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Department of Political Science ◇ University of Washington, Seattle

Department Site

EDUCATION

University of Washington, Seattle, WA

Spring 2025 (expected)

Ph.D. Candidate, Political Science

- Thesis: Mapping the Interior: Territories, Land Offices, and Settler Organization in 19th Century America
- Committee: Megan Francis (Chair), Jack Turner, Michael McCann
- My dissertation studies the growth of bureaucracy in 19th century America, with a specific focus on the development of the General Land Office. I explore the relationship between subnational and national elites to explain the expansion of centralized land office bureaucracy. I argue that, due to the relative weakness of the early American state, subnational actors had substantial influence on the shape and growth of national legislative and bureaucratic policymaking. I further analyze how this bureaucratic structure marginalized, dominated, and subsumed Black and indigenous people as part of the broader settler project.

University of Washington, Seattle, WA

Fall 2018

MA in Political Science

- Thesis: Judicial Settlement: Courts and Territorial Expansion in the Late 19th Century
- Committee: Megan Francis (Chair), Jack Turner, Rebecca Thorpe

Moravian College, Bethlehem, PA

Spring 2014

BA in Political Science with minor in Mathematics

- Cum Laude, Annual Dean's List

MANUSCRIPTS IN PREPARATION

- "Judicial Settlement: Courts and Territorial Expansion in the Late 19th Century", (Defended as MA in Fall 2018)
- "'Groundless—Captious—or Premature': Settler Organization in Mississippi Territory and the Development of the American Administrative State", (Forthcoming Dissertation Chapter)
- "Drawing Across the Line: Surveyors, Native Nations, and the Extension of the National Land System", (Forthcoming Dissertation Chapter)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Washington, Seattle, WA

Fall 2017 - present

Teaching Assistant

- Collaborated with numerous professors and teaching assistants in a professional environment to design and grade assignments
- Led discussions and designed lesson plans for sections of 25 to 30 students
- Taught courses in Law and Society, American Political Development, and Civil Liberties, among others

Mercer Education, Bellevue, WA
Primary Instructor and College Advisor

2017 - 2021

- Prepared and taught courses in mathematics, programming, and SAT Writing and Language for middle school and high school students
- Administered, created, and graded test material to assess student knowledge

IIG Vietnam, Hanoi, Vietnam
English Instructor

2015 - 2016

- Worked in collaboration with multiple school districts to develop materials and teach English in the classroom at both the secondary and high school levels
- Tutored professionals in the classroom and in one-on-one settings at the IIG Training Center
- Administered and graded formal English tests, such as TOEFL, focusing on writing, listening, and speaking

Moravian College, Bethlehem, PA
Physics Tutor

2012 - 2013

- Tutored students taking introductory physics

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

University of Washington, Seattle, WA
Research Assistant

June 2020 - December 2020

- Conducted original research for Jacob Grumbach, scraped and organized online archival data, and collaborated on the writing and editing process on multiple projects

University of Washington, Seattle, WA
Research Assistant

June 2024 - August 2024

- Analyzed archival documents, extracted quantitative data, and compiled research and literature reports for Megan Francis on forthcoming book project

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS AND AWARDS

- Graduate Travel Award, University of Washington Department of Political Science *2024*
- David J. Olson Graduate Research Grant, University of Washington (\$3,200) *2021*
- Stuart Scheingold Award for Best Paper in Public Law (\$500) *2019*
- University of Texas, Austin travel grant for UT Austin Public Law Conference (\$300) *2018*
- J. Allen Smith Departmental Endowed Fellowship, University of Washington (\$18,540) *2016*

SERVICE

University of Washington, Seattle, WA
Center for Environmental Politics, Graduate Chair

Fall 2020 - Spring 2021

- Handled relevant communications for the center with both academics and professionals including promotion of various colloquia and coordination across multiple organizations
- Organized the 7th Annual Duck Family Workshop, involving 27 students from schools in 9 different countries
- Developed material for the center, including posters for talks and professional conversations as well as brochure for graduate conference

- Led conversations with academic and professional speakers

University of Washington, Seattle, WA

Fall 2019 - Spring 2020

Graduate and Professional Student Senate (GPSS) Representative for Department of Political Science

- Represented department interests in graduate student senate
- Participated in voting and attended meetings for proposed legislation

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

- Discussant: Political Theory Colloquium, Kevin Duong, Psychiatry for Internal Colonialism: Harlem's Lafargue Clinic, 1946-58 *2024*
- Discussant and Conference Chair: Annual Duck Family Graduate Workshop, Democracy, Justice, and the Environment *2021*
- Discussant: Annual Duck Family Graduate Workshop, Community Resource Governance *2020*
- Canceled due to COVID-19: "Codification as Lawmaking: The Revised Statutes of 1873 and the Role of Legal Codification on Judicial Decision-making", Midwestern Political Science Association *2020*
- Presented: "Producing the Wilderness: Native Nations and US National Park Policy", The Annual Duck Family UW Graduate Student Retreat *2019*
- Discussant: Annual Duck Family Graduate Workshop, Trust and Risk *2019*
- Presented: "Judicial Settlement: Courts and Territorial Expansion in the Late 19th Century" at University of Texas Austin, Public Law Conference *2018*

SKILLS

- Programming Languages and Software: R, Python, L^AT_EX, Adobe Suite (Illustrator and Photoshop), Microsoft Office Suite
- Extensive experience with historical and archival research methodologies

CERTIFICATIONS

- TEFL: Obtained a 150 hour TEFL (Teaching English as a Foreign Language) certification with distinction (130 hours coursework, 20 hours practicum) in August 2015

AFFILIATED CENTERS AND MEMBERSHIP

- Fellow at the Washington Institute for the Study of Inequality and Race (WISIR)
- Fellow and former graduate chair at the Center for Environmental Politics (CEP)
- American Political Science Association (APSA) member