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## EDUCATION

**Penn State University**, State College, PA, United States

*Dual-title PhD*: Political Science and Social Data Analytics, expected in 2022

- Committee: Bruce Desmarais, Kevin Munger, Cyanne Loyle, Diane Felmlee
- Dissertation title: Violent Partisan Hostility in Online Political Communication

**Penn State University**, State College, PA, United States

MA: Political Science, 2019

**Seoul National University**, Seoul, Republic of Korea

MA: Political Science, 2016

**Yonsei University**, Seoul, Republic of Korea

*Dual-title BA*: Political Science and English Linguistics & Literature, 2013

## RESEARCH AREAS

**American Politics**: Partisanship, Polarization, Violent Extremism, Political Communication, Social Media and Politics, State Politics, Health Politics

**Computational Social Science**: Social Network Analysis, Natural Language Processing, Machine Learning

## WORKING PAPERS

“Violent Political Rhetoric on Twitter.” *Revise and Resubmit at Political Science Research and Methods*. [\[PDF\]](#)

- Recipient of 2021 John Sprague Award (Best Graduate Student Paper), Political Networks Section, APSA (American Political Science Association).

“Attention to the COVID-19 Pandemic on Twitter: Partisan Differences among U.S. State Legislators.” *Revise and Resubmit at Legislative Studies Quarterly*. With Nitheesha Nakka, Ishita Gopal, Bruce Desmarais, Abigail Mancinelli, Jeffrey Harden, Hyein Ko, Frederick Boehmke. [\[PDF\]](#)

## WORK IN PROGRESS

“Violent Political Rhetoric on Inter-partisan Relations.”

“Moralized Politics and Violent Partisan Hostility on Twitter.”

“Modeling State Legislator Networks on Twitter.” With Ishita Gopal, Nitheesha Nakka, Bruce Desmarais.

“State Legislators’ Attention to and Stance on Vaccination.” With Bruce Desmarais.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

**Undergraduate Course Instructor**

- PLSC 497: Political Networks, Spring 2022 (scheduled), Penn State University

**Graduate Method Preceptor**

- PLSC 502: Statistical Methods for Political Research (Bruce Desmarais), Fall 2019, Penn State University
- PLSC 503: Multivariate Analysis for Political Research (Christopher Zorn), Spring 2020, Penn State University

- PLSC 504: Topics in Political Methodology (Christopher Zorn),  
Fall 2019, Penn State University

**CONFERENCE**     **Violent Political Rhetoric on Twitter** (PaCSS/PolNet 2020, PolMeth 2020, APSA 2020, MPSA 2021)

**Attention to the COVID-19 Pandemic on Twitter: Partisan Differences among U.S. State Legislators** (PolNet 2021)

**AWARDS**     **John Sprague Award.** 2021, Political Networks Section, APSA

**Program in Comparative Politics Award**, 2021, Penn State University

**Paterno Graduate Fellowship**, 2018-2019, Penn State University

**SKILLS & LANGUAGES**     **Programming:** R (tidyverse, plm, lme4, stm, quanteda, network, igraph, ergm), Python (pandas, numpy, matplotlib, scikit-learn, Keras, Pytorch, NLTK, transformers, tweepy), Stata, Git, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X.

**Language:** English (fluent), Korean (native)

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