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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Department of Political Science, The Ohio State University, June 2008.
M.A., Department of Political Science, The Ohio State University, 2004.
Certificate, Polish Language and Culture, Jagiellonian University (Krakow), 2003.
B.A. (Magna Cum Laude, General Honors, and Phi Beta Kappa), Political Science and Russian with minor in International Studies, Truman State University, 2001.
Certificate, Russian Language and Culture, Institute of Youth (Moscow), 2001.

EMPLOYMENT

Full Professor: University of Houston, 2022-
Associate Director: Initiative for Sustainable Energy Policy (ISEP)
Director: Machine-Assisted Human Decision-making (MAHD) Lab
Research Associate: Hobby Center for Public Policy
Instructor: University of Michigan, Inter-University Consortium for Political Science Research (ICPSR), 2016-present.
Associate Professor: University of Houston, 2014-2022.
Senator Don Henderson Professor, 2018-2021
Founding Director, Center for International and Comparative Studies (CICS), 2013-2019
Assistant Professor: University of Houston, 2008-2014.
Affiliate: Harvard University Institute for Quantitative Social Science, 2013-2015.
Visiting Assistant Professor: Northeastern University, 2013-2014.
Lazer Lab for Computational Social Science
Department of Political Science
Contributing Analyst: Oxford Analytica, 2006-2012.
Freelance Analyst: Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty, 2006-2007.

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Kennedy, R., Waggoner, P.D., 2021. *Introduction to R for social scientists: A tidy programming approach*. Boca Raton, FL: CRC Press.

Peer Reviewed Articles

Lukuyu, J., Shiran, M., Taneja, J., Kennedy, R., Urpleainen, J. Forthcoming. Purchasing power: Examining customer profiles and patterns for decentralized electricity systems in East Africa. *Energy Policy*.
Waggoner, P.D., Kennedy, R. Forthcoming. The role of personality in trust in public policy automation. *Journal of Behavioral Data Science*.
Dugoua, E., Kennedy, R., Shiran, M., Urpelainen, J. Forthcoming. Assessing reliability of electricity grid services from space: The case of Uttar Pradesh, India. *Energy for Sustainable Development*.

- Minozzi, W., Kennedy, R., Esterling, K.M., Neblo, M.A., Jewell, R., Forthcoming. Testing the benefits of public deliberation. *American Journal of Political Science*.
- Kennedy, R. P., Waggoner, P. D., & Ward, M. M. 2022. Trust in public policy algorithms. *The Journal of Politics*, 84(2), 1132-1148.
- Wojcik, S., Bijral, A.S., Johnston, R., Ferres, J.M.L., King, G., Kennedy, R., Vespignani, A. and Lazer, D., 2021. Survey data and human computation for improved flu tracking. *Nature Communications*, 12(1), pp.1-8.
- Blankenship, B., Kennedy, R., Urpelainen, J. and Yang, J., 2020. Barking Up the Wrong Tree: How Political Alignment Shapes Electoral Backlash from Natural Disasters. *Comparative Political Studies*, DOI: 0010414020970211.
- Kennedy, R., Mahajan, A. and Urpelainen, J., 2020. Crowdsourcing data on the reliability of electricity service: Evidence from a telephone survey in Uttar Pradesh, India. *Energy Policy*, 145, DOI: 111746.
- Thomas, D.R., Harish, S.P., Kennedy, R. and Urpelainen, J., 2020. The effects of rural electrification in India: An instrumental variable approach at the household level. *Journal of Development Economics*, 146, DOI: 102520.
- Du, X., Jin, X., Zucker, N., Kennedy, R. and Urpelainen, J., 2020. Transboundary air pollution from coal-fired power generation. *Journal of Environmental Management*, 270, p.110862.
- Kopas, J., York, E., Jin, X., Harish, S.P., Kennedy, R., Shen, S.V. and Urpelainen, J., 2020. Environmental justice in India: Incidence of air pollution from coal-fired power plants. *Ecological Economics*, 176, DOI: 106711.
- Maamoun, N., Kennedy, R., Jin, X. and Urpelainen, J., 2020. Identifying coal-fired power plants for early retirement. *Renewable and Sustainable Energy Reviews*, 126, DOI: 109833.
- Blankenship, B., Kennedy, R., Mahajan, A., Wong, J.C.Y. and Urpelainen, J., 2020. Increasing rural electrification through connection campaigns. *Energy Policy*, 139, DOI: 111291.
- Tao, R., Zhou, B., Chen, F., Mares, D., Butler, P., Ramakrishnan, N. and Kennedy, R., 2020. Detecting media self-censorship without explicit training data. In *Proceedings of the 2020 SIAM International Conference on Data Mining* (pp. 550-558). Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics.
- Bayer, P., Kennedy, R., Yang, J. and Urpelainen, J., 2020. The need for impact evaluation in electricity access research. *Energy Policy*, 137, DOI:111099.
- Kennedy, R., Clifford, S., Burleigh, T., Waggoner, P.D., Jewell, R. and Winter, N.J., 2020. The shape of and solutions to the MTurk quality crisis. *Political Science Research and Methods*, 8(4), pp.614-629.
- Kennedy, R., Sokhey, A.E., Abernathy, C., Esterling, K.M., Lazer, D.M., Lee, A., Minozzi, W. and Neblo, M.A., 2020. Demographics and (equal?) voice: Assessing participation in online deliberative sessions. *Political Studies*, DOI: 0032321719890805.
- Kim, S.E., Harish, S.P., Kennedy, R., Jin, X. and Urpelainen, J., 2020. Environmental degradation and public opinion: the case of air pollution in Vietnam. *The Journal of Environment & Development*, 29(2), pp.196-222.
- Waggoner, P.D., Kennedy, R., Le, H. and Shiran, M., 2019. Big data and trust in public policy automation. *Statistics, Politics and Policy*, 10(2), pp.115-136.
- Kennedy, R., Numminen, S., Sutherland, J. and Urpelainen, J., 2019. Multilevel customer segmentation for off-grid solar in developing countries: Evidence from solar home systems in Rwanda and Kenya. *Energy*, 186, DOI:115728.
- Hamburger, D., Jaeger, J., Bayer, P., Kennedy, R., Yang, J. and Urpelainen, J., 2019. Shades of darkness or light? A systematic review of geographic bias in impact evaluations of electricity access. *Energy Research & Social Science*, 58, DOI: 101236.

- Waggoner, P.D., Kennedy, R. and Clifford, S., 2019. Detecting fraud in online surveys by tracing, scoring, and visualizing IP addresses. *Journal of Open Source Software*, 4(37), DOI: 01285.
- Abernathy, C., Esterling, K.M., Freebourn, J., Kennedy, R., Minozzi, W., Neblo, M.A. and Solis, J.A., 2019. Constituent communication through telephone town halls: A field experiment involving members of congress. *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, 44(4), pp.617-646.
- Kennedy, R., Mahajan, A. and Urpelainen, J., 2019. Quality of service predicts willingness to pay for household electricity connections in rural India. *Energy policy*, 129, pp.319-326.
- Abrahms, M., Ward, M. and Kennedy, R., 2018. Explaining civilian attacks: Terrorist networks, principal-agent problems and target selection. *Perspectives on Terrorism*, 12(1), pp.23-45.
- Dugoua, E., Kennedy, R. and Urpelainen, J., 2018. Satellite data for the social sciences: measuring rural electrification with night-time lights. *International journal of remote sensing*, 39(9), pp.2690-2701.
- Lin, Y.R., Kennedy, R. and Lazer, D., 2017. The geography of money and politics: Population density, social networks, and political contributions. *Research & Politics*, 4(4), DOI: 2053168017742015.
- Kennedy, R., Wojcik, S. and Lazer, D., 2017. Improving election prediction internationally. *Science*, 355(6324), pp.515-520.
- Wang, W., Kennedy, R., Lazer, D. and Ramakrishnan, N., 2016. Growing pains for global monitoring of societal events. *Science*, 353(6307), pp.1502-1503.
- Kennedy, R., 2016. The limits of soft balancing: the frozen conflict in Transnistria and the challenge to EU and NATO strategy. *Small Wars & Insurgencies*, 27(3), pp.512-537.
- Kennedy, R., 2015. Making useful conflict predictions: Methods for addressing skewed classes and implementing cost-sensitive learning in the study of state failure. *Journal of Peace Research*, 52(5), pp.649-664.
- Lazer, D.M., Sokhey, A.E., Neblo, M.A., Esterling, K.M. and Kennedy, R., 2015. Expanding the conversation: Multiplier effects from a deliberative field experiment. *Political Communication*, 32(4), pp.552-573.
- Kennedy, R., Forbush, E., Keegan, B. and Lazer, D., 2015. Turning introductory comparative politics and elections courses into social science research communities using Wikipedia: improving both teaching and research. *PS: Political Science & Politics*, 48(2), pp.378-384.
- Cantir, C. and Kennedy, R., 2015. Balancing on the Shoulders of Giants: Moldova's Foreign Policy toward Russia and the European Union. *Foreign Policy Analysis*, 11(4), pp.397-416.
- Lazer, D., Kennedy, R., King, G. and Vespignani, A., 2014. The parable of Google Flu: traps in big data analysis. *Science*, 343(6176), pp.1203-1205.
- Kennedy, R., 2014. Fading Colours? A Synthetic Comparative Case Study of the Impact of "Colour Revolutions". *Comparative Politics*, 46(3), pp.273-292.
- Kennedy, R., 2013. The role of supranational identity in promoting democratic values. *European Union Politics*, 14(2), pp.228-249.
- Kennedy, R. and Tiede, L., 2013. Economic development assumptions and the elusive curse of oil. *International Studies Quarterly*, 57(4), pp.760-771.
- Kennedy, R. and Dickenson, M., 2013. Turkish foreign policy and public opinion in the AKP era. *Foreign Policy Analysis*, 9(2), pp.171-188.
- Kennedy, R., 2010. Supranational identity, democratic attitudes, and political participation: The EU and Moldova. *European Union Politics*, 11(4), pp.511-532.
- Kennedy, R., 2010. The contradiction of modernization: A conditional model of endogenous

- democratization. *The Journal of Politics*, 72(3), pp.785-798.
- Neblo, M.A., Esterling, K.M., Kennedy, R.P., Lazer, D.M. and Sokhey, A.E., 2010. Who wants to deliberate—and why?. *American Political Science Review*, pp.566-583.
- Kennedy, R., 2009. Survival and accountability: An analysis of the empirical support for “selectorate theory”. *International Studies Quarterly*, 53(3), pp.695-714.
- Kennedy, R., 2007. Fragments of economic accountability and trade policy. *Foreign Policy Analysis*, 3(2), pp.145-169.
- Kennedy, R., 2006. A colorless election: The 2005 presidential election in Kazakhstan, and what it means for the future of the opposition. *Problems of Post-Communism*, 53(6), pp.46-58.
- Ishiyama, J.T. and Kennedy, R., 2001. Mixed Electoral Systems, Super Presidentialism, Candidate Recruitment and Political Party Development in Russia, Ukraine, Armenia, and Kyrgyzstan. *Europe-Asia Studies*, 53(8), pp.1177-191.
- Kennedy, R. and Ishiyama, J., 2001. Writing Rights: Factors Influencing the Strength of Rights Clauses in Post-Communist Constitutions. *Journal of Political Science*, 29(1), p.1-26.

Book Chapters

- Dickenson, M. and Kennedy, R., 2011. Attitudes Towards East and West in Turkish Public Opinion. In Kanat, K., Ustun, K. and Yilmaz, N. (eds), *History, Politics, and Foreign Policy in Turkey*. Ankara, Turkey: SETA.
- Kennedy, R., 2010. A Quiet Revolution? Moldova’s 2005 Parliamentary Elections and the Influence of the Colour Revolutions. In O’Beachain, D. and Polese, A. (eds.), *The Colour Revolutions in the Former Soviet Republics*. London: Routledge.
- Kennedy, R., 2010. In the ‘new Great Game,’ who is getting played? The effect of Chinese investment in Kazakhstan’s oil sector. In Kendall-Taylor, A., Kjaernet, H., and Overland, I. (eds.), *Caspian Petro-Politics: Azerbaijan, Kazakhstan, and Turkmenistan*. London: Routledge.
(Re-published by the Norwegian Institute of International Affairs as a 2009 *RussCasp Working Paper*.)

Book Reviews

- Kennedy, R., 2013. Book Review: Moldova: Arena of International Influences. *East European Politics* 29(2): 253-254.

Editor Reviewed Articles (Links Available on Website)

- Wojcik, S., Kennedy, R. and Lazer, D., 2 November 2020. A Global Perspective on Predicting the 2020 Election. *Mischiefs of Faction*.
- Kennedy, R., Clifford, S., Burleigh, T., Waggoner, P., and Jewell, R., 7 November 2018. How Venezuela’s Economic Crisis is Undermining Social Science Research – About Everything. *The Washington Post’s Monkey Cage Blog*.
- Kennedy, R., 15 March 2018. Eyes in the Sky Offer a Dramatic Picture of Energy Use. *Forbes Online*.
- Kennedy, R., Lazer, D., and Tsur, O. 6 January 2016. What He Talked About. *Politico Magazine* 3(2).
- Kennedy, R., Lazer, D., Ognyanova, K., and Tsur, O., 14 November 2015. What to Expect in the Dem Debate? We Crunched the Last One.” *Politico*.
- Lazer, D. and Kennedy, R., 1 October 2015. What We Can Learn from the Epic Failure of Google Flu Trends. *Wired*.
- Kennedy, R., Lazer, D., Ognyanova, K., and Tsur, O., 21 September 2015. Debate Data Reveals It’s Still the Trump Show. *Politico*.
- Kennedy, R., Lazer, D., Ognyanova, K., and Tsur, O., 13 August 2015. DATA: Trump Won the

- Debate – or at Least Talked the Most. *Politico*.
- Kennedy, R., and Bilecen, H., 12 September 2014. Turkey's Ambivalence Toward Joining a US Coalition Against IS Reflects the Country's Difficult Strategic Position. *The London School of Economics and Political Science European Politics (EUROPP) and Policy Blog*. <http://bit.ly/1swbqdl>
- Kennedy, R., 13 January 2012. Moldova: Separatist Settlement is Still a Distant Goal. *Oxford Analytica*.
- Kennedy, R., and Tiede, L., 2011. Oil and Good Governance: Do Oil Resources Lead to Weak Institutions? Norwegian Institute of International Affairs – RussCasp Working Paper.
- Kennedy, R., 2011. Privatization and Nationalization in Oil and Gas: Foreign Policy and Oil Contracts in Kazakhstan and Azerbaijan. Norwegian Institute of International Affairs – RussCasp Working Paper.
- Kennedy, R., and Tiede, L., 2011. Nationalization of the Oil Sector: A Political Economy Perspective. Norwegian Institute of International Affairs – RussCasp Working Paper.
- Kennedy, R., 20 August 2010. Moldova: Referendum Campaign Preview Challenges Ahead. *Oxford Analytica*.
- Kennedy, R. and Nurmakov, A., 2010. “Resource Nationalism Trends in Kazakhstan, 2004-2009. Norwegian Institute of International Affairs – RussCasp Working Paper.
- Kennedy, R., 4 December 2009. Moldova: AEI scores early foreign policy success. *Oxford Analytica*.
- Kennedy, R., 28 September 2009. Moldova: Sharp remittance falls darken outlook. *Oxford Analytica*.
- Kennedy, R., 26 August 2009. Moldova: Former Communist emerges as kingmaker. *Oxford Analytica*.
- Kennedy, R., 29 July 2009. Moldova: New elections are unlikely to break deadlock. *Oxford Analytica*.
- Kennedy, R., 9 April 2009. Moldova: Protests galvanize youth, heighten tensions. *Oxford Analytica*.
- Kennedy, R., 24 October 2008. Moldova: Parties manoeuvre ahead of elections. *Oxford Analytica*.
- Kennedy, R., 7 October 2008. Moldova/Russia: Transnistria talks gain momentum. *Oxford Analytica*.
- Kennedy, R., 2 May 2008. Moldova: Transnistria talks offer no quick solutions. *Oxford Analytica*.
- Kennedy, R., 2 April 2008. Moldova: Chisinau-Gagauzia tensions remain strained. *Oxford Analytica*.
- Kennedy, R., 15 January 2008. Moldova: Old challenges represent themselves in 2008. *Oxford Analytica*.
- Kennedy, R., 24 December 2007. Moldova: Christmas row is sign of deeper tensions. *Oxford Analytica*.
- Kennedy, R., 21 November 2007. Moldova: HIV/AIDS is at point of becoming a pandemic. *Oxford Analytica*.
- Kennedy, R., 8 August 2007. Moldova: Contrary forces favour policy short-termism. *Oxford Analytica*.
- Kennedy, R., 18 July 2007. Moldova: Press freedoms remain problematic. *Oxford Analytica*.
- Kennedy, R., 28 June 2007. Moldova: Local Elections Show National Trends. *RFE/RL Belarus, Ukraine, and Moldova Report*, 9(15).
- Kennedy, R., 25 June 2007. Moldova: Communists lose ground in local elections. *Oxford Analytica*.

- Kennedy, R., 14 May 2007. Moldova: Voronin pins hopes on encouraging investment. *Oxford Analytica*.
- Kennedy, R., 3 May 2007. Talk of Transdnestr Agreement Sparks Speculation. *RFE/RL Belarus, Ukraine and Moldova Report*, 9(11). (also produced for online and radio presentation)
- Kennedy, R., 27 April 2007. Moldova/Russia: Reported Transnistria deal is unlikely. *Oxford Analytica*.
- Kennedy, R., 5 April 2007. Counting Losses as Russian Wine Ban Lingers. *RFE/RL Belarus, Ukraine and Moldova Report*, 9(10).
- Kennedy, R., 30 March 2007. Moldova/Romania: Visa Row May Result in Looser Ties. *Oxford Analytica*.
- Kennedy, R., 22 March 2007. What's Behind Harsh Criticism of Romania. *RFE/RL Belarus, Ukraine and Moldova Report*, 9(1).
- Kennedy, R., 5 March 2007. Moldova: Government action hinders media freedom. *Oxford Analytica*.
- Kennedy, R., 22 February 2007. Moldova's Broadcast Privatization -- Reform or Censorship? *RFE/RL Belarus, Ukraine, and Moldova Report*, 9(4). Re-published in *The Moldova Foundation's Weekly News Bulletin*, 27 February 2007, 3(31). Re-published again in *In Focus* magazine. (also produced for online and radio presentation)
- Kennedy, R., 9 February 2007. An EU Invasion Waiting to Happen. *RFE/RL Belarus, Ukraine, and Moldova Report*, 9(4). (also produced for online and radio presentation)
- Kennedy, R., 11 January 2007. Tricky year begins for new EU neighbour. *Oxford Analytica*.
- Kennedy, R., 5 January 2007. Unprecedented Opportunities, Challenges Posed by \$1.2 Billion Aid Package. *RFE/RL Belarus, Ukraine, and Moldova Report*, 9(1).
- Kennedy, R., 21 December 2006. Tirsapol line hardens ahead of negotiations. *Oxford Analytica*.
- Kennedy, R., 29 November 2006. Kazakhstan Learns to Love Borat. *Central Asia-Caucasus Analyst*.
- Marcus, U., Ibadildin, N., and Kennedy, R., 30 November 2005. Vested Interests to Determine Kazakhstan's Presidential Race. *Central Asia-Caucasus Analyst* 6(23):8-9.

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Comparative Politics: democratization, political economy, post-communist politics, energy politics, democratic diffusion.

International Relations: foreign policy analysis, political terrorism, and socialization.

Methodology: computational social science, multilevel models, Bayesian analysis, agent-based modeling, duration analysis, machine learning, GIS, and panel data.

Classes Taught:

Workshop Course, "Introduction to R," Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) summer program.

Graduate Course, "Democratization," University of Houston.

Graduate Course, "Machine Learning," University of Houston.

Undergraduate Course, "Model UN," University of Houston.

Undergraduate Course, "Democratization," University of Houston.

Undergraduate Course, "International Energy Politics," University of Houston.

Undergraduate Course, "Political Terrorism," University of Houston and The Ohio State University.

Undergraduate Course, "Statistics for Political Scientists," University of Houston.

Undergraduate Course, "Introduction to Comparative Politics," The Ohio State University.

Undergraduate Course, "Model United Nations," The Ohio State University.

GRANTS

- Kennedy, R., Tiede, L., Kakadiaris, I., and Michael, A. 2021. DASS: Community Responsive Algorithms for Social Accountability (CRASA). National Science Foundation (NSF).
- Sokhey, A., Kennedy, R., and Parinandi, S. 2021. RAPID: The Public Response to the Texas Power Outage/Utility Crisis. National Science Foundation (NSF).
- Kennedy, R. 2021. The Deliberation Testbed. University of Houston Cougar Initiative to Engage (CITE) grant.
- Kennedy, Ryan. 2018. "Hybrid Forecasting Competition, SAGE." IARPA, subcontracted through Northeastern University and USC ISI.
- Kennedy, Ryan. 2017. "Hybrid Forecasting Competition, MATRICS." IARPA, subcontracted through HRL.
- Kennedy, Ryan. 2017. Fulbright Specialists Program, Bosnia and Herzegovina.
- Kennedy, Ryan, Kevin Esterling, David Lazer, Michael Neblo, and William Minozzi. 2017. "Intellectual Humility and Discursive Participation in Politics: A Field Experiment with Members of Congress and their Constituents." Templeton Foundation, subcontracted through the University of Connecticut.
- Kennedy, Ryan. 2016. "SIGINT-based Anticipation of Future Events (SAFE)." Intelligence Advanced Research Projects Activity (IARPA), subcontracted through Northeastern University.
- Kennedy, Ryan, Kevin Esterling, David Lazer, Michael Neblo, and William Minozzi. 2016. "Congress 3.0: Testing Deliberative Platforms for Improving Constituency Communication." University of Houston Hobby School for Public Policy.
- Kennedy, Ryan, Kevin Esterling, David Lazer, Michael Neblo, and William Minozzi. 2015. "Congress 3.0." Congressional Management Foundation and Democracy Fund. Research fellowship in computational social science. Northeastern University and Harvard University, 2013-2014.
- Weiher, Greg, Phillip Bossert, and Ryan Kennedy. 2009. "National Security Studies Minor at the University of Houston." University of Houston Faculty Development Initiative Program.
- Kennedy, Ryan. 2009. Travel Grant for "Junior Scholar Training Session." Woodrow Wilson Center for Scholars.
- Kennedy, Ryan. 2009. "Supranational Identity and the Spread of Democratic Attitudes in Moldova." University of Houston New Faculty Grant.
- Kennedy, Ryan. 2007. "Supranational Identity, Political Attitudes, and Participation: The Case of Moldova." The Ohio State University SBS Summer Research Grant.
- Kennedy, Ryan. 2007. "On the Clock: Event History Modeling in the Study of Comparative Politics." National Science Foundation Travel Grant for the American Political Science Association Summer Methods Meeting.
- Kennedy, Ryan. 2005-2006. "Explaining Competitive Politics in Moldova." Fulbright Research Fellowship in Moldova.
- Kennedy, Ryan. 2005. "Oil and Authoritarian Politics in Kazakhstan." The Ohio State University Office of International Affairs Travel Grant.
- Kennedy, Ryan. 2005. "Oil and Authoritarian Politics in Kazakhstan." The Ohio State University AGGRS Research Grant.
- Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Grant. 2003. Summer Study of Polish Language and Culture at the Jagiellonian University in Krakow, Poland.

HONORS

University of Houston

University of Houston Award for Excellence in Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity at the Associate Professor level, 2021-2022.

Ross M. Lence Teaching Excellence Award, 2013.

Heinz I. Eulau Award for best article published in the *American Political Science Review* in 2010.

The Ohio State University

F.E. Peacock Award for best paper presented by a graduate student at the International Studies Association – Midwest conference, 2003.

F.E. Peacock Award for best paper presented by a graduate student at the International Studies Association – Midwest conference, 2001.

Distinguished University Fellowship, 2001-2006.

Program for Excellence in Graduate Studies Grant, 2001-2006.

Truman State University

Phi Beta Kappa (academic honorary), 2001.

Outstanding Student in Political Science, 2001.

National Champion, National Parliamentary Debate Association, 2000.

Secretary, Truman State University Student Senate, 1999-2000.

Phi Kappa Phi (academic honorary), 1999.

Omicron Delta Kappa (leadership honorary), 1999.

Pi Kappa Delta (speech and debate honorary), 1997.

Truman Leadership Award, 1997-2001.

Institute of Youth

Outstanding Student in Russian Studies, 2000.

SERVICE AND ACTIVITIES

Discipline

Editor, *Research & Politics*, 2022-present.

Associate Editor, *Research & Politics*, 2019-2022.

Section Chair, Comparative Politics, Southwest Political Science Association, 2016.

Section Chair, International Security Section, Midwest Political Science Association, 2014.

Executive Officer, International Studies Association – Midwest, 2002-2003, 2012-2014.

Simulation Director, Historic Security Council, American Model United Nations, 2002-2004.

University

UH Energy Initiative

Undergraduate Research Mentor, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2014-2015, 2018-2019. (Supervised 3 SURF and 4 PURS grants.)

Faculty Development Initiative Program Committee, 2011, 2013.

Student Fulbright Grant Committee, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012.

Student Preparatory Interview Participant for Rhodes and Marshall Finalists, 2010, 2011, 2020.

Department

Awards Committee: 2022-present

Graduate Recruitment Czar: 2020-2021

Graduate Committee: 2017-2021

Faculty Adviser, College Republicans: 2017-present

International Relations Search Committee: 2017

International Relations Search Committee: 2015.

Technology Committee (Chair): 2014-2015.

Undergraduate Studies Committee: 2011-2013.
Graduate Studies Committee: 2008-2010.
Comparative Politics Search Committee: 2009, 2011.

Community

Advisory Board, North American University, 2013-2018.
Governing Board, Houston Area Model United Nations, 2015-present.
Occasional news radio and television commentary, 2009-present.
Glenbrook Valley historic committee, 2009-2011.

CONSULTANCIES

City of Baltimore, Climate Action Plan, 2021-present.
BBOX, Evaluation of Mini Grid Customers, 2017-2018.
Oxford Analytica. Unrecognized Territories Project, 2011.
Norwegian Institute for International Affairs, RussCasp Working Paper Series, 2010-2011.
GMB Research, Economic Briefs on Moldova and Russia, 2008.
Oxford Analytica UNAIDS Project, HIV/AIDS in Moldova, 2007.

LANGUAGES

Russian (4.5 years university level study); Polish (2 years university level study); Turkish (beginner); Romanian (reading at elementary level)

PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES

R, Stata, Octave/MatLab, Python, Perl, Visual Basic