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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Political Science, *Purdue University*
Major Field: International Relations

Expected May 2026

B.S., Natural Resources and Environmental Science (NRES), *Purdue University*
Concentration: Policy and Analysis
Minors: Political Science, Environmental Politics
Magna Cum Laude

May 2021

AREAS OF INTEREST

International Relations, Global Conflict, Energy Security, and Development

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science, Purdue University

POL 120: Introduction to Public Policy (Present)

Undergraduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science, Purdue University

POL 323: Comparative Environmental Policy Renewable Energy Politics Around the World (S2021)

POL 141: Governments of the World (S2021)

PUBLICATIONS IN PROGRESS

Understanding the role of information networks in promoting conservation behavior on rented farmland in Indiana (Co-authored: In Progress)

The social factors influencing cover crop adoption in the Midwest: A controlled comparison (Co-authored: In Progress)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant, Natural Resource Social Science Lab, Purdue University

August 2019 – August 2021

- Researched under the director of NRES, Dr. Prokopy, along with post-doctoral researchers on two primary projects
- Examined the role of information networks in promoting sustainable behavior on rented farmland in Indiana through communication networks, norms, and other social behaviors
- Collaborated with The Nature Conservancy to analyze social motivators and barriers to cover crop adoption across Indiana, Iowa, and Illinois
- Created research questions, frameworks, and surveys to be used in interviews and focus groups
- Wrote an independent literature review, co-authored research papers, reports, and annotated bibliographies
- Analyzed data through quantitative and qualitative programs such as SPSS, NVivo, and Qualtrics
- Certified in CITI Human Research and Social Behavioral Research

RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE

Intern, House of Representatives, Capitol Hill, D.C.

January 2020 – April 2020

- Worked for Indiana Representative Congressman Jim Baird (IN-04)

- Developed a public policy project focusing on French energy policy and relations to be incorporated into the American economy and technology sectors
- Drafted policy recommendations on American/French energy, technology, and relations while addressing any possible externalities in implementation
- Developed legislative and policy writing skills through briefs, memos, and one-minute floor speeches

Intern, Governor's Public Policy Internship, Indianapolis, IN

May 2019 – August 2019

- Worked in the Air Quality division of the Indiana Department of Environmental Management
- Wrote and modified air permits to enforce federal and state rules
- Calculated the emission levels for EPA criteria pollutants for Indiana businesses

AFFILIATION

American Political Science Association
Alpha Lambda Delta, Honor Society

VOLUNTEERING

Purdue Space Days – Annual education day for K-12 children on aerospace science through interactive STEM
Make a Difference Day – Annual county activity to clean up the Wabash River from litter and debris
Spring Blast – Annual volunteer event to assist the local elderly community in yard work and cleaning