

Summary of Qualifications

- Information omnivore with ability to quickly absorb and synthesize information
- Inquisitive research professional with background in politics, law, and policy
- Experienced communicator with teaching and writing background
- Community organizer working to combine rigorous analysis with progressive politics

Education

- **Ph.D., Political Science**, Maxwell School, Syracuse University (expected August 2017)
 - Dissertation: Coalitions in Conflict: Balancing Law and Politics in Pursuit of LGBT Inclusion
- **M.A., Political Science**, Maxwell School, Syracuse University (2013)
- **M.A., Political Science**, Ball State University (2011)
- **B.A., Political Science**, Indiana University (2009)

Research Experience

Doctoral Candidate, Political Science **2011 - present**
Maxwell School, Syracuse University

- Maintained an active research agenda in conjunction with service and teaching obligations
- Developed analytical skills through coursework on data analysis, qualitative methods, and research design
- Authored a dissertation on law and LGBT rights (in progress), multiple journal articles (2 under review), and literature reviews on a variety of social science topics.

Graduate Research Associate **2012 - present**
Campbell Public Affairs Institute

- Active affiliate with academic institute devoted to study of citizenship and public life
- Consulted on projects related to local government and governance (2017)

Economic Development Intern **2010**
Muncie-Delaware County Economic Development Alliance

- Supported project coordinators with research, social media strategy, and event planning for public-private partnership advancing economic development in a medium-sized city

Organizing Experience

Organizer **2016 – present**
CNY Solidarity Coalition

- Conducted media outreach and communications strategy
- Provided budgetary and fiscal planning input
- Developed policy platforms and statements
- Organized web design team to help create digital organizing tools to meet coalition needs

- Elected as member of Coordinating Committee, a primary service position (Feb to June 2017)

Syracuse University LGBT Concerns Committee

2015 - present

- Consulted with university offices and bodies as part of a policy-making initiative to expand LGBT inclusiveness on Syracuse University campus.

Teaching Experience

Teaching Assistant

2011 - present

Maxwell School, Syracuse University

- Taught multiple courses on politics and law
- Consistently rated as an excellent instructor

Research Methods Training

ICPSR Data Analysis Summer Boot Camp

2014

- Attended advanced training in data analysis through coursework on advanced regression techniques and statistical programs

Institute on Qualitative and Multi-Method Research Summer Program

2012

- Received advanced training in qualitative research methods through coursework on research design, historiography, ethnography, and natural experiments.

Other Skills

- Essential Skills
 - Public speaking experience in academic and non-academic environments
 - Extensive experience working collaboratively to plan and implement agendas
 - Extensive writing experience in a variety of formats
 - Accustomed to diverse and fast-paced environments
 - Sense of humor honed through happenstance and improv comedy training
- Research Skills
 - Five years of university level teaching, often as a primary instructor
 - Six years experience designing and managing multiple lines of social science research
 - University service on committees for hiring, promotion/tenure, administration, and policy-making
 - Working with archival materials and sensitive documents, including identify, organizing, and analyzing large sets of documents for digital storage
 - Organizing and analyzing large data sets using statistical software (e.g. SPSS, Stata)
 - Survey design, preparation, and analysis (surveys, experiments)
 - Grant-writing experience through research funding applications
- Community Skills
 - Facilitation of large group meetings, teaching environments, and focus groups
 - Preparation of organizational grant applications
 - Event planning and preparation