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EMPLOYMENT

University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

Chapel Hill, NC

Assistant Professor, Department of Public Policy

2015-present

Peter Thacher Grauer Fellow, Department of Public Policy

Adjunct Assistant Professor, Curriculum in Global Studies

Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science (beginning January 1, 2017)

AFFILIATIONS

Varieties of Democracy Project (V-Dem)

Project Manager, Experiments

2015-present

Post-Doctoral Research Fellow

2014-2015

Transparency International, Anti-Corruption Research Network

Research Correspondent

2014-present

EDUCATION

University of California, San Diego

La Jolla, CA

Ph.D. in Political Science (2014)

Fields: Comparative Politics (focus in Development), Political Methodology

Dissertation: "Transparency, Sanctioning Capacity, and Corruption Displacement: Multi-Method Evidence from Local Government in Malawi"

Advisors: Clark Gibson (Chair), Karen Ferree (Co-Chair), Stephan Haggard, Eddy Malesky, Craig McIntosh

Stanford University

Stanford, CA

B.A. in Public Policy with Honors (2005)

Thesis: "Orphan Living Situations in Malawi: A Comparison of Orphanages and Foster Homes"

Advisor: David Brady

AWARDS

GRANTS

2016 Co-PI, UCSD Faculty Senate Grant (with Clark Gibson and Robert Dowd) (\$18,000)

- 2016 Co-PI, Kellogg Institute for International Studies Faculty Grant (with Clark Gibson and Robert Dowd) (\$12,000)
- 2016 Co-PI, AidData Grant (with Ryan Jablonski) (\$203,914)
- 2016 Malawi Country Lead, The British Academy – Department for International Development Anti-Corruption Evidence (ACE) Programme (with Jan-Henrik Meyer-Sahling, PI, and Christian Schuster, Co-I) (\$30,000)
- 2015 PI, UNC College of Arts and Sciences Research Support Fund (\$30,000)
- 2015 Co-PI, LSE Research Infrastructure and Investment Funds (RIIF) Seed Fund Grant (with Ryan Jablonski) (£13,767)
- 2015 Co-PI, LSE Suntory and Toyota International Centres for Economics and Related Disciplines (STICERD) Grant (with Ryan Jablonski) (£9,531)
- 2015 Co-PI, AidData Pilot Grant (with Elizabeth Carlson) (\$35,000)
- 2015 Co-PI, AidData Pilot Grant (with Ryan Jablonski) (\$35,000)
- 2014 Graduate Student Researcher, NSF SES Grant (with Clark Gibson) (\$315,000)
- 2014 PI, Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL) Governance Initiative Grant (\$5,000)
- 2014 Co-PI, Center for Effective Global Action (CEGA) Levin Family Seed Grant (with Nicholas Obradovich) (\$1,706)
- 2014 PI, Sanford Lakoff Research Fellowship (\$2,000)
- 2012 Co-PI, National Science Foundation Dissertation Improvement Grant, DDRIG (with Clark Gibson) (\$11,915)
- 2012 PI, Center for Effective Global Action (CEGA) E2A Grant (\$5,000)
- 2012 PI, IICAS Travel Grant (\$1,000)
- 2012 PI, Dean's Travel Grant for Field Research (received twice, for \$250 and \$250)

FELLOWSHIPS

- 2014 Varieties of Democracy Post-Doctoral Research Fellowship, University of Gothenburg
- 2014 Kellogg Institute Visiting Fellowship, U. Notre Dame (awarded but declined)
- 2014 Institute on Global Conflict and Cooperation Fellowship (awarded but declined)
- 2013 Harvard Academy Scholars Semi-Finalist
- 2011 National Science Foundation (NSF) Graduate Research Fellowship
- 2010 Jerri-Ann and Gary E. Jacobs Fellowship
- 2010 UCSD Department of Political Science Fellowship
- 2010 Dean's Graduate Fellowship
- 2009 Edmund G. Brown Sr. Fellowship

HONORS

- 2016 Lijphart/Przeworski/Verba Dataset Award of the Comparative Politics Section of the American Political Science Association for the Varieties of Democracy Dataset (with Principal Investigators and other Project Managers)
- 2014 Emerging Diversity Scholar, University of Michigan, National Center for Institutional Diversity (NCID)
- 2014 Bouchet Graduate Honor Society Member

RESEARCH

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- Enemark, Daniel, Clark Gibson, Mathew McCubbins, and Brigitte Seim. Forthcoming. "Power and Reciprocity: The Effect of Holding Office on Politician Behavior." *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*.
- Obradovich, Nicholas and Brigitte Seim. Forthcoming. "African Voters Indicate Lack of Support for Climate Change Policies" *Environmental Science & Policy*.
- Seim, Brigitte. 2016. "Ethical Concerns Surrounding Research Interventions in Democratic Processes." In *Ethics and Experiments: Problems and Solutions for Social Scientists and Policy Professionals*, ed. Scott Desposato. London: Routledge.
- Seim, Brigitte. 2015. "Voter Response to Scandal: Cashgate and the Malawian Election." In *Democracy Maturing? The 2014 Malawi Tripartite Elections*, eds. Nandini Patel and Michael Wahman. Lilongwe: National Initiative for Civic Education.

REVISE AND RESUBMIT

- Robinson, Amanda, and Brigitte Seim. "Who is Targeted in Corruption? The Effects of Wealth, Power, and Coethnicity on Exposure to Bribery." *Journal of Politics*.
- van Ham, Carolien, and Brigitte Seim. "State Capacity, Incumbent Turnover and Democratic Change in Authoritarian Elections." *International Political Science Review*.

UNDER REVIEW

- McMann, Kelly, Daniel Pemstein, Jan Teorell, Brigitte Seim, and Staffan Lindberg. "Measurement Assessment Strategies: Assessing The Varieties of Democracy Corruption Measures."

SELECTED WORKING PAPERS

- Seim, Brigitte. "Whack-A-Mole Anti-Corruption: An Experiment on Corruption Substitution and Transparency."
- Jablonski, Ryan, and Brigitte Seim. "How Transparency Affects Distributional Politics: A Field Experiment Among Elected Politicians in Malawi."
- Carlson, Elizabeth, and Brigitte Seim. "Honor among Chiefs: An Experiment on Transparency and Leakage in Malawi."
- Coppedge, Michael, Adam Glynn, Staffan Lindberg, Daniel Pemstein, and Brigitte Seim. "Poor and Religious Countries are Less Democratic: How Non-Political Information Affects Political Evaluations."
- McMann, Kelly, Staffan Lindberg, Brigitte Seim, and Jan Teorell. "Democracy and Corruption: A Global Time-Series Analysis with V-Dem Data."
- Enemark, Daniel and Brigitte Seim. "Foreign Intervention: Effects of Foreign Experimenter Presence on Research Subjects in the Developing World."
- Enemark, Daniel and Brigitte Seim. "College Sophomores and Political Elites: Do Politicians Use Equilibrium Strategies?"

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- Gibson, Clark and Brigitte Seim. 2015. "Democratization in Africa." In *Oxford Bibliographies in Political Science*, ed. Sandy Maisel. New York: Oxford University Press. (with Clark Gibson)
- Seim, Brigitte. 2014. "Citizen Responses to Corruption Scandals." *Anti-Corruption Research Newsletter, Transparency International* Issue 16.
- Seim, Brigitte. 2014. "Fighting Corruption from Below." *Anti-Corruption Research Newsletter, Transparency International* Issue 14.
- Seim, Brigitte. 2013. "Patient's Sister, Seeking Job." *Journal of the American Medical Association* 309 (19): 2003-2004.

PRESENTATIONS

INVITED TALKS

Conference on Scandal and Corruption, Loyola University, Chicago, IL, August 2013

- "Transparency, Sanctioning Capacity, and Corruption Displacement: Multi-Method Evidence from Local Government in Malawi"

US-MEX Center Corruption Symposium, University of California, San Diego, May 2013

- "Transparency, Sanctioning Capacity, and Corruption Displacement: Multi-Method Evidence from Local Government in Malawi" (invited talk)

Ethics in Political Science Experiments, University of California, San Diego, May 2013

- "Ethical Concerns Surrounding Research Interventions in Democratic Processes"

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

- *Presenter*, American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, September 2016
- *Presenter*, Southern Political Science Association (SPSA) Annual Meeting, San Juan, Puerto Rico, January 2016
- *Presenter*, American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, September 2015
- *Discussant, Presenter*, Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, April 2015
- *Discussant*, African Studies Association (ASA) Annual Meeting, Indianapolis, IN, November 2014
- *Panel Organizer, Presenter*, American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Meeting, Washington, DC, August 2014
- *Poster*, NYU-CESS Experimental Political Science Annual Conference, New York, NY, March 2014
- *Presenter*, APSA Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, August 2013
- *Presenter*, APSA Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, August 2012 (cancelled)

- *Presenter, Working Group in African Political Economy (WGAPE) National Meeting, Berkley, May 2012*
- *Discussant, Presenter, MPSA Annual Meeting, Chicago, April 2012*
- *Presenter, APSA Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA, August 2011*
- *Presenter, MPSA Annual Meeting, Chicago, March 2011*

FIELD RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Malawi: 30 months total, 2001-2016
 Election Observer, Presidential/Parliamentary/Local Election, May 20, 2014

Zambia: 3 months total, 2008-2014

Uganda: 1 month total, 2011

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

AWARDS

2016 Course Development Grant, Curriculum in Global Studies, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

2016 Undergraduate Teaching Award, Student Undergraduate Teaching and Staff Awards (SUTASA), University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

2011 Teaching Assistant Excellence Award, Department of Political Science, University of California, San Diego

ADVISING

2016 Advisor, Sarah Frazer, Masters Capstone, UNC Global Studies

2016 Examiner, Ghazal Dezfuli, Ph.D. Field Exam, UNC Public Policy

2014 Advisor, Shannon Colin, Honors Thesis, UCSD Political Science

2014 Examiner, Masters Theses, International Administration and Global Governance Program (IAGG), University of Gothenburg, Sweden

UNDERGRADUATE INSTRUCTION

- Professor, *Research Design in Public Policy*, UNC, FA 2016.
- Professor, *Global Policy Issues*, UNC, FA 2015 / FA 2016.
- Professor, *Beg Borrow and Steal: The Political Economy of Aid, FDI, and Corruption*, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill (UNC), SP 2016.
- Instructor, *Seminar in Research Design*, University of California, San Diego (UCSD), SP 2011 / WI 2012 (Co-Instructor in 2012).
- Guest Lecturer on African Politics, *Introduction to Comparative Politics*, UCSD, FA 2011, Faculty: Kaare Strøm.
- Section Teaching Assistant, *Introduction to Comparative Politics*, UCSD, FA 2010, Faculty: Karen Ferree.

GRADUATE INSTRUCTION

- Professor, *The Global Economy*, UNC, SP 2016.
- Co-Instructor, *Varieties of Democracy and Democratization*, Department of Political Science, University of Gothenburg, SP 2015.
- Co-Instructor, *Theoretical and Historical Perspectives on Global Governance*, International Administration and Global Governance Program (IAGG), University of Gothenburg, Sweden, FA 2015.
- Section Teaching Assistant, *Quantitative Methods Sequence*, School of International Relations and Pacific Studies (IR/PS), UCSD, WI 2012 / SP 2012, Faculty: Edmund Malesky and Craig McIntosh.
- Section Teaching Assistant, *Program Design and Evaluation*, IR/PS, UCSD, FA 2011 / FA 2012, Faculty: Edmund Malesky and Simeon Nichter.

INTERNATIONAL PRACTITIONER INSTRUCTION

- Presenter, *USAID Impact Evaluation Clinic*, representatives from USAID DRG and USAID missions, Dar Es Salaam, Tanzania, March 2015.
- Presenter, *IPA Impact Evaluation Training*, representatives from Malawi Economic Justice Network (MEJN), Lilongwe, Malawi, May 2014.
- Co-Instructor, *Workshop in Research Methods*, representatives from nonprofit, civil society, and government organizations, Lilongwe, Malawi, February 2011.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

2013-present Reviewer, *American Political Science Review*, *American Journal of Political Science*, *British Journal of Political Science*, *Comparative Political Studies*, *Comparative Politics*, *Journal of East Asian Studies*, *Political Behavior*

2014-2016 Editorial Board Member, *Comparative Democratization Newsletter*, Comparative Democratization APSA Section

2011-2012 Co-Chair, Women in Political Science (WIPS), UCSD

2009-2010 Graduate Student Association Representative, UCSD

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

2009-present American Political Science Association (APSA)

2009-present Working Group on African Political Economy (WGAPE)

2010-present Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA)

2014-present African Studies Association (ASA)

SKILLS

Languages: English (native), Spanish (intermediate), Chichewa (beginner)

Software: Stata, R, LaTeX, MS Office, Qualtrics
