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Curriculum Vitae

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Research Interests: American Politics, Political Behavior, Social Influence in Politics, Political Psychology, Experimental and Survey Methods

Education:

- Ph.D. Candidate, Political Science, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY, Expected: May 2019
- M.A., Political Science, Stony Brook University, Stony Brook, NY, August 2014
- B.A., Political Science, College of Charleston, Charleston, SC, December 2010, Departmental Honors in Political Science, Outstanding Student Award in Political Science, *Magna Cum Laude*

Dissertation:

- The Social Dimension of Political Values (*revise and resubmit, Political Behavior; APSA 2018 John Sullivan Award Winner*)
- Distinguishing Between Social Influence and Media Influence in Issue Polarization
- Principles and Politicians: How Social Influence Constrains Candidates' Political Value Rhetoric

Committee:

Yanna Krupnikov (*chair; Stony Brook University*), Jennifer Jerit (*Stony Brook University*), Peter DeScioli (*Stony Brook University*), Kevin Arceneaux (*Temple University—outside member*)

Papers Under Review:

- Elizabeth C. Connors. “The Social Dimension of Political Values” (*revise and resubmit, Political Behavior*)
- Elizabeth C. Connors, Yanna Krupnikov, and John Barry Ryan. “Does Transparency Bias Survey Research?” (*revise and resubmit, Public Opinion Quarterly*)
- Yanna Krupnikov, Kerri Milita, John Barry Ryan, and Elizabeth C. Connors. “How Gender Affects the Efficacy of Discussion as an Information Shortcut” (*revise and resubmit, Political Science Research and Methods*)

Select Working Papers:

- “The Conditional Nature of Empathy: Support for Children at the Border” with Stanley Feldman and Leonie Huddy [draft completed]
- “Calls to Action: Why Detailed Information May Backfire as a Mobilization Strategy” with Yanna Krupnikov and Christopher B. Mann [draft completed]
- “Independent Disapproval: Can Low Approval of Presidential Candidates Drive Peoples' Party Identification?” with Robert Bird and Yanna Krupnikov [data analysis completed]
- “Do Indirect Policies Successfully Persuade Public Opinion?” with Peter DeScioli [data analysis in progress]

Fellowships, Grants, and Awards:

- Milton Lodge Award for outstanding graduate student researcher in Political Science, co-recipient class of 2019

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- John Sullivan Award for the best paper presented by a graduate student in the field of Elections, Public Opinion, and Voting Behavior at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, 2018
- American Political Science Association Travel Grant, 2018
- Midwest Women's Caucus for Political Science Graduate Student Travel Award, 2018
- National Science Foundation, Time-Sharing Experiments for the Social Sciences (with Yanna Krupnikov and John Barry Ryan), 2015
- Teaching Assistantship, Stony Brook University, 2016 – Present
- Graduate Assistantship, Stony Brook University, 2014 – 2016
- Full Tuition Scholarship, Stony Brook University, 2014 – Present

Other Published Work:

- Yanna Krupnikov and Elizabeth C. Connors. “Negative Campaigns: Are They Good for American Democracy?” in *New Directions in Media and Politics, 2nd Edition* (Ridout, ed), forthcoming.

Teaching Experience (Stony Brook University):

Graduate Class

- Research Design, Fall 2017

Undergraduate

- Current Political Events, Summer 2018 [online]
- The Politics of Trump, Summer 2017 and Winter 2018 [online]
- American Government, Fall 2016 and Spring 2017

Conference Papers:

- “The Social Dimension of Political Values.” Presented at MPSA, April 2018, Chicago, IL; APSA, August 2018, Boston, MA
- “Are Values Stable? Social Influence on Values and Subsequent Policy Support.” Presented at APSA, September 2017, San Francisco, CA; MPSA, April 2017, Chicago, IL
- “The Conditional Nature of Empathy: Support for Children at the Border,” with Stanley Feldman and Leonie Huddy. Presented at MPSA, April 2017, Chicago, IL
- “Does Transparency Bias Survey Research?” with Yanna Krupnikov and John Barry Ryan. Presented at NYU-CESS Experimental Political Science Conference, February 2017, NY, NY; MPSA, April 2016, Chicago, IL

Participation and Service:

- Co-organizer for Speaker Series, Stony Brook University, 2018 – Present
- Organizer for Graduate Colloquium & In-House Speaker Series, Stony Brook University 2016 – 2018
- Discussant and/or Chair at APSA 2017, MPSA 2018, APSA 2018
- Invited Participant & Program Assistant at Visions in Methodology 2017 Conference
- Assistant to Women Also Know Stuff, 2017
- Contributor to *The Monkey Cage*, *Washington Post*, November 2016: “There May Have Been Shy Trump Supporters After All,” with Samara Klar and Yanna Krupnikov
- Poster Presentation at MPSA 2016
- Alternate Graduate Academic Judiciary Member at Stony Brook University, 2014 – 2015
- Reviewer for: *British Journal of Political Science*; *Research and Politics*; *Political Science & Politics*; *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion & Parties*; *American Politics Research*

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Research Assistantships: Peter DeScioli, Leonie Huddy, Stanley Feldman, Matthew Lebo, Jeffrey Segal

References:

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