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EMPLOYMENT

Associate Professor, Valdosta State University, July 2022-present

Assistant Professor, Valdosta State University, July 2020-2022

Assistant Professor, Georgia College & State University, August 2016-June 2020

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Department of Political Science, University of Florida, 2017

M.A., Department of Political Science, University of Florida, 2015

M.P.A., Department of Political Science, Valdosta State University, 2011

B.A., Department of Political Science, Valdosta State University, 2010

A.A., Department of Political Science, Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College, 2009

PUBLICATIONS

Books

Kimberly Martin, Keith E. Lee Jr., and John Hall. 2021. *Public Policy* University of North Georgia Press.

Refereed Journal Articles

Kristina M. LaPlant, Keth E. Lee Jr., and James T. LaPlant. *Forthcoming*. "Stopping the Steal and Selling the Big Lie: An Analysis of Tweets and Certification Votes Among House Republicans in the Wake of the 2020 Presidential Election." *American Politics Research*

Kristina M. LaPlant, Deryl Mack Seckinger, Keith E Lee Jr., and James T. LaPlant. 2021. "Cocked, Locked, and Loaded: An Analysis of the Five Policy Regimes of Concealed Carry on College Campuses." *Politics & Policy*

Kristina M. LaPlant, Keith E. Lee Jr., and James T. LaPlant. 2020. "Christmas Trees, Presidents, and Mass Shootings: Explaining Gun Purchases in the South and Non-South." *Social Science Quarterly*

Keith E. Lee Jr., Sydney Bryan, and James LaPlant. 2017. "Game Day Meets Election Day: Sports Records, Election Results, and the American South." *Social Science Quarterly*

Seth C. McKee, Antoine Yoshinaka, Keith E. Lee Jr., and Richard McKenzie. 2016. "Party Switchers and Reelection: A Precinct Level Analysis." *American Review of Politics*. 35(2): 1-26.

Mandi Bates Bailey, Keith Lee, and Lee R. Williams. 2013. "Repealing 'Don't Ask, Don't Tell': The Impact of Stereotypes on Attitudes toward Homosexuals in the Military." *American Review of Politics* 34 (Summer): 85-102.

AWARDS AND HONORS

2023, Raymond Chambers Award, Georgia Political Science Association

2021, Donald T. Wells Award, Georgia Political Science Association

2019, Georgia College College of Arts & Sciences Faculty Excellence Award for Online Teaching
2018, Valdosta State University, Department of Political Science Distinguished Alumnus
2018, Georgia College, Coverdell Public Policy Fellowship
2012-2016, University of Florida, Graduate Fellowship
2011-2012, Valdosta State University Graduate Assistantship
2011-2012, Valdosta State University, Hugh C. Bailey Outstanding MPA Student Award

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

Papers Presented

"The Kids are Alright: Nonprofit Organizations' Presence and Impact in South Georgia" with Joseph Robbins at the Georgia Political Science Association in Savannah, GA, November 8-10, 2023.

"Global Pandemics and the Rural Response: Rural Georgia's Challenge and Response to COVID-19" with Joseph Robbins and Steven Sainz at the Georgia Political Science Association in Savannah, GA, November 9-11, 2022.

"Run Herschel Run: Projecting the 2022 Senate Race in Georgia" with Karen Owen and James LaPlant at the Symposium of Southern Politics at the Citadel in Charleston, S.C., March 3-4, 2022.

"Stopping the Steal and Selling the Big Lie: An Analysis of Tweets and Certification Votes Among House Republicans in the Wake of the 2020 Presidential Election" with Kristina LaPlant and James LaPlant at the Georgia Political Science Association in Savannah, GA, November 10-12, 2021.

"The Economic Impact of Rural Hospital Closures in Georgia" at the Georgia Political Science Association in Savannah, GA, November 6-8, 2019.

"Religion, Republicanism, and Realignment in Alabama: An Analysis of the 2017 U.S. Senate Special Election" with James LaPlant at the Symposium of Southern Politics at the Citadel in Charleston, S.C., March 4-5, 2018.

"Reconstructed: Institutional Reform in the U.S. House and the Shaping of Southern Politics" at the Symposium of Southern Politics at the Citadel in Charleston, S.C., March 3-4, 2016.

"The Allure and Conceit of the Newest South: Revisiting the Black Belt" with Nicholas A. Rudnik at the Symposium of Southern Politics at the Citadel in Charleston, S.C., March 3-4, 2016.

"Who Punishes Party Switchers?" with Seth McKee (Texas Tech University), Antoine Yoshinaka (American University) and Richard McKenzie (University of South Florida) at the Symposium on Southern Politics at the Citadel in Charleston, S.C., March 6-7, 2014.

"Game Day Meets Election Day: Sports Records, Election Results, and the American South," with James LaPlant and Sydney Bryan (Valdosta State University) at the Symposium on Southern Politics at the Citadel in Charleston, S.C., March 6-7, 2014.

"Repealing 'Don't Ask, Don't Tell': The Impact of Stereotypes on Attitudes to Homosexuals Serving in the Military" with Mandi Bailey. Annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 12-14, 2012.

"The Uses and Abuses of Twitter: How Members of Congress are Relying on Twitter to Shape Public Opinion and Divide America." Annual meeting of the Georgia Political Science Association, Savannah, GA, November 10-12, 2011.

“Reflections from a Local Election in South Georgia: A Handbook for Aspiring Candidates.” Annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA, January 13-15, 2011.

“North Carolina: Prototype for Progressivism in the South.” Annual Undergraduate Research Symposium in the College of Arts and Sciences at Valdosta State University. Valdosta, GA, April 15-16, 2010.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Valdosta State University, Valdosta, GA – Assistant Professor

(Courses not taught regularly excluded)

PADM 7060 Quantitative Methods for PA (Fall 2022, Spring 2023, Fall 2023)

PADM 7090 Policy Analysis (Summer 2021)

PADM 7190 Data Analysis and Visualization with R for DPA (Summer 2022) PADM 7900 MPA Capstone (Fall 2021, Spring 2022, Summer 2022, Fall 2022, Spring 2023, Fall 2023)

PADM 9990 DPA Capstone (Spring 2022)

Georgia College, Milledgeville, GA – Assistant Professor

(Courses not taught regularly excluded)

Undergraduate:

POLS 3338 Principles of Public Administration (Spring 2020)

POLS 4000 Systematic Analysis (Spring 2018, Spring 2020)

POLS 4211 Legislative Politics & Behavior (Fall 2017, Fall 2019)

POLS 4241 Southern Politics (Spring 2017, Summer 2018, Spring 2019)

POLS 4920 Senior Seminar (Spring 2018, Spring 2019)

POLS 4950 American Political Development (Summer 2017, Summer 2018)

POLS 4950 Knope, Swanson, and Public Service (Summer 2019, Summer 2020)

Graduate:

PUAD 6578 Public Finance and Budgeting (Spring 2017, Spring 2018, Spring 2019, Summer 2019, Spring 2020)

PUAD 6605 Quantitative Techniques (Fall 2017, Summer 2018, Fall 2018, Fall 2019)

SERVICE

Profession

Treasurer. *Georgia Political Science Association*. (2021-present)
Immediate Past President. *Georgia Political Science Association*. (2020-2021)
Solicited Manuscript Review. *Congress & The Presidency*. (2020)
Solicited Manuscript Review. *American Review of Politics*. (2019)
Member. *Regents' Advisory Council* (2018-2020).
President. *Georgia Political Science Association* (2018-2020).
Vice-President/Program Chair. *Georgia Political Science Association* (2017-2018).
Solicited Textbook Review. *Ohlinger Publishing* (2018).
Solicited Textbook Review. *Pearson* (2018)
Solicited Manuscript Review. *Perspectives on Politics* (2018).
Solicited Textbook Review. *Sage | CQPress*. (2017).
Solicited Manuscript Review. *American Review of Politics* (2017).
Board Member. *Georgia Political Science Association* (2016-2017).
Solicited Textbook Review. *Sage | CQPress*. (2016).
Solicited Manuscript Review. *Social Science Quarterly* (2015).

University

VSU:

Advisor. Model U.S. Senate, 2020-present.
Member. Doctoral Programs Subcommittee. 2020-present.
Member. Graduate Student Research Symposium Subcommittee. 2020 - present.
Member. Graduate Assistant Allocation Subcommittee. 2020-present.
Member. Graduate Executive Committee. 2020-present.

GCSU:

Member. Women's Center Advisory Board, 2019-2020.
Advisor. Model U.S. Senate, 2019-2020.

College

GCSU:

Chair. Georgia College College of Arts and Sciences Dean's Advisory Council, 2018-2019.
Member. Georgia College College of Arts and Sciences Dean's Advisory Council, 2017-2018.

Department

VSU:

Chair, MPA Program Coordinator Search Committee, Fall 2023.
Member, Limited Term Faculty Search Committee, Spring 2023.
Member, Valdosta State Organizational Leadership Search Committee Member, Fall 2020.

GCSU:

Chair, Anthropology Search Committee, Spring 2019.
Member, Community Service & Outreach Subcommittee, 2018-present.
Member, Public Administration Search Committee, Spring 2018. Program Coordinator, Political

Science, 2017-2018.

Member, Public Policy Distinctiveness Subcommittee, 2016-2018.