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EDUCATION

The Graduate Center, City University of New York	New York, NY
Ph.D., Political Science. ABD.	Expected May 2024
<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Research interests: Psychedelic Studies, Urban Studies, Internet-based social movements, Taboos, Discourse, Public Policy, Digital Communications● Methods: Computational text analysis in Python and R, Digital ethnography● Dissertation: <i>“Legislating the Taboo: Psychedelics and Public Policy since the 1990s.”</i>● Advisor: Dr. John Mollenkopf	
M.Phil., Political Science.	2021
Columbia University, School of International and Public Affairs	New York, NY
M.I.A., Urban Policy and Communications.	2016
Wesleyan University	Middletown, CT
B.A. with honors, College of Social Studies and International Relations.	2010

SELECTED FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS & HONORS

- 2022 - 2023:
 - GC Digital Fellow, The Graduate Center, CUNY
 - Provosts University Fellowship, The Graduate Center, CUNY
 - Tuition Fellowship, The Graduate Center, CUNY
 - Graduate Assistantship, The Graduate Center, CUNY
 - Outstanding Flash Talk, Psychedemia Conference, The Ohio State University
 - Psychedemia Conference Travel Grant, Source Resource Foundation
 - Pay it Forward Fund, The Graduate Center, CUNY
 - American Political Science Association Childcare Grant
- 2021 - 2022:
 - GC Digital Fellow, The Graduate Center, CUNY
 - Provosts University Fellowship, The Graduate Center, CUNY
 - Tuition Fellowship, The Graduate Center, CUNY
 - Graduate Assistantship, The Graduate Center, CUNY

- The Joseph Murphy Award for Best Paper Presented at a Major Political Science conference, The Graduate Center, CUNY
- Political Science Student Citizenship Award, The Graduate Center, CUNY
- Doctoral Student Research Grant, The Graduate Center, CUNY
- Graduate Center Institutional Award, The Graduate Center, CUNY
- American Political Science Association Travel Grant
- 2020 - 2021:
 - Graduate Center Fellowship, The Graduate Center, CUNY
 - Tuition Fellowship, The Graduate Center, CUNY
 - Graduate Assistantship, The Graduate Center, CUNY
 - Digital Initiatives Connect New York Fellowship, The Graduate Center, CUNY
 - Political Science University Fellowship, The Graduate Center, CUNY
 - Political Science Tithe Fellowship, The Graduate Center, CUNY
- 2019 - 2020:
 - Graduate Center Fellowship, The Graduate Center, CUNY
 - Tuition Fellowship, The Graduate Center, CUNY
 - Graduate Assistantship, The Graduate Center, CUNY
 - The Christa Altenstetter Award, The Graduate Center, CUNY
 - Urban Studies Scholarship, The Graduate Center, CUNY
 - University Fellowship Award, The Graduate Center, CUNY
- 2018 - 2019:
 - Graduate Center Fellowship, The Graduate Center, CUNY
 - Tuition Fellowship, The Graduate Center, CUNY
 - Graduate Assistantship, The Graduate Center, CUNY
- 2015 - 2016:
 - Program Assistantship, SIPA, Columbia University
 - Named Summer Internship Grant - Funded by SJS Charitable Internship Fund

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- Krisel, Rebecca. "Virtual Dance Communities and the Right to the Internet," *Ethnologies*. Forthcoming, Spring 2023.
- Krisel, Rebecca. "Why Is Income Inequality Growing?" *Contexts*, Vol. 19, Iss. 4: 86–87. Fall 2020. <https://doi.org/10.1177/1536504220977948>.
- Krisel, Rebecca. "Consent-Based Social Dancing Spaces and the Right to the City," *Metropolitica*. July 2020. <https://bit.ly/30LziOX>

- Krisel, Rebecca. "Consent-Based Spaces in New York City after the Repeal of the Cabaret Law," *Columbia Public Policy Review*, 2019 Edition: 23–26. <https://bit.ly/3eOTTvA>
- Krisel, Rebecca. "Gentrifying a Superfund Site: Why Gowanus, Brooklyn is Becoming a Real Estate Hotspot," *Consilience: The Journal of Sustainable Development*, Vol. 14, Iss. 2; Spring 2015. doi: [10.7916/D8542P1F](https://doi.org/10.7916/D8542P1F)

PRESENTATIONS

2022

- "Refreshing the Psychedelic Policy Image: A News and Social Media Sentiment Analysis of the Psychedelic Renaissance"
 - Psychedemia conference at The Ohio State University
 - Earned "Outstanding Flash Talk" Award
 - Received travel grant from the Source Resource Foundation
- "Covering the "Tampon Tax": A Gendered Media Game Schema"
 - APSA General Meeting, "Sources of Political Belief" poster session.

2021

- "Internet Dance Communities and the Right to the Internet." Paper presented at:
 - APSA General Meeting, "New Directions in the Right to the City" panel.
 - The "Augmented Cities - Where did the night go?" conference organized by The Berlin Institute for Migration and Integration Studies and the Institute for European Ethnology at Humboldt University.
- "Tracking the Tampon Tax." Paper presented with co-authors Dr. Sara De Benedictis and Dr. Kaitlyn Mendes at:
 - The "Menstruation in the Media" conference at the University of Sheffield, UK.
 - The Comparative Politics Workshop at the CUNY Graduate Center.
- "Dialogic Opportunities and Poverty-Discourse Fragmentation in the United Kingdom." Paper presented at:
 - The Society and Protest Workshop at the CUNY Graduate Center.
 - The inaugural Public Policy Workshop at the CUNY Graduate Center.

TEACHING

- Instructor. Introduction to American Government. Baruch College, CUNY. Spring 2021. *Self-designed course for two online hybrid synchronous/asynchronous sections. Received 97% average rating for teaching effectiveness from student evaluations.*
- Instructor. Introduction to American Government. Baruch College, CUNY. Fall 2020. *Self-designed course for three online synchronous/asynchronous sections. Received 98% average rating for teaching effectiveness from student evaluations.*
- Instructor. Introduction to American Government. Baruch College, CUNY. Spring 2020. *Self-designed course for one section that began as an in-person course and transitioned*

to synchronous/asynchronous. Received 98% average rating for teaching effectiveness from student evaluations.

- Instructor. Introduction to American Government. Baruch College, CUNY. Fall 2019. *Self-designed course for one in-person section. Received 96% average rating for teaching effectiveness from student evaluations.*

RELATED PROFESSIONAL & RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

The Graduate Center Digital Institute New York, NY
Digital Fellow 2021 - current

- Develop and teach workshops for the CUNY-wide community, including Intro to Python, Intro to R and R studio, and Intro to Wordpress.
- Lead Python User Group, a bi-weekly informal Python study group.
- Oversee GCDI and Digital Fellows social media channels.
- Run one-on-one consultations with students and faculty who need help problem solving a research question with a digital component.

The American Council of Learned Societies New York, NY
Research Consultant 2021

- Conducted research for the ACLS's Design Workshop for a New Academy and built a website showcasing the outcomes of the workshop in addition to resources related to innovations in higher education.

The Graduate Center, CUNY New York, NY
Graduate Teaching Assistant 2019

- Conducted research for Dr. John Mollenkopf's Urban Studies Seminar, supported by the Luce Foundation.

Graduate Assistant

- Conducted research for Dr. Alyson Cole on feminist political theory.

Institute for Social and Economic Research and Policy, Columbia University New York, NY
Research Assistant 2015 - 2016

- Conducted coding of electricity privatization reform across nations to address their impact on democratic institutions and policies as well as of institutions seeking to improve rural access to electricity across nations for Professor Johannes Urpelainen.
- Database used and analyzed in: Aklin, Michaël, S. P. Harish, and Johannes Urpelainen. "A Global Analysis of Progress in Household Electrification." *Energy Policy* 122 (November 1, 2018): 421–28. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.enpol.2018.07.018>.

Istanbul Policy Center Istanbul, Turkey
Research Assistant Summer 2015

- Conducted research on climate change and urbanization policy with Senior Scholar Ümit Şahin and Mercator Fellow Ethemcan Turhan.
- Researched democratic and ecological externalities of coal extraction and production, focusing on import of coal from Colombia to Turkey. Drafted literature review on democratic deficit of coal.

PolicyLink

New York, NY

Graduate Researcher and Writer

March 2015 - June 2015

- Conducted research for Angela Glover Blackwell, Founder and CEO of PolicyLink
- Researched and wrote stories for a long-form article about how investments in equitable policies produce long-term broad benefits for society as a whole
- Resulted in: Glover Blackwell, Angela. “The Curb Cut Effect,” *Stanford Social Innovation Review*, Winter 2017 issue.

Saber Partners Financial Advising

New York, NY

Research Analyst

March 2011 - June 2014

- Research and teaching support to Joseph Fichera, CEO of Saber Partners and Lecturer at The Woodrow Wilson School, Princeton University.
- Developed course format and created content for graduate level course on public finance at The Woodrow Wilson School, Princeton University (Fall 2011).
- Conducted research for project with SEC, analyzing auction rate security market in both private and municipal markets, to determine if there was systematic fraudulent activity. Used Bloomberg, EDGAR, and EMMA for research.
- Wrote, researched and edited supporting materials for expert witness testimony on auction rate security market

The Council On Foreign Relations

New York, NY

Latin American Studies Research Intern

Summer 2010

- Latin American studies internship with Dr. Shannon K O’Neil and Dora Beszterczey
- Conducted research for Dr. O’Neil’s book *Intimate Stranger*
- Researched effects of NAFTA on Mexican-American security relations
- Researched Brazil’s emerging green market and its significance for region
- Assisted with team expense reports and travel support

The Brookings Institution

Washington, D.C.

Foreign Policy Research Intern

Summer 2009

- Foreign Policy and counter-narcotics internship with Dr. Vanda Felbab-Brown
- Reported daily on policy and security developments in India and Pakistan
- Translated news articles on narcotics in Colombia and Mexico from Spanish to English
- Researched articles on illicit trade and logging of timber and non-timber forest products in South East Asia

- Edited and proofread reports

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Political Science Department, Graduate Center, CUNY

New York, NY

2022 - 2023

- Computational Discourse Workshop, Founder and Organizing Committee Member.

2021 - 2022

- Program Newsletter *Homo Politicus*, Editor-in-Chief.
- Executive Committee, Student Representative.
- Society and Protest Workshop, Organizing Committee Member and Social Media Manager.

2020 - 2021

- Program Newsletter *Homo Politicus*, Editor-in-Chief.
- Executive Committee, Student Representative.
- Alum Committee, Student Representative.
- Society and Protest Workshop, Organizing Committee Member and Social Media Manager.

2019 - 2020

- Program Newsletter *Homo Politicus*, Editor.
- Election Committee, Student Representative.
- Student Conference Committee, Student Representative.
- Student Activities Committee, Student Representative.
- Alum Committee, Student Representative.

Wesleyan University

Middletown, CT

2016 - 2020

- Patricelli Center for Social Impact, Alum Mentor.

Columbia University, School of International and Public Affairs

New York, NY

2015 - 2016

- School Magazine, *SIPA News Magazine*, Editor-In-Chief.
- School Newspaper, *The Morningside Post*, Editor-In-Chief.

SKILLS

- Fluent in French and English. Advanced knowledge of Spanish. Authorized to work in the USA and the EU.

- Proficient in R, Python, Stata, Adobe Acrobat Pro, Adobe Creative Suite, ArcGIS as well as Microsoft Office and Access

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Political Science Association

New York State Political Science Association