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Education

University of California, San Diego
PhD Political Science 2011 - 2016
- Institute for Network Science, Yale University (2013 - 2014)
- Data Science Team, Facebook (2013)

University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill
BA Economics, Asian Studies 2009

Academic Employment

Network Science Institute, Northeastern University
Postdoctoral Fellow in the Lazer Lab (2016 -)

Institute for Quantitative Social Science, Harvard University
Visiting Fellow (2016 -)

Refereed Publications

“Connective Recovery in Social Networks After the Death of a Friend.”
William Hobbs and Moira Burke. 2017.
Nature Human Behaviour.

“‘Voters of the Year’: 19 Voters Who Were Unintentional Election Poll Sensors on Twitter.”
William Hobbs, Lisa Friedland, Kenneth Joseph, Oren Tsur, Stefan Wojcik, and David Lazer.
ICWSM 2017 (short paper).

“Online Social Integration is Associated with Reduced Mortality Risk.”
William Hobbs, Moira Burke, Nicholas Christakis, and James Fowler. 2016.
Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences. 113 (46): 12980-12984.

“Presidential Effort and International Outcomes: evidence for an executive bottleneck.”
David Lindsey and William Hobbs. 2015.
Journal of Politics. 77(4): 1089-1102.

“Widowhood Effects in Voter Participation.”

William Hobbs, Nicholas Christakis, and James Fowler. 2014.
American Journal of Political Science. 58(1): 1-16.

“Prediction of Mortality Using On-Line, Self-Reported Health Data: empirical test of the RealAge score.”

William Hobbs and James Fowler. 2014.
PLOS ONE. 9(1): e86385.

“Embedded Interests and the Managerial Local State: the political economy of methanol fuel-switching in China.”

Genia Kostka and William Hobbs. 2013.
Journal of Contemporary China. 22(80): 204-218.

“Local Energy Efficiency Policy Implementation in China: bridging the gap between national priorities and local interests.”

Genia Kostka and William Hobbs. 2012.
China Quarterly. 211: 765-785.

Grants and Awards

Russell Sage Foundation grant to study attitudes toward the Affordable Care Act with Daniel Hopkins (2016).

Altmetric Top 100 Articles of the Year (2016).

Working Papers

“How Sudden Censorship Can Increase Access to Information.”

William Hobbs and Margaret Roberts. 2016. (working paper)

“Partisan Attachment or Life Stability?”

William Hobbs. 2016. (working paper) (R&R)

“Latent Dimensions of Attitudes on the Affordable Care Act.”
with Daniel Hopkins.

“The Effects of the 2016 Election on Muslim and Arab Americans.”
with Nazita Lajevardi.

Non-Refereed Conference Presentations

“Observational and Experimental Effects of Divisive Political Campaigns on the Day-to-Day Segregation of Racialized Outgroups.”

Nazita Lajevardi and William Hobbs.

– 2017 Midwest Political Science Association Conference.

“A Redistricting Method Based on Interregional Mobility and Social Interaction.”

William Hobbs.

- 2016 American Political Science Association Conference.
- 2016 Society for Political Methodology Conference.

“How Sudden Censorship Can Increase Access to Information”

William Hobbs and Margaret Roberts.

- 2017 Southern Political Science Association Conference.
- 2016 American Political Science Association Conference.
- 2016 Midwest Political Science Association Conference.

“Partisan Attachment or Life Stability?”

William Hobbs.

- 2016 Western Political Science Association Conference.

“Partisan Conformity in Households.”

William Hobbs.

- 2014 American Political Science Association Conference.

“Presidential Attention and the Quality of US Foreign Policy.”

David Lindsey and William Hobbs.

- 2014 American Political Science Association Conference.

“Health and Voter Participation.” William Hobbs and James Fowler.

- 2013 American Political Science Association Conference.

“Turnout in the Seventy-Eight Weeks Before and After the Death of a Spouse.”

William Hobbs and James Fowler.

- 2012 Midwest Political Science Association Conference.

Teaching

UC-San Diego section instructor:

- *Introduction to American Politics*
- *Political Inquiry* (introduction to statistics for political science majors)

Other Activities and Affiliations

UC-San Diego:

- Human Nature Group (2011-2016)
- American Politics Workshop (2012-2016)
- Comparative Politics Workshop (2011-2012)

Facebook:

- Core Data Science, research intern (2013)
- Core Data Science, external contractor (2013-2016)

Yale:

- Human Nature Lab (2013-2014)

Frankfurt School of Finance and Management:
- Research assistant for Genia Kostka (2010-2011)

Brookings-Tsinghua Center:
- Research assistant (2010)

Foreign language: Chinese (Mandarin).

Referee for *Circulation*, *Electoral Studies*, *EPJ Data Science*, *Journal of Politics*, *Political Behavior*.

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