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Education

Ph.D.: May 2013

Political Science, University of Kansas; Advisor: Donald P. Haider-Markel. Committee: Burdett A. Loomis, Mark Joslyn, Robert Rohschneider.

MA: May 2010

Political Science, University of Kansas; Advisor: Donald P. Haider-Markel

MA: May 2006

Russian, East-European and Eurasian Studies, University of Kansas;

BS: April 2000

Psychology, Brigham Young University

Specialized Training

2014 Workshop on Statistical Genetic Methods for Human Complex Traits (Twin Studies)

2015 Workshop on Statistical Genetic Methods for Human Complex Traits (Molecular Genetics)

Research

Publications

2017. Schmidt, Walter and Matthew R. Miles. "Religious Identity and Descriptive Representation", *Politics and Religion*, Vol. 10(1), pp. 186-221.

2016 Miles, Matthew R. "Presidential Appeals to Moral Foundations: How Modern Presidents Persuade Cross-Ideologues." *Policy Studies Journal*. Vol. 44, pp. 471-490.

2015. **Miles, Matthew R.** "Some Folks You Just Can't Reach: The Genetic Heritability of Presidential Approval." *Presidential Studies Quarterly*. Vol. 45(4) 760-77.

2015. **Miles, Matthew R.** "Turnout as Consent: How Fair Governance Encourages Voter Participation." *Political Research Quarterly*. Vol. 68 (2) 363-376.

2015. Rohrschneider, Robert and **Matthew R. Miles.** "Representation through Parties? Environmental Attitudes and Party Stances in Europe in 2013." *Environmental Politics*. Vol. 24 (4), 617-640.

2014. **Miles, Matthew R.** "The Bully Pulpit and Media Coverage: Power without Persuasion." *International Journal of Press/Politics*. Vol. 19 (1) 66-84.

2014. **Miles, Matthew R.** "Process Over Outcome: How Perceptions of Procedural Fairness Influence Conservative Support for Redistributive Taxes." *The Social Science Journal*. Vol. 51 (4) 615-626.

2014. **Miles, Matthew R.** "The Politics of Inequality: How Team Obama Appealed to the Base in the 2012 Presidential Election." in *The Presidential Election of 2012*. Ed. Douglas Brattebo, Tom Lansford and Jack Covarrubias. University of Akron Press.

2014. Rohrschneider, Robert, **Matthew R. Miles** and Mark Peffley. "Postmaterialism and Policy Priorities among Mass Publics." in *The Civic Culture Transformed: From Allegiant to Assertive Citizenship*. Ed. Welzel, Christopher, & Dalton, Russell J. New York: Cambridge University Press.

2013. **Miles, Matthew R.** and Donald P. Haider-Markel "Bully Pulpit or Ham Radio? Receptive Audiences and Presidential Messages". *Journal of Political Science*. Vol. 41 (1) 5-31.

Research: Currently Under Review

Miles, Matthew R. *Religious Freedom, Religious Identity, and American Politics*. (Manuscript under review with Lynne Reinner Book Publishers).

Academic Appointments

Graduate Research Assistant

Kansas University Representation Initiative: University of Kansas, February, 2011 to Summer 2012. Coding and analyzing data and compiling reports for survey research projects.

Lori A. McMillan: Principal Investigator, Washburn University Law School, March – October 2012. Coding and analyzing data, producing figures, and writing summaries for a project titled "Non-charitable Nonprofit Organizations in Canada: An Empirical Investigation."

Research: Invited Research Presentations

2017 "Gendered Variation of the Effects of Personality on Ambition and Selection into Public Office." with Adam Dynes, Jessica Preece and Hans J. G. Hassell. Conference on Elite Personality and Political Institutions. Notre Dame University. May.

2015 "The Genetic Heritability of Presidential Approval." Boise State University Department of Political Science Brownbag Lecture. April 25.

Research: Conference Presentations

2017 "Waiting to Vote in the 2016 Presidential Election: Evidence from a Multi-Campus Study." with Robert Stein et al. MPSA.

2017 “Official’s Home Style: A Field Experiment on Local Officials’ Responsiveness to Constituents.” with Adam Dynes and Hans J. G. Hassell, Political Institutions and Elite Behavior 4: Experimental Approaches mini Conference at MPSA, April.

2016 “The Power of Money: How the US Dollar Constrains Executive Actions” with Stefano Corsini The annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA. September.

2016 “Personality Traits, Candidate Emergence, and Political Ambition” with Adam Michael Dynes and Hans J.G. Hassell. The annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA. September.

2016 “Predisposed to a Civil-Military Divide? Personality, Moral Foundation, and Genetic Associations with Military Service.” Miles, Matthew R. and Donald P. Haider-Markel The annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA. September.

2016 “Going Moral: The President as a Moral Leader.” WPSA and MPSA.

2015 “Presidential Appeals to Moral Foundations: How Modern Presidents Persuade Cross-Ideologues.” The annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Ill. April.

2014 “Going Public with the Process: Presidential Persuasion of Opposing Partisans.” Accepted for presentation at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington D.C, September.

2014 “Social and Political Exclusion: How America’s Religious Interact with Open Atheists.” Accepted for presentation at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington D.C, September.

2014 “Who is to Blame? Causal Attributions and Public Policy Preferences.” Haider-Markel, Donald P., Mark Joslyn and Matthew R. Miles. The annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April.

2013 “Republicans Want to Raise Taxes, Just Not in the United States.” Presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, August; and at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April.

2013 “Why People Vote When Their Vote Is Not Decisive: How Political Systems Can Encourage Greater Voter Participation in Elections.” Accepted for presentation at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April.

2013 “Who Can Succeed in the “New Normal”: Social Identities and Attributions about Success.” Haider-Markel, Donald P., Mark Joslyn and Matthew R. Miles. Presented the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April.

2012. “The Politics of Inequality: How the Cause of Economic Inequality Shapes Partisan Attitudes about the Solutions to the Problem.” Accepted for presentation at the conference: “The Presidential Election of 2012”, Hiram College, November.

2012. “From Legitimacy to Democracy: How Procedural Fairness Guides Public Evaluations of Their (Non) Democratic Political System.” Accepted for presentation at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA, August.

2012. “Divided Government and Media Coverage: The Public Presidency in a Polarized Society.” Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April.

2012. “Competing Motivations: When Political Sophistication Fails.” Presented at the University of Kansas Graduate Research Competition, Lawrence, KS, March.

2012. “Are You Kidding? Why Partisans Believe the Unbelievable.” Presented at the annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA, January.

2011. “Variation in Perceptions of Democracy: The Influence of Procedural Fairness.” Presented at the University of Kansas Graduate Research Competition, Lawrence, KS, March.

2011. “Variation in Perceptions of Democracy: The Influence of Procedural Fairness.” Presented at the annual meeting of the American Association of Public Opinion Research, Phoenix, AZ, May.

Mentored-Student Research

Publications

2016 Schmidt, Walter, and **Matthew R. Miles**. "Religious Identity and Descriptive Representation." *Politics and Religion* (2016): 1-36.

Conference and Research Presentations

2016 “The Power of Money: How the US Dollar Constrains Executive Actions” with Stefano Corsini The annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA. September.

2016 Wonnacott, Tanner. “Going Foreign: Presidential Persuasion Abroad.” The annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Ill. April.

2015 Bingham, Tayler. “Signing Statements: The President's Tool to Avoiding a Legislative Override.” The annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Ill. April.

2015 Herrera, Bronson. "The Impact of Corruption on Voter Participation: How Perceived Corruption Increases Voter Turnout in Local Elections." The annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Ill. April.

2015 Schmidt, Walter. "Descriptive Representation of Religion in Congress." The annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Ill. April.

2015 Wynder, David. "Congressional Partisanship". The annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April.

Research Grants

Awarded. March 2015. The National Science Foundation and the National Institutes of Health. Participation in the 2015 Workshop on Molecular Genetics.

Awarded. September 2014. Thomas E. Ricks Grant for research.

Awarded. March 2014. The National Science Foundation and the National Institutes of Health. Participation in the 2014 Workshop on Statistical Genetic Methods for Human Complex Traits.

Awarded. July 2012. Travel Grant from the Elections, Public Opinion and Voting Behavior Section of the American Political Science Association.

Awarded. July 2012. Travel Grant from the American Political Science Association.

Awarded. July 2012. Principal Investigator for a project titled "Publicizing the Process: Finding Support Among the Opposition." The University of Kansas Doctoral Student Research Fund.

Awarded. April 2012. Joseph P. Harris Fellowship.

Awarded. April 2012. Principal Investigator for a project titled "Procedural Fairness and Support for Unequal Political Outcomes." Walter Thompson Scholarship.

Awarded. June 2011. Principal Investigator for a project titled "Are You Kidding? Why Partisans Believe the Unbelievable." Walter Thompson Scholarship.

Awarded. April 2011. Principal Investigator for a project titled "Are You Kidding? Why Partisans Believe the Unbelievable." The University of Kansas Graduate Research Fund.

Awarded. June 2010. Funding to participate in a summer workshop for quantitative methods training. Walter Thompson Scholarship.

Academic Appointments

Faculty (With Tenure)

Department of Geography, History and Political Science. BYU-Idaho.
2013-Present.

Undergraduate Courses:

The Executive Branch
The U.S. Congress
Political Parties and Interest Groups
The Politics of Advanced Industrial Nations
Political Science Research Methods

Adjunct Faculty

Department of Political Science, Brigham Young University.
Introduction to American Politics, Summer. 2012.

Lecturer

Department of Political Science, University of Kansas.
The US Presidency, Fall. 2011, 2013.
Elections Around the World, Fall. 2012.

Graduate Teaching Assistant

Department of Political Science, University of Kansas, August 2009-May 2012.

Undergraduate Courses:

Introduction to Comparative Politics
Introduction to American Politics
The European Union

Graduate Courses:

Research Methods in Political Science I (Descriptive, Inferential Statistics up to Logit/Probit)

Teaching Interests

U.S. Political Institutions (Presidency, Political Parties, Interest Groups), Political Behavior (American and Comparative), Quantitative/Experimental Research Methods.

Service

College and University

2017-Present Chair of Tenure Committee for Travis Smith.
2015-2017, Faculty Advisor to Pi Sigma Alpha and BYU Political Affairs Society.
2015-2017. Social Science Foundations Committee.
2013-2015. Faculty Advisor to the Jefferson Public Policy Society, BYU-Idaho.
2012. Graduate Student Representative Advisory Committee, Department of Political Science, University of Kansas.
2011. Graduate Student Representative Undergraduate Committee, Department of Political Science, University of Kansas.
2011. Graduate Student Representative Faculty Committee, Department of Political Science, University of Kansas.

Professional

2009-2014. Graduate Student Representative Presidency and Executive Politics Section of the American Political Science Association.

Reviewer for *American Journal of Political Science*, *British Journal of Political Science*, *Journal of Politics*, *Political Research Quarterly*, *Policy Studies Journal*, *Political Psychology*, *Political Behavior*, *American Politics Research*, *The Social Science Journal*, *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*.

Research Skills

Categorical Data Analysis

Non-parametric Statistics

Multilevel Modeling

Structural Equation Modeling

Multilevel Structural Equation Modeling

Experimental Methods

Quasi-Experimental Methods

Proficient using: R, Stata, Qualtrics, Excel. Experience using: Mplus, Lisrel, StatExact, SPSS.

Languages

[English – native language]

[Russian – speak, read, and write with advanced proficiency]

[Spanish and Ukrainian – speak and read at basic level]

Memberships

2010 – present. American Political Science Association

2010 – present. Midwest Political Science Association

2010 – 2012. American Association of Public Opinion Research

2010 – 2011. Midwest Association of Public Opinion Research

References

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