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## *Academic Affiliation*

**Saint Joseph's University**, Philadelphia, PA  
*Assistant Professor*, 2018-

**University of Pittsburgh**, Pittsburgh, PA  
*Visiting Assistant Professor*, 2017-2018

## *Education*

**Indiana University**, Bloomington, IN  
Ph.D., Political Science, 2017  
Fields: American Politics, Political Methodology  
Minor: Political Behavior and Attitude Change  
Dissertation: *Union Decline and Its Consequences for Political Voice: A Look at the American States*  
Committee: Gerald C. Wright (Chair), Christopher DeSante, Bernard L. Fraga, Marjorie R. Hershey,  
and Joseph Varga (Labor Studies)

**Providence College**, Providence, RI  
B.A., Political Science, 2010. *With honors*

## *Research Interests*

Labor; Deunionization; State Politics & Policy; Economic Inequality; Political Behavior; Interest Groups;  
Elections & Voting; Representation; Race & Class

## *Peer-Reviewed Publications*

2018. "Organized Labor's Check on Rising Economic Inequality in the U.S. States"  
*State Politics & Policy Quarterly*. 18(2): 148 - 173.

2017. "The Influence of Incumbency and Partisanship on Fenno's Paradox: Evidence From Taiwan's  
Legislative Yuan" *The Journal of Asian and African Studies*. With Timothy S. Rich.

## *Editorially Reviewed Publications*

Forthcoming. "Civic Engagement in Decline: Deunionization and A 50 State Solution"  
*Labor Studies Journal*.

2017. "White Working-Class Politics and the Consequences of Declining Unionization  
in the Age of Trump." *Politics, Groups, and Identities*, 5(2), 364-371.

## *In Preparation*

*Unequal Voice: Deunionization in the American States*, book manuscript.

"Elite Opinion, Unionization, and the Adoption of Labor Policy in the American States"  
with Joshua M. Jansa. **Revise and Resubmit at *Journal of Public Policy***

"The State of Labor in the Democratic Party Coalition"  
with Kevin Reuning. **Under Review**

"Pale, Male, and Stale'? An Analysis of Introductory Readers in Political Science"  
with Becki Scola and Lisa Baglione. **Under Review**

"Hiding Behind Their Union: Partisan Acceptance of Occupational Unionization"

“Without Labor, Who is Left? Race, Class, and U.S. Voter Turnout”

“Alone or Together: Pathways for Economic Stability Under Union Decline”

“Whose Frames Count?: Understanding Class as a Component of Source Credibility”

*Teaching*

**Saint Joseph’s University**

*Undergraduate*

Introduction to American Government  
Political Participation in the United States  
Public Policy  
Media and Politics

**University of Pittsburgh**

*Graduate*

Economic Inequality & American Democracy, 2017

*Undergraduate*

Introduction to American Government, 2017, 2018  
Economic Inequality & American Democracy, 2018

*Grants*

*& Awards*

Saint Joseph University, Board of Faculty Research and Development Summer Research Grant (\$6000)  
APSA Center for Teaching and Learning, Travel Award  
Working Class Studies’ Association, Scholar Activist Award, Spring 2017  
APSA Travel Award, Fall 2016  
IU Graduate and Professional Student Organization Travel Award, Spring 2016  
IU Department of Political Science Travel Award, Spring 2016  
Prestage-Cook Travel Award, Southern Political Science Association, Spring 2016  
Center for American Politics Conference Grant, Spring 2014, 2015, 2016  
Best Paper Award American Politics, 2013  
Graduate Student Leadership Award, 2013  
The Vincent and Elinor Ostrom Workshop in Theory and Policy Analysis Fellowship, Fall 2011

*Conferences*

*Talks*

*& Invited*

September 2019. Invited Discussant on a book manuscript.  
*Hijacking the Congressional Agenda: Economic Power Political Influence*, University of Tennessee.

April 2019. Conference on Law & Work.  
*Law and Public Affairs (LAPA)*, Princeton University.

March 2019. “Alone or Together: Pathways for Economic Stability Under Union Decline,” Conference on Subnational Democracy, *Center for the Study of Democratic Politics*, Princeton University

March 2019. Teaching Research Methodology.  
APSA Centennial Center Teaching & Learning Symposium.

November 2018. “Policy without Preferences: Labor Policy Adoption in the American States”  
*Labor Relations, Law, Comparative Labor speaker series*, Cornell University ILR

August 2018. “Revitalizing Labor and Social Movements”, Invited Panelist  
*Inequality, Democracy, and America’s Future*  
Ash Center for Democratic Governance and Innovation, Harvard University

June 2018. “Workplace Liberalism: Understanding Pathways for Redistribution in the States.”  
*State Politics and Policy Conference*, State College, PA.

Laura C. Bucci. June 2017. “The States and the Unions: Public Opinion and Policy Response.”  
Annual meeting of the *Working Class Studies Association*, Bloomington, IN.

February 2015. “Diminishing Strength, but Not Returns: Public Opinion of Labor Unions Over Time”  
Politics, Policy, and Inequality Conference at the Institute for European Studies, Bloomington, IN.

**APSA:** 2016, 2018, 2019

**MPSA:** 2014, 2015, 2016, 2018

**SPPC:** 2014, 2018, 2019

**SPSA:** 2016, 2017

**LERA:** 2019

*Research*      *Perspectives on Politics*, Editorial Assistant, 2013-2014, Summer 2015, 2016-2017  
*Experience*    AP US Government and Politics, Reader, 2019

*Public*        March 2019. “The Public Does not Hate Labor”  
*Engagement*   *Jacobin*, <https://www.jacobinmag.com/2019/03/labor-union-support-state-level-opinions>

February 2019. “BONUS EPISODE 9 - Laura Bucci”  
Working People Podcast, Invited Guest

July 2018. “Despite declining membership, organized labor continues to reduce economic  
inequality in the American states” London School of Economics US Politics and Policy Blog  
<http://bit.ly/2K3XOHS>

June 2018. “Janus Trap House and the So-Called White Working Class”  
*Dead Pundits Society*, Invited Guest.

May 23, 2018. Political Research Digest Podcast “How Labor Unions Impact Inequality –  
and Whether That Justifies the Legacy Costs They Leave” Invited Guest.

March 16, 2016. “Florida and Ohio Primary Results Recap” Invited Guest,  
*The Kathleen Dunn Show* Wisconsin National Public Radio.

*Professional*    American Political Science Association  
*Memberships*   Labor and Employment Relations Association  
Midwest Political Science Association  
Southern Political Science Association  
Scholar Strategy Network  
Section on Class and Social Inequality  
Working Class Studies Association

*Service*        Referee, *American Political Science Review*, *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, *Perspectives on Politics*,  
*Politics, Groups and Identities*, *Social Science Quarterly*, *State Politics & Policy Quarterly*

Outreach Coordinator, Class and Inequality Section, APSA

Assessment, Department of Political Science, Saint Joseph’s University

Data Analysis, Expanding Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion at Saint Joseph’s University

Working Group Member , Geospatial Analysis, Saint Joseph’s University

Working Group Member, Data Science, Saint Joseph’s University

*Computing*    **R**, Catalist, Stata, SAS, SPSS, Python, MPLUS, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X

*References*

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Dr. Kristin Kanthak  
Associate Professor of Political Science  
University of Pittsburgh  
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Dr. Daniel J. Galvin  
Associate Professor of Political Science  
Northwestern University  
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