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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS	<b>Clemson University</b> Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science	2024 - Present
	<b>Georgia State University/ Executive Approval Project</b> Post-Doctoral Researcher	2022 - 2024
	<b>University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill</b> Visiting Research Scholar, as part of the Executive Approval Project's NSF grant	2022 - 2024
EDUCATION	<b>Princeton University</b> PhD, Politics	2022
	<i>Fields:</i> Comparative Politics, Formal Theory & Quantitative Methods, American Politics <i>Dissertation:</i> Class Dismissed: The Labour Party and the Decline of Working Class Representation <i>Committee:</i> Rafaela Dancygier (chair), Carles Boix, Brandon Stewart	
	M.A., Politics	2017
	<b>London School of Economics and Political Science</b> MSc Comparative Politics <i>With Distinction</i> . Winner, Best Master's Thesis in Government Department	2014
	<b>Northeastern University</b> BS Political Science <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	2012
BOOKS	<i>American Affective Polarization in Comparative Perspective</i> , with James Adams and Noam Gidron <b>Cambridge University Press</b>	2020
PEER REVIEWED ARTICLES	"Beyond Observational Relationships: Evidence from a Ten-country Experiment that Policy Disputes Cause Affective Polarization" with James Adams, Noam Gidron and Thomas Tichelbaecker <i>British Journal of Political Science</i>	Forthcoming
	"Does Political Sophistication Moderate How Citizens Use Information to Infer Left-Right Distances, with Timea Balogh, James Adams, Simon Weschle and Christopher Wlezien between Parties?" <i>Journal of Elections, Parties and Public Opinion</i>	2025
	"What do we Measure when we Measure Affective Polarization across Countries?", with Thomas Tichelbaecker, Noam Gidron and James Adams. <i>Public Opinion Quarterly</i>	2024
	"How Warm are Partisan Political Interactions? A Frequency-based Measure of Affective Fractionalization," with James Adams, Noam Gidron and Ansgar Hudde <i>PLOS One</i>	2023

	<p>“Can’t We All Just Get Along? How Women MPs Can Ameliorate Affective Polarization in Western Publics,” with James Adams, David Bracken, Noam Gidron, Diana O’Brien and Kaitlin Senk  <i>American Political Science Review</i> 2022</p> <p>“Who Dislikes Whom? The Drivers of Affective Polarization in Western Democracies,” with James Adams and Noam Gidron  <i>British Journal of Political Science</i> 2022</p> <p>“The Way We Were: The Lingering Effects of Coalitions on Affective Polarization,” with James Adams and Noam Gidron  <i>Comparative Political Studies</i> 2022</p> <p>“Populism and the Affective Partisan Space in Eight European Publics: Evidence from a Cross-National Survey” with James Adams, Samuel Fuller and Noam Gidron  <i>Frontiers in Political Science</i> 2022</p>
BOOK CHAPTERS AND INVITED SUBMISSIONS	<p>“The Economy and Affective Polarization,” with James Adams and Noam Gidron in 2025 <i>The Elgar Handbook of Affective Polarization</i></p> <p>“The Formation and Development of Liberal Democracy,” in <i>The Oxford Handbook of Political Representation in Liberal Democracies</i>, with Carles Boix and Alex Kerchner 2020</p> <p>“Toward a Comparative Research Agenda on Affective Polarization in Mass Publics” <i>APSA Comparative Politics Newsletter</i>, with James Adams and Noam Gidron 2019</p>
WORKING PAPERS	<p>“Who do Parties Speak To? Introducing the PSoGA: A New Comprehensive Database of Parties’ Social Group Appeals,” with Alona Dolinsky and Lena Maria Huber  <i>Under Review</i></p> <p>“Do Woman MPs Influence Party’s Policy Images?” with James Adams, David Bracken, Noam Gidron, Seonghui Lee, Diana O’Brien, Philip Santoso, Kaitlin Senk and Randolph Stevenson.  <i>Under Review</i></p> <p>“Boon or Bust? Varieties of Crises and the Dynamics of Executive Approval” with Ryan Carlin, Jonathan Hartlyn, Timothy Hellwig, Gregory Love, Cecilia Martinez-Gallardo and Matthew Singer.  <i>Under Review</i></p> <p>“Changing the Face of the Party: How Political Parties Use Candidate Selection to Influence Voter Perceptions”  <i>Under Review</i></p> <p>“How Are Working Class Candidates Different? Evidence From Quantitative Analysis of Campaign Leaflets”</p>
TEACHING	<p>POST 8000: Foundations of Social Science Research for Public Policy (PhD Course) 2024  Clemson University</p> <p>POL 8820: Computational Text Analysis in Political Science (PhD Course) 2023  Georgia State University</p>

	POL 4900: Senior Seminar - Representation and Inequality in Democratic Societies Georgia State University	2023
	POL 981: Junior Research Design Seminar ( <i>Seminar Leader</i> ) Princeton University	2017, 2018, 2021
	Math Teacher, Lawrence Public Schools <i>Pre-Algebra, Algebra, Geometry</i>	2012-2013
FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS	GESIS Klingemann Prize for best paper using CSES data	2023
	Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies Dissertation Completion Fellowship (\$35 000)	2021-2022
	Deil S. Wright Award for Best Paper in Federalism and Intergovernmental Relations, APSA	2019
	Kellog/Notre Dame Award for Best Paper in Comparative Politics, MPSA	2019
	Princeton University Graduate Fellowship	2015-2021
	Multi-Center Dissertation Research Grant (\$10 000)	2019
	Mamdouha S. Bobst Center for Peace and Justice Dissertation Research Grant (\$3250)	2019
	EUROGLOB Research Grant (\$3500)	2018
	Mamdouha S. Bobst Center for Peace and Justice Pre-Dissertation Research Grant (\$5000)	2016
	Dissertation Prize, Best MSc Dissertation in the Government Department <i>London School of Economics and Political Science</i>	2014
INVITED TALKS	<b>University of South Carolina: Using Language Models to Detect and Categorize Group Appeals</b>	April 2025
	<b>University of Mississippi: Parties' Group Appeals – Automating Extraction from Political Texts</b>	April 2024
	<b>Stanford University: More Parties, Better Parties Conference</b> “Coalitions, Power Sharing and Polarization”	April 2023
	<b>Atlanta Symposium on Political Science</b> “Incorporating Text Data into Political Science Research”	March 2023
	<b>Fair Vote Canada: Webinar on Electoral Reform</b> “Coalitions, Power Sharing and Polarization”	October 2022
RECENT CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS	American Political Science Association	2024
	Europe Political Science Associate	2023
	American Political Science Association	2022
	Midwest Political Science Association	2022
	American Political Science Association	2021
	European Consortium for Political Research Joint Sessions	2021
	Midwest Political Science Association	2021

American Political Science Association	2020
Social Science Research Council: Anxieties of Democracy Workshop	2019

REVIEWING      Reviewer for: *Acta Politica*, *American Journal of Political Science*, *American Political Science Review*, *American Sociological Review*, *British Journal of Political Science*, *Comparative Political Studies*, *Electoral Studies*, *European Political Science Review*, *European Journal of Political Science*, *Government and Opposition*, *Journal of Elections Public Opinion and Parties*, *Journal of Politics*, *Political Behavior*, *Political Science Research and Methods*, *Political Studies*, *Public Opinion Quarterly*, *Quarterly Journal of Political Science*, *West European Politics*, *World Politics*

RELEVANT SKILLS      *Programming and Computational Social Science:*  
R, Python, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Natural language processing tools

*Qualitative Research:*  
Elite Interviews, Archival Research. Attended the Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Methods Research Summer Workshop in 2018

*Languages:*  
**Spanish:** Advanced speaking and reading

REFERENCES      Rafaela Dancygier  
Professor of Politics and Public and International Affairs  
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