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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

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### University of Missouri

Assistant Professor of Political Science, 2023-present  
Kinder Institute Assistant Professor of Constitutional Democracy, 2023-present

### Haverford College

Instructor, Spring 2021

## EDUCATION

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### University of Pennsylvania

Ph.D., Political Science, July 2023  
Fields: Public Law, American Politics, Political Theory  
Committee: Rogers M. Smith (chair), Adolph Reed Jr., Loren Goldman, Jeffrey Green

### Harvard Law School

J.D., *cum laude*, 2011

### Swarthmore College

B.A., Individualized major (interdisciplinary), 2006

## PUBLICATIONS & PAPERS

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“Fallibilism and the Integration of Law and Morals: Reconstructing Lon Fuller’s Natural Law.”  
*Jurisprudence*, 1–26. <https://doi.org/10.1080/20403313.2025.2516302>

“Judging by the People: Democratic Pragmatism and Legal Process Theory” (in submission).

“Pluralist Democracy and the Rise of Judicial Ideology” (in progress).

“Mary Wollstonecraft, Social Constructivism, and the Idea of Freedom,” with Nancy J. Hirschmann. *Politics & Gender*, vol. 15, no. 4 (2019): 645-670.

“Wollstonecraft as a Freedom Theorist,” with Nancy J. Hirschmann. In *The Wollstonecraftian Mind*, ed. Eileen Hunt Botting, Alan Coffee, and Sandrine Berges. Routledge Press (2019).

“Womanly Properties: Possession and Redemption.” *Women’s Rights Law Reporter*, vol. 38, no. 1 (Fall 2016): 1-22.

## CONFERENCES & PRESENTATIONS

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American Political Science Association, Vancouver, Canada, September 11, 2025, “Pluralist Democracy and the Rise of Judicial Ideology”

American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, September 6, 2024, “Judging by the People”

UT Austin Graduate Conference in Public Law, Austin, Texas, October 28, 2022, “Democratic Pragmatism and Theories of Judicial Decision Making from Legal Realism to the Legal Process School”

Western Political Science Association, Portland, Oregon, March 10, 2022, “Two Views of the Legal Cathedral: Judicial Decision Making from the Top Down and the Bottom Up”

Southern Political Science Association, San Antonio, Texas, January 14, 2022, “The Rules of the Cage: Political Science and the Law of Pluralism”

New Directions in Law and Society Graduate Student and Junior Scholar Workshop, UMass Amherst Center for Justice, Law, and Societies, October 8, 2021, “The Rules of the Cage: Political Science and the Law of Pluralism”

Andrea Mitchell Center – Political Science Workshop, University of Pennsylvania, February 24, 2021, “Judicial Politics and the Law of Pluralism”

American Politics Workshop, University of Pennsylvania, January 27, 2021, “The Nature and Origins of Impossible Legitimacy in Judicial Politics”

Political Theory Workshop, University of Pennsylvania, February 25, 2020, “Below the Law: Political Science and the Demystification of Judicial Behavior”

## INVITED TALKS

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Constitution Day Lecture, Columbia Missouri, 2025 (scheduled)

“The Tempting of America, Right and Left,” Keynote speech, League of Women Voters of Missouri 2025 Convention, Columbia, Missouri, June 7, 2025

“Fallibilism and the Integration of Law and Morals: Reconstructing Lon Fuller’s Natural Law,” University of Missouri School of Law, Columbia, Missouri, October 16, 2024

Guest Lecture on Constitutions, Kinder Institute and Honors College, April 2, 2024

Panelist, “The Trump Indictments: What They Mean for the Law, the Election, and the Presidency,” TSGPA, October 25, 2023

## TEACHING

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### **University of Missouri**

Constitutional Law (POL\_SC 9220), Fall 2025

The American Constitution (POL\_SC 4200), Fall 2023, Fall 2024

Constitution and Civil Liberties (POL\_SC 4230), Spring 2024, Spring 2025

Intellectual World of the American Founders (POL\_SC 2450; CNST\_DEM 2450), Spring 2024

Intellectual World of the American Founders Honors (POL\_SC 2450H; CNST\_DEM 2450H),  
Fall 2024

Constitutional Litigation (POL\_SC 4231; CNST\_DEM 4231), Spring 2025

### **Haverford College**

Constitutional Law: Law in Principle, Policy and Practice, Spring 2021

### **University of Pennsylvania**

Teaching Assistant:

Public Policy Process (Levendusky, 2019)

American Political Thought (Goldman, 2018)

Modern Constitutional Law (Smith, 2018)

Introduction to American Politics (Meredith, 2017)

**Pedagogy Development**, Center for Teaching and Learning, University of Pennsylvania

Inclusive Course Design through the Syllabus workshop, 2022

Teaching Certificate, 2020

## FELLOWSHIPS

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Arts & Sciences Writing Fellowship, University of Missouri (course buyout for Fall 2025)

Summer Research Grant, University of Pennsylvania Political Science Department, 2022

Benjamin Franklin Fellowship, University of Pennsylvania, 2016–2022

Boies Graduate Fellow, University of Pennsylvania, 2019–2020

Jack Miller Center Summer Institute, “American Constitutionalism,” 2017

## **AWARDS**

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Penn Prize for Excellence in Teaching by Graduate Students (finalist), AY 2018

Alvin Z. Rubinstein Award for Excellence in Teaching by a Political Science Graduate Student,  
University of Pennsylvania, AY 2018

Dean’s Scholar Award in Federal Courts and the Federal System, Harvard Law School, 2011

## **SERVICE**

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### **University of Missouri**

U.S. Constitutional Law and Legal History Job Search Committee (AY 2025-2026)

University of Missouri Law Review Symposium, moderator (March 14, 2025)

Missouri Politics Job Search Committee (AY 2024-2025)

Missouri History Job Search Committee (AY 2024-2025)

Constitutional Litigation course – planned & led Spring Break trip to Washington, D.C. (March 23-26, 2025)

Guest Lecture, Constitutional Democracy Academy, Kinder Institute (July 26, 2024)

Ph.D. Committee, TSGPA (AY 2023-2024)

American Politics subfield representative, TSGPA (AY 2023-2024)

Postdoc Committee, Kinder Institute on Constitutional Democracy (AY 2023-2024)

## **COMMENTARY**

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“A Problem by Any Other Name,” with P. C. Rogge. *Science*, vol. 352, issue 6288 (2016): 1022.

## ADVISING & MENTORSHIP

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Ph.D. advisor, Gabriellen da Silva Xavier Do Carmo (University of Missouri, current)

Master’s advisor, Molly Reidmiller (University of Missouri, current)

Ph.D. committee member, Denise Brown (University of Missouri, current)

Senior Honors Thesis advisor, Marisa Collins (University of Missouri – AY 2024-2025)

Law school mentor and letter writer for students applying to law school

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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**Morrison & Foerster LLP**, San Francisco, CA

Associate, 2012–2015

- Represented companies in complex patent litigation in high-tech and life sciences fields
- Lead associate in 10-patent infringement suit on network security technology
- Core member of trial team in 6-patent infringement suit on router technology
- Recognized for pro bono service; representative matters include challenge to Montana’s same-sex marriage ban and California state prison gender discrimination suit

**U.S. District Court for the District of Wyoming**, Cheyenne, WY

Judicial Clerk for the Honorable Alan B. Johnson, 2011–2012

- Researched and drafted opinions on legal matters before the court
- Prepared bench memoranda for judge and supported him through hearings and trials
- Representative matters include state challenge to tribal hunting of bald eagles for religious purposes; religious entanglement issue regarding allegations of clergy sex abuse; tribal jurisdiction controversy in wrongful death suit; constitutionality of GPS surveillance of criminal suspects’ vehicles; multi-defendant drug trafficking cases; Clean Water Act trial

**Morrison & Foerster LLP**, San Francisco, CA

Summer Associate, 2010

- Researched and analyzed issues in corporate and patent law

**U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York**, New York, NY

Judicial Intern for the Honorable Peter K. Leisure, 2009

- Researched and drafted memoranda and opinions on legal matters before the court

## PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

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American Political Science Association  
Law and Courts Section  
American Political Thought Section

California State Bar (admitted Jan. 2012; currently inactive status)

Idaho State Bar (admitted Oct. 2015; withdrew to attend graduate school)