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Curriculum Vitae

University of Central Florida
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APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor, School of Politics, Security, & International Affairs
University of Central Florida – Orlando, FL (August 2024 – present)

Visiting Lecturer, Department of Political Science
Skidmore College – Saratoga Springs, NY (September 2023 – May 2024)

Lab Fellow, American Politics Research Lab
University of Colorado Boulder – Boulder, CO (August 2019 – May 2024)

Center Fellow, Keller Center for the Study of the First Amendment
University of Colorado Boulder – Boulder, CO (December 2018 – 2021)

EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D), Political Science
University of Colorado Boulder – Boulder, CO (2024)
Concentration: American Politics and Quantitative Methodology

Master of Arts (MA), Political Science
University of Colorado Boulder – Boulder, CO (2020)
Concentration: American Politics and Quantitative Methodology

Bachelor of Arts (BA), Political Science
Gustavus Adolphus College – Saint Peter, MN, *Cum Laude* (2018)
Concentration: American Politics and Political Theory
Minor: History (Modern United States)

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

American Government and Politics
Public Opinion, Mass Political Behavior, Social Context, Political Psychology

Political Methodology (Quantitative Research Methods)
Experimental Methods, Surveys and Polling, Text Analysis, Social Networks

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

*Instructor
of Record:*

University of Central Florida

Political Psychology (POS 4206; Fall 2024 - Undergraduate)

Quantitative Methods in Political Research (POS 6746; Fall 2024 – Graduate)

Skidmore College

Gender and American Politics (PL 251; Spring 2024)

Experimental Methods (PL 302; Spring 2024)

Public Opinion Research Methods (PL 371-8; Spring 2024)

Advanced Political Data Analysis (PL 371-2; Fall 2023)

Campaigns and Elections (PL 224; Fall 2023)

Introduction to American Politics (PL 101; Fall 2023, Spring 2024)

University of Colorado Boulder

Public Opinion and Political Behavior (PSCI 3051; Spring 2023)

U.S. Campaigns and Elections (PSCI 3021; Summer 2023)

*Teaching
Assistant:*

University of Colorado Boulder

Introduction to American Politics (PSCI 1101; Fall 2018, 2021, 2022; Spring 2019, 2021, 2022)

Quantitative Research Methods (PSCI 2075; Fall 2019, Spring 2020)

Survey Design and Analysis (PSCI 3155; Fall 2020)

Gustavus Adolphus College (Undergraduate)

Hollywood and Politics (POL 107; January 2018)

Grader:

University of Colorado Boulder

American Foreign Policy (PSCI 3163; Fall 2022)

Introduction to American Politics (PSCI 1101; Summer 2022)

Religion and Politics (PSCI 4028; Fall 2021)

PUBLICATIONS

Jensen, Alexander, Madeline Mader, Srinivas C. Parinandi, Anand E. Sokhey, and Michael Byrd. 2023. “Federal Slavery Legislation and Voting in U.S. Gubernatorial Elections, 1840-1860.” *Journal of Historical Political Economy* 3(2): 161-178.

Gilbert, Christopher P., Joseph M. Cella, **Alexander L. Jensen**. 2017. “Minnesota: The Resurgence of Evangelical Political Strength in 2016.” In *God at the Grassroots 2016: The Christian Right in American Politics*. Mark Rozell and Clyde Wilcox, eds. Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield.

RESEARCH GRANTS

Responsible for collecting \$4,950 for undergraduate experimental research in PL 302: Experiments in Political Science, Skidmore College (March 2024)

Travel to Read Grant - \$1,850, Skidmore College (January 2024)

Graduate School Travel Grant - \$450, University of Colorado Boulder (January 2024)

Political Science Graduate Research Grant (Large Grant) - \$5,000, University of Colorado Boulder (March 2023)

Beverly Sears Graduate Student Research Grant - \$1,000, University of Colorado Boulder (January 2023)

Graduate Student Grant - \$750, Keller Center for the Study of the First Amendment at the University of Colorado Boulder (March 2020)

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

Jensen, Alexander. “American Public Opinion on ‘Toxic Masculinity’.” In preparation for submission.

Jensen, Alexander. “Hegemonic Masculinity and Political Attitudes: A Critical Review.” In preparation for submission.

Jackson-Ontkush, Elliot, and Alexander Jensen. “How Do Resignations Affect Public Opinion?” In preparation for submission.

Jensen, Alexander, and Zoe Moss. “A New Term for an Old Concept? The Political Nature of ‘Toxic’ Masculinity.” In preparation for submission.

Jensen, Alexander, and Anand E. Sokhey. “Understanding Public Reactions to Political Scandals: Results from a Series of Experiments.” In preparation for submission.

Jensen, Alexander, Claire McGovern, and Alexandra Hanson. "Smiling, Family Women? Depictions of Female Candidates and Their Effects on Public Opinion." Working paper.

Nava, Courtney, Alexander Jensen, Anand E. Sokhey, and Paul Djupe. "Intolerant Partisans: The Effect of Affective Polarization on Partisan Political Tolerance." Working paper.

Cella, Joseph M. and Alexander Jensen. "It's a Party on Campus: College Student Voting in State and Local Elections." Working paper.

PRESENTATIONS (GRADUATE AND UNDERGRADUATE)

"Do Resignations Restore Faith in Government?" Presented at the 81st Annual Midwest Political Science Association Conference (Chicago, IL), April 2024.

"The Politics of Toxic Masculinity: Towards a New 'Toxic Masculinity Index'." Presented at the 2023 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (Los Angeles, CA), September 2023.

"Reconsidering the Effect of Masculinity on Reactions to a Politician's Infidelity Scandal." Presented at the 80th Annual Midwest Political Science Association Conference (Chicago, IL), April 2023.

"Toxic Masculinity in American Politics." Presented at the November meeting of the American Politics Research Lab at CU Boulder (Boulder, CO), November 2022.

"Media Coverage of U.S. Political Scandals: 2015-2017." Presented at the 79th Annual Midwest Political Science Association Conference (Chicago, IL), April 2022.

"Understanding Public Reactions to Political Scandals: Results from a Series of Experiments." Presented at the 78th Annual Midwest Political Science Association Conference (Chicago, IL - *Virtual*), April 2021.

"Determinants of Vote Choice in the United States." Presented at the First-Year Poster Presentation. Department of Political Science, University of Colorado Boulder (Boulder, CO), November 2018.

"Making America Great *Again*? A Critique of the Republican Party's Southern Strategy from Goldwater to Trump." Presented at the Midwest Political Science Undergraduate Research Conference (Saint Peter, MN), April 2018.

"It's a Party on Campus: The Impact of Colleges and Universities in Minnesota Elections." Presented with Joseph M. Cella at the Celebration of Creative Inquiry, Gustavus Adolphus College (Saint Peter, MN), May 2017.

HONORS AND AWARDS (GRADUATE AND UNDERGRADUATE)

First Place Prize, Qualifying Paper (Master's Thesis) Awards, University of Colorado Boulder (October 2020)

First Place Prize, Department of Political Science Writing Award, 2016-'17, Gustavus Adolphus College (May 2017)

Tutor, Introduction to American Government, and Analyzing Politics (Quantitative Methods), Gustavus Adolphus College (AY 2017-'18)

Undergraduate Research Assistant (studying child welfare policy) for Dr. Katherine Knutson, Gustavus Adolphus College (AY 2017-'18)

Member, Pi Sigma Alpha (honor society), Spring 2018

INSTITUTIONAL AND DISCIPLINE SERVICE

Committee Member, Senior Honors Theses in Political Science – Skidmore College (Spring 2024)

Co-Organizer, 2nd Meeting of the Front Range American Political Science Association, Boulder, CO (July 2023)

Comprehensive Exams Liaison – University of Colorado Boulder (AY 2021-'22)

Co-Chair, Mentors of Political Science (Mentor/Mentee program for Ph.D. Students) University of Colorado Boulder (AY 2020-'21)

Expert Judge, Problem-Based Learning Presentations, Northglenn (CO) High School (2020-'22)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Member, Southern Political Science Association (2023-present)

Member, American Political Science Association (2023-present)

Member, Midwestern Political Science Association (2020-present)

REFERENCES

Available upon request.