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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

The University of Texas at Dallas
Assistant Professor of Political Science

Richardson, TX
2017 - Present

EDUCATION

- Ph.D. in Political Science**, The Ohio State University 2017
Fields: American Politics (Major), Methodology (Minor)
- M.A. in Political Science**, The Ohio State University 2013
- B.A. in Government (Honors) and English**, University of Texas at Austin 2010

PUBLICATIONS

5. **Santoro, Lauren Ratliff**. 2022. "Do Political Beliefs Drive Environment Selection?" *American Politics Research*. <https://doi.org/10.1177/1532673X221112394>.
4. **Santoro, Lauren Ratliff** and Jonas B. Bunte. 2022. "What Did You Get? Peers, Information, and Student Exam Performance." *Research in Higher Education*.
3. **Santoro, Lauren Ratliff**, Elias Assaf, Robert M. Bond, Skyler J. Cranmer, Eloise E. Kaizar, and David J. Sivakoff. 2021. "Exploring the direct and indirect effects of elite influence on public opinion." *PloS one*, 16(11), p.e0257335.
2. Assaf, Elias, Robert M. Bond, Skyler J. Cranmer, Eloise E. Kaizar, **Lauren Ratliff Santoro**, Susumu Shikano, and David J. Sivakoff. 2021. "Understanding the Relationship Between Official and Social Information About Infectious Disease: Experimental Analysis." *Journal of Medical Internet Research* 23(11), p.e25287.
1. **Santoro, Lauren Ratliff**, and Paul Allen Beck. 2018. "Social Networks and Vote Choice." *The Oxford Handbook of Political Networks* edited by Jennifer Nicoll Victor, Mark Lubell, and Alexander H. Montgomery.

WORKING PAPERS

6. **Santoro, Lauren Ratliff**, Todd Makse, and Anand E. Sokhey. 2023. "Divisiveness in Large-Field Contests: Studying the Mindsets of Primary Voters." Under review at *Political Behavior*.
5. **Santoro, Lauren Ratliff** and Emily Sydnor. 2022. "Blind Trust, Blind Skepticism: Liberals' & Conservatives' Response to Academic Research." Under review at *American Politics Research*.
4. Box-Steffensmeier, Janet M., Dino P. Christenson, **Lauren Ratliff Santoro**, and Elizabeth Steffensmeier. 2023. "Cutting in Line: The Role of Interest Group Networks in Executive Branch Nominations." In preparation for submission to the *American Journal of Political Science* in February 2023.

3. **Santoro, Lauren Ratliff** and Anand E. Sokhey. 2023. "Examining Social and Psychological Distance within the Democratic Party".
2. Krupnikov, Yanna, Matthew T. Pietryka, John Barry Ryan, **Lauren Ratliff Santoro**, Anand E. Sokhey, and Michael Yontz. 2022. "Examining Social, Psychological, and Geographic Distance in the American Public."
1. Minozzi, William, Michael A. Neblo, **Lauren Ratliff Santoro**, Anand E. Sokhey, and David M.J. Lazer. 2022. "Athletic Democracy: Reconciling Deliberative and Participatory Politics."

RESEARCH GRANTS AND AWARDS

APSA Centennial Center Research Grant (\$2480)	July 2021
"Blind Trust, Blind Skepticism: Liberals' & Conservatives' Response to Academic Research" with Emily Sydnor	
National Science Foundation Dissertation Improvement Grant (\$28,644)	2016
"The Social Roots of Political Decision-Making"	
William J. Bryan Prize for Best Paper in American Politics	2016
"Social Influence Over Time: Depicting the Process and Testing the Mechanism"	
Presented at the 2016 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association and awarded by the Department of Political Science at the Ohio State University	
Decision Science Collaborative Research Grant (\$3000)	2015
The Ohio State University	
Democracy Studies Program Research Grant (\$7500)	2015
College of Arts and Sciences, John Glenn College of Public Affairs, and the Mortiz College of Law at the Ohio State University	
Coca-Cola Critical Difference for Women Grant (\$1200)	2014
Coca-Cola Foundation administered by the Department of Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies at the Ohio State University	
Division of Social & Behavioral Sciences Research & Travel Grant (\$3000)	2011
The Ohio State University	

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

American Political Science Association	2022, 2020, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2012 (cancelled)
Midwest Political Science Association	2021, 2020 (cancelled), 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013
Political Networks	2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012
Southern Political Science Association	2023, 2020, 2017
Visions in Methodology	2011
West Coast Experiments	2015

TEACHING

Instructor of Record, The University of Texas at Dallas

- Social Networks (graduate) Spring 2021
- Fake News Fall 2022, Fall 2020, Fall 2018
- Political Psychology Spring 2022, Fall 2019, Fall 2017
- Political Psychology (graduate) Spring 2023, Spring 2020
- State and Local Government Spring 2023, Fall 2022, Spring 2022, Spring 2021, Fall 2020, Spring 2020, Fall 2018, Spring 2018

Graduate Instructor, The Ohio State University

- Introduction to American Politics (on-line) Spring & Summer 2014 - Spring & Summer 2017

Teaching Assistant, The Ohio State University

- Introduction to American Politics (on-line) Fall 2016, Fall 2015, Fall 2014, Fall 2013
- American Political Parties Spring 2013
- City Politics Fall 2012

TECHNICAL SKILLS

R; STATA; UCINET; LaTeX; Qualtrics

PROFESSIONAL PARTICIPATION AND SERVICE

APSA Political Networks Section:

- *Chair* of Host Search Committee for the 2024 Political Networks Conference (Aug 2022 - Present)
- *Fellowship Committee Member* (2018 - 2022)
- *Archivist* (May 2013 - Aug 2022)

Reviewer: *Journal of Politics; Political Analysis; State Politics and Policy Quarterly; Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory*

Memberships: American Political Science Association; Midwest Political Science Association; Pi Sigma Alpha

UT-DALLAS SERVICE

Working Paper Series, *Faculty Coordinator* August 2021 - August 2022
EPPS Job Market Preparation Workshop, *Faculty Coordinator* June 2019 - June 2021
Search Committee for Comparative Courts Hire, *Committee Member* Dec 2020 - March 2021
Search Committee for Political Science Civil Conflict Hire, *Committee Member* Oct - Dec 2018