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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

University of California, Berkeley

Associate Dean, Goldman School of Public Policy, July 2019 – current
Professor of Public Policy and Political Science, July 2019 – current
Co-Director, The People Lab at UC Berkeley, July 2019 – current
Associate Professor of Public Policy and Political Science, July 2014 – June 2019
Assistant Professor of Public Policy, July 2013 – June 2014

Princeton University

Assistant Professor of Politics and Public Affairs, September 2008 – June 2013
Instructor of Politics and Public Affairs, July 2008 – September 2008

Patten College at San Quentin State Prison

Adjunct Faculty, Spring 2004 – Fall 2006

EDUCATION and TRAINING

University of California, Berkeley

PhD Political Science, December 2008
Committee Henry Brady (chair), Jack Citrin, Paul Pierson, Jonathan Simon
MA Political Science, May 2003

New York University

BA Social Policy and Political Science, Gallatin School, June 1999

National Science Foundation

Integrated Graduate Education Research and Training Program, 2006-2008

Interuniversity Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR)

Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research, 2003

BOOKS

[Good Enough for Government Work: The Public Reputation Crisis in America \(And What We Can Do to Fix It\)](#). June 2019, University of Chicago Press.

- *Winner of the American Political Science Association's Woodrow Wilson Foundation Award for best book on government, politics or international affairs*
- *Winner of the American Political Science Association's Gladys M. Kammerer Award for best book on U.S. national policy*

[Arresting Citizenship: The Democratic Consequences of American Crime Control](#) (with Vesla Weaver). May 2014, University of Chicago Press.

- *Winner of the American Political Science Association, Urban Politics Section best book award*

[The Modern Prison Paradox: Politics, Punishment and American Community](#). August 2013, Cambridge University Press.

In Progress

[Beyond Partisanship: Policy-Related Conflicts and Electoral Decisions](#) (with Merrill Shanks, Doug Strand, Henry Brady, and Ted Carmines)

CHAPTERS AND ARTICLES

Published, Peer-Reviewed

The Pandemic in Prison (with Jessie Harney). 2020. *California Journal of Politics and Policy*

Where Policies and Politics Diverge: Awareness, Assessment, and Attributions in the ACA (with Samuel Trachtman), 2020. *Public Opinion Quarterly*

[Feedback Effects and the Criminal Justice Bureaucracy: Officer Attitudes and the Future of Correctional Reform](#) (with Meredith Sadin and Jessie Harney). 2019. *The ANNALS of the American Academy of Political and Social Science*

[Perceptions of Public Service Provision: Motivated Reasoning in Quality Assessment and Attribution](#) (with Dan Acland). 2018. *American Politics Research*

[Policy Uptake as Political Behavior: Experimental Evidence from Obamacare](#) (with Meredith Sadin and Samuel Trachtman). 2017. *American Political Science Review*. 1-16.

[Combatting Biased Decision Making to Promote Justice and Equal Treatment](#) (with Sah et al.). 2017. *Behavioral Science & Policy*. 2(2):79-87.

[Personal Experience and Public Opinion: A Theory and Test of Conditional Policy Feedback](#) (with Katherine McCabe). 2017. *Journal of Politics*.

[A Tradeoff Between Safety and Democracy?](#) (with Vesla Weaver). 2015. In [Democratic Theory and Mass Incarceration](#), ed. Albert Dzur, Ian Loader and Richard Sparks, New York: Oxford University Press.

[Critical Trialogue: The Carceral State](#) (with Vesla Weaver). 2015. *Perspectives on Politics* 13(3):798-801.

[Does the Front Line Reflect the Party Line? The Politicization of Punishment and Prison Officers' Perspectives Toward Incarceration](#) (with Joshua Page). 2015. *British Journal of Criminology* 56(3):578-601.

[Political Ideology, Skin Tone, and the Psychology of Candidate Evaluations](#) (with Katherine McCabe and Meredith Sadin). January 2015. *Public Opinion Quarterly* 79 (1): 53-90.

[The Carceral State and American Political Development](#) (with Vesla Weaver). 2015. In [Oxford Handbook of American Political Development](#), ed. Robert Lieberman, Suzanne, Mettler, and Richard Valelly, New York: Oxford University Press.

[Stereotyping or Projection: How White and Black Voters Estimate Black Candidates' Ideology](#) (with Meredith Sadin). Online Dec 2014, print April 2015. *Political Psychology* 37(2):147-163.

[Staying Out of Site? Concentrated Policing and Local Political Action](#) (with Vesla Weaver). January 2014. *The ANNALS of the American Academy of Political and Social Science* 651(1): 202-219.

[Reading Wacquant as Both 'Lumper' and 'Splitter': A Brief Response to Wacquant's "Urban Marginality, Ethnicity, Penalty in the Neoliberal City."](#) 2014. *Ethnic and Racial Studies Review* 37(10):1739-1747.

[Race and Crime in American Politics: From Law and Order to Willie Horton and Beyond](#) (with Vesla Weaver). January 2014. In *Oxford Handbook of Race, Ethnicity, Immigration and Crime*, ed. Michael Tonry and Sandra Bucerius, New York: Oxford University Press.

[The State of the Job: An Embedded Work Role Perspective on Prison Officer Attitudes](#) (with Joshua Page). December 2012. *Punishment & Society* 14(5):503-529.

[Political Consequences of the Carceral State](#) (with Vesla Weaver). November 2010. *American Political Science Review* 104(4):817-833.

[The People Prisons Make: Effects of Incarceration on Criminal Psychology.](#) 2009. In *Do Prisons Make Us Safer*, ed. Steve Raphael and Michael Stoll, New York: Russell Sage Foundation.

[The Rights of the Accused.](#) 2008. In *Public Opinion and Constitutional Controversies*, ed. Nate Persily, Jack Citrin and Patrick Egan, New York: Oxford University Press.

[Testing Huntington: Is Hispanic Immigration a Threat to American Identity?](#) (with Jack Citrin, Michael Murakami, and Kathryn Pearson). March 2007. *Perspectives on Politics* 5(1):31-48.

Under Review

Expanding the Inquiry into Prisons and Mental Health: The Effect of Correctional Work (with Jessie Harney and Meredith Sadin)

The Downside of Downsizing: Racial Effects of State Prison Reform (with Alyssa Mooney)

Transformational Learning through Higher Education in Prison (with Meredith Sadin)

Erasing the Mark: The Racial Impacts of Record Clearance Laws (with Alyssa Mooney)

The Racial Implications of Local Implementation (with Alyssa Mooney and Alissa Skog)

Working Papers/In Progress

Clarifying the Role of Officer Coping on Turnover in Corrections: An Application of Structural Equation Modeling (with Jessie Harney)

Race and Place: Gentrification and Racial Incongruence in Patterns of Arrest (with Alyssa Mooney)

Sensitivity to Scope Conditions (with Laura Stoker and Alexander Sahn)

Education and Desistance: The Effects of Prison Higher Education (with Meredith Sadin and Casey St. Claire)

Pleading for Justice: Pre-Trial Detention and Plea Bargains in American Courts (with Patricio Dominguez and Ariel Green)

RESEARCH REPORTS

Criminal Record Clearance in California: Most are Eligible. Few Receive it. (with Alyssa Mooney, Alissa Skog, Emily Kohlheim, Johanna Lacoë). 2020.

The Promise and Practice of Prison Higher Education (with Meredith Sadin and Lisa Quan). 2018.

Experiences with Violence and the Health of California Parole and Correctional Peace Officers. (with Meredith Sadin). 2017.

[The Prison University Project: Qualitative Evidence on the Impact of Prison Higher Education.](#) (with Jacob Grumbach). 2016.

[Public Opinion toward Income Inequality in California.](#) 2016. In [Blueprint for Belonging: Analysis and Research for Advancing a Strategic Narrative for California.](#) Haas Institute for a Fair and Inclusive Society.

[Prison University Project Program Evaluation: Progress Report.](#) 2012.

[Evaluating 'The Farm: 10 Down': Assessing Documentary Film as a Tool for Social Change.](#) 2010. Report for the Highest Common Denominator Media Group.

[Concrete Policy and Correctional Philosophy: Attitudes of California Correctional Officers towards Rehabilitation.](#) December 2006. Report to the Center for Evidence-Based Corrections, University of California, Irvine.

[Managing Prison Violence: Perceptions of Safety among California Correctional Officers.](#) February 2007. Report to the Center for Evidence-Based Corrections, UC Irvine.

OP-EDS AND REVIEWS

[Correctional officers face trauma on the job. This bill will help support them.](#) 2019. *The Sacramento Bee.*

Book Review: "Unusually Cruel: Prisons, Punishment, and the Real American Exceptionalism." 2018. *Political Science Quarterly.*

[Book Review: "Trapped in America's Safety Net: One Family's Struggle"](#) 2015. *Journal of Politics.*

[Expanding Education, Reducing Recidivism](#) (with Mia Bird). August 2015. PPIC Online.

[Protest is Democracy at Work](#) (with Vesla Weaver). 2014. Slate.

[What Medicare Can Teach Us About the Future of Obamacare](#). Nov 26, 2013. Washington Post.

[How Harsh Policing and Mass Imprisonment Create Second-Class American Citizens](#) (with Vesla Weaver). 2014. Scholar Strategy Network

[Old Neighbors, New Era: The Future of U.S. Mexico Relations](#). 2003. *Quarterly Publication of the Berkeley Center for Latin American Studies*, Special Issue.

GRANTS, AWARDS and FELLOWSHIPS

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| 2020 | American Political Science Association Woodrow Wilson Foundation Book Award |
| 2020 | American Political Science Association Gladys M. Kammerer Book Award |
| 2020 | National Science Foundation Time Sharing Experiments for the Social Sciences |
| 2019-2022 | Department of Justice Comprehensive Corrections Training and Technical Assistance |
| 2017-2019 | National Institute of Justice W.E.B. Du Bois Fellowship |
| 2017-2019 | Spencer Foundation Research Award |
| 2016 | University of California, Berkeley Chancellor's Public Scholar |
| 2015-2016 | Russell Sage Foundation Research Award |
| 2014 | American Political Science Association Urban Politics Section Best Book Award |
| 2014 | UC Berkeley Goldman School of Public Policy Michelle J. Schwartz Endowed Chair |
| 2012 | Princeton University Nominee for the Graduate Student Advising Award |
| 2011 | Southern Political Science Association Nominee (with Vesla Weaver) for the 2012 Pi Sigma Alpha Award |
| 2010 | Bobst Center for Peace and Justice Faculty Research Grant |
| 2008 | American Political Science Association The Heinz I. Eulau Award for best paper published in <i>Perspectives on Politics</i> American Political Science Association Political Methodology Section Summer Conference Fellowship |
| 2006-2008 | National Science Foundation Integrated Graduate Research, Education and Training Program in Politics, Economics, Psychology and Public Policy Fellow (IGERT-PEPP) |
| 2007 | Justice Research and Statistics Association Paper Award |

American Political Science Association US Graduate Travel Grant
Law and Society Association Graduate Student Travel Subsidy, Alternate Candidate
 2006 **National Science Foundation** Dissertation Improvement Grant
UPENN Fox Leadership Center Fox Leadership Fellow
UC Irvine Center for Evidence-Based Corrections Research Sub-Award
UC Berkeley Institute for Governmental Studies Dissertation Fellowship
UC Berkeley Graduate Division Summer Grant
 2005 **UC Berkeley GSI Teaching and Resource Center** Teaching Effectiveness Award
UC Berkeley Advisory Committee for GSI Affairs Outstanding GSI Award
 2004 **National Science Foundation** Graduate Fellowship, Honorable Mention
 2002 **UC Berkeley Department of Political Science** Fellowship

SELECTED PUBLIC POLICY SERVICE ACTIVITIES

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| Principal Investigator | Alliance for Prison Higher Education Landscape Project | 2019-current |
| Member | United States District Court Advisory Board, <i>Plata v. Brown</i> | 2018-current |
| Principal Investigator | Law Enforcement Health and Wellness Project Surveys and field experiments with parole, corrections, and police | 2016-current |
| Principal Investigator | Prison Higher Education Evaluation Project Research on issues related to prison-based higher education programs | 2008-current |
| VP, Policy Studies | Attention America, LLC Speech writing and editing, policy research and analysis | Sept 2000– August 2002 |
| International Development | Namaste Orphanage: Kathmandu, Nepal Curriculum development for children ages 5-13 at full-time facility. | Aug 1999– Aug 2000 |
| | University Elementary: Santiago, Chile Design and implementation of a K-6 ESL program for at-risk youth. | |
| | Camp Hope: Quito, Ecuador Spanish-English translator for on-site staff at special needs orphanage. | |
| Constituency Services | Brooklyn Congressional District Office Direct constituency liaison, responsible for client meetings and casework | Sept 1998 – June 1999 |

Related to housing and social services.

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL SERVICE ACTIVITIES

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| Co-Director | The People Lab at UC Berkeley, 2019-current |
| Advisory Board | Center on American Politics, 2020-current |
| Advisory Board | Citrin Center for Public Opinion, 2018-current |
| Faculty Chair | PhD Program, Goldman School of Public Policy, 2014-current |
| Advisory Committee | American National Election Study, 2016 |
| Co-organizer | Race, Ethnicity, and Immigration Lecture Series, 2014-current |
| Advisory Board | Institute of Governmental Studies, 2013-2016 and 2018-current |
| Co-Sponsor | Princeton University Crime & Punishment Workshop, 2008-2013 |
| Member, Board of Directors | Isles, Inc., 2010 |
| Co-Chair | APSA Working Group on Punishment and Prisons, 2010 |
| Co-Chair | Collaborative Research Network on Prisons and Prisoners, Law and Society Association, 2006-2010 |
| Chair | Princeton University Conference on Prison Higher Education, 2008 |