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Education

Ph.D.-Political Science, University of Missouri   2015-2020
     Dissertation: Testing the Limit: Term Limits and Their Unintended Consequences

B.A.- American Political Studies, Drury University   2012-2015
     Minors: Criminology, Law & Society

The Washington Center - Washington, DC   2014
     Politics & Public Policy

Publications

Butcher, Jordan. N.d. "Rethinking Retirement: Ambition in Term Limited Legislatures." *The Journal of Legislative Studies.* Forthcoming.

Squire, Peverill and **Jordan Butcher**. N.d. "An Update to the Squire State Court of Last Resort Professionalization Index." *State Politics & Policy Quarterly.* Forthcoming.

Butcher, Jordan, and Jeffrey Milyo. 2020. "Do Campaign Finance Reforms Insulate Incumbents from Competition? New Evidence from State Legislative Elections." *PS: Political Science and Politics* 53(3):460-464

Manuscripts Under Review

Term Limits and Turnover: Be Careful What You Count

The Teacher is In: Aftermath of the 2018 Election in Oklahoma (with Gidong Kim)

Under Pressure: Centralizing Regulation in Response to Presidential Directives (with Jennifer Selin, Cody Drolc, Nicholas Brothers, and Hanna Brant)

The Development of Representation in American Political Institutions; What we Learned from the Continental Congress (with Aric Dale Gooch) *Invited to Revise and Resubmit*

Working Papers

Through the Looking Glass: Bureaucratic Responsiveness in the States (with Jennifer Selin)

Out With the Old, In With the Old? Term Limits and Legislative Partisanship

Achievements and Awards

Kinder Dissertation Fellowship (Spring 2019) - University of Missouri
Research Grant for Field Research - University of Missouri, Dept. of Political Science
Research Grant for Field Research - Kinder Institute on Constitutional Democracy
Research Grant for Field Research - Hayek Fund for Scholars, Institute for Humane Studies
Jeffery D. Byrne Outstanding Student Award - University of Missouri, Dept. of Political Science
Bryan L. Forbis Award for American Politics - University of Missouri, Dept. of Political Science

Conference Presentations

"Out With the Old, In With the Old? Term Limits and Legislative Partisanship" State Politics and Policy Conference (San Diego, CA), March 2020 (*accepted*)

"Through the Looking Glass: Bureaucratic Responsiveness in the States" with Jennifer Selin, American Political Science Association (Washington, DC), August 2019

"Through the Looking Glass: Variation in Legislative Structure and Administrative Responsiveness in the States" with Jennifer Selin, State Politics and Policy Conference (College Park, MD), May 2019

"The Case of Term Limits in the Continental Congress, 1774-1789" with Aric Dale Gooch, Shawnee Trail Conference (Columbia, MO), March 2019

"The Diminishing Role of State Legislative Leaders," Southern Political Science Association (Austin, TX), January 2019

"Professionalization Paradox: Understanding Term Limits Through Careers," State Politics and Policy Conference (State College, PA), June 2018

" Chutes and Ladders: How Ambition Plays Out in Term-Limited Legislatures" Southern Political Science Association (New Orleans, LA), January 2018

"Opting Out: Retirement in Term-Limited State Legislatures" Midwest Political Science Association (Chicago, IL), April 2017

"The Interest Group Problem: How Interest Group Perceptions Impact Political Trust" Southwestern Social Science Association (Austin, TX), April 2017

Electronic Publications

Washington Post, Monkey Cage
"No, term limits won't #DrainTheSwamp. We did the research." (With Aaron Kushner)

Teaching

University of Missouri, Department of Political Science
American Government   Fall 2018, 2019, Spring 2020

Drury University, Pre-College Program
Politics and Late Night TV   Summer 2018, 2019
Decision 2020: Campaigns and Elections   Summer 2020

Ozarks Technical Community College
American Politics and Government   Fall 2018, 2019, Summer 2019

Professional

Member, Griffith's Leadership Society for Women, University of Missouri Alumni Association
Member, University of Missouri Alumni Association
Institute for Humane Studies Seminar, "Justice or Just Us," 2019
Graduate Student Mentor, 2018-2019
Graduate Studies Committee Representative, 2017-2018
Graduate Liaison for Political Methodology, with Laron Williams (PhD)
American Political Science Association, State Politics and Policy Section
Southern Political Science Association, Member since 2018
Midwest Political Science Association, Member since 2017

Graduate Association of Political Scientists, University of Missouri - Vice President, 2016-2017
Certification in Online Teaching (Canvas), 2017

References

Available Upon Request