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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

University of California, Santa Barbara

Equity Research Postdoctoral Scholar
Blum Center on Poverty, Inequality, and Democracy

*Santa Barbara, CA
June 2021-*

University of California, Davis

Lecturer of Political Science

*Davis, CA
June 2020-June 2021*

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Political Science, University of California, Davis, 2020

- With a focus on American and Comparative Politics
- Committee: [Matthew S. Shugart](#), [James F. Adams](#), and [Christopher D. Hare](#)
- Dissertation: “Strategic Candidates and Strategic Voters: Lessons from the US, the UK, and Chile”

B.A. Politics, *cum laude*, Occidental College, Los Angeles, 2011

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- [1] Algara, Carlos and **Isaac Hale** (2020). “[White Racial Attitudes & Political Cross-Pressures in Nationalized Elections: The Case of the Republican Coalition in the Trump Era.](#)” *Electoral Studies*, 68(2020).
- [2] **Hale, Isaac** (2019). “[Candidate Extremism and Electoral Design in U.S. State Legislative Elections.](#)” *Social Science Quarterly*, 1-17.
- [3] **Hale, Isaac** (2019). “[The Compound Effects of Candidate Race and Racial Resentment in US House Elections.](#)” *The Journal of Race, Ethnicity, and Politics*, 1-27.
- [4] Algara, Carlos and **Isaac Hale** (2019). “[The Distorting Effects of Racial Animus on Proximity Voting in the 2016 Elections.](#)” *Electoral Studies*, 58(2019): 58-69.
- [5] **Hale, Isaac** (2019). “[Abandon Ship? An Analysis of Tactical Voting Among Liberal Democrat Voters in the 2015 UK Election.](#)” *Parliamentary Affairs*.
- [6] Highton, Benjamin, Robert Huckfeldt, and **Isaac Hale** (2016). “[Some General Election Consequences of California’s Top-Two Primary System.](#)” *The California Journal of Politics & Policy*, 8(2).

UNDER REVIEW

- [1] **Hale, Isaac**. “Electoral Reform & Strategic Voting in Chilean Legislative Elections.” *Invited to Revise & Resubmit at Representation*.
- [2] Algara, Carlos, **Isaac Hale**, and Cory Struthers. “Do Voters Balance Partisan Control of the Federal Government? Assessing the Case of the 2021 Georgia U.S. Senate Runoffs.”

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WORKING PAPERS

- [1] **Hale, Isaac.** “The Effect of Racial Attitudes on Voting in the 2019 Canadian Election.”
- [2] Algara, Carlos and **Isaac Hale.** “Resentment & Democratic Politics: The Role of Racial Resentment in Motivating Electoral Participation.”
- [3] **Hale, Isaac.** “Coalitions, Bargaining, and Elections: Putting Executive-Legislative Relations in Post-dictatorship Chile in Context.”
- [4] **Hale, Isaac.** “From Ferguson to Bundy Ranch: The Racialized Media Framing of American Civil Unrest.”
- [5] **Hale, Isaac.** “Introducing New Datasets: US Legislator Partisan Value at the National and Sub-National Levels.”
- [6] **Hale, Isaac.** “The Effect of Candidate Ideology on Down-Ticket Coattails in US Elections.”

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- 2020 “Will Trump & Congressional Republicans Benefit from White Racial Attitudes in 2020?” *RAISE the Vote* APSA blog post.
- 2019 “Strategic voting in the 2015 general election: why Liberal Democrats didn’t vote for their own party.” *Democratic Audit*.
- 2011 “Torture and the Rule of Law.” *The Huffington Post*.

SELECTED AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS

- 2019 Marvin Zetterbaum Award for Excellence in Graduate Student Instruction, Department of Political Science, UC Davis.
- 2018 Graduate Student Association Travel Award to Attend the Annual Meeting of the *Western Political Science Association*, UC Davis.
- 2017-2019 Department of Political Science Travel Grants to Attend the Annual Meetings of the *American Political Science Association*, the *Western Political Science Association*, and the *Midwest Political Science Association*, UC Davis.
- 2014-2015 Provost’s Fellowship in the Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences, UC Davis.

TEACHING

- 2020-2021 Lecturer at the University of California, Davis:
 - America Decides: the 2020 Election (online)
 - Electoral Systems (online)
 - Introduction to Comparative Politics (online), Fall 2020 & Spring 2021
 - The Legislative Process (online), Summer 2020 & Winter 2021
 - The Presidency (online), Summer 2020 & Winter 2021

- 2017-2020 Associate Instructor at the University of California, Davis:
- Introduction to American Politics, Fall 2017 & Winter 2018
 - Introduction to Comparative Politics, Summer 2017 & Summer 2018
 - The Legislative Process
 - The Presidency (online)
- 2015-2020 Teaching Assistant at the University of California, Davis::
- The American Presidency (Professor Amber Boydstun)
 - British Politics (Professor James Adams)
 - California State Government & Politics (Professor Scott MacKenzie)
 - Comparative Electoral Systems (Distinguished Professor Matthew Shugart)
 - Contemporary Problems of the American Political System (Professor Amber Boydstun)
 - Eastern European Democratization (Professor Josephine Andrews)
 - French Politics (Professor James Adams)
 - Introduction to American Politics (Professor Benjamin Highton)
 - Judicial Politics and Constitutional Interpretation (Lecturer Jeremy Fortier)
 - Russian Politics (Professor Josephine Andrews)
 - The Scientific Study of Politics (Professor Bradford Jones), Winter 2016 & Fall 2018

PUBLIC SCHOLARSHIP

- 2021 [“Political science lecturer discusses impact of recall election ballot case”](#) *FOX 40*, Sacramento.
- 2021 [“Is It Worth It? Taxpayers, Officials Weigh In On Cost Of Recall Election”](#) *CBS 13 News*, Sacramento.
- 2021 [“Gov. Newsom won’t lift COVID-19 state of emergency order, here’s what that means”](#) *ABC 10 News*, Sacramento.
- 2021 [“How heavily did recall politics weigh on Gavin Newsom’s mask decision?”](#) *SFGATE*.
- 2021 [“The Gavin Newsom recall could cost \\$400 million. Who’s paying for that?”](#) *SFGATE*.
- 2021 [“Here’s who’s leaving California and who’s moving in.”](#) *KCRA 3*, Sacramento.
- 2021 [“This is how much it may cost to recall Governor Newsom.”](#) *ABC 10 News*, Sacramento.
- 2021 [“California losing congressional seat for first time.”](#) *FOX 40*, Sacramento.
- 2021 [“UC Davis lecturer discusses Newsom recall efforts.”](#) *FOX 40*, Sacramento.
- 2021 [“What’s next in Newsom recall effort.”](#) *FOX 40 Sacramento*.
- 2021 [“What’s next for Newsom recall efforts as signatures increase.”](#) *KCRA 3 Sacramento*.

- 2021 “Interview: UC Davis lecturer discusses effort to recall Gov. Newsom.” *FOX 40*, Sacramento.
- 2021 “Polls show Gov. Gavin Newsom’s approval rating is slipping.” *KCRA 3*, Sacramento.
- 2021 “Will Newsom face recall election? It’s a ‘coin flip.’” *CBS 8 San Diego*.
- 2021 “UC Davis professors discuss the future of Republican politics.” *The Aggie*.
- 2021 “California Democrats eager for policy changes amid COVID-19.” *The Sacramento Bee*.
- 2020 “Election Debate: Is The Electoral College The Best Way To Pick A President?” *CBS 13*, Sacramento.
- 2020 “Do Attitudes About Race Affect Vote Choice?” *UC Davis Magazine*.
- 2020 “Biden Is Not Out of the Woods.” *The New York Times*.
- 2020 “Communicating about the Role of Race and Social Change in Politics.” *Communication Matters*, the National Communication Association podcast.
- 2020 “As election season heats up, campaign-related theft, vandalism seen across Northern California.” *ABC 10 News*, Sacramento.
- 2020 “First 2020 Presidential Debate: Locals React.” *The News Cycle* podcast.
- 2020 “What the President’s health could mean for the campaign, election, and misinformation.” *ABC 10 News*, Sacramento.
- 2020 “Voting center locations announced in Yolo County, following safety guidelines.” *The Aggie*.
- 2020 “Why is the California primary so important this year?” *ABC 10 News*, Sacramento.
- 2019 “Au sein du parti républicain, des anti-Trump bien silencieux.” *La Croix*.
- 2019 “Duncan Hunter said person making ‘OK’ sign in photo was a ‘stranger.’ The man calls Hunter a friend.” *Roll Call*.
- 2019 “Trump’s strategy of racial resentment won’t work in California, researcher says.” *The Sacramento Bee*.
- 2019 “White racial resentment is a winning Republican strategy, this political scientist says.” *The Sacramento Bee*.
- 2019 “Trump’s racist tweets are part of a coordinated 2020 strategy.” *Salon*.
- 2019 “Ataques racistas de Trump a congresistas definen tono de su campaña presidencial.” *La Tercera*.
- 2019 “Trump Sets the 2020 Tone: Like 2016, Only This Time ‘the Squad’ Is Here.” *The New York Times*.
- 2019 “Trump’s Racist Remarks Helped Boost Down-Ballot Republicans in 2016.” *Pacific Standard*.

- 2019 “Is Betomania Real of Phony?.” *The New York Times*.
- 2019 “The Deepening ‘Racialization’ of American Politics.” *The New York Times*.

RESEARCH ASSISTANCE

- 2020-21 *Expert Reference*, human rights complaint against plurality voting in British Columbia w/ Fair Vote Vancouver.
- 2019 *Co-Investigator*, Comparative Study of Electoral Systems (Module 6 Survey Design) w/ Matthew Shugart.
- 2019 *Co-Investigator*, Canadian Electoral Study (Survey Design) w/ Matthew Shugart.
- 2016 *Graduate Student Researcher*, “Partisan Asymmetry in US Senate Election Voting,” w/ Walter Stone and Benjamin Highton.
- 2015 *Graduate Student Researcher*, “Some General Election Consequences of California’s Top-Two Primary System,” w/ Benjamin Highton and Robert Huckfeldt.

SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2021 “The Effect of Racial Attitudes on Vote Choice in the 2019 Canadian Election.” Accepted for presentation at the annual meeting of the *American Political Science Association*, September 2021, Seattle.
- 2021 “Race, Partisanship, and Democratic Politics: The Effect of Racial Attitudes on White Americans’ Electoral Participation.” Presented at the annual meeting of the *Midwest Political Science Association*, April 2021, Chicago.
- 2020 “Electoral Reform & Strategic Voting in Chilean Parliamentary Elections.” Prepared for the annual meeting of the *Western Political Science Association*, April 2020, Los Angeles. *Live conference canceled due to COVID-19*.
- 2019 “Candidate Extremism and Electoral Design in US State Legislative Elections.” Presented at the annual meeting of the *Midwest Political Science Association*, April 2019, Chicago.
- 2018 “The Distorting Effects of Racial Animus on Proximity Voting in the 2016 Elections.” Presented at the annual meeting of the *Western Political Science Association*, March 2018, San Francisco.
- 2017 “Post-Racial Politics? Racial Resentment and US House Elections, 2010-2016.” Presented at the annual meeting of the *American Political Science Association*, September 2017, San Francisco.
- 2017 “Abandon Ship? An Analysis of Tactical Voting in the 2015 UK Election.” Presented at the annual meeting of the *Western Political Science Association*, April 2017, Vancouver.
- 2015 “Some General Election Consequences of California’s Top-Two Primary System.” Presented at the annual meeting of the *American Political Science Association* (with Benjamin Highton and Robert Huckfeldt), September 2015, San Francisco.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- 2021 Panel Chair & Discussant, “Contemporary Movements and Issues.” Annual meeting of the *American Political Science Association*, September 2021, Seattle.
- 2020 Panelist, Department of Political Science Incoming Student Panel, UC Davis.
- 2019 Panel Chair & Discussant, “Election Ballots.” Annual meeting of the *Midwest Political Science Association*, April 2019, Chicago.
- 2018-2019 Treasurer, Graduate Association of Political Science Students, UC Davis.
- 2018 Panel Chair, “Personality and Biopolitics.” Annual meeting of the *Western Political Science Association*, March 2018, San Francisco.
- 2018 Panel Discussant, “Roundtable: Business Interests, Public Officials, and Racially Intolerant Symbols, Author Meets Reviewers.” Annual meeting of the *Western Political Science Association*, March 2018, San Francisco.
- 2017-present Referee for *American Political Science Review*, *Political Behavior*, *Political Psychology*, the *Canadian Journal of Political Science*, *Electoral Studies*, *American Politics Research*, the *Journal of Race, Ethnicity, and Politics*, and *Poverty & Public Policy*.
- 2017 Panel Discussant, “Committees and Careers in Comparative Perspective.” Annual meeting of the *Western Political Science Association*, April 2017, Vancouver.
- 2015-2018 Political Science Department Graduate Student Union Representative, UC Davis.
- 2015-2019 Graduate Student Peer Mentor, UC Davis.
- 2014-2015 Department Representative to the Graduate Student Association, UC Davis.

SELECTED NON-ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

- 2012-2014 *Survey Researcher*, Tulchin Research, *San Francisco, CA*.
- 2012 *Senior Legislative Intern*, Councilmember Rebecca Kaplan, *Oakland, CA*.

COMPUTING SKILLS

- Statistical R (advanced, including data management, data visualization, frequentist & Bayesian modeling), STATA.
- Presentation \LaTeX (advanced, including tables, figures, & Bibtex), RMarkdown (advanced, including typesetting & HTML web development), and PowerPoint.

LANGUAGE SKILLS

Spanish (fluent)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Political Science Association, Midwest Political Science Association, Western Political Science Association

REFERENCES

Matthew S. Shugart
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