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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor, University of Pittsburgh <i>Department of Political Science</i>	2017 to Present <i>Tenure Review Scheduled for Fall 2026</i>
Research Fellow, Princeton University <i>Center for the Study of Democratic Politics</i>	2020 to 2021
Adjunct Professor, New York University <i>Wagner Graduate School of Public Service</i>	2016-2017

EDUCATION

New York University, Ph.D. Department of Politics Fields of Study: American Politics, Comparative Politics Dissertation: "The Politics of Identity"	May 2017
New York University, M.A. and B.A. Department of Politics Field of Study: Politics, History International Relations	2009, 2008

PUBLICATIONS

- Baron, Hannah, Robert A. Blair, Donghyun Danny Choi, Laura Gamboa, Jessica Gottlieb, Amanda Lea Robinson, Steven C. Rosenzweig, Megan M. Turnbull, and **Emily A. West**. "Couples Therapy for a Divided America: Assessing the Effects of Reciprocal Group Reflection on Partisan Polarization." 2025. *Political Behavior*.
 - Highlighted in Evidence in Government and Politics (EGAP) Q&A with Members Series
- Fraga, Bernard, Yamil Velez and **Emily A. West**. "Reversion to the Mean, or their Version of the Dream? An Analysis of Latino Voting in 2020." 2025. *American Political Science Review*.
 - Highlighted in Thomas B. Edsall's NYT OpEd: The 'Sleeping Giant' That May Decide the Midterms
- West, Emily A.** and Dominik Duell. "How Descriptive Representation Increases Women's Labor Market Participation" Forthcoming. *Political Behavior*.
- West, Emily A.** "In-Group Bias, Partisanship and Gendered Voting." 2022. *Political Psychology*. 43(6): 1147-1168.
- Ban, Pamela, Justin Grimmer, Jaclyn Kaslovsky, and **Emily A. West**. "How Does the Rising Number of Women in the U.S. Congress Change Deliberation? Evidence from House Committee Hearings." 2022. *Quarterly Journal of Political Science*. 17(3): 355-387

6. **West, Emily A.** and Shanto Iyengar. “Partisanship as a Social Identity: Implications for Polarization.” 2022. *Political Behavior*. 44: 807-838.
 - Cited by the European Union (EU) Report: “Values and Identities: A Policymaker’s Guide”
 - Highlighted in an article on The Conversation: “Understanding why people reject science could lead to solutions for rebuilding trust.”
 - Highlighted in an article on Washington Post: “What did we learn from the 2022 U.S. midterm elections?”
7. Harvey, Anna and **Emily A. West**. “Discrimination in Public Accommodations.” 2020. *Political Science Research and Methods*. 8(4): 597-613.
8. Samii, Cyrus and **Emily A. West**. “Repressed Productive Potential and Revolt: Insights from an Insurgency in Burundi.” 2019. *Political Science Research and Methods*. 9: 106-121.
9. **West, Emily A.** “Descriptive Representation and Political Efficacy: Evidence from Obama and Clinton.” 2017. *The Journal of Politics*. 79(1): 351-355.
 - Highlighted in a Washington Post article: “In a first, House Democrats elected a Black leader. Here’s what that means.”

MANUSCRIPTS CURRENTLY UNDER REVIEW

1. **West, Emily A.** “Partisan Norms and Racial Attitudes.” 2025. *Invited to Revise and Resubmit at Political Behavior*.
 - Featured as an episode of Niskanen Center’s Science of Politics podcast: When Partisanship Forms Our Identity
2. **West, Emily A.** “Discussions with The Enemy: How Exposure to the Other Side and Counter-typical Viewpoints Can Moderate Extremity.” 2025. *Under Review*.
3. Jenke, Libby, Jon Krosnick, Cecilia Mo, and **Emily A. West**. “Voter Gender Bias: A New Measure’s Performance in Predicting Vote Choice in 2016 and 2020.” 2024. *Under Review*.

SELECTION OF WORKS IN PROGRESS

1. Green, Donald P., Emma Swanson and **Emily A. West**. “Testing Partisan Ideological Constraint with their Own Words: Applying LLMs to Partisan Discussion Data.” 2025. *Working Paper*.
2. Engelhardt, Andrew, Justin Dollman, Ecem Ersozlu, and **Emily A. West**. “The Gap Between Racial Resentment Measures and Racial Attitudes in Partisan’s Own Words: Applying LLMs to Partisan Discussion Data.” 2025. *Working Paper*.
3. Carey, Tony Eugene, Aashrit Cunchala, and **Emily A. West**. “The Rise of Anti-Diversity Policy in Local Politics.” 2025. *Working Paper*.

OTHER WRITING

[“Gender Bias in U.S. Elections.”](#) 2017. *APSA Comparative Politics Newsletter* 27(1): 75-78.

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Research Fellowship Princeton University	2020-2021
Momentum Funds University of Pittsburgh (\$17,990.32)	2020
Hewlett International Grant University of Pittsburgh (\$3,000)	2018
Central Research Development Fund University of Pittsburgh (\$10,000)	2018
The Center for Social and Political Behavior New York University (\$4,000)	2016
George Downs Prize Research Grant New York University (\$3,000)	2015
Winter Experimental Social Science Institute New York University (Travel and Participation)	2015

INVITED TALKS

Harvard’s American Politics Speaker Series	October 2024
Columbia’s American Politics Speaker Series	March 2024
Penn State’s Center for Social Data Analytics	February 2023
Online Political Economy Seminar Series (OPESS)	May 2021
Harvard’s Working Group in Political Psychology and Behavior	March 2021
Ohlone College panel on “Polarization and the 2020 Election”	February 2021
Princeton’s CSDP Seminar Series	October 2020
Citrin Center Conference on Gender and Politics UC Berkeley	May 2019
Workshop on Representation of Marginalized Groups Rice University	February 2019
Alumni Events for Advising PhD Students on the Market New York University	2018 & 2019
NYU Graduate School of Arts and Science PhD Convocation New York University	2017
Experiments Workshop Yale University	2016

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Spring 2023
The Rebecca B. Morton Conference on Experimental Political Science, NYU, Spring 2023
Polarization Research Lab First Annual Meeting, Stanford, Spring 2023
Southern Political Science Association, St. Petersburg, FL, Spring 2023
Evidence in Governance and Politics (EGAP) Meeting, Cornell, Fall 2022
Northeast Workshop in Empirical Political Science (NEWEPS), Columbia, Fall 2019
APSA Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, 2019
ISPP Annual Meeting, Lisbon, 2019
EPSA, Annual Meeting, Belfast, 2019
Nottingham Interdisciplinary Centre for Economic and Political Research, 2018
EPSA, Annual Meeting, Vienna, 2018
MPSA, Annual Meeting, 2018
Center for the Study of American Politics and Society, University of Pittsburgh, 2017
Women in Society (Council for European Studies), University of Glasgow, 2017
Northeast Workshop in Empirical Political Science (NEWEPS), NYU, Fall 2016
APSA Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, 2016
ISPP Annual Meeting, Warsaw, 2016
MPSA Annual Meeting, Chicago, 2016
Northeast Workshop in Empirical Political Science (NEWEPS), NYU, Fall 2015
Working Group in African Political Economy (WGAPE), Brown, 2015
Politics and History Conference, Harvard, 2015
Conference on Institutions and Law-Making, Emory, 2015
Graduate Student Seminar, NYU, 2014
MPSA Annual Meeting, Chicago, 2014
Contemporary African Political Economy Research Seminar (CAPERS), NYU, 2013

TEACHING

University of Pittsburgh	2017-Present
Assistant Professor	

- [Identity Politics](#), Undergraduate Honors Seminar
- [Political Psychology](#), Undergraduate Lecture
- [Women and Politics](#), Undergraduate Seminar
- [Political Psychology](#), PhD Seminar
- [Causal Inference](#), PhD Seminar

New York University	2016-2017
Adjunct Professor	

- Estimating Impacts, Wagner Graduate School of Public Service, Seminar

MENTORING & STUDENT OTHER SUPPORT

Murat Akdogan (Graduate Student, Political Science, University of Pittsburgh)

- Advising and active member of dissertation committee Fall 2024/Spring 2025
- Advising on dissertation project – Fall 2022/Spring 2023
- Dissertation Committee – Spring 2023

- Dissertation Prospectus Defense – Spring 2023

Ecem Ersozlu (Graduate Student, Political Science, University of Pittsburgh)

- Advising on MA paper Fall 2024/Spring 2025
- Co-author on joint project Fall 2024/Spring 2025

Beverly Conrique (Graduate Student, Psychology, University of Pittsburgh)

- Dissertation Committee – joined Summer 2023
- Dissertation Prospectus Defense – Fall 2023
- Dissertation Defense – Summer 2024

Daniel Turillo (Undergraduate Student, Political Science, University of Pittsburgh)

- BPhil Thesis Defense – Spring 2023

Ian Delabie (Graduate Student, Political Science, University of Pittsburgh)

- MA Paper Advising – Fall 2022/Spring 2023
- MA Committee – Spring 2023

Alejandro Honeker (PhD Student, Political Science, University of Pittsburgh)

- MA Paper Committee (Chair, with Kris Kanthak) – Spring 2019
- Dissertation Committee
- Dissertation Defense Spring 2023

Kathryn Fleisher (Undergraduate Student, Political Science, University of Pittsburgh)

- Honors Thesis Defense – Spring 2021

Nicole Loncaric (PhD Student, Political Science, University of Pittsburgh)

- MA Paper Committee (Chair, with Kris Kanthak) – Spring 2020

Joe Mernyk (Undergraduate Student, Psychology, University of Pittsburgh)

- Honors Thesis Defense – Spring 2019

Jake Schiller (PhD Student, Political Science, University of Pittsburgh)

- MA Paper Committee (with Kris Kanthak)– Spring 2018

CONSULTING

Decision Desk Analyst
CBS News (New York City)

2024 Elections

Decision Desk Analyst
CBS News (New York City)

2022 Elections

Decision Desk Analyst
CBS News (New York City)

2020 Elections

Decision Desk Analyst
CBS News (New York City)

2018 Midterm Elections

Data Analyst
CBS News (New York City)

January to November 2016

ACADEMIC SERVICE

- [Advisory Board of Polarization Research Lab \(PRL\)](#), jointly housed at Stanford, Dartmouth and University of Pennsylvania
- Editorial Board *Politics, Groups and Identities*
- Reviewer for *American Political Science Review*; *The Journal of Politics*; *American Journal of Political Science*; *Political Behavior*; *American Politics Research*; *Nature*; *British Journal of Political Science*; *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion & Parties*; *Journal of Experimental Political Science*; *Journal of Women, Politics, & Policy*; *Perspectives on Politics*; *Politics, Groups & Identities*; *Politics & Gender*; *Public Opinion Quarterly*; *Science*; *Time-Sharing Experiments in Social Sciences*
- Co-Convener, [Northeast Workshop in Political Science \(NEWEPS\)](#)
- Organizer of the Center for the Study of American Politics and Society's (CAPS) Seminar Series, AY 2017-2018/AY 2022-2023
- Convener of the Center for the Study of American Politics and Society's (CAPS) "Marginalization in American Politics" Conference (University of Pittsburgh), May 2019
- Co-Organizer Seminar in Representation and Identity Politics (SIRIP), Speaker Series (Political Science Dept. University of Pittsburgh) 2018-2019
- Officer, [Visions in Methodology \(VIM\)](#)
- Reviewer, Central Research Development Fund, University of Pittsburgh, 2019 Awards
- Co-Organizer, [Contemporary African Political Economy Research Seminar \(CAPERS\)](#), 2014-2016

MEMBERSHIPS

- [Evidence in Governance and Politics \(EGAP\) Member](#)