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## Appointments

Assistant Professor, History, Humanities, and Modern Languages Department, Utah Tech University, 2023 - Present

Assistant Professor Lecturer, Department of Political Science, University of Utah, 2021 - 2023

Co-appointed in The Honors College, University of Utah

Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Utah, 2019 - 2021

Lecturer, Department of Political Science, University of California Santa Barbara, 2018 - 2019

## Education

Ph.D. and M.A. Political Science, University of California Santa Barbara.

Title: Presence and Impotence: The perils of guaranteed descriptive representation

Committee Members: Heather Stoll, Amit Ahuja, Neil Narang

B.A. Political Science/Russian Studies (Magna Cum Laude), University of Arizona, 2011.

## Research Interests

Elections, Representation, Minority Politics, Democratic Institutions, Political Parties

## Publications and Working Papers

### *Peer Reviewed Journal Articles*

Allen, Geoff and Heather Stoll. 2023. A number most convenient? The representational consequences of legislative size. *Electoral Studies*, 82, 102594.

Geoff Allen. 2017. The resilience of ethnic minority parties in the face of strategic voting incentives. *Party Politics* 23(5), 560–565. DOI: 10.1177/1354068815610967

### *Book Projects*

Present, but Impotent: Representation in Ethnically Reserved Electoral Districts

### *Articles Under Review*

Are Mixed-Member Majoritarian Systems Really the Worst of Both Worlds? (with Matthew David Jenkins)  
(revise and resubmit)

Present but Uninterested? Turnout in reserved constituencies

### *Working Papers*

Representation and Legislative Size (book project with Heather Stoll)

Too small to fail? Persistence and protest among small party supporters (with Matthew David Jenkins)

Why Leave Now? Identity, competitiveness and support for small parties (with Matthew David Jenkins)

Changing European party systems: nationalism, populism, and selective abstention (with Tzu-Ping Liu)

## Conference Presentations

"Too Small to Fail? Persistence and protest among small party supporters," Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2023

"Included but uninterested? Turnout in reserved constituencies," Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2022

"Ethnic Legislative Reservations and the Prospects for Minority Accommodation," International Studies Association Annual Convention, 2021

"Latent Nationalism, Political Opportunity and the Rise of Europe's Far Right," (with Tzu-ping Liu) Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2021

"Does Presence Improve Participation? Turnout in Reserved Minority Constituencies," American Political Science Association Annual Convention, Washington, DC, 2019

"Too Small to Win, Too Big to Fail," (with Matthew Jenkins), Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Austin, 2019

"Delivering women's representation: The relative effect of political institutions," (with Heather Stoll), American Political Science Association Annual Convention, Boston, 2018.

"Minority party inclusion in European governments," Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, 2018

"Compensatory vs parallel: Comparative strategic impacts of system choice," (with Matthew Jenkins), American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, 2017.

"Compensatory vs parallel: Comparative strategic impacts of system choice," (with Matthew Jenkins), Southern California Comparative Political Institutions Conference, Pomona, 2017.

"The impact of communally reserved seats: A new theory with evidence from Croatia," American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, 2016.

"Ethnic minority parties and coalition participation in Europe," Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Diego, 2016.

"The cross-national measurement of minority inclusion: A survey of means and methods," International Studies Association Annual Convention, Atlanta, 2016.

"Delivering women's representation: Comparable institutional effectiveness," (with Heather Stoll), American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, 2015.

"When defection is not an option: Strategic defection and small ethnic minority parties," Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Las Vegas, 2015.

"When defection is not an option: Strategic defection and small ethnic minority parties," Southern California Comparative Political Institutions Conference, Riverside, 2015

"The impact of domestic political and institutional factors on formal asylum decisions," (with Joshua Dean and Michael J. Eschenburg), Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Las Vegas, 2015.

"The case for minority quotas: A skeptical look at the theoretical argument," International Political Science Association 23rd World Congress, Montreal, 2014.

"Representation as a numbers game: The link between legislative size and the representation of women and minorities," (with Heather Stoll), American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington D.C., 2014.

"When defection is not an option: Strategic defection and small ethnic minority parties," Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Seattle, 2014.

"Representation, electoral systems and stranded minority parties: How electoral system choices affect representation provided by small but influential ethnic minority parties," European Consortium for Political Research Summer School on Political Parties and Democracy, Luneburg, 2013.

## Teaching Experience

### *University of Utah*

Nationalism and Ethnic Conflict (Graduate/Undergraduate), Introduction to Comparative Politics, Comparative Institutions, The State: Past, Present and Future, Global Populism, Theories of International Relations, European Politics, Russian Politics, Parties, Elections and Democracy, Global Populism (Honors), American Institutions (Honors)

### *University of California Santa Barbara*

Introduction to International Relations, Introduction to Comparative Politics, The Political Consequences of Electoral Laws, Political Parties and Democracy, Theories of the State, Theories of International Politics

## Grants, Fellowships and Awards

### *Competitive Grants*

Betty Glad Large Research Grant, 2022 – \$6500

University of California Santa Barbara Graduate Division Humanities and Social Sciences Research Grant, 2015 – \$2980

Department of Political Science Research Grant, 2015 – \$1500

### *Research Fellowships*

Graduate Division Dissertation Fellowship, 2016

UCSB Affiliates Graduate Dissertation Fellowship, 2015

Department of Political Science Louis G Lancaster Fellowship, 2014, 2013, 2012

### *Awards*

Department of Political Science Manzer-Wesson Award, Best Published Paper, 2017

Department of Political Science Distinguished Teaching Award, 2017

Department of Political Science Manzer-Wesson Award, Best Dissertation Prospectus, 2015

## Student Research Supervision

Dissertation Committee Member, Ala Mohsen, Department of Political Science, University of Utah

Master's Committee, Ryan Kor-Sins, Department of Communication, University of Utah

Honors Thesis Supervisor, Grant Boyden, Honors College, University of Utah

## Service

Honors College Scholarship Committee, 2021-Present

Honors College Admissions Committee, 2021-Present

Department of Political Science VAP Search Committee, 2022

Model European Union Faculty Advisor, 2021-Present

New Student Mentor, Political Science Graduate Student Association, 2014-15

Graduate Student Representative, Department of Political Science Faculty Search Committee, 2014

## References

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