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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

The Presidency; Separation of Powers; Congress; Research Methods

## TEACHING INTERESTS

The Presidency; Separation of Powers; Congress; Research Methods

## EDUCATION

### **University of Georgia, Athens, GA**

Ph.D., Political Science, August 2016

- Committee: Jamie L. Carson (chair), Keith T. Poole, Keith L. Dougherty, Jamie Monogan, and Michael Lynch

### **University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI**

ICSPP Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research, Summer 2012

### **Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA**

M.S., International Affairs, May 2005

Focus: U.S. Foreign Policy

### **Augusta State University, Augusta, GA**

B.A., Political Science, December 2002

Minor, German

## EMPLOYMENT

### **Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH**

*Visiting Lecturer* **Fall 2018-Present**  
Professor for Data Visualization in Quantitative Social Science (QSS), Advisor for QSS Thesis Students

### **University of South Florida, Tampa, FL**

*Visiting Assistant Professor* **Fall 2016-Summer 2018**  
Professor for Undergraduate Empirical Research Methods, Graduate Research Design, Graduate Quantitative Research Methods, Political Parties, Separation of Powers, and Congress

### **University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI**

*Teaching Assistant* **Summer 2013-Summer 2017**  
Teaching Assistant for Regression Analysis II, ICPSR Summer Program

*Teaching Assistant* **Summer 2014**  
Teaching Assistant for Applied Bayesian Modeling, ICPSR Summer Program

### **University of Georgia, Athens, GA**

*Instructor of Record* **Spring 2015**  
The U.S. Presidency (POLS 4610)

*Instructor of Record* **Spring 2013; Spring 2014**  
Introduction to American Government (POLS 1101)

*Instructor of Record* **Fall 2013**  
American Political Development (POLS 4105)

*Teaching Assistant* **Fall 2014-Spring 2015**  
Keith T. Poole, Polarization of American Politics (POLS 4790), Politics of Income Inequality (POLS4790h), Political Parties (POLS 4530)

*Teaching Assistant* **Spring 2012; Fall 2012**  
Teaching assistant for Introduction to American Government (POLS 1101) for Profs. Edward M. Burmila and Matt Childers.

*Research Assistant* **Fall 2010–Fall 2011**  
Researched for Profs. Robert Grafstein and Keith L. Dougherty.

PUBLICATIONS With Keith L. Dougherty. 2017. “James Madison: Evaluating the Congruity of his Politics and Thought.” *American Political Thought* 6(2): 201-227.

Review of *Unruly Americans and the Origins of the Constitution* by Woody Holton. *Public Choice*, 2011. 146: 261-263.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS “Barrier-Breaking and the 2016 Presidential Election.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago, IL. April 7, 2018.

“The Unilateral Presidency, The Two Presidencies, and U.S. Foreign Policy.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago, IL. April 9, 2016.

“The Party’s Over: Party Decline in the Era of Good Feelings.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago, IL. April 8, 2016.

“The Unilateral Presidency Across Time, 1862-1932.” Paper (presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago, IL. April 16, 2015.

“Workload, Delegation, and the Electoral Connection: Evidence from the Interstate Commerce Act of 1887.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago, IL. April 4, 2014.

“The Unilateral Presidency: New Origins.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago, IL. April 11-14, 2013.

“James Madison: Evaluating the Congruity of his Politics and Political Thought.” With Keith L. Dougherty. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago, IL. April 12-15, 2012.

HONORS, GRANTS AND AWARDS Keith T. Poole ICPSR Summer Fellowship **Summer 2012**

WORKING PAPERS “Teapot Dome and Early Executive Orders, 1862-1932.” In progress.

“Workload, Delegation, and the Electoral Connection: Evidence from the Interstate Commerce Act of 1887.” In progress.

“Judicial Discretion: Supreme Court Rulings on Congressional Delegation and the Unilateral Presidency.” In progress.

“The Unilateral Presidency: New Origins, New Models.” In progress.

“Congressional Delegation Versus Executive Initiative: The Case of the Budget and Accounting Act of 1921.” In progress.

“When Quality Challengers Attack: Testing Conditions of Incumbent Vulnerability in U.S. House Elections.” In progress.

“The Party’s Over: Party Decline in the Era of Good Feelings.” In progress.

TEACHING WORKSHOPS / COURSES GRSC 7770, Fall 2011 (University of Georgia Graduate School training seminar for Teaching Assistants)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS American Political Science Association: 2011-Present

Midwest Political Science Association: 2012-Present

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