot Initiatives In Florida: The Elements Of Support For Amendment One In 2014In The Context Of Current Environmental Attitudes." Defended Fall 2015.

Gregory McDowall, "A Generational Perspective on the Development of the Political History of Modern Iran." Defended Summer 2015.

Briana Vargas-Gonzales "Supranational Organizations and Legitimacy: How the 2008 Global Economic Crisis has Affected Public Opinion on Membership with the EU." Defended, Summer 2014.

Curtis Hibbert, "Terrorism: The Effect of Positive Social Sanctions." Defended, Spring 2013.

William Lusk, "Maritime Pirates and Foreign Terrorist Organizations: Complicit Against U.S. and NATO?" Defended, Fall 2012.

Kathleen Adams, "The Sustainability of Overconsumption? A Discursive Analysis of Walmart's Sustainability Campaign." Defended, Summer 2012.

Miguel Ubiles, "Affirmative Action in Higher Education and the Talented Twenty Program in Florida." Defended, Spring 2012.

Jeffrey Billman, "Marriage for Some: Understanding Variation of Gay Rights and Gay Marriage Policies in the United States." Defended, Spring 2010.

Tiahna Larsen "Ideological Voting on the Supreme Court: An Analysis of Judicial Activism on the Burger and Rehnquist Courts, 1969-2004." Defended, Summer 2010.

Non-Thesis/Capstone Paper Supervision

Chair

Hector Zavas, "Personality Traits and Voting Behavior." Defended, Fall 2016.

Calandra Harding, "Political Institutions and the Evolution of Same-Sex Marriage in the U.S." Defended, Summer 2016.

Reader

Tiago Dovale, "The Price of Terror: Investigating the Impact of Terrorism on Government Social Spending" (Defended, Spring 2020)

Christopher Edgerton, "The African American Church & Political Activism: A Field Research in Central Florida." Defended, Spring 2017.

Honors in the Major Thesis Supervision

Chair

Emma Tritton, “The Party Decides, or Does It? An In-Depth Analysis of the 2020 Democratic Primaries and the Party’s Influence.” (Defended, Spring 2020)

Faiza Begani “Political Repression in Modern America, 1960s-2017.” (Defended Summer 2019).

Ethan Conkwright, “The Political Development Of Central Florida’s I-4 Corridor From 1944 To 2016.” (Defended, Spring 2018)

Jesscia Lago, “The Structure of Intelligence Agencies in Democratic and Non-Democratic Regimes.” (Defended, spring 2018).

Komysha Hassan, “Politics and the Application of Law: Crime Construction and Police Power.” Defended, Spring 2017

Committee Member

Abigail Bass,

Laura Chiu, “Policy success but political failure in the Obama presidency” (Defended, Summer 2020)

Oumaima Jaayfer, “The Welfare State in the Twentieth Century: A Case Study of the Swedish Public Pension System (Defended, Spring 2020)

Brittany Wilson “Explaining Support for the 2004 Minimum Wage Amendment” Defended, Summer 2019.

Florencia Devesa, “Explaining differences in support for Trump and Rubio in the Florida 2016 general election.” Defended Summer, 2019.

Nicole Ryan, “American Agribusiness and Biotechnology.” Defended, Spring 2016.

Elizabeth Boyd “Return Migration.” Defended Fall, 2015

Scott Wright “The Globalization of Crime: A Look at INTERPOL Past, Present, and Future.” Defended, Summer 2009.

Drew Rolle, “The Doctrine of Colorblind Justice in American Jurisprudence.” Defended, Summer 2009.

Service

Service to the Department, College and University

Department (Standing Committees):

Graduate Committee (1999-2019, Chair 2008-2013)

Undergraduate Committee (1999-2002; 2020-date)

Computer, Awards and Grants Committee (1999-2007, Chair 2007)

Recognition Committee (2010)

Pegasus Planning Adviser (2018-date)

Department (Committees relating to Graduate Program Development & PhD)

Ph.D. Committee (2011-2015, Chair, 2011-2013)

Ph.D. Admissions Committee (2012-2015, Chair, 2012-2013)

Ph.D. Proposal Committee (2010-2011)

Ph.D. Working Group (2004)

Ph.D. program, White Paper Proposal (2002, 2009)

Graduate Recruitment Enhancement Committee (2002-2003)

Academic Program Review Committee (7-year cycle), Chair, Graduate Subcommittee (2012)

MA Student Success Committee (2017-date)

Department (Search Committees)

Lecturer/Instructor for Global Achievement Academy Position (2015)

International Relations Associate Professor Search Committee (2011)

Political Science Chair Search Committee—Internal search (2011)

International Relations Full Professor Search Committee (2010)

American Politics Assistant Professor Search Committee, Chair (2010)

American Politics Visiting Instructor Search Committee, Chair (2009)

International Relations Assistant Professor Search Committee (2006)

Comparative Politics Assistant Professor Search Committee (Spring 2002)

Department (Other Committees)

Annual Evaluations, Standards and Procedures Committee (2011-2015)

Promotion and Tenure Criteria Committee (2006-2007)

Peer Evaluation Advisory committee (2003, 2004 and 2006)

College:

Divisional Review Committee member for Institutional Effectiveness Assessment (2011-2014)

Search Committee, Administrative Assistant to the Associate Dean (2013)

In-house Grants Awards Committee (2009-2011)

Graduate Standards and Research Committee/Graduate Curriculum and Standards Committee (2007-2013)

Teaching Incentive Program (TIP) Criteria Committee (2001, 2003)

Teaching Incentive Program (TIP) Selection Committee (2018)

Research Incentive Award (RIA) Selection Committee (2006)

College of Sciences Elections Committee (2002-2013, Chair 2011-2013)

University:

Faculty Senate (Department representative, 2002-2006; At-Large College of Science representative, 2015-2020)

Undergraduate Policy and Curriculum Committee (2002-2006)

Undergraduate Course Review Committee (2005-2006)

Personnel Committee (2015-2020)

Service to the Profession

Roundtable, Chair and Discussant at Professional Meetings in Last Five Years

2018. Discussant.

2017. Discussant and Chair panel on “Comparative Politics.” Florida Political Science Association Meeting, Orlando, FL.

2017. Participant for roundtable on “The 2016 Presidential Election.” Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA.

2015. Discussant and Chair panel on “The Gender Gap in Comparative Perspective.” Florida Political Science Association Meeting, Orlando, FL.

2015. Participant for roundtable “Elections in the Rim South,” Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA.

2014. Participant for roundtable “*The New Southern Politics*— Author Meets Critics,” Southern Political Science Association, Orlando Florida, FL.

2013. Participant for roundtable “*New Politics of the Old South* – Author Meets Critics,” Southern Political Science Association, Orlando Florida, FL.

2013. Discussant for panel on “Voter Turnout,” Southern Political Science Association, Orlando, FL.

2013. Discussant for panel on “Parties in Comparative Perspective,” Midwestern Political Science Association Meeting, Chicago IL.

2011. Chair and Discussant for panel on “Demographics, Partisanship and Voting Patterns” Northeastern Political Science Association Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.

2009. Discussant for panel on “Constituencies and the Politics of Place,” Northeastern Political Science Association Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.

Peer reviewer for the following Professional Journals

American Journal of Political Science, American Politics Research, American Political Science Review, American Review of Politics, British Journal of Political Science, Electoral Studies, Journal of Politics, Party Politics, Politics and Policy, Political Behavior, Political Research Quarterly, Social Science Quarterly.

Manuscript Reviewer

University of Arkansas Press, Thomson-Wadsworth, Lynne Rienner, University of Kentucky Press, University of Florida Press.

Awards Committee

2012. Southern Political Science Association, V.O. Key, Jr. Award for outstanding book on southern politics.

External Academic Consulting

1996-2002: Reader for the American Government Advanced Placement Examination, Educational Testing Service.

Membership in Professional Associations (Past and current)

American Political Science Association, Canadian Political Science Association, Midwest Political Science Association, Political Studies Association (UK), Northeastern Political Science Association, Southern Political Science Association, Southwestern Social Studies Association.

References

On request.