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

PUBLICATIONS

- 7. Santoro, Lauren Ratliff and Emily Sydnor. 2023. "Blind Trust, Blind Skepticism: Liberals' & Conservatives' Response to Academic Research." American Politics Research. 0(0). https://doi.org/10.1177/1532673X231206136.
- 6. Santoro, Lauren Ratliff, Todd Makse, and Anand E. Sokhey. 2023. "Linking Primary Voters Mindsets to General Election Enthusiasm." *Political Behavior* https://doi.org/10.1007/s11109-023-09891-w.
- 5. Santoro, Lauren Ratliff. 2022. "Do Political Beliefs Drive Environment Selection?" American Politics Research: 51(1), 108-124 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 64, 423-450. https://doi.org/10.1007/s11162-022-09711-w.
- 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): e0257335. https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0257335.
- 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. https://www.jmir.org/2021/11/e25287.
- 1. Santoro, Lauren Ratliff, and Paul Allen Beck. 2018. "Social Networks and Vote Choice." The Oxford Handbook of Political Networks, Oxford: Oxford University Press: (383-406).

WORKING PAPERS

- 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." Under review.
- **3. Santoro, Lauren Ratliff** and Anand E. Sokhey. 2023. "When Co-Partisans Disagree: Examining Core and Acquaintance Networks in a Presidential Primary".
- 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 Midwest Political Science Association Political Networks Southern Political Science Association Visions in Methodology West Coast Experiments 2023, 2022, 2020, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2012 (cancelled)

2021, 2020 (cancelled), 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013

2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012

2023, 2020, 2017

2011 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

Fall 2023, Spring 2022, Fall 2019, Fall 2017

• Political Psychology (graduate)

Spring 2023, Spring 2020

State and Local Government Fall 2023, 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

TECHNICAL SKILLS

R; STATA; UCINET; LaTex; Qualtrics

PROFESSIONAL PARTICIPATION AND SERVICE

APSA Political Networks Section:

- MPSA Program Chair for 2024 Annual Meeting (Aug 2023 Present)
- 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

Last updated: November 2023