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Employment

CLAREMONT MCKENNA COLLEGE, Claremont, CA.

Visiting Assistant Professor of Government, 2025 – Present.
Introduction to American Politics, Fall 2025

NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY, Boston, MA.

Instructor of Record Political Science, 2022 – 2025.

Senior Capstone in Political Science, Spring 2025
Introduction to American Government, Spring 2025
Introduction to American Government, Fall 2024
Introduction to American Government, Spring 2024
Introduction to International Relations, Fall 2023
Introduction to American Government, Spring 2023
Introduction to American Government, Fall 2022

Stipend Graduate Assistant in Political Science, 2019 – 2022.

Costas Panagopoulos – Introduction to American Government, Summer 2022
William Mayer – Introduction to American Government, Spring 2022
William Mayer – American Political Thought, Fall 2021
William Mayer – Politics and the Mass Media, Fall 2021
Costas Panagopoulos – Introduction to American Government, Summer 2021
William Mayer – American Political Thought, Spring 2021
Michael Tolley – Judicial Process and Behavior, Spring 2021
Michael Tolley – Introduction to American Government, Fall 2020
Chris Bosso – Public Policy and Administration, Summer 2020
Natalie Bormann – Modern Political Thought, Spring 2020
Nicholas Beauchamp – U.S. Congress, Spring 2020
Michael Tolley – U.S. Constitutional Law, Fall 2019

Research Assistant in Political Science, 2019.

Costas Panagopoulos – *Bases Loaded*, Fall 2019

AMERICAN HISTORY, GOVERNMENT, POLITICAL SCIENCE

Personal Tutor, In-person/Online, 1-on-1 & Groups, 2019 – Present.

Group Tutor, Weekly/Online, Seekey News Group, China, 2022 – 2023.

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY CHICO, Chico, CA.

Lecturer in Political Science, 2019.

Introduction to Research Methods, Spring 2019

Teaching Associate in Political Science and Criminal Justice, 2016 – 2018.

Eileen Morris – Introduction to American Government, Fall 2016 – Spring 2018

Tutor in College of Behavioral and Social Sciences 2016 – 2018.

Ryan Patten – 1-on-1 tutoring for undergraduates, Fall 2016 – Spring 2018

Education

NORTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY, Boston, MA.

PhD in Political Science, December 2024.

Fields of Study: American Politics, International Relations.

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY CHICO, Chico, CA.

M.A. in Political Science, *with Distinction*, May 2018.

Fields of Study: American Politics, International Relations, Comparative Politics.

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY CHICO, Chico, CA.

B.A. in Political Science, *with Highest Distinction*, May 2016.

EASTERN UTAH, Price, UT.

A.S. in General Education, May 2006.

Honors and Awards

2019-2024 Northeastern University, Good Standing

2016-2024 Member of Pi Sigma Alpha, National Political Science Honor Society.

2015 CSU Chico, Intern of the Month at the Community Legal Information Center.

2014-18 CSU Chico, Dean's List.

2004-06 Eastern Utah, Good Standing.

Completed Work

Watts, Levi. "State Constitutional Development and State Policy Outcomes: Do Echoes of the Past Persist in the Area of Education and Reproductive Rights?." PhD diss., Northeastern University, 2024.

Watts, Levi, Darin R. Haerle, Ryan Patten, and Matt Thomas. "Outcomes of the Second-Year Student Success Program: Student Perceptions and Persistence." *CRSDE Sourcebook. University of Oklahoma* (2023).

Irish, Adam, Nicole Sherman, and Levi Watts. "Targaryen Thought Experiments: Do Science Fiction and Fantasy Examples Aid or Obfuscate Student Learning?." *International Studies Perspectives* (2022).

Irish, Adam, and Levi Watts. "Can 100 Students Debate One Another? Adapting the Nuclear Proliferation Debate for a Large Lecture Class." *Journal of Higher Education Theory and Practice* 21, no. 10 (2021): 23-35.

Conferences Papers and Activities

2024: "State Constitutional Development and State Policy Outcomes: Do Echoes of the Past Persist in the Area of Education and Reproductive Rights?" Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.

2019: "Outcomes of the Second-Year Student Success Program: Student Perceptions and Persistence" (with Darin Haerle, Ryan Patten, and Matt Thomas) National Symposium on Student Retention.

2018: "Targaryen Thought Experiments: Do Science Fiction Examples Help or Hurt When Teaching International Relations?" (with Adam Irish and Nicole Sherman) Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.

2018: Research Assistant who conducted interviews with students for quantitative aspect of "Targaryen Thought Experiments", as well as transcription, coding, and data collection.

2018: "Can 100 Students Debate One Another? Adapting the Nuclear Proliferation Debate to a Large Lecture Class" (with Adam Irish). Faculty Lunch Talk at CSU Chico.

2018: "The Role of 9: How the Supreme Court Influences Policy and Politics" Bi-annual Panel through the Council of Graduate Students at CSU Chico. Moderator/Event Organizer.

2017: "The Definition of Violence" Bi-annual Panel through the Council of Graduate Students at CSU Chico and the Community Legal Information Center. Facilitator/Event Organizer.

2016: "Technology and Its Impact: Technology in the 21st Century" Bi-annual Panel through the Council of Graduate Students at CSU Chico. Facilitator/Event Organizer.

2016: "Crime after Crime" film showing hosted by the Women's Law Department at C.L.I.C. for Domestic Violence Awareness Month. Event Organizer.

Courses Taught

Claremont McKenna: *Government 020: Introduction to American Politics (Visiting Assistant Professor for multiple sections Spring 2025).*

Northeastern: *Political Science 4701: Senior Capstone in Political Science (Instructor of Record for Spring 2025).*

Political Science 1150: Intro to American Government (Instructor of Record for Fall 2022, Spring 2023, Spring 2024, Fall 2024, Spring 2025).

Political Science 1160: Intro to International Relations (Instructor of Record for Fall 2023).

CSU Chico: *Political Science 331: Intro to Research Methods (Instructor of Record for multiple sections Spring 2019).*

Political Science 155: Intro to American Government (Guest Lecturer for multiple sections covering the Judicial Branch Fall 2017, Spring 2018 and Fall 2018).

Service

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| 2025 – 2025 | Faculty Advisor, Northeastern Univ. DJ Club, Northeastern University. |
| 2023 – 2025 | Faculty Advisor, Bipartisan Disagreement, Northeastern University. |
| 2016 – 2023: | Consultant, Bi-annual Town Hall, CSU Chico. |
| 2016 – 2018: | Treasurer Council of Graduate Students, CSU Chico. |
| 2015 – 2017: | Director/Intern at Community Legal Information Center. |
| 2014 – 2018: | Member of Southern Poverty Law Center. |
| 2014 – 2016: | Coach at Chico Westside Little League. |
| 2004 – 2006: | Volunteer at Carbon County Recreational Center. |

Letters of Recommendation

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