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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Campaigns, Elections, Congress, U.S. Military, Civil-Military Relations, Campaign Communications, Mixed Methods Research, Experimental Methods, Social Identities.

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Villanova University

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science

2025–Present

Villanova, PA

Carnegie Mellon University

Post-Doctoral Fellow (Teaching Track), Heinz College of Information Systems and Public Policy and Carnegie Mellon Institute of Strategy and Technology

2023–2025

Pittsburgh, PA

APSA Congressional Fellowship Program

Legislative Fellow, Office of Representative Chrissy Houlahan

2022–2023

Washington, DC

EDUCATION

Princeton University

Ph.D. in Politics

2015–2022

Princeton, US

Committee: Christopher Achen (Chair), Paul Frymer, Patricia Kirkland

Subfields: American Politics, Formal and Quantitative Methods, Comparative Politics

Dissertation Title: "The Values and Vices of a Veteran Voice"

Princeton University

M.S. in Politics

2015–2017

Princeton, NJ

Florida State University

B.A. in Political Science and B.S. in International Affairs

2011–2015

Tallahassee, FL

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Carnegie Mellon University

Eberly Center for Teaching and Learning Future Faculty Program Participant

2023 - 2025

Pittsburgh, PA

Princeton University

McGraw Center for Teaching and Learning Teaching Transcript Recipient

2021

Princeton, NJ

BOOK PROJECT

"The Values and Vices of a Veteran Voice."

WORKS IN PROGRESS

"Leveraging Trust: The Impact of Veterans as Poll Workers on Electoral Confidence." Pilot Survey fielded in Summer 2024.

"The Corporal as Congressional Candidate."

"Tweeting from the Campaign Trenches."

"The Paradox of Veterans' Participation in Congressional Campaigns." Survey fielded in Summer 2022.

"Occupational Cues and Candidate Evaluation." With R. William Horne. Survey fielded in Dec. 2017.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Villanova University

Instructor, Department of Political Science

- The Media and Politics (Fall 2025)
- Campaigns and Elections (Fall 2025)
- American Government (Spring 2026)

2025 - Present

Villanova, PA

Carnegie Mellon University

Instructor, Heinz College of Information Systems and Public Policy

- The Media & American Politics (Spring 2024, Spring 2025)
- Disenfranchisement, Campaigns, & U.S. Election Policy (Fall 2024)

2023 - Present

Pittsburgh, PA

Instructor, Carnegie Mellon Institute of Strategy and Technology

- Bias, Objectivity, & the Media's Role in Politics (Fall 2023, Fall 2024)
- The American Experiment: Unravelling the US Electoral System (Spring 2024)
- Representation and Voting Rights (Spring 2025)
- Undergraduate Research (Spring 2025)
- Thesis Advisor (Fall 2024, Spring 2025)

Pittsburgh, PA

Princeton University

Teaching Assistant, Department of Politics

- Junior Plenary Session (Undergraduate Research Design), (Fall 2019, Fall 2021)
- Mass Media, Social Media, and Politics (Fall 2017, Fall 2020)
- Electing the President, Voter Psychology and Candidate Strategy (Spring 2019)
- Graduate Experimental Methods (Spring 2018)

2017 - Present

Princeton, NJ

Statistics Tutor, School of Public and International Affairs

- Junior Summer Institute (Summer 2021)

Princeton, NJ

AWARDS, HONORS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND GRANTS

American Political Science Association Annual Meeting Travel Grant	2023
With Honor Action Grant with Center for Effective Lawmaking	2021–2022
CSDP Graduate Student Research Grant	2020
5-year PhD Fellowship in the Humanities and Social Sciences, Princeton University	2015–2020
Alpheus Thomas Mason *23 Fellowship, Princeton University	2019–2020
Princeton Research in Experimental Social Sciences Seed Grant	2019
Thomas Dye Scholarship Award for Most Outstanding Student in Political Science, Florida State University	2013

SERVICE

Model United Nations Co-Advisor	2026–Present
Department of Political Science AI Committee, Villanova University	2025–Present
APSA Congressional Fellowship Selection Committee Member	2025
Advisor, Policy and Politics Club, Carnegie Mellon University	2023–2025
Post-Doc Advisory Board, Carnegie Mellon University	2023–2025
Co-Coordinator, Princeton Women in Political Science, Princeton University	2019–2022

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Florida's 10th Congressional District Office

Intern

2015

Winter Garden, FL

Campaign in Florida's 2nd Congressional District

Intern

2014

Tallahassee, FL

Florida Political Party Executive Committee

Intern

2014

Tallahassee, FL

Executive Office of the Governor

Intern, Department of Appointments

2014

Tallahassee, FL

ADDITIONAL RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant for Prof. LaFleur Stephens-Dougan

2016

Research Assistant for Prof. Mark Souva

2013

INVITED TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS

Veterans in Society (ViS) Conference

American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Meeting

2019–2021, 2023–2025

Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Annual Meeting

2021

Lakes and Pines Chapter of the Military Officers Association of America Meeting

2018

Southern Political Science Association (SPSA), Annual Meeting

2014

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Languages: Spanish (Elementary), German (Elementary)

Programming: R, Stata, SAS, \LaTeX

REFERENCES

Christopher Achen
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