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### **POSITIONS**

**2014-Present** Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Bridgewater State University  
**2014-Present** Fellow, Inter-University Seminar on Armed Forces and Society  
**2014-Present** Associate Director, UMass Poll at the University of Massachusetts Amherst  
**2012-2014** Assistant Director, UMass Poll at the University of Massachusetts Amherst

### **EDUCATION**

**2014** Ph.D. in Political Science, University of Massachusetts Amherst  
**2010** M.A. in Political Science, University of Massachusetts Amherst  
**2006** B.A. in Political Science, double major in Justice and Law Administration, *cum laude*, Western Connecticut State University

### **GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS**

**2013** Visiting Scholar, Centennial Center, American Political Science Association (dec)  
**2013** Warren E. Miller Fellowship in Electoral Politics, American Political Science Association (dec)  
**2012** Research Travel Grant, Gerald R. Ford Foundation  
**2012** Research Grant Award, Roosevelt Institute  
**2012** Harry Middleton Fellowship in Presidential Studies, The Lyndon Baines Johnson Foundation  
**2012** Schlesinger Library Dissertation Grant, Radcliffe Institute, Harvard University, \$850  
**2012** Research Grant, Harry S. Truman Library Institute  
**2012** Graduate Research Initiative Program (GRIP) Summer Research and Writing Grant, Department of Political Science, UMass Amherst  
**2012** Summer Methods Training and Research Grant, Department of Political Science, UMass  
**2012** Student Choice Award, Residential First-Year Experience Program, UMass Amherst  
**2011** College Online Teaching Fellow, School of Social and Behavioral Science, UMass  
**2011** Course Development Grant, Department of Political Science, UMass Amherst, \$2,500  
**2011** Conference Travel Grant, American Political Science Association  
**2010** Center for Research on Families' Methodological Studies Grant, UMass Amherst

### **PEER REVIEWED ARTICLES**

Rendering the Implicit Explicit: Political Advertisements, Partisan Cues, Race, and White Public Opinion in the 2012 Presidential Election (with Rebecca Lisi and Tatishe Nteta) -- forthcoming in *Politics, Groups, and Identities*

## **ARTICLES UNDER REVIEW**

Conditional Representation: Presidential Rhetoric, Public Opinion, and the Representation of African American Interests (with Tatishe Nteta and Jesse Rhodes)

Burying the Hatchet? Elite Influence and Public Opinion on the Washington Redskins Controversy (with Tatishe Nteta and Elizabeth Sharrow)

Persuasion from Below? An Experiment Assessment of the Impact of Comment Sections on News Reader Attitudes (with Kevin Wallsten)

The American Solider Revisited: Race, Contact, and Military Service in the Age of Obama – Manuscript in preparation

## **CURRENT PROJECTS**

The Interest of Defense: Individual and Contextual Influences on Defense Spending Preferences – Manuscript in preparation

Generational Membership, the Impressionable Years Hypothesis, and White Vote Choice in Bi-Racial Elections (with Jill Greenlee and Tatishe Nteta) – Manuscript in preparation

From Rights to Repayments: The Framing of the Post-9/11 GI Bill – Manuscript in preparation

## **SELECTED RECENT CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION AND INVITED TALKS**

New Veteran, New Welfare State: The 1966 G.I. Bill and Changes in American Social Policy. Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago. April 2014.

The American Solider Revisited: Race, Contact, and Military Service in the Age of Obama (with Tatishe Nteta). Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago. April 2014.

Camouflaged Power: The Veterans' Benefits Coalition and Social Policy Influence in the Post-World War II Years. Paper presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, August 2013.

Easy Alliances? Presidential Rhetoric, African American Interests, and the Theory of Electoral Capture (with Tatishe Nteta and Jesse Rhodes). Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago. April 2013.

Edith Nourse Rogers, the Veterans' Coalition, and the G.I. Bill. Talk given at the Arthur and Elizabeth Schlesinger Library on the History of Women in America, Radcliffe Institute for Advanced Study, Harvard University, February 2013.

Point of Intersection: The G.I. Bill and the Development of Universal Social Policies. Paper presented at the Journal of Policy History Conference, Richmond, VA, June 2012.

The Interest of Defense: Individual and Contextual Influences on Defense Spending Preferences. Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, April 2012.

From Rights to Repayments: The Framing of the Post-9/11 GI Bill. Paper presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Seattle. September 2011.

Veterans' Benefits and Policy Evolution: The Importance of Historical Processes. Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago. April 2011.

### **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND SERVICE**

**2014 – Present** Graduate Curriculum Committee, Department of Political Science, Bridgewater State University

**2009 – 2011** Undergraduate Studies Committee, Department of Political Science, UMass Amherst

**2007 – 2009** Graduate Studies Committee, Department of Political Science, UMass Amherst

### **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

American Political Science Association, Midwestern Political Science Association, Southern Political Science Association, International Studies Association, American Association of Public Opinion Research

### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

American political development and historical approaches to policy studies; race and gender in American politics; public opinion; American civil-military relations; experimental survey methods and online panel recruitment

### **COURSES TAUGHT**

Introduction to American Politics, State and Local Politics, Introduction to Organization Theory (graduate), Public Opinion and Mass Political Behavior

### **METHODS TRAINING**

Quantitative data analysis; categorical data analysis (2010, ICPSR); time series analysis (2012, ICPSR); proficient in STATA