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AFFILIATIONS	Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Technical University of Munich Postdoctoral Research Affiliate, NYU Center for Social Media and Politics	Oct. 2021 - Present 2022 - Present
EDUCATION	New York University , Ph.D. in Politics Committee: Jonathan Nagler, Joshua Tucker, Patrick Egan, Hye Young You, Neal Beck University of Chicago , M.B.A. Harvard University , B.A. in Economics	2022 2014 2009

Research

PUBLICATIONS	<p>[9] Toxic Speech and Limited Demand for Content Moderation on Social Media (with F. Pradel, Y. Theocharis, and S. Kosmidis). <i>Forthcoming, American Political Science Review</i>.</p> <p>[8] Beliefs in Conspiracy Theories and Online News Consumption During the Pandemic (with S. Jin, F. Pradel and Y. Theocharis). <i>Forthcoming, Journal of Quantitative Description: Digital Media</i>.</p> <p>[7] Exposure to the Russian Internet Research Agency foreign influence campaign on Twitter in the 2016 US election and its relationship to attitudes and voting behavior (with G. Eady, T. Paskhalis, R. Bonneau, J. Nagler and J.A. Tucker). <i>Nature Communications</i>. 2023</p> <p>[6] Geographic Boundaries and Local Economic Conditions Matter for Views of the Economy (with James Bisbee). <i>Political Analysis</i>. Volume 31, Issue 2, p. 288-294. 2023.</p> <p>[5] Division Does Not Imply Predictability: Demographics Continue to Reveal Little About Voting and Partisanship (with Seo-young Silvia Kim). <i>Political Behavior</i>. 2022.</p> <p>[4] Don't Republicans Tweet Too? Using Twitter to Assess the Consequences of Political Endorsements by Celebrities (with C. Vaccari, J. Nagler and J.A. Tucker). <i>Perspectives on Politics</i>, Volume 18, Issue 1, pp. 144-160, March 2020.</p> <p>[3] Democratic deconsolidation revisited: Young Europeans are not dissatisfied with democracy. <i>Research & Politics</i>, Volume 6, Issue 1, January 2019.</p> <p>[2] How Many People Live in Political Bubbles on Social Media? Evidence From Linked Survey and Twitter Data (with G. Eady, J. Nagler, A. Guess, and J.A. Tucker). <i>SAGE Open</i>, Volume 9, Issue 1, February 2019.</p> <p>[1] The Happiness Gap in Eastern Europe (with S. Djankov and E. Nikolova). <i>Journal of Comparative Economics</i>, Volume 44, Issue 1, pp. 108-124, February 2016.</p>
UNDER REVIEW	<p>[4] Justifying an Invasion: Where and Why is Disinformation Successful? (first author; with many co-authors). <i>R&R, Political Communication</i>.</p> <p>[3] Persuasion Rhetoric in Political Fundraising (with Seo-young Silvia Kim and Brian Brew). <i>R&R, Party Politics</i>.</p> <p>[2] The Trump Advantage in Policy Recall (with Joshua A. Tucker and Jonathan Nagler). <i>R&R, American Politics Research</i>.</p> <p>[1] How Anti-BLM and Pro-Police Attitudes Became Dominant in American Politics (with Nazita Lajevardi). <i>Under Review</i>.</p>

- WORKING PAPERS
- The Politics of Anti-Technology (with Thomas Zeitzoff)
 - Anti-Establishment Rhetoric and the Evolving Nature of Political Representation (with Markus Hinterleitner)
 - A Politicization-Likelihood Model of Public Opinion (with James Bisbee). Paper presented at MPSA 2023 and APSA 2023
 - “Do you know who I am?” Conspiracy Theories Serve Believers to Punch Down (with Yannis Theocharis and Spyros Kosmidis)
 - The Distinctness of Social and Economic Identities (with Suzanna Linn and Jonathan Nagler)
 - Opinion Change and Learning in the 2016 US Presidential Election: Evidence from a Panel Survey Combined with Direct Observation of Social Media Activity (with Gregory Eady, Richard Bonneau, Jonathan Nagler, and Joshua Tucker)
- CONFERENCES & INVITED TALKS
- 2024: Swiss Political Science Association Annual Congress (scheduled), MENA/Asian PolMeth meeting (NYU Abu Dhabi, poster)
- 2023: Zurich disinformation workshop, University of Miami Conspiracy Theory conference, CSMaP Annual Conference in Florence, MPSA (virtual), EPSA, APSA PolComm pre-conference, APSA main conference, World Association for Public Opinion Research annual conference (WAPOR), TUM Workshop on Content Moderation
- 2022: ETH Zurich (virtual presentation), MPSA, APSA
- 2021: PolMeth Annual Meeting (virtual poster), PolMeth Europe (virtual poster), MPSA (virtual presentation)
- 2020: PolMeth (virtual poster), APSA (virtual presentation)
- 2019: ICA, APSA, MPSA, Toronto Political Behavior Workshop, Economic Science Association, NYU Abu Dhabi Winter Experimental Social Sciences Institute
- 2018: MPSA, PolMeth Annual Meeting in Provo (poster)
- Earlier: American Economic Association (Chicago), Tilburg Institute for Behavioral Economics Research, University of Zurich (Technocratic Challenge to Democracy Workshop), European Economic Association (Malaga and Gothenburg meetings)

Grants & Awards

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| Research grant, The Center for Growth and Opportunity (with Thomas Zeitzoff) | \$18,000 | 2023 |
| Reboot Social Media grant, TUM Think Tank (with F. Pradel, Y. Theocharis & S. Kosmidis) | €35,500 | 2022 |
| Craig Newmark Fellowship, approx. | \$14,000 | 2020-21 |
| MacCracken Fellowship, approx. | \$150,000 | 2016–2021 |
- Other awards:* Shelby Davis Scholar (\$40,000), Fellowship from the NYU Provost’s Global Research Initiatives, George Downs Prize awarded in 2018 and 2019 by the NYU Department of Politics, Travel grants (Center for Social and Political Behavior; NYU Dean’s office; APSA), Fama-Miller Center Research Grant at the University of Chicago, University of Chicago Booth School of Business Graduate Fellowship, Oscar Mayer Fellowship at the University of Chicago, Marshall Goldman grant awarded by the Davis Center for Russian and Eurasian Studies at Harvard University, James H. and Emily A. Stone Fund research fellowship, Harvard Kennedy School Institute of Politics Director’s award for service in Governor Schwarzenegger’s Office, United World College Scholarship

Teaching

INSTRUCTOR	<p>Technical University of Munich</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Telling Stories with R and Data Visualizations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Winter 2022, Spring 2023, Spring 2024 Political Information in the Digital Age: Insurgent Politics and Conspiracy Theories <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Winter 2021, Spring 2022, Winter 2022, Spring 2023, Winter 2023, Spring 2024 Campaigns, Elections, and Social Media (M.Sc. block seminar) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Winter 2022, Spring 2023 Psychology of Persuasion (M.Sc. seminar on applications of behavioral economics to politics) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Winter 2021, Spring 2022 Introduction to Politics and Technology (guest lecturer, Winter semester 2023) <p>Summer Institute in Computational Social Science, LMU-Munich</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collecting Digital Trace Data (Summer 2023) <p>Harvard University, Department of Economics</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Economics 970: Experiments in Economics (Spring 2011)
TEACHING ASSISTANT	<p>New York University (2017-21): Inequality, Populism, and Voting (Nagler), Introduction to Political Theory (Landa), Politics Senior Honors I & II (Harvey and Dawes). University of Chicago (2014): Big Data (Taddy, Booth School of Business). Harvard University: Psychology and Economics (Laibson and Shleifer), Dealing with the Global Financial Crisis (Rogoff), Principles of Economics (Laibson, Acemoglu, List, Watson), International Trade and Policy (Helpman), Economics, Media and Democracy (Aghion and Berner)</p>

Professional Activity

SERVICE	<p><i>Reviewer:</i> American Political Science Review, Political Analysis, Journal of Politics, Political Behavior, Political Communication, Scientific Reports, Scientific Data, Public Opinion Quarterly, Electoral Studies, PLOS One, The International Journal of Press/Politics, European Political Science Review, Democratization, JQD:DM, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Kyklos, National Science Centre of Poland</p> <p><i>Member of the Editorial Board:</i> Journal of Quantitative Description: Digital Media</p> <p><i>University service:</i> Graduate admissions (TUM, HfP)</p> <p><i>Coordinator:</i> Munich Data Science Lightning Talks</p>						
PUBLICATIONS AFTER INTERNAL (NON-BLIND) PEER REVIEW	<p>“Technocracy in Central/Eastern Europe and its impact on democratization,” with Joshua Tucker. 2020. In Caramani D. & E. Bertsoy (Eds.), <i>The Technocratic Challenge to Democracy</i>. Routledge Research on Social and Political Elites.</p> <p>Washington Post, The Monkey Cage (9 articles)</p> <p>Peterson Institute Policy Briefs (2 papers)</p>						
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