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## Education

- Ph.D. Candidate in Political Science, University of California, Merced, degree expected 2018
- M.A. in Political Science, University of California, Merced, 2016
- B.A. in Public Policy, University of California, Merced, 2009
- A.A.s in Economics and Political Science, Cerritos College, 2005

## Academic Experience

- Instructor of Record, University of California, Merced, January 2017 to December 2017
- Teaching Assistant, University of California, Merced, August 2012 to December 2016
- Graduate Student Researcher, Summer 2014 and Summer 2015

## Teaching Experience

- Instructor of Record
  - POLI 107, California Politics, Summer 2017 and Fall 2017
  - POLI 100, Congressional Politics, Spring 2017
- Teaching Assistant
  - POLI 1, Introduction to American Politics, Spring 2014
  - POLI 5, Introduction to International Relations, Spring 2015 and Spring 2016
  - POLI 10, Understanding Political Controversies, Fall 2012 and Fall 2015
  - POLI 100, Congressional Politics, Summer 2014
  - POLI 101, The Presidency, Summer 2015 and Fall 2016
  - POLI 125, Public Opinion, Fall 2014
  - POLI 171, Politics and Film, Summer 2015
  - POLI 175, Advanced Analysis of Political Data, Spring 2013
  - SOC 1, Introduction to Sociology, Fall 2013

## Professional/Work Experience

- Policy Advisor, U.S. House of Representatives, Congressman John Garamendi, September 2011 to May 2012
- Senior Legislative Assistant, U.S. House of Representatives, Congressman John Garamendi, November 2009 to September 2011
- Coordinator, John Garamendi for Congress, March 2009 to November 2009
- Policy Analyst, State of California, Lieutenant Governor John Garamendi, June 2007 to March 2009
- North San Joaquin Valley Organizer, Campaign for College Opportunity, January 2007 to March 2007
- Special Assistant to the Director of Governmental Relations, University of California, Merced, July 2006 to November 2006
- Resident Assistant, University of California, Merced, August 2005 to May 2006

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## Dissertation

- The Congressional Allocation of Judicial Institutions (In Progress)

## Grants and Scholarships

- UC Merced Graduate Dean’s Dissertation Fellowship Award, 2018 (\$18,700)
- UC Merced Political Science Winter Fellowship Award, 2017 (\$1,000)
- UC Merced Political Science Graduate Award, 2016 (\$1,800)
- UC Merced Political Science Summer Skills Building Grant, 2013-2017 (\$9,600 total)
- Donald A. Strauss Public Service Scholarship Foundation, 2006 (\$10,000)
- Great Valley Center’s Institute for the Development of Emerging Area Leaders, 2006 (\$6,500)
- Cerritos College Wayne Nunnery Facilities & Purchasing Leadership Scholarship, 2005 (\$1,500)

## Conference Presentations

- Southern Political Science Association 2018, New Orleans, LA
  - Paper: “A Bachelor’s Degree in Political Science: Are we training Researchers, Analysts, or Both?”
  - Paper: “The Congressional Allocation of Judicial Institutions”
  - Chair: “Teaching Political Science: The New Political Science ‘Classroom’”
- American Political Science Association’s Teaching and Learning Conference 2018, Baltimore, MD (Scheduled)
  - Paper: “A Bachelor’s Degree in Political Science: Are we training Researchers, Analysts, or Both?”
- Western Political Science Association 2018, San Francisco, CA (Scheduled)
  - Paper: “A Bachelor’s Degree in Political Science: Are we training Researchers, Analysts, or Both?”
- Midwest Political Science Association 2018, Chicago, IL (Scheduled)
  - Paper: “A Bachelor’s Degree in Political Science: Are we training Researchers, Analysts, or Both?”
  - Panelist: “Public Engagement: Advocacy and Lobbying”
  - Panelist: “Teaching: Software and Tools for Teaching and Research”

## Pedagogical Training

- Certificate in General Pedagogy. University of California, Merced, Center for Research on Teaching Excellence, Fall 2015:
  - Mastering the Classroom with 1st Generation College Students
  - Developing Teaching Strategies
  - Improving Teaching by Assessing Learning
- Certificate in Online Education Standards and Practices. @ONE, Fall 2017
- Certificate in Introduction to Online Teaching and Learning. @ONE, Spring 2017

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- Pedagogy Workshop. American Political Science Association, San Francisco, California. August 30, 2017.
- Teaching Individual/Agent-based Modeling. Humboldt State University, Arcata, California. July 27-31, 2015.
- Getting Started with Geographic Information Systems Certificate. ESRI Training, March 5, 2015.
- Conducting Educational Research in University Courses. University of California, Merced, Center for Engaged Teaching and Learning. May 18, 2017.
- Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative for Human Subjects Research Social/Behavioral Course Track

## Academic Service

- Alumni Representative, Committee to Advise the UC President on the Selection of the 3rd Chancellor for UC Merced, 2011
- Undergraduate Student Representative, Committee to Advise the UC President on the Selection of the 2nd Chancellor for UC Merced, 2007
- Member, Cerritos College Selection Committee for a Counselor, 2004
- Member, Cerritos College Selection Committee for the Vice President of Student Services, 2004
- Student Representative, Cerritos College Curriculum Committee, 2004-2005
- Student Faculty Senate Liaison, Cerritos College Faculty Senate, 2003-2004
- Student Representative, Cerritos College Planning and Budget Committee, 2003-2004

## Other Experience and Service

- Board Member, UC Merced Alumni Association, 2012-2014
- Founding State Director, California Students for Barack Obama, 2007
- Founding Student Body President, UC Merced, 2006-2007
- Chair of Constitution and By-Laws Committee, UC Merced, 2005-2006
- District Intern, Congressman Dennis Cardoza, 2005-2006
- Student Trustee, Cerritos Community College District Board of Trustees, 2004-2005
- Student Body President, Cerritos College, 2004-2005
- Student Coordinator, Cerritos College's "Measure CC" General Obligation Bond Campaign, Spring 2004
- Student Body President, Bellflower High School, 2002-2003

## Awards and Recognitions

- Associated Students of Cerritos College (ASCC), Man of the Year, Spring 2005
- Special Board of Trustees Recognition for Commitment, Dedication and Leadership as ASCC President and Student Trustee, Spring 2005

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- Special Board of Trustees Recognition for Outstanding Dedication and Service for the Passage of Cerritos College's General Obligation Bond, Summer 2004
- ASCC President's Award, Spring 2005
- ASCC Gold Falcon, Spring 2004 and Fall 2004
- ASCC Silver Falcon, Fall 2003

## References

- Dr. Nathan W. Monroe, Associate Professor of Political Science, UC Merced, 5200 N. Lake Road, Merced, CA 95344, (209) 228-4598
- Dr. Thomas Hansford, Associate Professor of Political Science, UC Merced, 5200 N. Lake Road, Merced, CA 95344, (209) 228-4037
- Dr. Jessica Trounstone, Associate Professor of Political Science, UC Merced
- Dr. Bryan Reece, President, Norco Community College and Former Professor of Political Science, Cerritos College
- Congressman John Garamendi, U.S. House of Representatives, 2438 Rayburn HOB, Washington, DC 20515, (202) 225-1880
- State Senator Ben Allen, California State Senate, State Capitol, Room 5072, Sacramento, CA 95814, (916) 651-4026