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Department of Political Science 4600 Wesley W. Posvar Hall Pittsburgh, PA 15260

Education:

University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Ph.D. in Political Science

GPA: 3.912

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Thesis: "Erroneous European Jitters: A Pathway for Moderating the Extremes" Committee: Jae-Jae Spoon (Chair), Jude Hays, B. Guy Peters, Pablo Fernandez-Vazquez, Nils Ringe

M.A. in Political Science

2016

Expected 2022

Thesis: "Where Have Voters Gone? Dualization & the Rise of Europe's Nationalist Parties" Committee: Despina Alexiadou (Chair), Jude Hays

Marquette University, Milwaukee, WI

M.A. in International Affairs

2011

Valparaiso University, Valparaiso, IN

B.A. in International Economics and Cultural Affairs; French

2009

Areas of Academic Interest:

European Political Parties and Party Systems, European Integration and the European Union, Political Representation, Vote Preferences & Vote Choice, International Organization

Professional Experience:

University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA - 2014 to Present

Position: Instructor of Record

- Introduction to Comparative Politics (PS 0300), Fall 2019
- Politics of the European Union (PS 1317), Fall 2018
- International Organizations (PS 1503), Summer 2018
- Globalization and International Politics (PS 1543), Spring 2018

Position: Teaching Assistant

- Political Theory (PS 0600), Spring 2020; Instructor of Record Dr. Andrew Lotz
- Political Theory (PS 0600), Fall 2017; Instructor of Record Dr. Andrew Lotz
- Introduction to Comparative Politics (PS 0300), Spring 2016; Instructor of Record Dr. B. Guy Peters
- Introduction to World Politics (PS 0500), Fall 2015; Instructor of Record Dr. Daniela Donno

Position: Graduate Student Assistant

 Graduate Student Assistant for Dr. Ariel Armony, Vice Provost for Global Affairs & Director of the University Center for International Studies (UCIS), academic years 2020-22

Position: Research Assistant

- Project: "The European Union and Beyond: Multilevel Governance, Institutions, and Policy-Making",
 Summer 2019 Dr. Jae-Jae Spoon, Professor of Political Science & Director of the European
 Studies Center
- Project: "Party Divisions and Presidential Endorsements: Explaining Voter Defection in the 2017 French Presidential Elections", Summer 2017 – Dr. Jae-Jae Spoon, Professor of Political Science & Director of the European Studies Center

University of Kansas, Lawrence, Kansas - 2012 to 2014

Position: Research Assistant

• Graduate Research Assistant, Fall 2013 – Spring 2014; Instructor: Dr. Robert Rohrschneider

Position: Teaching Assistant

- Introduction to International Politics (PS 170), Spring 2013; Instructor of Record Dr. Alan T. Arwine
- Introduction to International Politics (PS 170), Fall 2012; Instructor of Record Dr. F. Michael Wuthrich

L'Université de Cergy-Pontoise, Cergy-Pontoise, France - 2011 to 2012

Position: Lecteur de langue étrangère

Marquette University, Milwaukee, WI - 2010 to 2011

Position: Research Assistant

- Graduate Research Assistant, Spring 2011; Instructor Dr. Susan Giaimo
- Graduate Research Assistant, Fall 2010; Instructor Dr. Jeffrey Drope
- Graduate Research Assistant, Spring 2010; Instructor Dr. Darrell Dobbs

Conference Presentations:

"A Path to Moderate the Extremes? The Impact of Euroskeptic Party Moderation on Voters," paper presented at the European Political Science Association (EPSA) Annual Conference, 2021.

"Moderating the Extremes: How Participating in Governing Coalitions Can Lead to Policy Moderation," paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Annual Conference, 2021.

"Moderation Through Participation: The Effects of Governing Coalition Membership," poster presented at the American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Conference, Washington, D.C. 2019.

"Where Have Voters Gone? Dualization and the Rise of Europe's Nationalist Parties," paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Annual Conference, Chicago, 2018.

"Identities and (In)Securities of the EU: Ontological Security, Agency, and Democratic Values in a Period of Uncertainty," paper presented at the International Studies Association (ISA) Annual Conference, Toronto, 2014.

Fellowships & Honors:

IHS Humane Studies Fellowship	2020/21
Alberta Sbragia Fund for Graduate European Studies	2019
Klinzing Grant for Dissertation Research	2019
Social Science Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship	2019
European Studies Center Teaching Fellowship	2018
Arts & Sciences Summer Fellowship	2015
Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences Graduate Fellowship	2014/15
Foreign Language Areas Studies (FLAS) Fellowship, Summer 2013	2013
Undergraduate Research, "Economic Security and the European Dream," published in the St. Anselm College Global Topics E-Journal, Vol. 8, 2010	2010

Lumina Scholar Award, Valparaiso University

The Patterson McLean Friedrich French Scholarship, Valparaiso University

2008

Memberships & Affiliations:

European Political Science Association (EPSA), 2020 – Present

Political Science Graduate Student Association, University of Pittsburgh, 2014- Present

American Political Science Association (APSA), 2013 - Present

Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA), 2013 - Present

Political Science Graduate Student Association, University of Kansas, 2012 - 2014

Political Science Graduate Student Association, Marquette University, 2009 – 2011

Phi Beta Kappa Society, Academic Honor Society, Inducted Spring 2009

Pi Delta Phi, National French Honor Society, Inducted Spring 2009

Pi Gamma Mu, International Honor Society in Social Sciences, Inducted Spring 2008

Alpha Lambda Delta, National Honor Society for Students, Inducted Spring 2007

Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, National Social Fraternity, Inducted Fall 2006

Eta Sigma Phi, National Honorary Classical Fraternity, Inducted Spring 2006

Service Activities:

University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Department of Political Science Graduate Teaching Assistant Mentor, 2018-2019 Graduate Student Elected Council (GSEC)

• Social Chair – 2015-2016, 2018-2020

Skills & Experiences:

Knowledge of both R and Stata statistical computing and graphics software programs

Knowledge of Microsoft Office, LaTex, Jupyter, Python, Acrobat, Blackboard

Skills in conducting and presenting proper research, qualitative and quantitative methodologies

Foreign language and study/professional experiences abroad

Languages:

English – native language

French – speak, read, and write with a high proficiency

Turkish - beginning level of proficiency

Polish – beginning level of proficiency