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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor – Department of Political Science, University of Central Arkansas –
2020- Current

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Political Science - Georgia State University – 2021

Major Field: Public Law

Minor Field: American Politics

Master of Arts in Political Science - Georgia State University – 2015

Bachelor of Arts in Political Science - Georgia State University – 2013

PUBLICATIONS

PEER REVIEWED ARTICLES

Fairbanks, Bailey R., Fabian G. Neuner, Isabel M. Perera, and Christine M. Slaughter. 2021.

“Pay to Play? How Reducing APSA Division Fees Increases Graduate Student Participation.” *PS: Political Science & Politics* :1-6.

LaPlant, Kristina M., **Bailey R. Fairbanks**, and Toby W. Bolsen. 2020. “Locked in A Box: How Activist Art Affects Opinions about Solitary Confinement.” *New Political Science*, 42(3): 289- 312.

Fix, Michael P., and **Bailey R. Fairbanks**. 2020. “The Effect of Opinion Readability on the Impact of U.S. Supreme Court Precedents in State High Courts.” *Social Science Quarterly*, 101: 811-824.

Bolsen, Toby W., **Bailey R. Fairbanks**, Eduardo Aviles, Reagan G. Pritchett, Justin T. Kingsland, Kristina M. LaPlant, Matthew D. Montgomery, and Natalie C. Rogol. 2019. “Merging Undergraduate Teaching, Graduate Training, and Producing Research: Lessons from Three Collaborative Experiments.” *PS: Political Science & Politics*, 52(1): 117-122.

TEXTBOOK CHAPTERS

Gonzalez, Aiden, **Bailey R. Fairbanks**, and Shane A. Gleason. 2021. “At the Intersection of Law and Identity: Immutable Characteristics, Voter Preferences, and Strategic Voting on State Supreme Courts.” In Rorie Spill Solberg, Jennifer Segal Diascro, and Eric Waltenberg (Eds.) *Open Judicial Politics: A Companion Reader*. 2nd ed. Corvallis, Oregon: Oregon State University Press.

WORKING GRANTS

National Science Foundation (NSF) Law and Sciences Division – January 2023 – “The Causes and Consequences of State Appellate Judicial Diversity” – Collaborative Research Submission with Michael P. Fix (Georgia State University) and Abigail Matthews (State University of New York – Buffalo) – Grant Total Request: \$816,059 - Submission currently under consideration for funding.

WORKING PAPERS

“A Woman’s Place is on the Bench: An Examination of Diversity and its Effects on Workload in the State High Courts.”

“A Gavel is a Girl’s Best Friend: Understanding Citation Rates in the State High Courts”

“Examining the Interconnectedness of State High Court Twitter.” (with Todd A. Curry, Michael P. Fix, and Michael K. Romano)

“The Indirect Impact of Precedent: How Supreme Court Precedents Can Affect the Language of State High Court Opinions.” (with Michael P. Fix and Robert B. Reese)

“Are Female Judges Disadvantaged by Design? The Conditional Effect of Gender and Institutional Design on State Supreme Court Elections” (with Laine. P. Shay and Shane A. Gleason)

“The Presence of Diversity in the State Courts: Where Do We Go from Here?” (with Abigail Matthews, Savannah Rogers, Michael P. Fix, and Micayla Clark)

“Do the Scales Balance Both Ways? Gender Differences in Judicial Campaign Advertisements.” (with Kristina M. LaPlant).

“Perceptions vs. Performance: The Impact of Testing Format on Student Assessments and Perceptions of Success” (with Kisha Hardwick)

“Successes Towards a Ph.D.: A Retrospective Analysis of Alumni and Faculty in a Minority-Serving Research Institution”. (with Lisa P. Armistead, Kyle J. Frantz, and Mykel Jones-Carson).

INVITED TALKS

“The Effect of Opinion Readability on the Impact of U.S. Supreme Court Precedents in State High Courts” (with Michael P. Fix), Constitution Day 2019, Auburn University – Montgomery, September 17, 2019.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Laine, Shay P., Bailey R. Fairbanks, and Shane A. Gleason. Are Female Judges Disadvantaged by Design? The Conditional Effect of Gender and Institutional Design on State Supreme Court Elections”. 2023. Presented at the Southern Political Science Association Meeting in St. Petersburg, FL.

Fairbanks, Bailey R. “A Gavel is a Girl’s Best Friend: Understanding Citation Rates in the State

High Courts.” 2022. Presented at the Cultivating Networks & Innovative Scholarship in Law & Courts Conference. at Wesleyan University in Middletown, CT.

Gonzalez, Aiden, Bailey R. Fairbanks, and Shane A. Gleason. 2022. “At the Intersection of Law and Identity: Immutable Characteristics, Voter Preferences, and Strategic Voting on State Supreme Courts” 2022. Presented at the Southern Political Science Association Meeting in San Antonio, TX.

Fairbanks, Bailey R. 2021. “A Gavel is a Girl’s Best Friend: Understanding Citation Rates in the State High Courts.” Presented virtually at the Southern Political Science Association Meeting.

Curry, Todd A., Michael P. Fix, and Michael K. Romano. 2021. “Examining the Interconnectedness of State High Court Twitter.” Presented virtually at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting.

Fix, Michael P., Bailey R. Fairbanks, and Robert B. Reese. 2020. “Does Precedent Affect the Text of Future Opinions? The Case of the Miller Test and Factual Descriptions in State High Courts.” Presented at the Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Fairbanks, Bailey R. 2020. “How Do Judges Save Time? Managing the Work of State Supreme Courts.” Presented at the Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Fairbanks, Bailey R. 2019. “State Supreme Courts and Opinion Content: Self-Plagiarism and Judicial Mirroring.” Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting in Washington, DC.

Fairbanks, Bailey R. 2018. “How Do Judges Save Time? Managing the Work of State Supreme Courts.” Presented at the Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting in New Orleans, Louisiana. (Conference within a Conference – Research Design Presentation)

Bolsen, Toby W., Bailey R. Fairbanks, and Kristina M. LaPlant. 2017. “Locked in a Box: How Activist Art Affect Opinions on Solitary Confinement.” Presented at the Georgia Political Science Association Annual Meeting in Savannah, Georgia.

Fairbanks, Bailey R. and Elizabeth O’Callaghan. 2017. “Measuring Personality in Political Science: An Inquiry into Survey Measurement.” Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting in San Francisco, California.

Fairbanks, Bailey R., Elizabeth O’Callaghan, and Liam Hayes. 2017. “Measuring Personality in Political Science: An Inquiry into Survey Measurement.” Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting in Chicago, Illinois.

Fairbanks, Bailey R. and Adnan Rasool. 2017. “Judicial Independence: Institutional Necessity or Democratic Precursor?”. Presented at the Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Fix, Michael P. and Bailey R. Fairbanks. 2016. “Does Obfuscation Breed Obscurity? The Relationship between Readability and Citation Rates.” Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting in Chicago, Illinois.

Fairbanks, Bailey R. and Adnan Rasool. 2016. "Judicial Independence: Institutional Necessity or Democratic Precursor?". Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting in Chicago, Illinois.

Fairbanks, Bailey R. 2016. "Partisan Cues and the Supreme Court: Public Perceptions and Motivated Reasoning." Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting in Chicago, Illinois.

Fix, Michael P. and Bailey R. Fairbanks. 2016. "Does Obfuscation Breed Obscurity? The Relationship between Readability and Citation Rates." Presented at the Political Science Graduate Student Association Annual Conference in Atlanta, GA.

Fix, Michael P. and Bailey R. Fairbanks. 2014. "Does Obfuscation Breed Obscurity? The Relationship between Readability and Citation Rates." Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting in Chicago, Illinois.

Fix, Michael P. and Bailey R. Fairbanks. 2014. "Does Obfuscation Breed Obscurity? The Relationship between Readability and Citation Rates." Presented at the Political Science Graduate Student Association Annual Conference in Atlanta, GA.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Central Arkansas – Conway, Arkansas

Instructor of Record

US Government and Politics (PSCI 1330)

Spring 2023, Fall 2022, Spring 2021, Fall 2021, Spring 2021, Fall 2020

American Judicial Systems (PSCI 3375)

Spring 2023, Summer 2022, Summer 2021, Fall 2020

Constitutional Law (PSCI 4300)

Fall 2021

Civil Liberties and Rights (PSCI 4301)

Fall 2022, Spring 2021

Diversity, Equity, and the Law (PSCI 4340)

Spring 2022

Georgia State University – Atlanta, Georgia

Instructor of Record

American Government (POLS 1101)

Spring 2018, Fall 2017, Summer 2015, Spring 2015, and Fall 2014

American Civil Liberties and Rights (POLS 4131)

Fall 2019 and Summer 2017

American Constitutional Law (POLS 4130)

Summer 2017

Teaching Assistant

Politics of Mass Incarceration (POLS 4190) – Toby Bolsen (Summer 2017- 2019)

Social Justice and Politics (POLS 4900) – Toby Bolsen (Spring 2017)

Zoukis Research Institute (POLS 4190) – Toby Bolsen & Sarah Gershon (Summer 2015 – 2016)

Writing Across the Curriculum Consultant (WAC)

American Constitutional Law (POLS 4130) Michael P. Fix
Fall 2017

SERVICE TO THE DISCIPLINE

The 49th Annual Meeting of the Arkansas Political Science Association (ArkPSA) – Virtual Conference – Roundtable Presenter - The Status of Women in Politics and the 2022 Midterms – March 4, 2022

The 116th Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association (APSA) – Virtual Conference – Roundtable Presenter - APSA Committee on the Status of First-Generation Scholars Roundtable – October 2, 2021

FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

The Pulaski Institution – Non-Resident Fellow – Spring 2023

EDITORIAL SERVICE

Associate Editor – Mid-South Political Science Review (MPSR) – Fall 2022

UNIVERSITY SERVICE ROLES

University of Central Arkansas – Conway, Arkansas

Pre-Law and Legal Studies Minor Advisor for the College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences Fall 2021-Current

DEPARTMENT SERVICE ROLES

University of Central Arkansas – Conway, Arkansas

Pre-Law Advisor for the Department of Political Science – Fall 2021- Current

Legal Studies Minor Advisor for the Department of Political Science – Fall 2021 -Current

New Hire Search Committee – Comparative Politics – Spring 2023

Curriculum Change Sub-Committee – BS and BA in Political Science – Fall 2021-Fall 2022

COLLEGE SERVICE ROLES

College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Science

College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences Quoin Corner Student Research and Creative Activity Committee –Fall 2023

College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences “Ten After” Panel – “Advocacy” – Panel Participant (facilitated by Dr. Paige Rose and moderated by Dr. Taine Duncan) – September 2022

College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences Educating for Diversity and Global Engagement Committee (EDGE) – Fall 2021-present

Suffrage Centennial Celebration – “First Time Voters and the Critical Decisions of Election 2020”

Student Roundtable – Organizer and Moderator (w/ Dr. Heather Yates) – October 2020

Law School Admissions Council (LSAC) Pre-Law Advisor for the College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences at UCA – Fall 2021-Present

UNIVERSITY SERVICE ROLES

University of Central Arkansas – Conway, Arkansas

Pre-Law Society – Recognized Student Organization (RSO) Faculty Advisor – Fall 2021-current

JOURNAL REVIEWER

Journal of Politics (JOP)

Journal of Law and Courts (JLC)

Justice Systems Journal (JSJ)

Social Science Quarterly (SSQ)

State Politics & Policy (SPPQ)

New Political Science (NPS)

Politics, Gender, and Identities (PGI)

Political Science Quarterly (PSQ)

Journal of Political Science Education (JPSE)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Political Science Association (APSA) – 2013-present

Section Memberships: Judicial Politics, Women in Politics, and State Politics and Policy

Southern Political Science Association (SPSA) – 2013-present

Section Memberships: Judicial Politics and SPSA Women

Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) – 2013-2016 and 2019-present

Arkansas Political Science Association (ArkPSA) – 2020-present

American Association of University Women (AAUW) – 2020-present

Pi Sigma Alpha Political Science Honors Fraternity – Nu Phi Chapter – 2013-present

SOFTWARE PROFICIENCIES

Statistical Software Packages – STATA

Text Analysis Software – NVivo

Formatting and Scraping Packages – WordPress, Overleaf, LaTeX, and Outwit Hub

Video Solutions for Online Course Development – Camtasia 3, Kaltura, and PlayPosit

Survey Development and Management Software – Qualtrics, Sona System, and Amazon

Mechanical Turk