

CHRISTIAN FONG

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POSITIONS

Assistant Professor, **University of Michigan**, 2020-Present

Congressional Fellow, **American Political Science Association**, 2019-2020

EDUCATION

Stanford Graduate School of Business, PhD, Political Economics, 2019

Dissertation Committee: *Keith Krehbiel (Chair), Terry Moe, Justin Grimmer, David Broockman*

Princeton University, BSE, Operations Research & Financial Engineering, 2014

Certificates in

- Statistics and Machine Learning
- Applications of Computing
- Applied and Computational Mathematics

RESEARCH

Publications

- Fong, Christian. “Expertise, Networks, and Interpersonal Influence in Congress.” *Journal of Politics*. Forthcoming.
- Fong, Christian, Neil Malhotra, and Yotam Margalit. “Political Legacies.” 2019. *PS: Political Science and Politics*. 52(3): 451-456.
- Fong, Christian, Chad Hazlett, and Kosuke Imai. 2018. “Covariate Balancing Propensity Score for a Continuous Treatment: Application to the Efficacy of Political Advertisements.” *Annals of Applied Statistics* 12(1): 156-177.
- Fong, Christian and Keith Krehbiel. 2018. “Limited Obstruction.” *American Political Science Review* 112(1): 1-14.
- Fong, Christian and Justin Grimmer. 2016. “Discovery of Treatments from Text Corpora.” *Proceedings of the 54th Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics* 1: 1600-1609.

Working Papers

- Fong, Christian and Matthew Tyler. “Machine Learning Predictions as Regression Covariates.” Conditionally accepted, *Political Analysis*.
- Fong, Christian and Justin Grimmer. “Causal Inference with Latent Treatments.” Invited to revise and resubmit, *American Journal of Political Science*.
- Fong, Christian. “The Congressional Leadership Dilemma.” Under review.
- Fong, Christian. “Rules and the Containment of Interpersonal Conflict in Congress.” Under review.
- Fong, Christian. “The Preference for Reciprocity in Congress.”
- Egami, Naoki, Christian Fong, Justin Grimmer, Molly Roberts, and Brandon Stewart. “How to Make Causal Inferences Using Texts.”

SOFTWARE

texteffect: R package for Discovering Latent Treatment Effects in Text Corpora and Estimating Their Causal Effects (author, maintainer)

CBPS: R Package for Covariate Balancing Propensity Scores (co-author, maintainer)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Organizations and Public Policy, Teaching Assistant (Sections, Grading), 2016

Machine Learning for Social Scientists, Guest Lecture, 2017

Institutions and Bridge-Building in Political Economy, Guest Lecture, 2016 and 2017

PROFESSIONAL AND DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

Referee for: *American Political Science Review*, *Journal of Politics*, *Political Analysis*, *Public Opinion Quarterly*, *Statistical Methods in Medical Research*, *Journal of Causal Inference*, *European Journal of Political Research*, *The American Statistician*, *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society: Series B*

Discussant for: APSA 2016

Political Economy Happy Hour Student Coordinator, 2018

Cowbell Coordinator, 2015-2016

OUTSIDE FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

American Political Science Association Congressional Fellowship, 2019-2020

William A Steiger Fund, 2019

National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship, 2014-2017

Jaedicke Family Scholar, 2014

Phi Beta Kappa, 2014

Tau Beta Pi, 2012

Shapiro Prize for Academic Excellence, 2011

National Merit Scholar, 2010

AP State Scholar, 2010

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2018: Frontiers in Formal Political Theory at Vanderbilt (Paper), Polmeth (Poster)

2016: Polmeth (Paper), APSA (Paper), B3 at University of Chicago (Paper)

2015: MPSA (Paper)

2014: Polmeth (Poster)

INVITED TALKS

2018: WashU, UCSD, MIT, Berkeley, Michigan, Rochester, Princeton, Yale, UCLA, Harvard, Kellogg

2016: Princeton, Richmond, George Mason

CONSULTING EXPERIENCE

United States Department of Veterans Affairs, Statistical Simulations, 2015 - Present

Vox Media, Election Forecasting, 2016

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Palantir Technologies, Embedded Analyst Intern, Summer 2013

Facebook Inc., Monetization Analytics Intern, Summer 2012 - Spring 2013

SolveMedia Inc., Business Development Coordinator, Summer 2011 - Winter 2012

MineralTree Inc., Product Marketing Intern, Summer 2011

California State Personnel Board, Appeals Analyst, Summer 2008