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## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

**Associate Professor**, Department of Political Science, University of Illinois at Chicago, 2017-present

**Assistant Professor**, Department of Political Science, University of Illinois at Chicago, 2012-2017

**Director of Graduate Studies**, 2015-2017

**Affiliated faculty**, Latin-American and Latino Studies, 2013-present

**Affiliated faculty**, Department of Psychology, 2016-present

**Faculty fellow**, Honors Program, 2013-present

**Post-doctoral Research Associate**, Brown University, RI, 2009-2012

Center for the Study of Human Development, 2011-2012

Taubman Center for Public Policy & American Institutions, 2009-2011

## EDUCATION

**Rutgers University**, New Brunswick, NJ

Ph.D. in Political Science, 2009

M.A. in Political Science, 2000

Fields: Comparative politics, International Relations, American politics

Dissertation Title: "E Pluribus Unum?: Immigration, Federalism and Politics in the American States"

**Bryn Mawr College**, Bryn Mawr, PA

B.A. in Political Science, Minor in Economics, 1995

**Centro de Estudios Hispánicos**, Madrid, Spain

Certificate in European Studies, 1993

## ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

### Book Manuscripts

*Race, Rights and Rifles: Racial Prejudice and White Gun Policy Preferences in America* (with N. Kaplan)

*E Pluribus Unum: The Development of Modern Immigration Federalism and State Policy Responses, 1990-2015* (with S. Pearson-Merkowitz)

### Special Issues & Edited Volumes

Filindra A. (ed.) Special Issue on Conceptualization and Measurement in 50 State Models of Policy

Outcomes in Racialized Domains. *Policy Studies Journal* (forthcoming 2018)

### Journal Articles

15) Filindra A. and N. Kaplan (2017) "Self-Interest, Values, or Outgroup Attitudes? Testing Theories of Gun Policy Preferences among Blacks, Latinos, and Whites in America," *Social Science Quarterly* 98(2): 413-28

14) Jacobsen, T.G., J.V. Isaksen, Filindra, A., J. Strabac (2016) "The Return of Prejudice in Europe's Regions: The Moderated Relationship between Group Threat and Economic Vulnerability," *Nationalism and Ethnic Politics*, Vol. 22, Issue 3, pp. 249-277

13) Filindra, A. and N. Kaplan (2016) "Racial resentment and white gun policy preferences in contemporary America," *Political Behavior*, 38 (2), 255-275.

\*\*\**Received APSA Elections, Public Opinion, and Voting Behavior Section, Best Article Award (2016)*\*\*\*

**\*\*\*Received the Lucius Barker award from the Midwest Political Science Association (2015)\*\*\***

**\*\*\*Received the best paper award from the Public Policy Section 2015 APSA Conference \*\*\***

- 12) Pearson-Merkowitz S., A. Filindra and J. Dyck (2016) "When Partisans and Minorities Interact: Interpersonal Contact, Partisanship and Public Opinion Preferences on Immigration Policy" *Social Science Quarterly*, Vol 97, Issue 2, pp. 311-324
- 11) Condon M., A. Filindra and A. Wichowsky (2016) "Immigrant Inclusion in the Safety Net: A Framework for Analysis and Effects on Educational Attainment," *Policy Studies Journal*, Vol. 44, Issue 4, pp. 424-448
- \*\*\*Honorable mention, Migration and Citizenship Section, 2016 APSA Conference\*\*\***
- 10) Buckinx, B. and A. Filindra (2015) "The Case against Removal: Jus Noci and Harm in Deportation Practice," *Migration Studies*, Vol. 3, Issue 3, pp. 393-416
- \*\*\* Received the 2015 Best Article Award from Migration Studies (2016) \*\*\***
- 9) Filindra, A. (2014) "The Emergence of the 'Temporary Mexican': American Agriculture, the U.S. Congress and the 1920 Hearings on the "Temporary Admissions of Illiterate Mexicans," *Latin American Research Review*, Vol. 49 (3): 85-102
- 8) Filindra, A. (2013) "Immigrant Social Policy in the American States: Race Politics and State TANF and Medicaid Eligibility Rules for Legal Permanent Residents," *State Politics and Policy Quarterly*, Vol. 13 (1): 26-48
- 7) Filindra, A. and S. Pearson-Merkowitz (2013) "Stopping the Enforcement "Tide": Descriptive Representation, Latino Institutional Empowerment and State-Level Immigration Policy," (Research Note) *Politics & Policy* 41(December): 814-832
- 6) Filindra, A. and S. Pearson-Merkowitz (2013) "Together in Good Times and Bad? How Economic Triggers Condition the Effects of Social Interactions between Groups," *Social Science Quarterly*, 94(5 December):1328-1345
- 5) Buckinx, B. and A. Filindra (2013) "Removal and Harm Avoidance in U.S. Immigration Practice," *Kansas Journal of Law & Public Policy*, 22 (3): 379-390
- 4) Tichenor, D. and A. Filindra (2013) "Raising Arizona v. United States: The Origins and Development of Immigration Federalism." *Lewis and Clark Law Review*, 16(4):1215-47
- 3) Filindra A. and M. Orr (2013) "Anxieties of a Peaceful Transition: Ethnic Competition and the Election of the First Latino Mayor in Providence, RI," *Urban Affairs Review*, Vol. 49 (1): 3-31
- 2) Filindra, A. and M. Kovacs (2012) "Analyzing U.S. State Legislative Resolutions on Immigrants and Immigration: The Role of Immigration Federalism" *International Migration*, Volume 50(4, August), pp. 33-50
- 1) Filindra, A., D. Blanding, and C. Garcia Coll (2011) "The Power of Context: State –Level Immigration Policy and Differences in the Educational Performance of the Children of Immigrants," *Harvard Educational Review*, Fall 2011, Volume 81 (3), pp.163-193

### **Book Chapters**

- B. Buyuker, A. Jadidi-D'Urso, and A. Filindra (2017) "Interethnic Contact and Impact on Attitudes," in S. Maisel (ed.) *Oxford Bibliographies in Political Science*. Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press (forthcoming)
- Filindra, A. (2012) "Birthright citizenship and the children of undocumented immigrants: history and theory," in D. Tichenor and J. Ganz (eds.) *Debates on Immigration: Political and Legal Issues*. New York: Sage, pp. 75-83
- Filindra, A. (2012) "Developments in American Immigration Policy," in M. Principe (ed.) *American Government, Policy and Law*. 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition. New York, NY: Kendall Hunt Publishing, pp. 81-95
- Filindra, A. and J. Junn (2012) "Aliens and People of Color: The Multidimensional Relationship of Immigration Policy and Racial Classification in the U.S.," in D. Tichenor and M. Rosenblum, eds. *Oxford Handbook of International Migration*. Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press, pp. 429-455

### **Policy Reports**

- Filindra, A and S. Pearson-Merkowitz (2014) *Immigrants and Immigration in the Ocean State: History, Demography, Public Opinion and Policy Responses*. Kingston, RI: University of Rhode Island Urban Initiative
- Filindra, A. (2012) *The Myth of Self-Deportation*. Washington, DC: Immigration Policy Center ([http://www.immigrationpolicy.org/sites/default/files/docs/filindra\\_-\\_self-deportation\\_042912.pdf](http://www.immigrationpolicy.org/sites/default/files/docs/filindra_-_self-deportation_042912.pdf))

### **Book Reviews**

- Filindra, A. (2017) Review: Carlson, J. (2015) *Citizen-Protectors: The Every Day Politics of Guns in an Age of Decline*. New York: Oxford University Press, *Sociological Inquiry* (forthcoming)
- Filindra, A (2016) Review: Gulasekaram, P. and S. K. Ramakrishnan (2015) *The New Immigration Federalism*. New York: Cambridge University Press, *Publius: The Journal of Federalism*

### **Other Academic Publications**

- Filindra, A. (2017) "The English Only Movement," in Jessica Lavariega-Monforti (ed.) *Latinos in the American Political System: An Encyclopedia of Latinos as Voters, Candidates, and Office Holders*. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC Clio (forthcoming)
- Filindra, A. (2015) "The E.U. Refugee Stress Test: Forced Migration and the Crisis in European Governance," *Migration and Citizenship*, 4(1): 33-36
- Filindra, A. (2014) "Detention Centers," in Anna Ochoa O'Leary (ed.) *Undocumented Immigrants in the United States: An Encyclopedia of their Experience*. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC Clio
- Filindra, A. (2013) "What to Make of the Golden Dawn? The Crisis of Welfare Capitalism, Immigration and the New Spring of the Extreme Right," *Migration and Citizenship*, 1(2):57-59

### **AWARDS, GRANTS & SCHOLARSHIPS**

#### **Grants**

##### **External Grants**

- Centers for Disease Control/Wake Forrest Medical School, Immigration Laws in the States (\$17,000), 2016-2017
- European Union Studies Association, "Fortress Europe or E Pluribus Unum? : Multilevel governance, migration and asylum in the EU," Conference development grant (with P. Kostadinova and D. Kelemen, \$10,000), 2016
- Russell Sage Foundation, Immigration Laws in the States (with Pearson-Merkowitz, \$133,000), 2015-17
- Pew Center for the States, Immigration Legislation in the States 2014 (\$19,000), 2015-16
- Pew Center for the States, Immigration Legislation in the States 1990-2013 (\$75,000), 2013-15
- University of Rhode Island, Urban Initiative Grant (with S. Pearson-Merkowitz, \$3,000), 2014
- RTI Challenge (with S. Pearson-Merkowitz, \$30,000 equivalent), 2012-2013
- Gates Foundation Conference Development Grant (with C. Garcia Coll, \$8,000), 2011
- Rhode Island Foundation Grant, New England Immigration Survey, (\$17,000), 2010-2011

##### **University Grants**

##### **Major grants**

- Chancellor's Discovery Fund, UIC (with C. Bonam, \$40,000), 2014-2015
- Chicago Area Study, UIC (with N. Kaplan, \$65,000), 2013-2014

##### **Other grants**

- Chancellor's Undergraduate Research Award (for S. Kelley; \$3,000), 2016-2017
- Office of the Dean of Liberal Arts and Sciences, matching grant for conference organization for "Fortress Europe or E Pluribus Unum? : Multilevel governance, migration and asylum in the EU," (\$5,600), 2016
- Office of Social Science Research Grant, UIC (\$8,500), 2015-2016
- Office of Social Science Research Grant, UIC (\$8,500), 2014-2015
- IPCE Small Grant, UIC Political Science Department (\$2,000), 2014
- IPCE Small Grant, UIC Political Science Department (with N. Kaplan, \$6,000), 2013
- Social Science Seed Grant, UIC (\$5,500), 2012-2013
- Salomon Course Enhancement Grant, Brown University (\$500), Fall 2010

- Salomon Course Enhancement Grant, Brown University (\$500), Fall 2009

### **Research Awards**

- Best Article Award for Publication in *Political Behavior*, APSA Elections, Public Opinion, and Voting Behavior Section, 2017 (For “Racial resentment and white gun policy preferences in contemporary America”)
- Honorable mention, APSA Migration and Citizenship Section, 2016 (for “Immigrant Inclusion in the Safety Net”)
- Best Article Award, *Migration Studies*, 2015 (For “The Case Against Deportation”)
- Lucius Barker Best Paper Award, Midwest Political Science Association, 2015 (for “Racial resentment and white gun policy preferences in contemporary America”)
- Best Section Paper Award, APSA Public Policy Section, 2014 (for “White Identity and Gun Control Policy Preferences in Post-Civil Rights America”)
- Best Section Paper Award, APSA, Federalism Section, 2000 (for “Fiscal Federalism and the Politics of Intergovernmental Grants”)

### **Other Honors & Awards**

- LAS Dean’s Award for Faculty Research in the Humanities, UIC (\$2,000), 2013
- Faculty Mentor Research Award, UIC (student: Aria Ekersley, \$300), 2013
- Finalist, Brown University Best Teacher Award, 2010

### **Fellowships & Scholarships**

- Fellowship, Institute for the Study of Race and Public Policy, UIC, 2014-2015
- Post-doctoral Fellow, Taubman Center for Public Policy and American Institutions, Brown University, 2009-2011
- Graduate Research Scholar, Eagleton Institute of Politics, Rutgers University, 2007-2009
- Teaching Assistantship, Rutgers University, 1997-2000
- NATO International Relations Fellowship, 1996-1999
- Bryn Mawr College, International Student Scholar, 1991-1995
- Centro de Estudios Hispánicos, International Economic Relations Scholar, Madrid, Spain, 1993
- American Field Service Scholar, 1989-1990

## **OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE**

**Senior Survey Consultant**, Brand & Communications, Harris Interactive, Princeton, NJ, 2007-2010

**Senior Researcher**, Online Strategy & Methodology, GfK Custom Research, Princeton, NJ, 2003-2007

**Survey Researcher**, Social & Government Policy Research, RoperASW, Princeton, NJ, 2000-2003

### **Other Publications**

- Filindra, A. and L. Harbridge Yong (2017) “Why Aren’t More Republicans Critical of Trump?: What Our Research has to Say,” *The Washington Post*, [https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/monkey-cage/wp/2017/08/02/why-havent-more-republicans-in-congress-criticized-trump-heres-what-our-research-found/?utm\\_term=.465d19a4f887](https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/monkey-cage/wp/2017/08/02/why-havent-more-republicans-in-congress-criticized-trump-heres-what-our-research-found/?utm_term=.465d19a4f887)
- Filindra, A. (2017) “White Americans are much more likely to support gun rights than their non-white counterparts, but not because they want arms for self-protection,” LSE American Politics blog, <http://bit.ly/2phSkLX> (April 2017)
- Filindra, A(2016) “Why Americans Love Their Guns,” <https://blog.mpsanet.org/2016/12/13/why-white-americans-love-their-guns/> (December 2016)
- Filindra A., A. Wichowsky, and M. Condon (2016) “Twenty Year’s On: How Welfare Reform Affected the Children of Immigrants,” *The Washington Post*, (August 22, 2016), <https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/monkey-cage/wp/2016/08/22/20-years-on-heres-how-welfare-reform-held-back-immigrants-children-in-some-states/>
- Filindra, A. (2016) “How Racial Prejudice Helps Drive Opposition to Gun Control,” *The Washington Post*, (June 21, 2016) <https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/monkey-cage/wp/2016/06/21/heres-the-surprising-reason-some-white-americans-oppose-gun-regulation/>

- Condon, M., A. Filindra, A. Wichowsky (2016) “The effects of Latino exclusion from the welfare net,” LSE US Centre, <http://blogs.lse.ac.uk/usappblog/2016/03/14/excluding-latino-immigrant-families-from-the-social-safety-net-hurts-their-childrens-educational-outcomes-and-effects-spill-over-onto-latino-children-who-are-not-excluded/> (March 14, 2016)
- Filindra, A. and D. Kelemen (2015) “Party on Tsipras,” *Foreign Affairs* (August 31, 2015) <https://www.foreignaffairs.com/articles/europe/2015-08-31/party-tsipras>
- Filindra, A. (2015) “How did we get here and where exactly we are,” Protagon.gr, July 4, 2015, <http://www.protagon.gr/?i=protagon.el.anagnwstes&id=41910>
- Filindra, A. (2015) «Greece in Danger to End Up Like Puerto Rico,” *Kathimerini*, June 29, 2015, <http://www.kathimerini.gr/821405/opinion/epikairothta/politikh/h-ellada-kindynevei-na-ginei-poyerto-riko>
- Filindra, A. (2015) “When Europe Threatens Our Clientelistic Democracy,” *Kathimerini*, June 23, 2015, <http://www.kathimerini.gr/820517/opinion/epikairothta/politikh/otan-h-eyrwph-apeilei-thn-pelateiakh-dhmokratia>
- Filindra, A. and S. Pearson-Merkowitz (2013) “We All Want More of Everything—Except Taxes: How Opinion Polling Constrains Washington”, *Pacific Standard*, September 10, 2013, <http://www.psmag.com/politics/opinion-political-polling-constrains-beltway-congress-senate-washington-65815/>
- Filindra, A. and D. Mintzopoulos (2012) “We and the immigrants. We the immigrants,” *Kathimerini*, November 8, 2012, [http://news.kathimerini.gr/4dcgi/w\\_articles\\_columns\\_2\\_08/11/2012\\_500945](http://news.kathimerini.gr/4dcgi/w_articles_columns_2_08/11/2012_500945)
- Filindra, A. (2012) “The Faulty Logic of ‘Self-Deportation,’” Immigration Professors Blog, January 31, 2012, <http://lawprofessors.typepad.com/immigration/2012/01/guest-post-the-faulty-logic-of-self-deportation-by-alexandra-filindra.html>
- Filindra, A. (2009) “Carceri debería desestimar la orden en contra de los ilegales,” *America News en Espanol*, December 2009
- Filindra, A. (2009) “Carceri Should Repeal Immigration Executive Order,” *Providence Journal*, December 8, 2009, ([http://www.projo.com/opinion/contributors/content/CT\\_fil8\\_12-08-09\\_B6GMCDR\\_v18.3f88643.html](http://www.projo.com/opinion/contributors/content/CT_fil8_12-08-09_B6GMCDR_v18.3f88643.html))
- Filindra, A. and D. Mintzopoulos (2008) “The Local Myths that Prevail,” *Kathimerini*, November 24, 2008, ([http://news.kathimerini.gr/4dcgi/w\\_articles\\_columns\\_1\\_23/12/2008\\_297051](http://news.kathimerini.gr/4dcgi/w_articles_columns_1_23/12/2008_297051))

## CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

- “Multiculturalism, Social Citizenship, Political Attitudes and Participation among Immigrants and Their Children” (with A. Manatschal), APSA, August 2017
- “Multiculturalism, Social Citizenship, Political Attitudes and Participation among Immigrants and Their Children” (with A. Manatschal), State Politics and Policy Conference, May 2017
- “What about Crime?: Racial Prejudice, Fear of Crime and White Gun Policy Preferences,” (with N. Kaplan), MPSA Conference, Chicago, IL, April 2017
- “Prejudiced not Principled: How Racial Bias Influences Whites’ Policy Judgements through Ideology and Partisanship,” MPSA Conference, Chicago, IL, April 2017
- “Does In-group Derogation Pay for Black and Latino Candidates?,” APSA Conference, Philadelphia, PA, 2016
- “Theorizing and Measuring Racial Threat in the Context of Racialized Policy Studies,” APSA Conference, Philadelphia, PA, 2016
- “Is Racial Threat in the Eye of the Researcher? : Theory, Definitions and Measurement in the State-Level Immigration Policy Literature,” State Politics and Policy Conference, Dallas, TX, May 2016
- “Black Group Violence and Whites’ Gun Policy Attitudes in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century,” MPSA, April 2016
- “Washington is the Enemy: Inter-group Dynamics, Racial Prejudice and Americans’ Perceptions of Government as a Threat,” (with N. Kaplan), Midwest Political Science Association Conference, April 2016
- “Black Group Violence and Whites’ Gun Policy Attitudes in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century,” University of Cincinnati Conference on Race, Policing and Violence, January 2016

- “The Color of the Party: The Racial Antecedents of Political and Ideological Self-Identification,” Southern Political Science Association Conference, San Juan, January 2016
- “Understanding Migration Decisions in Behavioral Terms: A Prospect Theory Perspective,” American Political Science Association Conference, San Francisco, September 2015
- “The Effect of Immigrant Welfare Policy Inclusion on the Educational Attainment of Latinos and Asians: A Difference-in-Difference Analysis” (with M. Condon and A. Wichowsky), American Political Science Association Conference, San Francisco, September 2015
- “Methodological Considerations in Developing Immigration Policy Indices: Direction, Magnitude and Scope” (with S. Pearson-Merkowitz), State Politics and Policy Conference, Sacramento, CA, May 2015
- “Racial prejudice, crime and white opposition to gun control,” Midwest Political Science Association, April 2015
- “White Identity and Gun Control Policy Preferences in Post-Civil Rights America,” (with N. Kaplan) American Political Science Association Conference, Washington, DC, August 2014
- “Racialized Policies and the Informed Public” (with P. Patel), American Political Science Association Conference, Washington, DC, August 2014
- “A Gun Problem or a Race Problem? Racial Prejudice and White Public Opinion on Gun Control in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century,” (with N. Kaplan), Midwest Political Science Association Conference, April, 2014
- “A Call to Arms: Racial Threat and White Gun Policy Preferences,” (with N. Kaplan), SPIRE Conference, Indiana University, March 14, 2014
- “Immigration and the Informed Public,” (with P. Patel), MAPOR Conference, November 22, 2013
- “The Case Against Deportation,” (with B. Buckinx), Politics of Race, Immigration and Ethnicity Consortium, University of Chicago, October 18, 2013
- “Counting Illegal Aliens: The Mediated Relationship between Residential Context, Economic Competition and Social Threat in Explaining Social Innumeracy,” (with R. Nassar and P. Patel), Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, IL, April, 2013
- “The Golden Dawn, Independent Geeks and the Rise of the Extreme Right in Greece,” Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, IL, April 22, 2013
- “The Right Against Exclusion: Harm Avoidance as a Basis of Citizenship Claims” (with B. Buckinx), Western Political Science Association Conference, Hollywood, CA, March 28, 2013
- “Jus Noci and the Case Against Deportation,” (with B. Buckinx) 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Citizenship Studies Conference, “The Meaning of Citizenship,” Wayne State University, Detroit, MI, March 21, 2013
- “Pictures in Our Heads” or “Avoiding Lemons”? Stereotyping, Loss Aversion and the Cognitive Origins of Change in Public Opinion Preferences” (with S. Pearson-Merkowitz), Midwest Association for Public Opinion Research, Chicago, IL, November 17, 2012
- “The Psychology of Unauthorized Border Crossings: Explaining the Limitations of Rational Deterrence in Border Enforcement Policy,” Illinois Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, IL, November 10, 2012
- “Do Not Cause Hardship: Jus Noci as a Principle of Citizenship” (with B. Buckinx), American Political Science Association Conference, New Orleans, LA, August 2012
- “*Jus Ne Quis Excludatur* as a Principle of Citizenship: Immigrants, Deportation, and the Avoidance of Hardship” (with B. Buckinx), Citizenship-in-Question: Evidentiary Challenges for *Jus Soli* and Autochthony, from *Authenticité* to ‘Birtherism’ Conference, Boston College, April 2012
- “The Interactive Role of Elite Cues and Residential Context in Shaping Public Opinion about Immigration in the New England States” (with S. Pearson), State Politics and Policy Conference, Rice University, Houston, TX, February 2012
- “Attrition Through Enforcement: Public Opinion and the Politics of the Arizona Law,” Northeastern Political Science Association Conference, Philadelphia, PA, November 17, 2011
- “Explaining the Enthusiasm for “Attrition-Through-Enforcement”: Economic Vulnerability, Ideology and Public Support for the Arizona Approach to Undocumented Immigration,” American Political Science Association Conference, Seattle, WA, September 2011
- “The Power of Context: State -Level Immigration Policy and Differences in the Educational Performance of the Children of Immigrants,” (with D. Blanding and C. Garcia Coll), State Politics & Policy Conference, Dartmouth, NH, June 4, 2011
- “Anxieties of a Peaceful Transition: Ethnic competition and the election of the first Latino Mayor in Providence, RI,” (with M. Orr) *Western Political Science Association*, San Antonio, April 2011



- “Immigrants & Immigration in Rhode Island: Results of a New Statewide Survey,” Brown University, March 2011
- “The Role of Advocacy Organizations in State-Level Immigration Policy,” *Migration and Immigrant Integration Workshop*, Harvard University, September 2010
- “Building Bridges or Growing Power?: Two-Level Games, Immigrant Advocacy Organizations, and State-level Immigration Policy,” *American Political Science Association*, Washington, DC, September, 2010
- “The Political Construction of Refugees: Gender and U.S. Refugee Policy,” *Western Political Science Association*, San Francisco, April 2010
- “Immigration Policy and the Statehouse: Patterns Developing in the Southern U.S.,” *Midwestern Political Science Association*, Chicago, April 2010
- “State Approaches to Immigration Policy: Evidence from the 50 States,” Symposium on Undocumented Hispanic Immigration, *Connecticut College*, October 2009
- “Degrees of Belonging and Graduated Rights: Immigrants and Immigration Policy in the American States,” *Midwestern Political Science Association*, Chicago, April 2009
- “States & Immigration Federalism: Laboratories of Democracy or Intolerance?” (with D. Tichenor) *American Political Science Association*, Boston, MA, August 2008
- “All Politics is Local: Immigration Discourses in State Legislative Resolutions,” (with M. Kovacs) *State Politics and Policy Conference*, Philadelphia, PA, May 2008
- “Bringing the States Back in: States and Immigration Policy in the United States,” *Western Political Science Association*, San Diego, CA, March 2008
- “Undocumented and Under-theorized: Immigration in the Land of American Federalism,” *Northeastern Political Science Association*, Philadelphia, PA, November 2007
- “Fiscal Federalism and the Politics of Intergovernmental Grants: Lessons for the United States and the European Union,” *American Political Science Association Conference*, Atlanta, GA, September 1999
- “Community Structural Framework and Its Impact on EU Member State Public Administration Systems,” *International Studies Association Conference*, Washington, DC, February 1999
- “The Rise of Berlusconi in Italy: Is the Media Party Sustainable?” *New York State Political Science Association Conference*, Albany, NY, May 1998

## **INVITED TALKS, OPINION ARTICLES, PRESS INTERVIEWS & PRESS MENTIONS**

### **Invited Talks**

- Invited talk, “When Does it Pay to Derogate Minorities?,” ICPSR Blalock Seminar Series, August 3, 2017
- Invited talk, “Citizenship, Immigration and Race,” Columbia College Chicago, April 2017
- Invited talk, “Immigration under the Trump Administration,” Loyola University, March 2017
- Invited talk, “Race, Rights, and Rifles,” University of Notre Dame, February 16, 2017
- Invited talk, “Race, Rights and Rifles,” Northwestern University, February 10, 2017
- Invited talk, “Immigration and Inequality,” University of Central Missouri, Kansas City, MO, April 1, 2016
- Invited talk, “Race, Rights and Rifles,” Purdue University, February 2016
- Invited talk, “Greece and the European Union: A New Way or Parting of Ways?” University of Illinois at Chicago, Department of Mediterranean Studies, April 14, 2015
- Invited talk, “Immigrant Inclusion in the Safety Net: A Framework for Analysis and Effects on Educational Attainment,” University of Illinois at Chicago, Latin-American and Latino Studies, March 12, 2015
- Invited talk, “A Call to Arms: Racial Resentment and Whites’ Gun Policy Preferences,” University of Illinois at Chicago, Department of Psychology, March 4, 2015
- Invited talk, Debate on Immigration Reform, Kent College of Law, Chicago, IL, April 14, 2014, <http://youtu.be/axKpbsNbP-A>
- Invited talk, “Racial Prejudice and the Gun Policy Attitudes of White Americans,” University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, March 7, 2014
- Invited talk, Perspectives on Immigration Reform Symposium, *Kansas Journal of Law & Public Policy*, University of Kansas, February 22, 2013
- Invited talk, University of Illinois at Chicago, Conference on Greek Identity: The Glory and the Burden of Hellenism, November 9, 2013
- Invited talk, William Paterson University, Panel on Europe and the Economic Crisis, April 12, 2012
- Invited talk, William Paterson University, Panel on Immigration and Latinos in the United States, March 27, 2012

- Invited talk, Worcester State University, Presentation on Citizenship Law and Eugenics, March 2, 2012
- Invited participation, “Lessons from Europe,” Jean Monet Workshop, Rutgers University, Sept. 29, 2011
- Invited talk, Harvard Law School, Article V Constitutional Convention Conference, September 23-24, 2011, <http://conconcon.org/>
- Invited participation, “Aging and America’s Immigration Policy,” As America Ages Conference, Brown University, Providence, RI, May 6, 2011
- Invited talk on immigration issues, East Greenwich, RI Rotary Club, May 2011
- Invited talk on immigration issues, Providence Rotary Club, April 4th, 2011
- Invited talk on immigration at the Providence Education Counselors Association, March 2011
- Invited talk about immigration policy, Immigration Forum, AMICA, Lincoln, RI, October 27, 2010

### **Press Interviews**

*Guest commentator for The Chicago Tribune; Chicago WGN CLTV “Politics Tonight”; WLWU 88.7 FM “The Logic Consortium”; Rhode Island WPRO 630; The Providence Journal; Rhode Island Channel 10 News*

- Interview with Rhode Island WPRO 630 on the Greek crisis, Saturday July 11, 2015
- Interview with the “Logic Consortium,” on WLWU 88.9 FM on children migrants on the border, Sunday July 27, 2014
- Interview with the “Logic Consortium,” on WLWU 88.7 FM, on immigration reform, Sunday January 19, 2014
- Interview with “the Logic Consortium,” on WLWU 88.7 FM, Monday September 2, 2013,
- Interview with WGN CLTV “Politics Tonight,” on federal immigration reform, June 2, 2013
- Interview with *Progress Illinois*, “Comprehensive Immigration Reform Would Mean Big Gains For Social Security & Medicare, Analysts Say,” <http://progressillinois.com/quick-hits/content/2013/06/17/comprehensive-immigration-reform-would-provide-big-gains-social-security>
- Interview with Jayna Omaye, “Cultural values, expectations drive foreign born homeownership, experts say,” *Medill Reports*, May 29, 2013, <http://news.medill.northwestern.edu/chicago/news.aspx?id=222225>
- Interview for the “Logic Consortium” on WLWU 88.7 FM, Chicago. Immigration issues and the 2012 election, October 7, 2012
- Interview with Jacob Briskman, WLWU 88.7 FM, Chicago. Interview on immigration issues and behavioral models of understanding policy, July 25, 2012
- Interview with Steve Klemkin, WPRO 630 AM Morning News on Rhode Island’s in-state tuition policy for undocumented students, October 1, 2011
- Interview with Claire Schlessinger, *Brown Daily Herald*, on E-Verify Bill that is being considered in Rhode Island, April 5th, 2011
- Interview with John DePetro on Rhode Island immigration survey, WPRO Radio, March 17, 2011
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### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

**Undergraduate courses taught:** Congressional Politics; State and Local Politics; Immigration Politics and Policy; Introduction to American Government; the American Presidency; Introduction to International

Relations; Party Politics; Comparative Public Policy; Immigrant Detention and Deportation Policies; Introduction to International Relations

**Graduate courses taught:** Seminar in Public Policy; Seminar in American Politics, Public Policy and Policy Analysis in the Era of Globalization; American Institutions and Public Policy; Race, Ethnicity & Public Policy; Survey Research Methods

## **ACTIVITIES AND AFFILIATIONS**

### **University Service Activities-University of Illinois at Chicago**

#### **Department:**

Director of Graduate Studies, 2015-2017

- Review and evaluation of the graduate program: changed sequence of courses; strengthened offerings; streamlined comprehensive exams; strengthened subfield organization and function; tightened requirements for independent studies
- Development of graduate program handbook
- Curriculum review and development of new courses for the program
- Mentoring of incoming graduate students
- Develop program for faculty evaluation and mentorship of T.A.s and R.A.s
- Development of new concentrations in methods and in political psychology (on-going)
- Graduate admissions review and decision
- Support students in job applications

Member, Graduate Admissions Committee, 2015-present

Member, Graduate Studies Committee, 2014-present

Member, Political Science Department Advisory Committee, 2013-2016

Echols Award Committee, Best undergraduate paper in Political Science, 2015

Coordinator, Political Science brown bag lecture series, 2014-2015

Hiring committee, Clinical Assistant professor in International Relations, Spring 2016

Hiring committee, Visiting Assistant professor in American politics, Spring 2014

#### **Faculty dissertation committee chair**

Beyza Buyuker, "Inter-group Relations and Public Opinion Support for anti-Democratic Policies"

Andrada Costoiu, "Stereotyped Visions of Immigrants in Congressional Discourse"

Meggan Trevey, "The Use of Social Media by State Legislators"

#### **Faculty dissertation committee member:**

Gauri Vaishampayan (Department of Education)

#### **Faculty supervisor on Master's theses:**

- Amanda D'Urso (2017); Ajara Chekirova (2015); Rita L. Nassar (2014); Alicia Race (2014)

#### **Faculty supervisor on independent studies:**

- Amanda D'Urso (grad student), topic: immigration politics, Fall 2016
- Hank Knoll (grad student), topic: immigration politics, Fall 2012
- Aria Ekersley (undergraduate), topic: descriptive representation at the state level, Spring 2014

Advisor, Honors College, 2013-2017

#### **External faculty advisor on Ph.D. dissertations:**

- Diana Salas y Coronado, University of Massachusetts, Boston, 2014-2017

#### **College:**

IRB Evaluation, Focus Group member, Spring 2017

Hiring committee, immigration cluster, Spring 2014

Member, LAS Faculty Quorum Committee, 2012-2013

#### **University:**

Social Sciences Representative, University of Illinois Senate, 2015-2018

Reviewer, Chancellor's Award program, Fall 2013

## **Professional Service Activities**

Filindra, 2017

Co-President, Migration and Citizenship Section, APSA, 2016-2018  
Council member, APSA Race & Ethnicity Section, 2017-2019  
Council member, APSA Public Policy Section, 2017-2019  
Review Committee, State Politics Section Best Dissertation Award, APSA, 2017  
Program organizer, Public Policy section, 2017 MPSA Conference, 2016-2017  
Executive Committee, APSA Migration and Citizenship Section, 2012-2015  
APSA short course instructor, APSA Conference, Chicago, 2013  
Discussant and/or Chair, American Political Science Association Conference, 2013, 2015-2017  
Discussant and/or Chair, MPSA Conference, 2009-2010, 2013-2017  
Coordinator, Immigration Research Workgroup, Rutgers University, 2007-2009

Editorial Board member, *Politics, Groups & Identities*, 2016-present  
Occasional Reviewer: *American Political Science Review*, *American Journal of Political Science*, *Journal of Politics*, *Political Behavior*, *Political Research Quarterly*, *Publius: The Journal of Federalism*, *State Politics and Policy Quarterly*, *Social Science Quarterly*, *American Politics Research*, *Urban Affairs Review*, *Migration Letters*, *Social Problems*, *International Migration Review*, *International Migration*, *Journal of Comparative Politics*, *Politics & Policy*, *Policy Studies Journal*, *Sociological Quarterly*, *Journal of Race Ethnicity and Politics*, *Political Science Quarterly*, *Journal of Immigrant and Refugee Studies*, *Research and Politics*, *Politics, Groups & Identities*, *Comparative Politics*, *European Societies*, Routledge Press, MIT Press, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada

### **Professional & Other Memberships**

Member, American Political Science Association  
Member, Midwest Political Science Association  
Member, Southern Political Science Association  
Member, State Politics and Policy Section of the APSA  
Member, Citizenship and Migration Section of the APSA  
Member, Race & Ethnicity Section of the APSA  
Member, Public Policy Section of the APSA