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Academic Appointments

INDIANA UNIVERSITY — BLOOMINGTON, IN
Associate Professor of Political Science
Assistant Professor of Political Science

July 2020 – Present
August 2013 – June 2020

OBERLIN COLLEGE — OBERLIN, OH
Visiting Assistant Professor of Politics

August 2012 - June 2013

Education

DUKE UNIVERSITY — DURHAM, NC
Ph.D., Political Science, 2012.
Certificate, Advanced Statistical & Quantitative Methods, 2011

VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY — NASHVILLE, TN
M.A., Social and Political Thought, 2007
M.A., Political Science, 2006

ALLEGHENY COLLEGE — MEADVILLE, PA
B.A., Philosophy and Political Science, 2005
Magna Cum Laude, Honors in Political Science, College Cornerstone Award

Published Work

Book

Christopher D. DeSante and Candis W. Smith, *Racial Stasis: The Millennial Generation and the Stagnation of Racial Attitudes in American Politics*. The University of Chicago Press, 2020.

Peer-Reviewed Articles

Christopher D. DeSante and Candis W. Smith, “*Less is More: A Cross-Generational Analysis of Racial Resentment*.” *The Journal of Politics*, Vol. 82(3), July 2020

Christopher D. DeSante and Candis W. Smith, “*Fear, Institutionalized Racism, and Empathy: The Underlying Dimensions of Whites’ Racial Attitudes*.” *PS: Political Science & Politics*, 2020.*

*Earlier draft awarded “*Best Paper by an Emerging Scholar*” from the 2017 MPSA meeting

Christopher D. DeSante, “*They Chose to Go to the Moon: How Birth Cohorts Shape Opinions on Funding for Space Exploration*.” *Social Science Quarterly*, Vol. 98(4), December 2017.

Christopher D. DeSante and Brittany N. Perry, “*Bridging the Gap: How Geographic Context Affects Political Knowledge among Citizen and Non-Citizen Latinos*.” *American Politics Research*, Vol. 44(3), May 2016.

Christopher D. DeSante, “*Working Twice as Hard to Get Half as Far: Race, Work Ethic and America’s Deserving Poor*,” *The American Journal of Political Science*, Vol. 57(2), April 2013.

Book Manuscript

Christopher D. DeSante *What Americans Value: How Personal Values Shape American Politics*. Currently in preparation for review at *The University of Chicago Press*.

Articles Currently Under Review

Christopher D. DeSante and Samuel Bestvater, “*Personal Values in 140 Characters: Strategic Communication in Campaign Tweets*.”

Christopher D. DeSante “*Party Identification and (Missing) Values: How Core Values Constrain Partisanship in the American Electorate*”

Christopher D. DeSante, “*Modeling Covariance Structures of Latent Variables Measured with Incomplete Data*.”

Manuscripts in Preparation

Christopher D. DeSante “*Party Identification, Core Values, and Sophistication: Sorting it Out*.”

Christopher D. DeSante, Christopher D. Johnston, and Donovan Rowsey. “*How Acts of Terror Shape Public Policy Preferences in the U.S.*”

Christopher D. DeSante, “*Are White Americans Becoming Less Racist? Evidence from Longitudinal Multiple Groups CFA*.”

Grants

Social Science Research Commons, Grant for Collaborative Research with Andrew Bell, Assistant Professor at the Hamilton Lugar School of Global and International Studies. (\$4,765, May 2019)

O.V.P.R. Collaborative Research and Creative Activity Funding Program (CRCAF), Indiana University, *Capturing the Structure of Modern Racism on Surveys* – May 2016. (\$19,655)

Social Science Research Commons, Grant for Collaborative Research with Graduate Students, June 2014. (\$3,000)

Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant, National Science Foundation, \$12,000, June 2011.

University Teaching Awards:

April 2019: Indiana University **Trustee’s Award for Excellence in Teaching**.

April 2017: Indiana University **Trustee’s Award for Excellence in Teaching**.

April 2015: Indiana University **Provost’s Award** for mentoring undergraduate research.

April 2015: Indiana University **Trustee’s Award for Excellence in Teaching**.

Departmental and Professional Service

Reviewer for: *American Political Science Review*, *American Journal of Political Science*, *Journal of Politics*, *Time-Sharing Experiments for the Social Sciences (TESS)*, *Political Psychology*, *Public Choice*, *American Politics Research*, *Public Opinion Quarterly*, *Political Behavior*, *Political Research Quarterly*, *Journal of Black Studies*, *Politics and Religion*.

Doctoral Dissertation Committees:

- Nichole Bauer (2014, Indiana University)
- Laura Bucci (2017, Indiana University)
- Matthew Fowler (2017, Indiana University)
- Benjamin Toll (2015, Indiana University)
- Maryann Kwakwa (2019, Notre Dame Political Science)
- Khadijah Edwards (2019, IU AAADS)
- Elizabeth Zack (2019, IU Sociology)
- Eric Schmidt (IU Political Science, ABD)
- Colin Fisk (IU Political Science, ABD)
- Rita Nassar (IU Political Science, ABD)
- Vivian Ferillo (IU Political Science, ABD)

Courses Taught

Indiana University: Fall 2013 – Present

Y316: Public Opinion and Political Participation

Y395: Quantitative Political Analysis

Y490: Senior Seminar in Political Psychology

Y575: Political Data Analysis I (Graduate Methods)

Y576: Political Data Analysis II (Graduate Methods)

Y661: American Politics Graduate Seminar

Oberlin College: Fall 2012 – Spring 2013

The Political Psychology of Democratic Citizenship; Introduction to Political Inquiry; Parties, Partisanship & Ideology; Computational Statistics; Public Opinion in America.

References

- John H. Aldrich (919) 660 - 4346
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