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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Political Science | Purdue University | Expected Aug 2025
Public Policy, Ecological Sciences & Engineering

M.A. Political Science | Purdue University | May 2022
Public Policy, Ecological Sciences & Engineering

B.S. Anthropology, *cum laude* | Ball State University | Jul 2015
Minor - Philosophy

ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant, University Sustainability Initiative | Purdue University | Jan 2024-present
Institute for a Sustainable Future

Lead Research Assistant, Court of Federal Claims Lab | Purdue University | Aug 2022-Aug 2024
Department of Political Science

Teaching Assistant | Purdue University | Aug 2021-Aug 2022
Department of Political Science
Courses: Introduction to Environmental Policy (POL 22300), Women and the Law (POL 36000)

Program Coordinator, Business Relationship Management | Purdue University | Jul 2017-Jul 2020
Agriculture Information Technology (AgIT)

CERTIFICATIONS

Facilitation Skills Workshop, Purdue Extension (Jun 2024)

Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI):

- Group 2. Social Behavioral Research Investigators and Key Personnel
- Responsible Conduct of Research (RCR) Training

Certified Associate in Project Management (CAPM)® (Jan 2021-Jan 2024)

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-reviewed

Young, Kayla, Kayla Gurganus, and Leigh Raymond. 2022. "Framing Market-Based Versus Regulatory Climate Policies: A Comparative Analysis." *Review of Policy Research*, 39(6), 798-819. doi.org/10.1111/ropr.12493.

Editor-reviewed

Labadorf, Beth Ann, Taylor Borgelt, Gina Reynolds, Kayla Gurganus, Seohyung Kim, and Waire Olawolu. 2024. "Park, Partnerships, and Place: Interdisciplinary Student Perspectives on Applied Anthropology Research." *Teaching and Learning Anthropology Journal Special Issue: Teaching the City (Student Showcase)*, 7(1): 101-111. doi.org/10.5070/T37161854.

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PAPERS UNDER REVIEW

Basseches, Joshua, Rebecca Bromley-Trujillo, Kayla Gurganus, and Leigh Raymond. Submitted Jan 2025. "Comparing public support for alternative climate policy designs: An experimental study."

Gurganus, Kayla. Submitted Jan 2025. "Supreme Court Power and Agency Implementation in Environmental Litigation."

PRESENTATIONS

Gurganus, Kayla. 2025. "Sustainability in Higher Education." To be presented at the Midwest Climate Summit, Madison (Apr-May 2025).

Gurganus, Kayla. 2024. "City climate action planning and equity-focused plans". Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago.

Gurganus, Kayla. 2023. "Procedural Equity and Climate Action Planning." Poster presented at the Political Science Department Colloquium Prospectus Research Fair, West Lafayette.

Borgelt, Taylor, Kayla Gurganus, Seohyung Kim, Beth Ann Labadorf, Oluwawairefunmi Olawolu, and Gina Reynolds. 2023. "Participatory Community Design: How Memory Works to Integrate PlaceBased Methods." Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Conference. Ohio. (Presented by Taylor Borgelt and Seohyung Kim).

Young, Kayla, Kayla Gurganus, and Leigh Raymond. 2021. "Framing Market-Based Versus Regulatory Climate Policies: A Comparative Analysis." Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Seattle.

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

College of Liberal Arts PROMISE Award, Purdue University - \$500 (Nov 2024)

Bravo Award - Political Science Department, Purdue University - \$1,500 (Feb 2024)

Top Field Paper Award, Political Science Department, Purdue University - \$500 (Apr 2023)

Scholars Strategy Network Graduate Fellow - Indiana Chapter (Aug 2021-May 2024)

College of Liberal Arts PROMISE Award, Purdue University - \$750 (Aug 2021)

American Political Science Association Travel Grant - \$300 (Jul 2021)

Lynn Fellowship - Ecological Sciences & Engineering, Purdue University (Aug 2020)

Bravo Award - Agriculture Information Technology, Purdue University - \$750 (Jun 2019)

BRM Excellence Award, Awarded to Agriculture Information Technology BRM Team - Business Relationship Management (BRM) Institute (2018)

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PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management | September 2024-present

American Political Science Association | Aug 2020-present

Business Relationship Management Institute | Dec 2017-Dec 2020