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Appointments

2022-2023

Postdoctoral Fellow, Future of Higher Education Program,
University of California, Berkeley

Education

University of California, Berkeley

2022

PhD in Political Science

Dissertation: Multi-level Politics and Central European
Democratic Development

Committee: Christopher Ansell (Chair), Alison Post, Jason
Wittenberg, J. Nicholas Ziegler, John Connelly

2014

Masters of Arts in Political Science

Central European University

2012

Masters of Arts in International Relations and European Studies
(graduated with distinction)

Humphrey School, University of Minnesota

2011

Masters of Public Policy

University of Tulsa

2009

Bachelor of Arts in History, Certificate in International Studies, minors
in Political Science, English, and Spanish (*summa cum laude*)

Research

Articles

1. Kumar, Tanu and Matthew Stenberg. 2022 "Why Political Scientists Should Study Smaller Cities." *Urban Affairs Review*, online first. (doi: 10.1177/10780874221124610)
2. Stenberg, Matthew and Niko Switek. 2022 "Using Television Series to Teach Comparative and European Politics." *European Political Science*, online first. (doi: 10.1057/s41304-022-00395-5)
3. Stenberg, Matthew, Philip Rocco, and Safia Abukar Farole. 2022. "Calling in 'Sick': COVID-19, Opportunism, Pretext, and Subnational Democracy." *Global Studies Quarterly* 2(3), ksac017. (doi: 10.1093/isagsq/ksac017)

4. O'Dwyer, Conor and Matthew Stenberg. 2022. "Local-Level Democratic Backsliding? The Consolidation of Aspiring Dominant-Party Regimes in Hungary and Poland." *Government & Opposition* 57(3), 508-531. (doi: 10.1017/gov.2021.12)
5. Jakli, Laura, and Matthew Stenberg. 2021. "Everyday Illiberalism: How Hungarian Subnational Politics Propel Single Party Dominance." *Governance* 34(2), 315-334. (doi: 10.1111/gove.12497)
6. Bosilca, Ruxandra, Matthew Stenberg, and Marianne Riddervold. 2021. "Copying in EU security and defense policies: The case of EUNAVFOR MED Operation Sophia." *European Security* 30(2), 218-236. (doi: 10.1080/09662839.2020.1845657)
7. Posch, Konrad and Matthew Stenberg. 2021. "Play Your Role: A Policymaker Simulation to Ground East Asian International Relations," *Journal of Political Science Education*, 17(3), 437-447. (doi: 10.1080/15512169.2019.1635024)

Book Chapters

1. Newsome, Akasemi and Matthew Stenberg. "The European Parliament," in *Handbook on EU Crises*, eds. Akasemi Newsome, Marianne Riddervold, and Jarle Trondal. (New York: Palgrave Macmillan, 2020), pp. 259-276.

Under Review

1. "Subnational Consolidation in Single-Party Dominant Regimes: Evidence from Hungarian Mayoral Elections" [Under review]

Working Papers

1. "Regional and National Variation in Parliamentary Questions at the European Parliament"
2. "Incremental Institutional Transformation and Democratic Backsliding in Eastern Europe" – with Laura Jakli
3. "When Do Local Governments Discriminate?" – with Conor O'Dwyer
4. "The Rift Between Executive Order and Bureaucratic Autonomy: A Study of Administration in U.S. States over Time." – with Jarle Trondal

Conference Presentations

May 2022	"When Do Local Governments Discriminate?" – 17 th Biennial European Union Studies Association Conference – Miami
April 2022	"When Do Local Governments Discriminate?" – 79 th Annual MPSA Meeting – Chicago
September 2021	"Why We Should Study Smaller Cities" – 117 th Annual APSA Meeting – Seattle
June 2021	"Regional Variation in the European Parliament" – 10 th SGEU ECPR Conference – Rome
April 2021	"Calling in 'Sick': COVID-19, Opportunism, Pretext, and Subnational Democracy" – 78 th Annual MPSA Meeting – Chicago
September 2020	"Measuring Euroskepticism in Questions at the European Parliament" – 116 th Annual APSA Meeting – San Francisco
May 2020	[Presentation cancelled due to Coronavirus] – 3 rd COMTEXT Conference – Innsbruck

February 2020	“Regional Variation in the European Parliament” – Eurosceptic Contestations in EU Legislative Politics Workshop – FU Berlin
November 2019	“Local-Level Democratic Backsliding? Right-Wing Regime Consolidation in Hungary and Poland” – 51 st Annual ASEEEES Conference – San Francisco
August 2019	“Regional Variation in the European Parliament” – 115 th Annual APSA Meeting – Washington D.C.
August 2019	“Municipal Populism in Moscow: Local Challenges to Single-Party Dominant Regimes” – 115 th Annual APSA Meeting – Washington D.C.
April 2019	“Regional Variation in the European Parliament” – Western U.S. Graduate Student Research Workshop on the European Union – Seattle
March 2019	“The Local Nature of Single Party Dominance” – 1 st Bay Area Urban Politics Workshop – Berkeley
August 2018	“The Local Nature of Single Party Dominance” – 114 th Annual APSA Meeting – Boston
April 2018	“Copy and Paste Illiberalism?” – 59 th ISA Meeting – San Francisco
February 2018	“Incremental Subnational Transformation and Democratic Backsliding” – Kornai 90 – Budapest
September 2016	“Renegade Cities” – 112 th Annual APSA Meeting – Philadelphia
April 2016	“Renegade Cities” – 23 rd International Conference of Europeanists – Philadelphia
April 2015	“Staffing the EEAS” – 1 st Institute of European Studies Graduate Conference – Berkeley

Teaching

Instructor of Record

University of California, Berkeley, Lecturer

Fall 2021	PS122A – <i>Politics of European Integration</i>
Summer 2021	PS122A – <i>Politics of European Integration</i>
Spring 2021	PS149P – <i>The History and Politics of Germany</i>
Fall 2020	PS122A – <i>Politics of European Integration</i>
Summer 2020	PS122A – <i>Politics of European Integration</i>
Summer 2019	PS122A – <i>Politics of European Integration</i>

Mills College, Adjunct Assistant Professor

Fall 2017	GOV90 – <i>U.S. Foreign Policy toward Europe and Asia</i>
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Graduate Student Instructor

University of California, Berkeley

Spring 2022	PS147G – <i>Welfare State in Comparative Perspective</i> (Prof. Jonah Levy)
Spring 2019	PS144 – <i>U.S. Foreign Policy toward Asia</i> (Prof. T.J. Pempel)
Summer 2018	PS141C – <i>Politics and Government in Eastern Europe</i> (Prof. Jason Wittenberg)
Fall 2017	PS144 – <i>U.S. Foreign Policy toward Asia</i> (Prof. T.J. Pempel)

Spring 2016	PS144 – <i>U.S. Foreign Policy toward Asia</i> (Prof. T.J. Pempel)
Fall 2015	PS143B – <i>Japanese Politics</i> (Prof. T.J. Pempel)
Spring 2015	PS122A – <i>Politics of European Integration</i> (Prof. J. Nicholas Ziegler)
Fall 2014	PS147G – <i>Welfare State in Comparative Perspective</i> (Prof. Jonah Levy)

Awards and Grants Received

Grants/Fellowships

2022	Global Metropolitan Studies Conference Travel Grant – University of California, Berkeley
2017, 2018, 2019	Hertelendy Graduate Fellowship in Hungarian Studies – Institute of Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies, University of California, Berkeley
2016, 2018, 2019	Conference Travel Grant – Institute of Slavic, East European, and Eurasian Studies, University of California, Berkeley
2018	UC Berkeley-Université Libre de Bruxelles Exchange Program Fellowship – Institute of European Studies, University of California, Berkeley
2017–2018	FLAS Academic Year Grant – Intermediate Polish – University of California, Berkeley
2016–2017	Research Grant for Doctoral Candidates – Deutscher Akademischer Austauschdienst
2016–2017	European University Viadrina Exchange Grant – University of California, Berkeley
2016–2017	University of Greifswald Exchange Grant – University of California, Berkeley
2016	FLAS Summer Grant – Intermediate Polish, Kraków – University of Pittsburgh
2014, 2015	Graduate Division Summer Grant – University of California, Berkeley
2013–2014	Entering Graduate Student Fellowship – Institute of European Studies, University of California, Berkeley
2011–2012	Central European University Fellowship – Central European University
2011–2012	Young Leaders Dialogue with America grant: “Transatlantic Challenge” – U.S. Department of State
2011–2012	Young Leaders Dialogue with America grant: “Defining Europe” – U.S. Department of State
2009–2011	Robert and Paula Barrie Fellowship for International Trade and Public Policy – Humphrey School of Public Affairs
2005–2009	Presidential Scholarship – University of Tulsa

Awards/Honors

2018	Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor – University of California, Berkeley
2012	Best MA Thesis in International Relations and European Studies – Central European University

2009	TU Faculty Award Medal – University of Tulsa, College of Arts and Sciences
2009	History Faculty Award for Outstanding Senior – University of Tulsa
2007, 2009	Kimberly Hanger Award for Best History Paper – University of Tulsa
2008	Phi Beta Kappa

Professional Experience

Research Assistantships

University of California, Berkeley

Spring 2020–Spring 2022

Prof. Alison Post, Prof. G. Mathias Kondolf, and Prof. Joan Walker – Global Metropolitan Studies

Summer 2015

Prof. Christopher Ansell and Prof. Jacob Torfing – Theories of Governance

Fall 2014

Prof. Alison Post and Prof. Joan Walker – Local Public Goods Provision

Summer 2014

Prof. Christopher Ansell – Multilevel Governance and Regulation

Fall 2013–Spring 2014

Prof. J. Nicholas Ziegler – Banking and Financial Response to Crisis

University of Minnesota

Fall 2010–Spring 2011

Prof. Dara Kay Cohen – Sexual Violence and Civil War

Professional Service

2020–2022

Global Metropolitan Studies Designated Emphasis Student Coordinator

2014–2022

Founder and Coordinator, European Politics Working Group, Institute of European Studies, Berkeley

2013–2014

Comparative Politics Colloquium Facilitator, University of California, Berkeley

2013–2014

Barrows Hall Design Committee, University of California, Berkeley

2010

Babak Armajani Prize Committee, University of Minnesota

2010

Public Policy Representative, Council of Graduate Students, University of Minnesota

Reviewer for:

American Journal of Political Science, Democratization, Polish Political Science Yearbook

Fieldwork

Oct. 2018–Dec. 2018

Belgium

Oct. 2016–Jul. 2017

Germany

Additional Training

2022

Certificate of Teaching and Learning in Higher Education – University of California, Berkeley

2016

Intermediate Polish through Summer Language Institute, University of Pittsburgh – Prolog, Kraków, Poland

2016 Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research – Syracuse University
2011 TESOL Level 6 Certificate in English Language Instruction – awarded by Language Links International ESOL

Languages

English (native fluency)
Spanish (advanced)
German (intermediate-advanced)
Polish (intermediate)
French (beginning)

Conference Invitations

March 2012 Young Leaders Dialogue with America (sponsored by U.S. Department of State) – Charleston
June 2011 Young Leaders Dialogue with America (sponsored by U.S. Department of State) – Vienna
November 2010 Young Leaders Dialogue with America (sponsored by U.S. Department of State) – Prague
April 2009 NATO Forum des Jeunes – Strasbourg

References (Academic)

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References (Professional)

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