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Education

Ph.D., Political Science, University of Missouri, May 2020.

Dissertation: Determinants of Legislative Staff Turnover.

Concentrations: American Politics, Public Policy and Administration.

Advisors: Peverill Squire and Jennifer L. Selin (co-chairs), Lael Keiser, and L. Marvin Overby.

B.S., *summa cum laude*, Political Science, Indiana State University, May 2015.

Minors in Civic Leadership and Women's Studies.

ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research, University of Michigan, 2017.

Publications

Peer-reviewed articles

Brant, Hanna K., and L. Marvin Overby. 2019. "Female Appointed Successors in the United States Senate." Forthcoming at *Journal of Women, Politics & Policy*.

Schmitt, Carly A., Chera LaForge, and Hanna K. Brant. 2019. "Drinking the Tea: The Tea Party Movement and Legislative Agendas in the U.S. Senate." *Congress & the Presidency* 46(1): 60-88.

Schmitt, Carly A., and Hanna K. Brant. 2019. "Ambition, Gender, and Legislative Behavior in the U.S. House." *Journal of Women, Politics & Policy* 40(2): 286-308.

Brant, Hanna K., Theodore J. Masthay, and L. Marvin Overby. 2018. "Joining the Great Majority: An Analysis of Senate Deaths, 1919-2015." *Social Science Quarterly* 99(5): 1637-1648.

Brant, Hanna K., Nathan Myers, and Katherine L. Runge. 2017. "Promotion, Protection, and Entrepreneurship: Stakeholder Participation and Policy Change in the 21st Century Cures Initiative." *Politics & Policy* 45(3): 372-404.

Book Chapter(s)

Brant, Hanna K., and L. Marvin Overby. "Checking Out: 2018 Congressional Retirements and Resignations in Historical Perspective." Forthcoming in *The Unforeseen Impacts of the 2018 US Midterms*, eds. Tauna S. Sisco, Jennifer C. Lucas, and Christopher J. Galdieri. Palgrave MacMillan.

Media

"Giving women the tools to run for office." *St. Louis Public Radio NPR*, July 22, 2019.

"Congressional staff exit intention." *LegBranch*, May 13, 2019.

"Staff have the skills to assist Congress, but they need more resources." *LegBranch*, October 9, 2018. (with Jennifer L. Selin).

"Another reason Democrats will have difficulty retaking the US Senate this fall: Republicans' historical advantage in holding open seats." *LSE US Centre on American Politics and Policy*, July 24, 2018. (with L. Marvin Overby and Theodore J. Masthay).

"John McCain's passing reminds us that death has always been an important part of life in the US Senate." *LSE US Centre on American Politics and Policy*, August 28, 2018. (with L. Marvin Overby and Theodore J. Masthay).

Research Grants

Dirksen Congressional Center. Congressional Research Grant for "Brain Drain? An Analysis of Congressional Committee Staffers' Legislative and Oversight Capabilities" (with Jennifer L. Selin). (2018).

Center for Effective Lawmaking. Small Grant Competition Award for "Brain Drain? Understanding Congressional Staffers' Legislative and Oversight Capabilities" (with Jennifer L. Selin). (2018).

Research Grant. Kinder Institute on Constitutional Democracy at the University of Missouri (Fall 2017).

Janet Box-Steffensmeier Scholarship. Awarded by the Society for Political Methodology to attend the ICPSR summer program (Summer 2017).

Working Papers

"Filling the Void: Retired Senators and Their Successors" with Theodore J. Masthay and L. Marvin Overby. Under review.

"Gender, Representation, and Issue Expertise among Congressional Bureaucrats" with Lael R. Keiser. Under review.

“Under Pressure: Centralizing Regulation in Response to Presidential Directives” with Jennifer L. Selin, Cody A. Drolc, Nicholas Brothers, and Jordan Butcher. Under review.

Conference Presentations

2019. “Determinants of Congressional Staff Turnover Intention.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. Washington D.C.

2019. “Determinants of Congressional Staff Turnover Intention.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago, IL.

2019. “Checking Out: 2018 Congressional Retirements, Resignations, and Deaths in Historical Perspective.” (with L. Marvin Overby). Presented at the 2018 American Elections Academic Symposium, Saint Anselm College, New Hampshire Institute of Politics.

2019. “Brain Drain? An Analysis of Congressional Staff Capabilities.” (with Jennifer L. Selin). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. Austin, TX.

2018. “Effective Oversight? An Analysis of Congressional Staffers’ Oversight Capabilities.” (with Jennifer L. Selin). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. Boston, MA.

2018. “Filling the Void: Retired Senators and Their Successors.” (with Theodore J. Mas-thay and L. Marvin Overby). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago, IL.

2018. Invited attendee, The State of Congressional Capacity Conference, New America. Washington D.C. March 1-2.

2018. “Female Appointed Successors in the United States Senate.” (with L. Marvin Overby). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. New Orleans, LA.

2017. “Gender, Representation, and Issue Expertise among Congressional Bureaucrats.” (with Lael R. Keiser). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago, IL.

2017. “Focus on the Farm Economy: Witness Testimony before the House Committee on Agriculture.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Political Science Association. Austin, TX.

2016. “Ambition, Gender, and Legislative Agendas in the U.S. House.” (with Carly Schmitt). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago, IL.

2016. “Investigating the Bipartisanship in Biotechnology: Policy Entrepreneurship and Stakeholder Participation in the 21st Century Cures Initiative.” (with Nathan Myers and Katherine Runge). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago, IL.

Teaching Interests

American Government Institutions and Politics; Public Policy and Administrative Politics; Research Methods; Gender and Politics

Teaching Experience

Instructor

PS 1100 - American Government (Political Science Department, University of Missouri), Summer and Fall 2019 (administered online)

PS 2004 - Women and U.S. Politics (Political Science Department, University of Missouri), Spring 2019

State Government (Asian Affairs Center Global Leadership Program, University of Missouri), Spring 2019

American Government (Asian Affairs Center Global Leadership Program, University of Missouri), Spring 2018-Spring 2019

Lab Instructor

PS 7000 - Introductory Statistics for Political Science (Graduate Level), Fall 2017

PS 2100 - State Government, Fall 2016

Teaching Assistant

PS 4170 - Politics of the American South, Spring 2017/2018 and Fall 2019

PS 4840 - Developing Dynamics of Democracy, Summer 2018 and 2019
-Undergraduate study abroad course in Prague, Czech Republic

PS 4830 - Democracy in America (and Elsewhere), Spring 2018

PS 4210 - Constitutional Rights, Spring 2016

PS 1100 - American Government, Fall 2015

Awards, Fellowships, and Grants

G. Ellsworth Huggins Fellow. Graduate School, University of Missouri (Fall 2015-Present).

Donald K. Anderson Teaching Assistant Award. Department of Political Science, University of Missouri (Spring 2019).

David M. Wood Award. For achievement in research and publishing. Department of Political Science, University of Missouri (Spring 2018 and 2019).

Outstanding Graduate Student. Voted on by graduate students. Department of Political Science, University of Missouri (Spring 2018 and 2019).

J.G. Heinberg Fellowship. Provides one semester free from assistantship duties in the 2018-19 academic year to focus on research. Department of Political Science, University of Missouri (Spring 2018).

APSA Travel Grant. To attend the 2018 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association in Boston, MA.

Travel Grant. Prestage-Cook Travel Award to attend the Southern Political Science Association annual meeting (Spring 2018).

Dean L. Yarwood Fellowship. For high academic achievement for students who have an emphasis in public policy and administration or American politics. Department of Political Science, University of Missouri (Spring 2017).

Bryan L. Forbis Award. For an outstanding graduate student in the field of American Politics or Public Policy. Department of Political Science, University of Missouri (Spring 2016).

Conference Travel Grant. Department of Political Science, University of Missouri (Spring 2016-2019).

Research Grant. Department of Political Science, University of Missouri (Summer 2016).

Professional Memberships and Service

American Political Science Association

Midwest Political Science Association

Southern Political Science Association

Reviewer: *Legislative Studies Quarterly*

President, Graduate Association of Political Scientists (University of Missouri), 2018-2019

Graduate Student Mentor, Mentorship Program in the Department of Political Science (University of Missouri), 2018-2019

Secretary, Graduate Association of Political Scientists (University of Missouri), 2016-2017