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TEACHING AND RESEARCH INTERESTS: American political institutions, particularly the U.S. Congress; public policy, focusing on decision-making and network analysis; political parties and intraparty factions

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2023-PRESENT Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Kenyon College
2022-2023 Assistant Professor, Department of Government, St. Lawrence University
2021-2022 Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Government, St. Lawrence University

EDUCATION

2021 Ph.D., Government, *The University of Texas at Austin*
Committee: Sean M. Theriault (chair), Alison W. Craig, Bryan D. Jones, and David W. Rohde
Fields: American Politics & Public Policy
2017 M.A., Government, *The University of Texas at Austin*
Thesis: Keeping Your Friends Close: How the House Freedom Caucus Organized for Survival
2015 B.S., Political Science, *Towson University*

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

2023 Bird, Christine C. and **Zachary A. McGee**. "Looking Forward: Interest Group Legal Strategy and Federalist Society Affiliation in the United States Circuit Courts of Appeal." *Polity*. 55(2):389-399. DOI: [10.1086/724189](https://doi.org/10.1086/724189)
2022 Bird, Christine C. and **Zachary A. McGee**. "Going Nuclear: Federalist Society Affiliated Judicial Nominees' Prospects and a New Era of Confirmation Politics." *American Politics Research*. 51(1):37-56. DOI: [10.1177/1532673X221109534](https://doi.org/10.1177/1532673X221109534)

- 2021 **McGee, Zachary A.** and Sean M. Theriault. “Partisanship in Congressional Travels Abroad.” *International Politics*. 59(5):925-954. DOI: [10.1057/s41311-021-00366-5](https://doi.org/10.1057/s41311-021-00366-5)
- 2021 **McGee, Zachary A.** and Philip R. Moniz. “Gift Travel in the U.S. House of Representatives.” *Political Research Quarterly*. 75(3):706-719. DOI: [10.1177/10659129211020830](https://doi.org/10.1177/10659129211020830)
- 2020 Fagan, E.J. and **Zachary A. McGee**. “Problem Solving and the Demand for Expert Information in Congress.” *Legislative Studies Quarterly*. 47(1):53-77. DOI: [10.1111/lsq.12323](https://doi.org/10.1111/lsq.12323)
- 2019 Fagan, E.J., **Zachary A. McGee**, and Herschel F. Thomas III. “The Power of the Party: Conflict Expansion and the Agenda Diversity of Interest Groups.” *Political Research Quarterly*. 74(1):90-102. DOI: [10.1177/1065912919867142](https://doi.org/10.1177/1065912919867142)
- 2019 **McGee, Zachary A.** and Bryan D. Jones. “Reconceptualizing the Policy Subsystem: Integration with Complexity Theory and Social Network Analysis.” *Policy Studies Journal*. 47(S1): S138-58. DOI: [10.1111/psj.12319](https://doi.org/10.1111/psj.12319)

CHAPTERS IN EDITED BOOKS

- 2021 **McGee, Zachary A.**, Brooke N. Shannon, and Bryan D. Jones. “Bounded Rationality in Political Science.” In *Routledge Handbook on Bounded Rationality*, eds. Riccardo Viale and Konstantinos Katzikopoulos. New York: Routledge. DOI: [10.4324/9781315658353](https://doi.org/10.4324/9781315658353)
- 2019 Shannon, Brooke N., **Zachary A. McGee**, and Bryan D. Jones. “Bounded Rationality and Cognitive Limits in Political Decision Making.” In *Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Politics*, New York: Oxford University Press. DOI: [10.1093/acrefore/9780190228637.013.961](https://doi.org/10.1093/acrefore/9780190228637.013.961)
- 2018 Jones, Bryan D. and **Zachary A. McGee**. 2018. “Agenda Setting and Bounded Rationality.” In *The Oxford Handbook of Behavioral Political Science*, eds. Alex Mintz and Lesley Terris. New York: Oxford University Press. DOI: [10.1093/oxfordhb/9780190634131.013.19](https://doi.org/10.1093/oxfordhb/9780190634131.013.19)

BOOK PROJECTS

- IN PROGRESS “Intraparty Factions and Policy Agendas in the U.S. House of Representatives”

WORKING PAPERS

- REVISE & RESUBMIT “Using Prediction Markets as a Tool for Classroom and Civic Engagement” (with Precious D. Hall)
- UNDER REVIEW “The Voting Behavior of the Federalist Society Senators in Federal Judicial Nominations” (with Christine C. Bird and Jonathan M. King)

IN PROGRESS	“Predicting Intraparty Faction Membership Decisions in the U.S. House of Representatives”
IN PROGRESS	“Congressional Distribution of Power and the Reach of the Federal Government, 1865-1946” (with Derek A. Epp and Sean M. Theriault)

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

APSA	2021, 2020
APSA Teaching & Learning	2023
CAP	2020, 2019, 2018, 2017
CEL	2021
MPSA	2023, 2022, 2021, 2020*, 2019, 2018, 2017
SPSA	2021, 2019
SWPSA	2017
WDPFP	2020

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2023-PRESENT	Faculty Associate, <i>Center for the Study of American Democracy</i>
2023-PRESENT	Faculty Associate, <i>Bird Law and Public Policy Research Lab</i>
2021-PRESENT	Faculty Associate, <i>Comparative Agendas Project, U.S. Chapter</i>
2016-2021	Graduate Research Fellow, <i>Comparative Agendas Project, U.S. Chapter</i>

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

	KENYON COLLEGE
2023-2024	Liberal Democracy in America (2 sections), The U.S. Congress, Public Policy
	ST. LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY

2022-2023	Introduction to American Politics (2 sections, 1 writing-intensive), Congressional Elections, The U.S. Congress, Seminar on American Political Parties, Research Seminar on Policy Agenda Setting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Read or listen for more information about the simulation conducted in my congressional elections course.
2021-2022	Introduction to American Politics (3 sections), The U.S. Congress (2 sections), Seminar on American Political Parties
THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN	
FALL 2019	Assistant Instructor (<i>Instructor of Record</i>), Introduction to American Government <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Course evaluation for overall performance: 4.4/5.0
SPRING 2019	Teaching Assistant, The Politics of Health
FALL 2018	Teaching Assistant, Congressional Elections
FALL 2017	Personal Tutor, Introduction to American Government
FALL 2016 - SPRING 2018	Head Teaching Assistant, Online: Introduction to American Government
FALL 2015 - SPRING 2016	Teaching Assistant, Introduction to American Government

EXTERNAL CONSULTING

FALL 2018	Contributor (Ancillary Materials), Theriault, Sean M. and Mickey Edwards. 2019. <i>Congress: The First Branch</i> . New York: Oxford University Press. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prepared instructor’s manual for each of ten chapters. • Materials include (per chapter): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – 80 questions (multiple choice, short answer, and essay) – Lecture slides – Class activities and lecture suggestions – Supporting online materials
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FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

EXTERNAL

2019	Center for Effective Lawmaking Research Grant (\$1,500)
2019	Dirksen Congressional Center Congressional Research Grant (\$2,660)
2019	Dwight D. Eisenhower/Clifford Roberts Graduate Fellowship (<i>Finalist</i>)
2018	Political Networks Conference Travel Grant - via NSF #1558713 (\$900)
2017	MPSA Best Paper by a Graduate Student - Awarded for “Keeping Your Friends Close: A Study of Punishment and Intraparty Insurgency” (\$250)

INTERNAL

2021	UT Austin Dept. of Government Summer Research Fellowship (\$5,000)
2020	UT Graduate School Fellowship (\$20,000)
2020	UT Austin Dept. of Government Summer Research Fellowship (\$5,000)
2019	Texas Politics Project Research Grant (\$1,500)
2019	UT Graduate School Summer Dissertation Fellowship (\$6,000)
2018	Patricia Witherspoon Research Award (\$2,000)
2018	UT Austin Dept. of Government Summer Research Fellowship (\$5,000)
2017-2019	J.J. Pickle Chair, International Travel Grant (\$6,000 total)
2017-2019	UT Graduate School Professional Development Award (\$1,275 total)
2017	UT Austin Dept. of Government Pre-Dissertation Fellowship (\$2,000)
2017	UT Summer Statistics Institute Award (\$100)
2015-2019	UT Austin Dept. of Government Recruitment Fellowship (\$20,000 total)

UNIVERSITY AND DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

KENYON COLLEGE

2023-2024 Thesis Reader

ST. LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY

2023 Study Abroad Application Review Committee (3 programs, 50+ applications)

2023 “Celebration of Scholarship and Creativity” Poster Participant

2022-2023 Internship Advisor

2022-2023 Pi Sigma Alpha Advisor

2022 “Midterm Election Digest” Panelist (2 panels)

2022 May College Panelist (“Take Stock & Upgrade Your Digital Presence”)

2021-2022 Pi Sigma Alpha Paper Awards Committee

2021-2022 Thesis Reader

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN

SPRING 2020 Founding Member, Queer in Political Science Group

2018-2019 Co-President, Graduate Student Organization

SPRING 2017 Co-Organizer, [Network Analysis Reading Group](#), *The University of Texas at Austin, Department of Government*

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

SINCE 2020 Reviewer, *Legislative Studies Quarterly*

SINCE 2019 Reviewer, *Policy Studies Journal*

SINCE 2018 Reviewer, *Political Research Quarterly*

SKILLS

DATA ANALYSIS: R, Stata, Python

OTHER: L^AT_EX

ADDITIONAL
TRAINING: Political Networks Conference - Advanced Workshop (*Summer 2018*)

 UT Summer Statistics Institute: Introduction to Data Science in Python
 (*Summer 2017*)

MEMBERSHIPS

SINCE 2018 Southern Political Science Association

SINCE 2016 Midwest Political Science Association

SINCE 2015 American Political Science Association

REFERENCES

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