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### **Current Employment**

Columbia University  
Professor of Political Science and Public Affairs, 2011-  
Associate Professor of Political Science and Public Affairs, 2006-2011.  
Assistant Professor of Political Science and Public Affairs, 2002-2006.  
Faculty Fellow, Institute for Social and Economic Research and Policy, 2003-

### **Previous Employment**

Research Fellow, Center for Basic Research in the Social Sciences, Harvard University, 2002-2003.

Assistant Professor of Political Science, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 1999-2002.

Research Fellow, Harvard-MIT Data Center, 1998-1999.

### **Education**

Ph.D., Business, Stanford University, 1999.  
Dissertation: *Essays on the Positive Theory of Bureaucratic Politics*.  
Reading committee: David Baron, Jonathan Bendor (co-chairs), Sven Rady.

A.M., Political Science, Harvard University, 1995.

S.B., Mathematics, S.B., Political Science, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 1992.

### **Publications–Book**

2011. *A Behavioral Theory of Elections*. Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press. (with Jonathan Bendor, Daniel Diermeier, and David Siegel)

### **Publications–Refereed Journals**

2012 (forthcoming). “Legislatures, Bureaucracies and Distributive Spending.” *American Political Science Review*.

2011. "Electoral Selection with Parties and Primaries." *American Journal of Political Science* 55(4): 782-796. (with James Snyder)
2011. "Organizational Capacity." *Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization* 27(2): 245-271.
2010. "Early Entrant Protection in Approval Regulation: Theory and Evidence from FDA Drug Review." *Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization* 26(3): 515-545. (with Daniel Carpenter, Susan I. Moffitt, Colin D. Moore, Ryan T. Rynbrandt, Ian Yohai, and Evan James Zucker)
2009. "Distributive Politics with Primaries." *Journal of Politics* 71(4): 1467-1480. (with Shigeo Hirano and James Snyder)
2009. "Two's Company, Three's an Equilibrium: Strategic Voting and Multicandidate Elections." *Quarterly Journal of Political Science* 4(3): 251-278. (with John W. Patty and James Snyder)
2008. "A Formal Model of Learning and Policy Diffusion." *American Political Science Review* 102(3): 319-332. (with Craig Volden and Daniel Carpenter)
2008. "Whistleblowing." *American Political Science Review* 102(2): 249-267.
2008. "Interest Groups and the Electoral Control of Politicians." *Journal of Public Economics* 92(3-4): 482-500. (with James Snyder)
2007. "Regulatory Errors With Endogenous Agendas." *American Journal of Political Science* 51(4): 835-852. (with Daniel Carpenter)
2007. "Comment: Adaptive Models in Sociology and the Problem of Empirical Content." *American Journal of Sociology* 112(5): 1534-1545. (with Jonathan Bendor and Daniel Diermeier)
2005. "The Political Logic of Regulatory Error: Some Theoretical Reflections on the Vioxx Episode." *Nature Reviews Drug Discovery* 4(10): 819-823. (with Daniel Carpenter)
2005. "Legislative Bargaining Under Weighted Voting." *American Economic Review* 95(4): 981-1004. (with James Snyder and Stephen Ansolabehere)
2009. "Legislative Bargaining under Weighted Voting: Corrigendum." *American Economic Review* Internet Corrigendum, [http://www.e-aer.org/data/0002828054825538\\_corr.pdf](http://www.e-aer.org/data/0002828054825538_corr.pdf). (with Alexandre Debs and James Snyder)
2005. "Voting Weights and Formateur Advantages in the Formation of Coalition Governments." *American Journal of Political Science* 49(3): 550-563. (with Stephen

Ansolabehere, James Snyder, and Aaron Strauss)

2005. "Why Roll Calls? A Model of Position-Taking in Legislative Voting and Elections." *Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization* 21(1): 153-178. (with James Snyder)

2003. "Roll Calls, Party Labels, and Elections." *Political Analysis* 11(4): 419-444. (with James Snyder)

2003. "Bargaining in Bicameral Legislatures: When and Why Does Malapportionment Matter?" *American Political Science Review* 97(3): 471-481. (with Stephen Ansolabehere and James Snyder)

2003. "A Behavioral Model of Turnout." *American Political Science Review* 97(2): 261-280. (with Jonathan Bendor and Daniel Diermeier)

2003. "A Strategic Theory of Bureaucratic Redundancy." *American Journal of Political Science* 47(2): 274-292.

2002. "A Theory of Jurisdictional Assignments in Bureaucracies." *American Journal of Political Science* 46(2): 364-378.

2002. "An Informational Rationale for Political Parties." *American Journal of Political Science* 46(1): 90-110. (with James Snyder)

2001. "The 'Power of the Purse' and its Implications for Bureaucratic Policy-Making." *Public Choice* 106(3-4): 243-274.

## **Publications–Other**

### *Chapters*

2003. "Recovering Behavioralism: Adaptively Rational Behavior with Endogenous Aspirations." In Ken Kollman, John Miller, and Scott Page (eds.), *Computational Models in Political Economy*. Cambridge: MIT Press. (with Jonathan Bendor and Daniel Diermeier)

2003. "Some Methodological Issues in Models of Reinforcement Learning." In David Sallach and Charles Macal (eds.), *Proceedings of Agent 2002 – Social Agents: Ecology, Exchange, and Evolution*. Argonne, IL: Argonne National Laboratory. (with Jonathan Bendor and Daniel Diermeier)

2001. "Aspiration-Based Adaptation in Games." In Thomas Wolsko and David Sallach (eds.), *Proceedings of the Workshop on Simulation of Social Agents: Architectures and Institutions*. Argonne, IL: Argonne National Laboratory. (with Jonathan Bendor and Daniel Diermeier)

### *Book Reviews*

2011. "Not My Fault." Review of *The Blame Game*, by Christopher Hood. *Review of Politics* 73(4): 685-687.

2003. "Special Interest Politics." Review of *Special Interest Politics*, by Gene Grossman and Elhanan Helpman. *Southern Economic Journal* 69(3): 743-744.

#### *Case Studies*

2000. "Wugang and the Reform of State-Owned Enterprises." In David Baron, *Business and Its Environment* (Prentice-Hall, 2000). (with David Baron)

1997. "Echelon in Europe." Stanford GSB case study P22. (with David Baron)

1996. "Echelon and the Home Automation Standard." Stanford GSB case study P20A, B. In David Baron, *Business and Its Environment* (Prentice-Hall, 2000). (with David Baron, Keith Krehbiel, Erik Johnson, and Daniel Kessler)

#### **Working Papers and Projects**

"Turf Wars." (with Helios Herrera)

Presented at the 2011 meetings of the Midwest Political Science Association and European Consortium for Political Research, 2012 meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, and the Academia Sinica Conference on Positive Political Theory.

"Redistribution and Pork in Two-Party Competition." (with John Huber)

Under revision. Presented at the 2008 meeting of the American Political Science Association.

"Direct and Indirect Representation." (with Shigeo Hirano)

Under revision. Presented at Yale Workshop on Elections and Distribution, October 2007.

"Collective Action, Aspirations, Reference Groups." (with Jonathan Bendor and Daniel Diermeier)

Under review. Previous title: "Social Comparisons in Games." Presented at the 2007 meeting of the American Political Science Association and 2008 meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.

"A Formal Model of Learning and Policy Diffusion: A Comment on Multiple Unknown Policies." Online appendix to "A Formal Model of Learning and Policy Diffusion," *APSR* 2008. (with Craig Volden and Daniel Carpenter)

"Equilibria in Multi-Dimensional, Multi-Party Spatial Competition." (with James Snyder)  
Presented at the 2005 meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.

"A Theory of Approval Regulation." (with Daniel Carpenter)

Previous title: "Product Approval with Endogenous Submissions." Presented at the 2001

meeting of the American Political Science Association and 2002 meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.

“The Empirical Content of Behavioral Models of Adaptation.” (with Jonathan Bendor and Daniel Diermeier)

Presented at the 2002 Workshop on Simulation of Social Agents and 2003 meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.

“Legislative Preferences Over Agendas.” (with David Epstein and Sharyn O’Halloran)

Presented at the 2006 meeting of the International Political Science Association and 2007 meetings of the Midwest Political Science Association and American Political Science Association.

“A Continuous Population Approach to Bargaining Under Weighted Voting.” (with James Snyder and Stephen Ansolabehere)

“A Dynamic Theory of Lobbying Administrative Agencies.”

Presented at the 1998 meetings of the Midwest Political Science Association and American Political Science Association.

“The Predictive Power of Learning Models in Social Dilemma Research.” (with Jonathan Bendor and Daniel Diermeier)

“Flying Blind: A Theory of Bureaucratic Policy Learning and Delegation.”

Presented at the 1999 meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.

## **Awards**

Excellence in refereeing award, *American Economic Review*, 2009

Alliance Fellowship, Columbia University, 2012. (Visiting appointment at University of Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne, Spring 2012.)

Tsunoda Fellowship, Columbia University, 2010. (Visiting appointment at Waseda University, Tokyo, Winter 2010.)

Columbia SIPA Award for Outstanding Teaching, 2004.

Robert H. Durr Award, MPSA, 2001. (For best paper applying quantitative methods to a substantive problem.)

## **Grants**

National Science Foundation Grant SES-0519082 (2005-2009). Title: “Approval

Regulation.”

Columbia ISERP Seed Grant, 2003-2004.

National Science Foundation Grants SES-0079035 (2000-2002) and SES-0243412 (2002-2003). Title: “Collaborative Research: An Informational Rationale for Political Parties.”  
Co-PI: James Snyder.

UNC University Research Council Development Grant, 2000-2001.

UNC IBM Junior Faculty Development Grant, 2000.

UNC Latane Summer Faculty Stipend, 2000.

## Teaching

### *Graduate*

Doctoral: Research Topics in Game Theory, Political Economy of Institutions, Game Theory and Political Theory, Mathematical Methods for Political Scientists, Organizations, Formal Theory of Institutions.

MPA: Public Management, Analysis of Public Sector Organizations.

### *Undergraduate*

American Politics Seminar: Bureaucratic Politics, Politics of Bureaucracy, Business-Government Relations.

## Presentations

### *Invited Talks*

1999-2001: Stanford, Duke, Columbia, NYU, MIT, Rochester (Wallis Political Economy conference), Washington Univ. (Mini-conference on Modeling U.S. Politics).

2001-2003: Northwestern, Chicago, Michigan, Carnegie-Mellon, Rochester (Wallis Political Economy conference), NYU, Princeton.

2003-2005: NYU, Rochester (Wallis Political Economy conference), Yale, UCLA, Ohio State.

2005-2007: MIT, Princeton, UNC Chapel Hill, Berkeley.

2007-2009: Pittsburgh, Caltech, UCLA, Rochester (Wallis Political Economy conference), Princeton.

2009-2011: Academia Sinica, Rochester, Yale, UC Merced (Politics of Federal Spending conference), UCLA, Emory (Conference on Institutions and Law Making), European School on New Institutional Economics, Academia Sinica (Conference on the Positive Political Economy of Institutions).

2011-: Princeton, Princeton (CSDP Workshop on Formal Models of Legislatures), École Polytechnique.

### *Conferences*

American Political Science Association, 1997-2009; Midwest Political Science Association, 1997-2005, 2007, 2009, 2011; Southern Political Science Association 2012; Public Choice Society, 2001-2002, 2005; Social Choice and Welfare, 2002, 2004; Public Economic Theory, 2003; APSA State Politics and Policy, 2009; European Consortium for Political Research, 2011.

### **Professional Service**

#### *Refereeing—Journals (\* = since 2007)*

*American Economic Review\**, *American Journal of Political Science\**, *American Political Science Review\**, *American Politics Quarterly*, *American Politics Research*, *British Journal of Political Science\**, *Economic Journal\**, *Economics & Politics\**, *Econometrica\**, *European Economic Review*, *European Union Politics*, *Games and Economic Behavior\**, *International Organization\**, *Journal of Economics and Business\**, *Journal of Economic Theory\**, *Journal of Economics & Management Strategy*, *Journal of Elections*, *Public Opinion & Parties\**, *Journal of the European Economic Association\**, *Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization\**, *Journal of Politics\**, *Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory\**, *Journal of Public Economics\**, *Journal of Theoretical Politics\**, *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, *Party Politics\**, *Perspectives on Politics\**, *Political Analysis\**, *Political Behavior\**, *Political Research Quarterly\**, *Political Studies\**, *Public Choice\**, *Public Finance Review*, *Quarterly Journal of Political Science\**, *Review of Economic Studies\**, *Scandinavian Political Studies\**, *Social Choice and Welfare\**, *Social Science Computing*, *Theoretical Economics*, *Theoretical Economics Letters\**.

#### *Refereeing—Other*

Cambridge University Press, Danish Agency for Science, Technology and Innovation, National Science Foundation, Research Council Romania, Routledge Press, University of Michigan Press.

#### *Editorial Boards*

*American Journal of Political Science*, 2010-2013

#### *Award Committees*

APSA White Award, 2010; MPSA Simon Award, 2011

#### *Dissertation Committees*

David Lopez-Rodriguez (oral defense); Economics, Columbia, 2011  
Marina Dodlova (oral defense); Economics, University of Paris X, 2010  
Xiaohong Yu; Political Science, Columbia, 2009  
Piero Stanig (oral defense); Political Science, Columbia, 2009  
Brian Fogarty; Political Science, UNC, 2005  
Carlos Maravall Rodriguez (oral defense); Economics, NYU, 2004  
Daniel Y. Kono; Political Science, UNC, 2002

*Workshops*

Political Economy Breakfast (Columbia, 2009-2010), American Politics and Society (Columbia, 2006-2009), Political Economy (Columbia, 2003-2005, 2011-2012), Political Economy Faculty Working Group (UNC, 1999-2002).

*Conferences*

Formal Theory Section Chair, 2007 meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.

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