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Academic appointments

Assistant professor, Department of Political Science, University of Colorado at Boulder.
August 2004 to present.

Education

Ph.D. Political Science. University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 2004.
Major field: American politics. Minor field: Methodology.
Dissertation: "The Context of Political Learning."
Dissertation chair: Michael MacKuen

M.A. Political Science. University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 2001.

B.S. Political Science. Eastern Michigan University, 1999.

Journal publications

Wolak, Jennifer. Forthcoming. "The Consequences of Concurrent Campaigns for Citizen Knowledge of Congressional Candidates." *Political Behavior*.

Fogarty, Brian, and Jennifer Wolak. Forthcoming. "The Effects of Media Interpretation for Citizen Evaluations of Politicians' Messages." *American Politics Research*.

Keele, Luke, and Jennifer Wolak. Forthcoming. "Contextual Sources of Ambivalence." *Political Psychology*.

Wolak, Jennifer, and George E. Marcus. 2007. "Personality and Emotional Response: Strategic and Tactical Responses to Changing Political Circumstances." *The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science* 614:172-195.

Kelleher, Christine, and Jennifer Wolak. 2007. "Explaining Public Confidence in the Branches of State Government." *Political Research Quarterly* 60: 707-721.

Wolak, Jennifer. 2007. "Strategic Retirements: The Influence of Public Preferences on Voluntary Departures from Congress." *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 32:285-308.

Wolak, Jennifer. 2006. "The Consequences of Presidential Battleground Strategies for Citizen Engagement." *Political Research Quarterly* 59:353-361.

- Kelleher, Christine, and Jennifer Wolak. 2006. "Priming Presidential Approval: The Conditionality of Issue Effects." *Political Behavior* 28:193-210.
- Keele, Luke, and Jennifer Wolak. 2006. "Value Conflict and Volatility in Party Identification." *British Journal of Political Science* 36:671-690.
- Lowery, David, Virginia Gray, Jennifer Wolak, Erik Godwin, and Whitt Kilburn. 2005. "Reconsidering the Countermobilization Hypothesis: Health Policy Lobbying in the American States." *Political Behavior* 27:99-132.
- Gray, Virginia, David Lowery, and Jennifer Wolak. 2004. "Demographic Opportunities, Collective Action, Competitive Exclusion, and the Crowded Room: Lobbying Forms among Institutions." *State Politics and Policy Quarterly* 4:18-54.
- Wolak, Jennifer, Adam J. Newmark, Todd McNoldy, David Lowery, and Virginia Gray. 2002. "Much of Politics is Still Local: Multi-State Lobbying in State Interest Communities." *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 27:527-555.
- Bernstein, Jeffrey L., and Jennifer Wolak. 2002. "A Bicameral Perspective on Legislative Retirement: The Case of the Senate." *Political Research Quarterly* 55:375-390.
- Wolak, Jennifer, David Lowery, and Virginia Gray. 2001. "California Dreaming: Replicating the ESA Model, Unusual Cases, and Comparative State Political Analysis." *State Politics and Policy Quarterly* 1:255-272.

Chapters in edited volumes

- Marcus, George E., Michael MacKuen, Jennifer Wolak, and Luke Keele. 2006. "The Measure and Mismeasure of Emotion." In David Redlawsk, ed., *Feeling Politics: Emotion in Political Information Processing*. New York: Palgrave MacMillan.

Works in progress

- "Reflective or Resolute: How Emotion Guides the Deliberative and Partisan Citizen." with Michael MacKuen, Luke Keele, and George E. Marcus.
- "The Sources of Emotional Engagement in Politics." with Michael MacKuen, Luke Keele, and George Marcus.
- "Deciding what is Fair." with David Doherty.
- "When Will People Consider Compromise?"

Grants, awards, and fellowships

- Legacy Fund Grant, Department of Political Science, University of Colorado at Boulder, "Experiments on Representation," with Eric Gonzalez Juenke, 2008.
- Innovative Seed Grant, University of Colorado at Boulder, "Colors of Allegiance: Mapping the Spectrum of Adolescent Civic Identity in Red/Blue America." with Michael McDevitt, Ben Kirshner, and Spiro Kioussis, 2007.

Center for the Advance of Research and Teaching in the Social Sciences (CARTSS) Scholars Grant, University of Colorado at Boulder, “Deciding What is Fair,” with David Doherty, 2006.

Council on Research and Creative Work Small Grant, University of Colorado at Boulder, “Why Citizens Compromise about Politics,” 2006.

Travel fellowship to attend the Annual Political Methodology Meeting at the University of California, Davis, California, 2006.

Institute for Ethical and Civic Engagement, University of Colorado at Boulder, “Civic Competence and Political Participation,” 2005.

National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant, “Motivation and the Context of Political Learning,” 2003-2004.

James W. Prothro Award for Outstanding M.A. Thesis in Political Science, Department of Political Science, University of North Carolina, 2002.

M. Kent Jennings Award, University of North Carolina, 1999-2004.

Joseph E. Pogue Fellowship, Graduate School at the University of North Carolina, 1999-2001; 2003-2004.

Conference presentations

McAtee, Andrea, and Jennifer Wolak. 2008. “The Roots of Citizen Engagement in Subnational Politics.” Presented at the 2008 State Politics and Policy conference, Philadelphia, PA.

- Also to be presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, MA.

Wolak, Jennifer. 2008. “Political Context and the Development of Party Identification in Adolescence.” Presented at the Shambaugh Conference on *The American Voter Revisited*, Iowa City, IA.

McAtee, Andrea, and Jennifer Wolak. 2008. “Explaining Political Participation in State Politics.” Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

Wolak, Jennifer. 2007. “The Sources of Support for Policy Compromise.” Presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

Fitzgerald, Jennifer, and Jennifer Wolak. 2007. “Trust in Local Political Institutions.” Presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

Doherty, David, and Jennifer Wolak. 2007. “Deciding What is Fair.” Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

- Wolak, Jennifer. 2007. "The Social Roots of Evaluations of Fairness." Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- Wolak, Jennifer, and George E. Marcus. 2006. "Personality and Emotional Response: Strategic and Tactical Responses to Changing Political Circumstances." Presented at the Hendricks Conference on Biology, Evolution, and Political Behavior, Lincoln, NE.
- Wolak, Jennifer. 2006. "When Will People Consider Compromise?" Presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA.
- Keele, Luke, and Jennifer Wolak. 2006. "Contextual Sources of Ambivalence." Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- Wolak, Jennifer, and Christine A. Kelleher. 2005. "Approval of Government across Federal Levels." Presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC.
- MacKuen, Michael, Jennifer Wolak, Luke Keele, and George E. Marcus. 2005. "Crossing the Private/Public Boundary: Emotion as Perception and Motivation." Presented at the annual meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, Toronto, ON.
- Kelleher, Christine A., and Jennifer Wolak. 2005. "Citizen Confidence in State Governmental Institutions." Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
 - Also presented at the 2005 State Politics and Policy conference, East Lansing, MI.
- Wolak, Jennifer. 2004. "Campaign Learning and the Consequences of Concurrent Campaigns." Poster presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- Wolak, Jennifer. 2004. "Context and the Consequences of Concurrent Campaigns on Learning." Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- Gray, Virginia, David Lowery, Jennifer Wolak, Erik Godwin, and Whitt Kilburn. 2004. "Reconsidering the Countermobilization Hypothesis: Health Policy Lobbying in the American States." Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- Wolak, Jennifer, Michael MacKuen, Luke Keele, and George Marcus. 2003. "How the Emotions of Public Policy Affect Citizen Engagement, Public Deliberation, and the Quality of Electoral Choice." Presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA.
- Keele, Luke, and Jennifer Wolak. 2003. "Value Conflict and Ambivalence in Partisan Beliefs." Poster presented at the 19th Annual Political Methodology Conference, Minneapolis, MN.
- Wolak, Jennifer. 2003. "Motivation, Context, and the Mechanisms of Campaign Learning." Presented at the annual meeting of the International Society of Political Psychology, Boston, MA.

- Wolak, Jennifer. 2003. "Motivation, Learning, and the Political Environment." Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- Wolak, Jennifer, Michael MacKuen, Luke Keele, and George Marcus. 2003. "How the Emotions of Public Policy Affect Citizen Engagement and Public Deliberation." Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
 - Also presented at the Spring 2003 New York Area Political Psychology Meeting.
- Marcus, George E., Michael MacKuen, Jennifer Wolak, and Luke Keele. 2003. "The Measure and Mismeasure of Emotion." Presented at the Shambaugh Conference on Affect and Cognition in Political Action, Iowa City, IA.
- Fogarty, Brian, and Jennifer Wolak. 2002. "Source Cues and the Construction of Political Arguments." Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- MacKuen, Michael B., George E. Marcus, W. Russell Neuman, Luke Keele, and Jennifer Wolak. 2001. "Emotions, Information, and Political Cooperation." Presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA.
- Wolak, Jennifer. 2001. "Strategic Retirements: Explaining Aggregate Level Membership Changes in the U.S. Congress." Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- Gray, Virginia, David Lowery, and Jennifer Wolak. 2001. "Demographic Opportunities, Collective Action, Competitive Exclusion, and the Crowded Room: Lobbying Forms Among Institutions." Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- MacKuen, Michael, George E. Marcus, W. Russell Neuman, Luke Keele, and Jennifer Wolak. 2001. "Emotional Framing, Information Search, and the Operation of Affective Intelligence in Matters of Public Policy." Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- Steenbergen, Marco R., Whitt Kilburn, and Jennifer Wolak. 2001. "Affective Moderators of On-Line and Memory-Based Processing in Candidate Evaluation." Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- Wolak, Jennifer, Adam J. Newmark, Todd McNoldy, David Lowery, and Virginia Gray. 2000. "Much of Politics is Still Local: Multi-State Lobbying in State Interest Communities." Presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC.
- Bernstein, Jeffrey, and Jennifer Wolak. 1998. "A Bicameral Perspective on Legislative Retirement: The Case of the Senate." Presented at the Michigan Conference of Political Scientists, Allendale, MI.

Teaching experience

Graduate seminars

Political Psychology
PSCI 5901/7901: University of Colorado. Fall 2005.

Political Behavior
PSCI 5031/7031: University of Colorado. Fall 2006.

Political Participation
PSCI 5901/7901: University of Colorado. Fall 2007.

Advanced Political Data Analysis 3
PSCI 5108/7108: University of Colorado. Fall 2008.

Core Seminar in American Politics
PSCI 5011/7011: University of Colorado. Fall 2008.

Undergraduate courses

Progress and Problems in American Democracy (a course on civic competence)
PSCI 4731: University of Colorado. Fall 2006.

Political Psychology
PSCI 4028: University of Colorado. Spring 2005 (Honors), Spring 2008.

Public Opinion and Political Behavior
PSCI 3051: Univ. of Colorado. Fall 2004, Spring 2005, Fall 2005. Spring 2007, Fall 2007.
POLI 70: University of North Carolina. Spring 2003.

Political Communication
PSCI 4028: University of Colorado. Spring 2007.

Introduction to American Government
POLI 41: University of North Carolina. Fall 2002.
Carolina Courses Online, University of North Carolina. Fall 2003-Summer 2004.

Departmental and university service

Policy committee, Department of Political Science, University of Colorado, 2006 to present.

Graduate committee, Department of Political Science, University of Colorado, 2005-2007.

Co-organizer, Political Science Brown Bag Series, Department of Political Science, University of Colorado, Fall 2005 to present.

Arts and Sciences Council, University of Colorado. Spring 2005-Spring 2006, Fall 2007 to present.

Professional activities

Panel discussant

Midwest Political Science Association, 2006, 2007, 2008.
American Political Science Association, 2007.

Panel chair

Midwest Political Science Association, 2008.

Member, Doris Graber Book Award Committee, Political Communication Section, American Political Science Association, 2005.

Member, Dissertation Award Committee, Political Psychology Section, American Political Science Association, 2007.

Reviewer, *American Journal of Political Science*, *Journal of Politics*, *Political Research Quarterly*, *Political Psychology*, *British Journal of Political Science*, *American Politics Research*, *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, *Political Behavior*, *Publius*, *Routledge Press*, *State Politics and Policy Quarterly*, *Time-sharing Experiments for the Social Sciences*

Professional affiliations

American Political Science Association
Midwest Political Science Association

References

Available upon request.