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Academic Positions

Assistant Professor, University of Central Florida,   2022-Present
School of Politics, Security and International Affairs

Postdoctoral Associate, New York University,   2019-2022
Center for Social Media and Politics

Education

Ph.D., Political Science, **University of Washington**, 2020
   Dissertation Title: The Effect of Economic Policies/Behavior on Contemporary Threats to Democracy

M.A., Political Science, **University of Washington**, 2017.

B.A., Economics, Government, *magna cum laude*, **Lawrence University**, 2013.

Peer-Reviewed Publications

Aslett, Kevin, Zeve Sanderson, William Godel, Jonathan Nagler, Richard Bonneau, Nathaniel Persily, and Joshua Tucker. "Testing The Effect of Information on Discerning the Veracity of News in Real-Time." Conditionally Accepted at *Journal of Experimental Political Science*.

Aslett, Kevin, Andrew Guess, Jonathan Nagler, Richard Bonneau, and Joshua Tucker. "News credibility labels have limited average effects on news diet quality and fail to reduce misperceptions" *Science Advances*, 8.18 (2022). [Link to Article]
Media Coverage: Politico, Tech Policy Press, Nieman Lab, Popular Science

Aslett, Kevin, Nora Webb Williams, Andreu Casas, Wesley Zuidema, and John Wilkerson. "What Was the Problem in Parkland? Using Social Media to Measure the Effectiveness of Issue Frames." *Policy Studies Journal*, 50.1 (2022). [Link to Article]

Aslett, Kevin and Beatrice Magistro. "Principal Agent Problems Within EU Funds: A Case Study of Patronage in Hungary" *Europe-Asia Studies* (2022). [Link to Article]

Guess, Andrew, **Kevin Aslett**, Jonathan Nagler, Richard Bonneau, and Joshua Tucker. "Cracking Open the News Feed: Exploring What US Facebook Users See and Share with Large-Scale Platform Data." *Journal of Quantitative Description: Digital Media*, 1.1 (2021). [Link to Article]

Godel, William, Zeve Sanderson, **Kevin Aslett**, Jonathan Nagler, Richard Bonneau, Nathaniel Persily, and Joshua Tucker. "Moderating with the Mob: Evaluating the Efficacy of Real-Time Crowdsourced Fact-Checking." *Journal of Online Trust and Safety*, 1.1 (2021). [Link to Article]
Media Coverage: Washington Post, Tech Policy Press, The Register

Chen, Zhouhan, **Kevin Aslett**, Jen Rosiere Reynolds, Juliana Freire, Jonathan Nagler, Richard Bonneau, and Joshua Tucker. An Automatic Framework to Continuously Monitor Multi-Platform Information Spread. *MISINFO 2021, Workshop on Misinformation Integrity in Social Networks*, (2021). [Link to Article]

Caporaso, James, and **Kevin Aslett**. "The Question of German Imbalances within the Eurozone: Competitiveness versus Savings Explanations?" *International Trade, Politics, and Development*, 1.1 (2017). [Link to Article]

Aslett, Kevin and James Caporaso. "Breaking Up Is Hard To Do: Why The Eurozone Will Survive." *Economies*, 4.4 (2016). [Link to Article]

Under Review

Do Your Own Research? Searching for Additional Information Online About Misinformation Increases Belief in Misinformation
(*with Godel, Sanderson, Tucker, Nagler, and Persily*)
[Revise and Resubmit at *Nature*] [Link to Working Paper]

How Language Shapes Belief in Misinformation: A Study Among Multilingual Speakers in Ukraine
(*with Erlich, Nagler, and Tucker*)
[Revise and Resubmit at *Journal of Experimental Political Science*] [Link to Registered Report]

Non-Peer Reviewed Publications And Reports

Its Not Easy For Ordinary Citizens To Identify Fake News (April). *The Washington Post.*   2020
(with Sanderson, Godel, Persily, Bonneau, Nagler, and Tucker) [Link to Article]

Grants/Awards/Fellowships

Director's Research Grant, School of Politics, Security, and International Affairs   2022
(University of Central Florida) ($5,000)

National Science Foundation (NSF) Award, "RAPID: Measuring Information Consumption   2020
and Beliefs During the Covid-19 Pandemic." Key Research Personnel.
Award Number 2029610 ($199,596) [Link to Grant]

Richard Wesley Graduate Fellowship in Comparative Political Economy   2019
(University of Washington) ($2,000)

Travel Grant, Political Science Department at the University of Washington ($500)   2018

Graduate Research Grant, European Union Center at the University of Washington   2018
($1,900)

Small Event Grant, Council for European Studies ($750)   2018

Research Grant, Polish Studies Endowment Committee at the University of Washington   2017
($1,200)

Academic Year Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Fellowship, U.S. Department   2016
of Education ($35,000)

Senior Experience Grant, Lawrence University ($890)   2013

Working Papers

When Republicans See Red but Democrats Feel Blue: Why Labeler-Characteristic Bias Matters for Image
Analysis
(with Webb Williams, Casas, and Wilkerson) [Available upon request]

Automated Visual Clustering for Image Corpus Exploration, Stratified Random Sampling, and Annotation
Cost Reduction (*with Casas, Webb Williams, and Wilkerson*) [Link to Working Paper]

An Externally Valid Method for Assessing Belief in Popular Fake News (*with Godel, Sanderson, Tucker,
Nagler, Bonneau, and Persily*) [Available upon request]

Technological Change And Populism (*Sole Author*) [Available upon request]

Learning Media Quality from Facebook Data (*with Terechshenko, Buntain, Paskhalis, Bonneau, Nagler, and
Tucker*) [Available upon request]

Checking the Checkers: How Ideology and Source Credibility is Related to Third-Party Fact-Checking on
Facebook (*with Terechshenko, Buntain, Paskhalis, Bonneau, Nagler, and Tucker*) [Available upon request]

Measuring and mitigating belief in misinformation at the scale of the social media ecosystem (*with Tokita,
Godel, Sanderson, Persily, Bonneau, Nagler, and Tucker*) [Available upon request]

Conference/Workshop Presentations

Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL	2023
Trust and Safety Research Conference, Stanford, CA	2022
American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA	2021
Images-as-Data Dublin (IMG-DUB) Workshop, Online	2020
American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Meeting, Online	2020
American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C.	2019
Conference on Politics and Computational Social Science (PaCSS), Washington, D.C.	2019
Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL	2019
Graduate Student Research Workshop on the European Union, Seattle, WA	2018
Public Choice Society, Charleston, SC	2018
Social Science History Association (SSHA), Montreal, QC, Canada	2017
Western U.S. Graduate Research Workshop on the E.U., Seattle, WA	2017
Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL	2017
NW REECAS Conference, Portland, OR	2017
Reforming Southern Europe Workshop, Seattle, WA	2016
Western U.S. Graduate Research Workshop on the E.U., Seattle, WA	2016

Invited Presentations

Meta Social Science One Research Group	2022
Siegel Family Endowment Research Seminar	2022
National Democratic Institute for International Affairs	2021
USAID: DRG Evidence and Learning Lecture Series	2021
NYU Center for Social Media and Politics Annual Conference	2021
CrowdTangle: Researchers X Journalists	2020
Center For Information Technology Policy, Princeton University	2020
Facebook, Menlo Park, CA	2020
Facebook, New York, NY	2019
Text as Data Special Interest Group - eScience Institute, University of Washington	2019
Severyns Ravenholt Seminar in Comparative Politics, University of Washington	2018
Wesley Forum on Politics and Economics, University of Washington	2018
Economics Department, Lawrence University, Appleton, WI	2017
Monroe Correctional Facility, Seattle, WA	2016

Research Positions

Research Assistant for Dr. John Wilkerson, Political Science Dept, UW	2018-2019
Research Assistant for Dr. James Caporaso, Political Science Dept, UW	2015-2019
Research Assistant for Dr. Caitlin Ainsley, Political Science Dept, UW	2017-2018
Research Intern, National Bank of Poland, Warsaw, Poland	2012

Teaching Positions

Instructor of Record
Scope and Methods (x3) (University of Central Florida)
Graduate Teaching Assistant
Introduction to Comparative Politics (x3) (University of Washington)
Introduction to Political Economy (x2) (University of Washington)
Introduction to International Relations (x3) (University of Washington)

Software and Programming Skills

Advanced: R, Python, GiS, MySQL, Stata, Latex, Amazon Web Services.
Intermediate: Java, HTML
Online Repository: https://github.com/kaslett

Language

English (Native); Polish (Advanced) ; French (Beginner)

Reviewer

Nature: Human Behavior
British Journal of Political Science (BJPS)
Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (PNAS)
Information, Communication and Society
The International Conference on Web and Social Media (ICWSM)
Mass Communication and Society
Computational Communication Research
Journal of Online Trust and Safety

Service

Editorial Board, *Journal of Online Trust and Safety*	2021-Now
Mentor, MIT COVID-19 Datathon	2020
Mentor, Social Science Research at the Bronx High School of Science	2019-2020
Graduate Chair of Severyns-Revenholt Seminar in Comparative Politics	2018-2019
Co-organizer of EU Graduate Student Workshop, Seattle, WA	2018