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Academic Positions

Vanderbilt University
Assistant Professor of Political Science and Economics

Nashville, TN
July 2020–present

Princeton University
Postdoctoral Research Associate

Princeton, NJ
July 2018–July 2020

Education

Ph.D. Political Science, University of Rochester, 2018

B.A. Economics and Government & Politics, University of Maryland — College Park, 2012

Publications

"Fanatical Peace: How Fundamental Disagreements Can Discourage Conflict," with Richard Jordan and Kristopher Ramsay. Accepted at *Journal of Politics*.

"The Logic of Secret Alliances," with Bradley C. Smith. Accepted at *American Journal of Political Science*.

"Policymaking and Appointments under Electoral and Judicial Constraints," with Gleason Judd and Bradley C. Smith. 2024. *Journal of Politics*, 86(3): 968-982.

"Strategic Avoidance and Rulemaking Procedures," with Robert J. Carroll and Lawrence S. Rothenberg. 2024. *Journal of Theoretical Politics*, 36(2): 156-185.

"Overreacting and Posturing: How Ideology and Accountability Shape Executive Policy Responses." 2023. *Quarterly Journal of Political Science*, 18(2): 153-182.

"Lobbying and Policy Extremism in Repeated Elections," with John Duggan and Gleason Judd. 2021. *Journal of Economic Theory*, 193: 105223.

"Stall Wars: When Do States Fight to Hold onto the Status Quo?," with Gleason Judd and William Spaniel. 2020. *International Studies Quarterly*, 64(3): 523-529

"Policymaking with Multiple Agencies." 2020. *American Journal of Political Science*, 64(3):634-648.

"The Amicus Game," with Lawrence S. Rothenberg and Bradley C. Smith. 2020. *Journal of Politics*, 82(3): 1113-1126.

"Slow to Learn: Bargaining, Uncertainty, and the Calculus of Conquest," with William Spaniel. 2018. *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, 62(4): 774-796.

"Policy Bargaining and Militarized Conflict," with William Spaniel. 2017. *Journal of Theoretical Politics*, 29(4): 647-678.

Working Papers

"Policy Gambles and Valence in Elections," with Federica Izzo, revise & resubmit at *Games and Economic Behavior*.

"The Organization of Federal Agency Lobbying," with Richard W. DiSalvo.

"Ideological Infection," with Federica Izzo.

"Working for the Revolving Door," with Gleason Judd.

"Policy Anchors, Voter Behavior, and the Dynamics of Party Platforms," with Steven Callander and Federica Izzo.

Teaching

(PSCI 2279) Logic of Politics, Vanderbilt University, Spring 2022

(PSCI 2259/5259) Political Strategy & Game Theory, Vanderbilt University, Fall 2021, 2024

(PSCI 8364) Formal Political Theory II, Vanderbilt University, Spring 2021, 2023, 2025

(ECON 3012) Microeconomics, Vanderbilt University, Spring 2021, 2022, 2023, Fall 2022

(ECON 8000) Mathematics for Economists, Vanderbilt University, Fall 2020, 2024

(POL 502) Mathematics for Political Science, Princeton University, Fall 2018

(PSC 105) Introduction to American Politics, University of Rochester, Summer 2017

Other

Refereeing: *American Journal of Political Science*, *American Political Science Review*, *Journal of Politics*, *Journal of Theoretical Politics*, *International Studies Quarterly*, *World Politics*, *International Interactions*, *Games & Economic Behavior*, *Quarterly Journal of Political Science*, *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*, *Econometrica*, *The Economic Journal*, *Political Science Research & Methods*, *Social Choice and Welfare*

Presentations: APEN Conference (2024), NBER Summer Institute (2024), NYU (2024), UCSD GPS (2023), Stanford GSB (2023), WUSTL American Politics Conference (2023), University of Chicago CEG American Politics Conference (2023), Virtual Formal Theory Workshop (2021), APSA Pre-Conference Frontiers on Money in Politics Research (2020), University of Pittsburgh (2019), Vanderbilt (2019), Harvard (2019), USC (2019), FSU (2018), Canadian Public Economics Group (2018), Emory-Duke-Rochester Political Economy Graduate Research Conference (2018), NYU (2017), Wallis Summer Conference on Graduate Research (2017)