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EDUCATION

- 2009 - Present: PhD Candidate, Political Science
University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA
Dissertation: "A Theory of Attitude Change and Political Events" (*Committee*: Matthew Levendusky, John Lapinski, Richard Johnston)
Examinations: American Politics, Political Communication
Third Field: Quantitative Political Analysis
- December 2008: MA, Political Science
University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia PA
Thesis: "Divided Government and Significant Legislation, 1895-1994" (*Advisor*: John Lapinski)
- January 2005: BA, *summa cum laude*, Political Science
San Francisco State University, San Francisco, CA

WORK EXPERIENCE

- *Research Assistant (University of Pennsylvania)*
 - Matthew Levendusky, Summer 2008
 - Richard Johnston, Summer 2007
- *American Politics Workshop Coordinator, University of Pennsylvania Political Science Department (2008 - Present)*
- *Political Science Department Webmaster, University of Pennsylvania (2008-present)*

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- *Teaching Assistant (University of Pennsylvania)*
 - American Foreign Policy (Spring 2009)
 - Elections and Voting in the U.S. (Fall 2008)
 - Intro to Comparative Politics (Spring 2008)
 - Intro to American Politics (Fall 2007)
- *Grader (San Francisco State University)*
 - American Politics (Spring 2005)

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- *Presenter*, "Electoral Systems and the 2008 Election," University of Pennsylvania Grad Student Center, April 2008
- *Discussant*, Penn Political Science Graduate Student Workshop, American Politics Section, March 2008
- *Presenter*, "Should You Go to Grad School?" University of Pennsylvania Grad Student Center, March 2007

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

- *Co-Organizer*, Penn Political Science Graduate Student Workshop, April 2009
- *Co-Chair*, Penn Political Science Graduate Student Organization, January 2008-present
- *Mentor*, University of Pennsylvania Graduate Student Center Undergraduate Outreach Program, Fall 2006-present

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

- 2009 Summer Research Grant, University of Pennsylvania Political Science Department (\$375)
- Benjamin Franklin Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania (2005 - Present)
- 2006 Distinguished Alumni Award, San Francisco State University (\$1,000)
- Honors List, San Francisco State University
- Pi Sigma Alpha (Spring 2004)

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- STATA, SPSS
- Microsoft Office (Word, Excel, PowerPoint)
- Adobe Dreamweaver, Illustrator, Photoshop; hand-coded HTML, XML, Javascript
- French language (Reading competency)

REFERENCES

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