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EDUCATION

BROWN UNIVERSITY

Department of Political Science, Ph.D. student, Political Theory and American Politics

Providence, Rhode Island
Class of 2023

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MAINE, PORTLAND, ME

Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, minors in history and biology, Summa Cum Laude
Academic Awards: Dean's List, Pi Sigma Alpha

2015

CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS

- “Protecting the Private: Saving Thinking from Politics in the Work of Hannah Arendt.” Thinking Matters Conference, University of Southern Maine. May 2015.
- “Environmentalism in the Progressive Era: a Fusion of Nature and Social Progress.” Paper Presented at New England Political Science Association on the panel entitled, “New Ideas in American Politics: Race, Religion, and Institutions.” April 2017.
- “Politics in the Humanities” introduced keynote speaker, Astra Taylor. Spring 2017.
- “Conflicts in Conservation, a Short History of the Environmental Protection Agency.” Lecture in the American Presidency course, Brown University. Spring 2018.
- “Care as Political Action.” Political Theory Symposium, Brown University. December 2020.
- “Insurgent Care.” Presented at the Political Theory of Care panel, Midwestern Political Science Association Conference. April 2021.

RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS

- *Reading Politics with Machiavelli*, Oxford University Press (2018)
Dr. Ronald Schmitt, Jr., University of Southern Maine August 2015
- “Labor, Work and Gender in Hannah Arendt,” Professor Bonnie Honig, Brown University June 2016
Research contributed to *Public Things: Democracy in Disrepair*, Fordham University Press (2017)
- “Texts in Politics Beyond the Human,” Professor Sharon Krause, Brown University January 2018
- “Whiplash: How Three Presidents Fought the Health Care Wars” July 2021-August 2022
David Blumethal, MD, MPP, The Commonwealth Fund and Professor James Morone, Brown University

WORKSHOPS

Effective Performance: Improvisation and Performance Techniques for Graduate Students

Fall 2016

Designed to help prepare graduate students to be effective communicators for research and teaching through interactive workshops, this five-week workshop used theater techniques to develop confidence and flexibility in academic presentations.

Japanese American Incarceration Mobile Workshop

Travelling from Phoenix, Arizona to Bainbridge Island, Washington over the course of two weeks, our working group visited Japanese American incarceration camps, relocation centers and cultural sites, interviewing former incarcerates and their families. Presented a talk on Foucault’s “Right of Death and Power Over Life,” at Poston War Relocation Center titled, “Administering Life: Organizing Power through the Body of the Incarceree.”

Teaching Seminar, Sheridan Center for Teaching and Learning

Fall 2020

Seminar designed to implement reflective teaching practices, teach evidence-based instruction skills and strategies and develop and practice inclusive learning design.

Course Design Seminar, Sheridan Center for Teaching and Learning

Spring 2020

An interdisciplinary course for developing syllabi, teaching practices and unique assignments responsive to student needs and institutional learning goals.

TEACHING ASSISTANTSHIPS

Prosperity: the Ethics and Economics of Wealth Creation, Dr. John Tomasi
Head Teaching Assistant

Fall 2017

Fall 2018

The American Presidency, Dr. Wendy Schiller

Spring 2018

<i>City Politics</i> , Dr. James Morone	Spring 2019
<i>Head Teaching Assistant</i>	Spring 2023
<i>Ethics and Public Policy</i> , Dr. Ross Cheit	Fall 2020
<i>Introduction to Political Thought</i> , Dr. Melvin Rogers	Spring 2021
<i>Introduction to International Relations</i> , Dr. Nina Tannenwald	Fall 2022

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Political Science Student Association President, University of Southern Maine	2015
Student Representative to the Presidential Search Committee, University of Southern Maine	2015
Political Theory Colloquium Organizer, Brown University	2018, 2020
Voter Registration Drive, Brown University	Fall 2020

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

MACPAGE, LLC

Administrative Assistant

South Portland, Maine

January – May 2015

- Organize and prepare confidential client tax return documents for scanning
- Manage client contact information in proprietary software, and consolidate client data in Excel for use by associates and directors
- Perform quality control on detailed financial reports
- Solve technical and workflow-related problems as necessary to improve firm functionality

MAINERS FOR ACCOUNTABLE ELECTIONS

Field Organizer

Portland, Maine

September 2015

- Educate volunteers on referendum issues and train volunteers to participate in phone bank campaigns
- Contact 200-400 undecided voters every day by phone to discuss contentious state-ballot referendum initiative
- Recruit supporters for volunteer opportunities and solicit donations from former donors and volunteers
- Identify potential volunteer pools at local colleges and universities

MAINE ACADEMY OF GYMNASTICS

Summer Camp Director

Westbrook, Maine

May 2015 – August 2015

- Create and implement gymnastics camp curriculum for multiple age groups
- Cultivate strong relationships with students in group and individual contexts, and establish relationships with families to better communicate the needs and progress of students
- Explain and enforce safety and discipline policies, supervise and train junior staff members, and maintain organization and supply at a complex sporting facility

Competitive and Recreational Coach

2011 – December 2015

- Create weekly skills and conditioning curriculum for individuals and teams of multiple age groups, and communicate with parents and students about progress
- Prepare for and attend competitions for all levels, in and out of state; chaperone students while traveling
- Maintain familiarity with state and national code of points and level requirements, and attend local and regional professional training and informational sessions
- Complete and maintain USA Gymnastics Competitive Coach certification

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MAINE POLITICAL SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

Student Administrative Associate

Portland, Maine

September 2013 – May 2015

- Respond to or direct student and parent inquiries in person, over the phone, or via email
- Represent department at student orientation events
- Connect students with faculty and relay office hours
- Create and post advertisements for department events

REFERENCES

Dr. Ronald Schmidt, Jr.

Relationship: Undergraduate Thesis Advisor, University of Southern Maine
Associate Professor of Political Science
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Dr. Bonnie Honig

Relationship: Dissertation Chair, Brown University
Nancy Duke Lewis Professor of Modern Culture and Media and Political Science
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