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EDUCATION **University of Chicago**  
Ph.D., Political Science. 2016  
Dissertation: *The Consumer Citizen*  
John Mark Hansen (Chair), William Howell, Eric Oliver, Betsy Sinclair  
**Bard College**  
B.A., Political Science and Literature. 2007

ADDITIONAL TRAINING **Russell Sage Summer Institute in Computational Social Science**  
Princeton University, June 2017.

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

1. "Seriously, But Not Literally? The Effects of Corrective Information on Factual Beliefs and Candidate Favorability." With Brendan Nyhan, Jason Reifler and Thomas J. Wood. Forthcoming, *Political Behavior*.
2. "The Public's Dilemma: Race and Political Evaluations of Police Killings." With Cathy Cohen and Thomas J. Wood. Forthcoming, *Politics, Groups and Identities*.
3. "Identifying Media Effects Through Low-Cost Multi-Wave Field Experiments." With Kimberly Gross and Thomas J. Wood. Forthcoming, *Political Communication*.
4. "Bureaucratic Responsiveness and Partisan Bias in an Election: Evidence from a Field Experiment." With Jon Rogowski. Forthcoming, *Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory*.
5. "The Elusive Backfire Effect: Mass Attitudes' Steadfast Factual Adherence." With Thomas J. Wood. Forthcoming, *Political Behavior*.
6. "Sex Trafficking, Russian Infiltration, Birth Certificates, and Pedophilia: A Survey Experiment Correcting Fake News." 2018. With Thomas J. Wood and David Kirby. *Journal of Experimental Political Science*. 5 (2): 159-164.
7. "Information, Knowledge and Attitudes: An Evaluation of the Taxpayer Receipt." 2018. With Lucy Barnes, Avi Feller and Jake Haselswerdt. *Journal of Politics*. 80 (2): 701-706.
8. "Race, Interracial Families and Political Advertising in the Obama Era: Experimental Evidence." 2016. With Thomas J. Wood. *Political Communication*. 33 (3): 481-502.

BOOK MANUSCRIPTS

1. **The Consumer Citizen**. Draft available upon request. Book conference held February 2018.
2. **False Alarm: The Truth About Political Mistruths in the Trump Era**. Under contract with Cambridge University Press for the Elements in American Politics series. With Thomas J. Wood.

WORKING PAPERS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. "The Wisdom of Political Crowds: Increasing Accuracy and Reducing Polarization In Echo Chambers." With Joshua Becker and Damon Centola. Revise-and-resubmit, <i>Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences</i></li> <li>2. "Surfacing the Submerged State: Operational Transparency and Trust in Government." With Ryan Buell and Michael I. Norton. Revise-and-resubmit, <i>Manufacturing and Service Operations Management</i>.</li> <li>3. "Correcting Bias in Perceptions of Public Opinion Among American Elected Officials: Results from a Randomized Field Experiment." With Josh Kalla. Under review.</li> <li>4. "Aligning Taxes and Spending: Theory and Experimental Evidence." With Daniel Hemel. Under review</li> <li>5. "Making a President: Ritual, Public Opinion, and the Transfiguration of Donald Trump." With William Howell and Thomas J. Wood. Under review.</li> <li>6. "Politicization and Administrative Responsiveness: Evidence from a Two-Wave Field Experiment." With Jon Rogowski. In progress.</li> <li>7. "Did Jon Stewart Elect Donald Trump? Evidence From Television Ratings Data." With Thomas J. Wood. Under review.</li> </ol>																																		
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ORIGINAL DATA COLLECTION	<p><i>The Determinants of Obamacare Enrollment</i> (with Betsy Sinclair) Panel data about Obamacare enrollment, in partnership with health insurance provider</p> <p><i>The Effects of the UK Taxpayer Receipt</i> (with Lucy Barnes, Avi Feller and Jake Haselswerdt) Panel data about the effects of the taxpayer receipt in the United Kingdom</p>
PRESENTATIONS	<p>Invited Talks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The 2016 U.S. Presidential Election Conference at the Mershon Center at the Ohio State University <span style="float: right;">November 2017</span></li> <li>• American Politics Workshop at Columbia University <span style="float: right;">February 2017</span></li> <li>• Pew Research Center <span style="float: right;">January 2017</span></li> <li>• American Politics Workshop at University of Michigan <span style="float: right;">Oct 2013</span></li> <li>• Conference on Hurricane Sandy at Yale University <span style="float: right;">Apr 2013</span></li> <li>• Tax Politics and Policy Workshop at Harvard University <span style="float: right;">Oct 2012</span></li> </ul> <p>Conference Presentations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Harvard Experimental Political Science Graduate Conference <span style="float: right;">2016</span></li> <li>• Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association <span style="float: right;">2013-2018</span></li> <li>• Annual Meeting of the Society for Political Methodology (poster) <span style="float: right;">2013-2015</span></li> <li>• Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association <span style="float: right;">2012-2018</span></li> <li>• Conference on State Political Institutions and the Executive Branch <span style="float: right;">2014</span></li> <li>• Experimental Political Science Conference at NYU <span style="float: right;">2014</span></li> <li>• Fiscal Sociology Workshop at Northwestern University <span style="float: right;">2013</span></li> </ul> <p>Invited Conference Participation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Behavioral Sciences Workshop at Harvard University <span style="float: right;">August 2013</span></li> <li>• White House Meeting On Psychological Science and Behavioral Economics in the Service of Public Policy <span style="float: right;">May 2013</span></li> </ul> <p>University of Chicago</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• American Politics Workshop <span style="float: right;">2013, 2014</span></li> <li>• Political Economy Lunch at the Harris School of Public Policy <span style="float: right;">Nov 2013</span></li> </ul>
CONFERENCES ORGANIZED	<p><i>Rebuilding Trust in Government Through Transparency</i> <span style="float: right;">June 2015</span></p> <p>Presentations and panel discussions about the taxpayer receipt, transparency and trust in government, featuring political scientists and national policymakers</p>
SERVICE	<p>Reviewer, <i>Science</i>; <i>American Journal of Political Science</i>; <i>American Political Science Review</i>; <i>Journal of Politics</i>; <i>Political Behavior</i> <span style="float: right;">2014-</span></p> <p>Editor, Society for Political Methodology <span style="float: right;">2012-2015</span></p> <p>Graduate Student Representative, American Politics Faculty Search Committee <span style="float: right;">2014-2015</span></p> <p>Graduate Student Representative, Methods Faculty Search Committee <span style="float: right;">2014-2015</span></p> <p>Graduate Representative, Innovations in Methodology Lecture Series <span style="float: right;">2014-2015</span></p> <p>Co-Coordinator and Co-Founder, American Politics Workshop at the University of Chicago <span style="float: right;">2012-2014</span></p> <p>Representative, Graduate Student Political Science Association at the University of Chicago <span style="float: right;">2011-2013</span></p>
SELECTED POPULAR PUBLICATIONS	<p>“The Rituals Of The Presidency Make Trump Seem More Presidential.” <i>FiveThirtyEight</i>. With William Howell and Thomas J. Wood. March 21, 2017.</p> <p>“Does Post-Debate Spin Work?” <i>The New York Times</i>. With Kimberly Gross and Thomas J. Wood. October 19, 2016.</p>

“Want to See How Government Spends Your Money?” *The Washington Post*. March 11, 2011.

“Immoderate America.” *The Wilson Quarterly*. Fall 2010.

“Coming to Washington.” *Dissent*. Fall 2010.

“The Woman Democrats Need.” *The Boston Globe*. January 24, 2010.

“Rashid Who? Why the Jews Finally Came Home for Obama.” *The New Republic Online*. Fall 2010.

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