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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

The College of New Jersey, Ewing, NJ

Assistant Professor of Political Science (2017-)

American Political Science Association, Washington, DC

Congressional Fellow (2016-2017)

EDUCATION

University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

Ph.D., Political Science (2016), M.A., Political Science (2015).

Dissertation: Interest Groups, Lobbying and Polarization in the United States

Dissertation Committee: Marc Meredith, Matt Levendusky, John Lapinski

Middlebury College, Middlebury, VT

B.A., Political Science (Economics minor), cum laude (2009).

RESEARCH AND PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed

- Garlick, A. (2021) "Interest group lobbying and partisan polarization in the United States: 1999–2016" Political Science Research and Methods, FirstView. [html]
- Garlick, A. (2021). "The Battle over Health Care." In *Under the Iron Dome: Congress from the Inside*. P. S. Herrnson, C. C. Campbell, & D. A. Dulio (Eds.), pp. 128-141. Routledge. [html]
- Garlick, A. and Cluverius, J. (2020) "Automated Estimates of State Interest Group Populations" Interest Groups & Advocacy 9 (3), 396-409. [html]
- Garlick, A. (2017) "National Policies, Agendas, and Polarization in American State Legislatures: 2011 to 2014" American Politics Research, 45(6), 939-979, SAGE Publications. [html]
- Garlick, A. (2015) "The Letter After Your Name': Party Labels on Virginia Ballots." State Politics and Policy Quarterly, 15(2), 147-170, SAGE Publications. [html]

Invited

- Garlick, A. (2021) "Interest groups and the evolution of gun and racial politics in the USA" Interest Groups & Advocacy, 10(1), 91-94.[html]
- Garlick, A. (2020) "A New Wave of Pluralism in the Study of Environmental Policy in the United States" *Interest Groups & Advocacy*, 9(2), 244–247.[html]
- Garlick, A. (2018) "Mercy and Malice: An Inside View of the Push to Repeal and Replace Obamacare." PS: Political Science & Politics, 51(2), 491-493, Cambridge University Press. [html]

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Works under review

Laboratories of Politics: There is Bottom-up Diffusion of Policy Attention in the American Federal System

This paper introduces a dataset with the number of state legislative bills in 22 policy areas since 1991 to show how policies considered in the states are later considered in Congress. *Invited to be revised and resubmitted.*

Works in progress

Pre-Existing Conditions: How Lobbying Makes American Health Care More Expensive

This monograph uses interview evidence and quantitative data from all 50 states to show how health care interest groups restrict legislative agendas, resulting in higher health care costs.

Legislative Capacity, Term Limits, and Group Involvement

This paper investigates how a reduction in staff changed how interest groups helped California legislators write bills in 1990 (with Mary Kroeger, University of Rochester).

Bicameralism and Legislative Professionalism

This paper introduces a dataset with the legislative history of more than 180,000 bills in the states to show how a legislature's professionalism affects the enactment rates of bills that have passed one chamber (with Adam Brown, Brigham Young University).

Commentary

- Garlick, A. (2021) "Impeachment Puts Presidential Power on Trial" Mischiefs of Faction blog, 18 January.
- Garlick, A. (2020) "How the pandemic has changed the value of lobbying" 3streams blog, 14 December.
- Garlick, A. (2019) "Ambitious state legislators are pushing abortion bans to please interest groups who sense an end to Roe v. Wade" L.S.E. American Politics and Policy blog, 17 September.
- Garlick, A. (2018) "Missing party labels could matter in the Mississippi Senate special election" Vox.com: Mischiefs of Faction blog, 9 July.
- Garlick, A. (2017) "In considering Judge Gorsuch's nomination, the Senate should take the long view" L.S.E. American Politics and Policy blog, 28 March.
- Garlick, A. (2016) "Gridlock Won." US News and World Report, 11 November.
- Garlick, A. (2015) "Including party labels on ballots increases voting in local elections, especially among minorities" L.S.E. American Politics and Policy blog, 1 May.
- Garlick, A. (2014) "A Method to the Gridlock Madness." US News and World Report, 2 Dec.

Conference Participation

Research presentations: (panelist or invited speaker, *virtual, †canceled.)

State Politics and Policy Conference: 2021*, 2020, 2019, 2017, 2015, 2014

Midwest Political Science Association: 2021*, 2016, 2014, 2013 Northeastern Political Science Association: 2021, 2019, 2017

American Political Economy Summer School: 2020*

American Political Science Association: 2019, 2018, 2016, 2015 TCNJ Politics or Interdisciplinary Forums: 2019 (x2), 2018 Midwest Political Science Association: 2018, 2016, 2014, 2013

Dartmouth College: 2016, 2015

Philadelphia region American politics conference at Temple University: 2015, 2013

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University of Pennsylvania Graduate Student Conference: 2014, 2013

Annenberg School for Communication Colloquium: 2012

Panel chair, discussant or participant

Midwest Political Science Association: 2021*

American Political Science Association Congressional Fellowship Training: 2020*

American Political Economy Conference: 2021^*

Election Sciences, Reform, & Administration Conference: 2019

Northeastern Political Science Association: 2019

TCNJ Political Science Independent Research Showcase: 2019

State Politics and Policy Conference: 2015

Reviewer

Anonymous referee American Journal of Political Science, American Politics Research, Interest Groups & Advocacy, Journal of Political Science, Legislative Studies Quarterly, Political Research Quarterly, Publius: The Journal of Federalism, State Politics & Policy Quarterly

Alumni Editor Roosevelt Institute's 10 Ideas for Social Justice (2016)

TEACHING

The College of New Jersey

Senior Seminar: Political Communication: Fall 2021 (x2), Fall 2020, Fall 2019

Introduction to American Government: Fall 2021, Fall 2020 (x2), Fall 2019 (x2), Spring 2019,

Spring 2018, Fall 2017 (x2)

Congress and the Presidency: Spring 2021, Spring 2020, Spring 2019

Junior Tutorial: American Political Economy: Spring 2021

Supervised Group Research in Data Science and State Politics: Spring 2020

Junior Tutorial: American Legislative Politics: Spring 2019, Spring 2018

Seminar: The American Presidency: Fall 2017

University of Pennsylvania

Teaching Assistant Spring 2014, Fall 2013, Spring 2013, Fall 2012

EMPLOYMENT

Staples, Inc. Sr. Communications Specialist, Framingham, MA. (2009-2011) *Awards:* Guiding the Way: 2010 (Intranet Design), 2011 (Executive Speechwriting)

POLITICAL EXPERIENCE

Needham Town Meeting Elected Member, Precinct F, Needham, MA. (2021, 2009, 2003)

Congressman Joseph P. Kennedy, III Foreign Policy Fellow, Washington, DC. (2016-2017)

Denise Garlick for State Representative Communications Director, Needham, MA. (2010)

John Kerry for President Communications Intern, Denver, CO. (2004)

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MISC.

Software Competencies STATA, MS Excel (VBA), LATEX.

Interests Captain, Penn Political Science Softball Team (2012-2015); State of Maine Registered Whitewater Rafting Guide (Class II, 2005-2011); Danish Institute for Study Abroad: Blogger of the Year (Copenhagen, Denmark. 2007); Eagle Scout (2003).