**EDUCATION**

*Temple University, Philadelphia, PA*

Ph.D. Candidate, Department of Political Science (2016 – present)

Dissertation Working Title: Representational Inequality and the Problems of Community Benefits Agreements

Certificate in Teaching in Higher Education (2020)

Online Teaching Institute at Temple University (2020)

M.A., Department of Political Science (2018)

B.A., Department of Political Science (2014)

**RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS**

My research interests investigate the relationship between urban redevelopment policies and community resistance to the effects of gentrification in American cities. Specifically, I analyze how community-developer tensions have resulted in public policies that seek to find a middle ground between competing interest groups and constituencies. A common criticism of these initiatives is that they often fail to accurately reflect community concerns and thus fail to achieve their stated ends. I employ the insights of democratic political theory as a means of improving these policies, ultimately promoting better community-developer relations that can foster local economic change and growth while curbing underlying residential insecurities. While grounded in political theory, my interests speak to a broader audience of empirically minded scholars ranging from urban affairs and American politics to activists and policymakers.

**TEACHING**

*Instructor of Record, Temple University*

American State and Local Politics

Fall 2020: Online

Spring 2021: Online

The American Political System

Fall 2017

Spring 2021: Online

Politics of Identity in America

Spring 2019

Spring 2020

Summer 2020: Online

Introduction to Political Philosophy

Spring 2017

Summer 2017

Spring 2018

Summer 2019

Spring 2020

The History and Significance of Race in America

Fall 2018

*Adjunct Instructor, Holy Family University*

American National Government

Fall 2020: Online

*Teaching Assistant, Temple University*

American State and Local Politics

Fall 2019

The American Political System

Spring 2017

Fall 2018

War and Peace

Spring 2017

Foreign Governments and Politics

Fall 2016

*Teaching Assistant, University of Pennsylvania*

American Political Thought

Fall 2020: Online

Modern Political Thought

Spring 2020

**PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS AND CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION**

“Fixing Community Benefits Agreements: A Rights-Based Approach to Urban Renewal.” Presented at the American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Conference.

Virtual conference (originally scheduled for San Francisco, CA.) September 10,

2020.

“Democratizing Community Benefits Agreements: A Rights-Based Approach to Urban

Redevelopment.” Accepted for Presentation at the Pennsylvania Political Science

Association Annual Conference. Canceled due to COVID-19.

### “Fighting Redevelopment: Urban Resistance, Deliberative Democracy, and Community

### Benefits Agreements” Presented at the Northeastern Political Science Association

### Annual Conference. Philadelphia, PA. November 8, 2019.

“Rewriting the Urban Social Contract?: Deliberative Democracy, Urban Redevelopment,

and Community Benefits Agreements.” Presented at Temple University’s Political

Theory Day. Philadelphia, PA. May 1, 2018.

“Freedom as Misery: Rousseau’s Long March Toward Human Estrangement.” Presented

at Temple University’s Political Theory Day. Philadelphia, PA. May 2, 2016.

“United Nations Development Programme: The Endogenous Transformation of an

Influential International Organization. Presented at the Temple Undergraduate

Research Forum. Philadelphia, PA. April 15, 2014.

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

American Political Science Association

Association for Political Theory

National Political Science Honor Society (Pi Sigma Alpha)