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Education

Loyola University Chicago — December 2023
Ph.D., Political Science
Dissertation: "Can a State by One Be a State for All? One-Party Dominance and Democracy"

Loyola University Chicago — May 2016
M.A., Women's Studies and Gender Studies

Aquinas College — May 2011
B.A., Political Science, International Studies, and Spanish

Academic Appointments

Georgia State University — Summer 2024 – Present
Lecturer – Political Science
Atlanta, GA

Georgia State University — Fall 2025 – Present
Affiliate Faculty – Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies
Atlanta, GA

Illinois Institute of Technology — Spring 2024
Adjunct Faculty – Social Sciences
Chicago, IL

Arrupe College of Loyola University Chicago — Fall 2023 – Summer 2024
Adjunct Instructor
Chicago, IL

Dominican University — Fall 2022 – Spring 2023
Adjunct Professor
River Forest, IL

Lake Forest College — Fall 2020 – Fall 2023
Adjunct Lecturer
Lake Forest, IL

Loyola University Chicago — Fall 2020 – Spring 2024
Adjunct Lecturer
Chicago, IL

Courses Taught

Comparative Politics

- African Politics (GSU – Spring 2025)
- Comparative Democratization (GSU – Fall 2026)
- Comparative Politics (GSU – Fall 2024 and Fall 2025)
- Democracy (Loyola – Fall 2022)
- Geography and International Politics (Dominican – Fall 2022)

International Relations

- International Development (IIT – Spring 2024)
- International LGBTQ Politics (Loyola – Fall 2020 and Spring 2022; GSU – Spring 2026)
- Introduction to International Relations (Loyola – Spring 2022 and Spring 2024)

Research Methods, Capstone, and Internship

- Interdisciplinary Studies Capstone (GSU – Summer 2024, Spring 2025, Summer 2025, Spring 2026, Summer 2026)
- Interdisciplinary Studies Internship (GSU – Spring 2026, Summer 2026, and Fall 2026)
- Interdisciplinary Studies Research Methods – cross-listed with Global Studies Research Methods (GSU – Fall 2024, Spring 2025, Fall 2025, Spring 2026, Summer 2026, and Fall 2026)
- Political Science Research Methods (GSU – Fall 2024, Summer 2025, and Fall 2026)

U.S. Politics

- Introduction to American Politics (Lake Forest – Fall 2021 and Fall 2023; Loyola – Fall 2022, Spring 2023, Fall 2023, and Spring 2024; Arrupe – Fall 2023 and Summer 2024)
- U.S. LGBTQ Politics (Lake Forest – Spring 2021 and Spring 2022)

Additional Courses Prepared to Teach

- Democracy and Human Rights
- Global Feminism
- Global HIV/AIDS Policy and Interventions
- Politics of Developing Countries

Teaching Development

Peer Observation of Teaching Fall 2024 – Present
Georgia State University

Teaching Workshops Fall 2024 – Present
Center for Excellence in Teaching, Learning & Online Education – Georgia State University

- Core IMPACTS: Inquiry and Analysis & Ethical Reasoning
- GET HIP! An Introduction to High-Impact Practice
- Enhancing HIPs Courses with Technology
- Mastering Online Teaching: Fundamentals of Online Course Design & Delivery
- Mastering Online Teaching: Design for All Series (Course Accessibility, iCollege & Web Accessibility, Accessibility for Documents & Presentations, Universal Design for All)

A Showcase of Teaching Stories of Connection and Responsiveness Micro-Grant Summer 2022
Faculty Center for Ignatian Pedagogy – Loyola University Chicago

Program Leadership and Advising

Director – Interdisciplinary Studies Undergraduate Major Fall 2025 – Present
Georgia State University – Political Science Department

- Reviewing all applicants for the Interdisciplinary Studies major (approximately 150 per year)
- Advising all Interdisciplinary Studies students on the two Interdisciplinary Studies core courses: Research Methods and Capstone
- Connecting all Interdisciplinary Studies students to resources in Advising, University Career Services, and other departments
- Curriculum planning and programming
- Writing numerous letters of recommendation for internships, graduate schools, and jobs

Research Interests

Sub-Saharan Africa, One-Party Dominant States, Democracy and Democratization, Authoritarianism, Feminist Theory, and LGBTQ Politics.

Publications

"Africa: A Geographic Preface." With Jeffrey W. Neff. In *Understanding Contemporary Africa,* 6th ed., edited by Peter J. Schraeder. Boulder, CO: Lynne Rienner, 2020.

Works in Progress

"Designed for Dominance: Electoral Commissions and Authoritarian Consolidation in Tanzania" – under review.
"Institutional Independence and Dominant Parties Accepting Defeat: The Independent Electoral Commission and the End of Dominant-Party Rule in Botswana" – under review.

"Botswana's Rapid Progression on LGBTQ Rights: Examining the Role of Local Advocacy Group LEGABIBO" – in progress.

"Can a State by One Be a State for All? One-Party Dominance and Democracy" – book project in progress.

"Democratic Consolidation in Lesotho: Prime Minister Thabane and the Ninth Amendment" – in progress.

Conference Presentations

"Botswana's Rapid Progression on LGBTQ Rights: Examining the Role of Local Advocacy Group LEGABIBO." International Studies Association Conference. Forthcoming – March 2027.

"Designed for Dominance: Electoral Commissions and Authoritarian Consolidation in Tanzania." American Political Science Association Conference. September 2026.

"Designed for Dominance: Electoral Commissions and Authoritarian Consolidation in Tanzania." Midwest Political Science Association Conference. April 2026.

"One-Party Democracy in Botswana: An Analysis of the Electoral Playing Field." American Political Science Association Conference. September 2025.

"One-Party Democracy in Botswana: An Analysis of the Electoral Playing Field." Midwest Political Science Association Conference. April 2025.

"Democratic Consolidation in Lesotho: Prime Minister Thabane and the Ninth Amendment." Midwest Political Science Association Conference. April 2024.

"Can a State by One Be a State for All? One-Party Dominance and Democracy." Midwest Political Science Association Conference. April 2023.

"Explaining Public Support for Government Redistribution in the Developed World: The Gap between Subjective Perceptions and Objective Benefits." With Vincent Mahler. Western Political Science Association Conference, 2019.

Guest Lectures and Talks

"Can a State by One Be a State for All? One-Party Dominance and Democracy." Rule of Law Institute Scholar Series – Loyola University Chicago. Spring 2023.

"The Peace Corps and Soft Power." Guest Lecture for PLSC 102 – Loyola University Chicago. Fall 2021 and Spring 2022.

Service Work

Awards Committee — Fall 2026 – Present
Georgia State University – Political Science Department

Departmental NTT Faculty Policies Review Committee — Fall 2026 – Present
Georgia State University – Political Science Department

Undergraduate Council — Fall 2025 – Present
Georgia State University

Executive Committee — Fall 2025 – Spring 2026
Georgia State University – Political Science Department

Panel Chair and Discussant — Fall 2025
American Political Science Association Conference

Panel Chair and Discussant — Spring 2025
Midwest Political Science Association Conference

Undergraduate Research Symposium Judge — Spring 2025
Georgia State University

Research Methods Sequence Committee — Fall 2024
Georgia State University – Political Science Department

Awards Committee — Fall 2024 – Spring 2025
Georgia State University – Political Science Department

Reviewer for the following journals
Political Studies
Journal of Homosexuality

Awards, Grants, and Fellowships

Magis Teaching Award for Part-Time Instructors Finalist — Spring 2023

Faculty Center for Ignatian Pedagogy – Loyola University Chicago

Loyola Rule of Law Institute Scholar Grant — Summer 2022
Rule of Law Institute – Loyola University Chicago

Graduate Research Fellowship — Fall 2021 – Spring 2022
Hank Center for the Catholic Intellectual Heritage – Loyola University Chicago

Summer Research Fellowship — Summer 2021
The Graduate School – Loyola University Chicago

Tuma-Gravett Award for Academic Excellence — Spring 2020
Department of Political Science – Loyola University Chicago

Ph.D. Fellowship, Department of Political Science — Fall 2017 – Spring 2023
The Graduate School – Loyola University Chicago

Professional Experience

Amanda Gourgue for New Hampshire State Representative — Fall 2020
Campaign Manager
Lee, NH

Bleeding Disorders Alliance Illinois — 2015 – 2020
Program Coordinator
Chicago, IL

United States Peace Corps – Botswana — 2011 – 2013
School and Community Liaison for Life Skills
Gamodubu, Botswana

Organizational Memberships

American Political Science Association — 2019 – Present

Midwest Political Science Association — 2019 – Present

National Women's Studies Association — 2015 – Present