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## Education

Ph.D. Political Science, The Pennsylvania State University. 2021.

Comprehensive Exam Fields: American Politics, Political Methodology

Dissertation: "Of Time and the Development of Affective Polarization"

Committee: Eric Plutzer (Chair), Michael Nelson, Suzanna Linn, C. Daryl Cameron (Psychology)

Graduate Certificate, Survey Research Methodology, The Pennsylvania State University. 2020.

M.A. Political Science, The Pennsylvania State University. 2019.

B.A. *Summa Cum Laude*. Political Science and History, SUNY Purchase. 2016.

## Current Appointments

Lecturer (Assistant Professor) in Politics, School of Law and Politics, Cardiff University. 2024-present

Honorary Researcher, School of Psychology, University of Kent. 2024-present

## Former Positions

Postdoctoral Research Associate, School of Psychology, University of Kent. 2021-2024.

Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Department of Politics, University of Exeter. 2020-2021.

## Peer-Reviewed Publications

\* Denotes corresponding author in publications with alphabetical co-authoring

14. Barnfield, Matthew, **Joseph B. Phillips**, Paula Szewach, Sabrina Stockli, Jack Thompson, Florian Stoeckel, Benjamin Lyons, Vittorio Merola, and Jason Reifler. Forthcoming. "Forecasts Can Both Improve and Harm the Accuracy and Precision of Expectations." *Public Opinion Quarterly*.
13. **Phillips, Joseph B.** 2024. "Affective Polarization and Habits of Political Participation." *Electoral Studies* 87(1): 102733.
12. Abou-Ismaïl, Ramzi, Bjarki Gronfeldt, Aleksandra Cichocka, **Joseph B. Phillips**, and Nikhil K. Sen-gupta. 2023. "Double Trouble: Sectarian and National Narcissism as Differential Predictors of Collective Violence Beliefs in Lebanon." *Aggressive Behavior* 49(6): 669-678.

11. Stoeckel, Florian, Jack Thompson, Paula Szewach, Sabrina Stockli, Matthew Barnfield, **Joseph B. Phillips**, Benjamin Lyons, Vittorio Merola, and Jason Reifler. 2023. "Correlates of Support for International Vaccine Solidarity During the COVID-19 Pandemic: Cross-Sectional Evidence from Germany." *PLoS One* 18(6): e0287257.
10. Carey, John, Brendan Nyhan, \***Joseph B. Phillips**, and Jason Reifler. 2023. "Partisanship Unmasked: The Role of Politics and Social Norms in COVID-19 Mask-Wearing Behavior." *Journal of Experimental Political Science* 10(3): 377-390. (Alphabetical co-authoring, corresponding author)
9. \***Phillips, Joseph B.**, and Eric Plutzer. 2023. "Reassessing the Effects of Emotions on Turnout." *Journal of Politics* 85(3): 1094-1106. (Alphabetical co-authoring)
8. Thompson, Jack, Sabrina Stöckli, Anna K. Spalti, **Joseph Phillips**, Florian Stoeckel, Matthew Barnfield, Benjamin Lyons, Vittorio Merola, Paula Szewach, and Jason Reifler. 2023. "Vaccine Attributes and Vaccine Uptake in Hungary: Evidence from a Conjoint Experiment." *European Journal of Public Health* 33(3): 476-481.
7. Stoeckel, Florian, Sabrina Stockli, **Joseph B. Phillips**, Benjamin Lyons, Vittorio Merola, Jason Reifler, and Paula Szewach. 2022. "Public Support for Lifting COVID-19 Related Restrictions for Vaccinated Citizens in Germany, France, and Sweden." *Vaccine* 40(38): 5615-5620.
6. **Phillips, Joseph B.** 2022. "Affective Polarization: Over Time, Through The Generations, and During the Lifespan." *Political Behavior* 44(3): 1483-1508.
5. Carey, John, Tracy Keirns, Peter Loewen, Eric Merkley, Brendan Nyhan, **Joseph B. Phillips**, Judith Rees, and \*Jason Reifler. 2022. "Minimal Effects from Injunctive Norm and Contentiousness Treatments on COVID-19 Vaccine Intentions: Evidence from 3 Countries." *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences: Nexus* 1(2): pgac031. (Alphabetical co-authoring)
4. Stockli, Sabrina, Anna K. Spalti, **Joseph B. Phillips**, Florian Stoeckel, Matthew Barnfield, Jack Thompson, Benjamin Lyons, Vittorio Merola, Paula Szewach, and Jason Reifler. 2022. "Which Vaccine Attributes Foster Vaccine Uptake? A Cross-Country Conjoint Experiment." *PLoS One* 17(5): e0266003.
3. Gravelle, Timothy B., **Joseph B. Phillips**, \*Jason Reifler, and Thomas J. Scotto. 2022.. "Estimating the Size of "Anti-Vax" and Vaccine Hesitant populations in the US, UK, and Canada: Comparative Latent Class Modeling of Vaccine Attitudes." *Human Vaccines & Immunotherapeutics* 18(1): 2008214. (Alphabetical co-authoring)
2. Carey, John, Andrew M. Guess, Peter Loewen, Eric Merkley, \*Brendan Nyhan, **Joseph B. Phillips**, and Jason Reifler. 2022. "The Ephemeral Effects of Fact-Checks on COVID-19 Misperceptions: Evidence from the United States, Great Britain, and Canada." *Nature: Human Behaviour* 6(2): 236-243. (Alphabetical co-authoring)
1. \*Munger, Kevin M., and **Joseph B. Phillips**. 2022. "Right-Wing YouTube: A Supply and Demand Perspective." *International Journal of Press/Politics* 27(1): 186-219.

## Editor-Reviewed Publications

4. **Phillips, Joseph B.**, and Eric Plutzer. 2023. "Which Feelings Make Us Vote? It's Not What You Think." *Journal of Politics Blog*.

3. Widmeier, Mike, and **Joseph B. Phillips**. 2022. "Choosing Subfield Specializations and Committees." in Kevin J. Lorentz II, Daniel J. Mallinson, Julia Marin Hellwedge, Davin Phoenix, and J. Cherie Strachan (Eds.) *Strategies for Navigating Graduate School and Beyond*. American Political Science Association.
2. Munger, Kevin, James Bisbee, **Joseph B. Phillips**, and Ömer F. Yalcin. 2022. "Distinct Archetypes of YouTube Politics." *MediaWell*, Social Science Research Council.
1. **Phillips, Joseph B.** 2020. "The Peace and Freedom Party." in *Beyond Donkeys and Elephants: Minor Political Parties in Contemporary American Politics*, ed. Richard Davis, 121-138. Lawrence: University Press of Kansas.

## Papers Under Review

Wollast, Robin, **Joseph B. Phillips**, Illia Yahiaiev, Karine Malysheva, Olivier Klein, and Nikhil K. Sengupta. Forthcoming. "Russians' Attitude Towards the War in Ukraine." Conditionally Accepted at *European Journal of Social Psychology*.

Abou-Ismaïl, Ramzi, **Joseph B. Phillips**, Aleksandra Cichocka, Hakan Cakmak, Sai Coksan, and Nikhil K. Sengupta. "Conceptualizing and Measuring Support for Collective Violence." Revised and Resubmitted at *Aggressive Behavior*.

Abou-Ismaïl, Ramzi, Aleksandra Cichocka, **Joseph B. Phillips**, and Nikhil K. Sengupta. "Authoritarianism and Social Dominance as Differential Predictors of Collective Violence Beliefs in Lebanon." Revised and Resubmitted at *Psychology of Violence*.

Wollast, Robin, Adrian Lüders, Armelle Nugier, Serge Guimond, **Joseph B. Phillips**, Robbie M. Sutton, Karen M. Douglas, Nikhil K. Sengupta, Edward P. Lemay, Somayeh Zand, Caspar J. van Lissa, Jocelyn J. Bélanger, Giorgios Abakoumkin, Jamilah Hanum Abdul Khayom, Maximilian Agostini, Vjollca Ahmedi, Carlos A. Alemanara, Mohsin Atta, Sabahat C. Bagci, Allan B.I. Bernardo, Hoon-Seok Choi, Ivan Danyliuk, Violeta Enea, Angel Gómez, Samuel Greiff, Ben Gützkow, Ali Hamaidia, Qing Han, Joevarian Hudyiyama, Bertus F. Jeronimus, Ding-Yu Jiang, Veljko Jovanović, Anna Kende, Shian-Ling Keng, Yasin Koc, Kamila Kovyazina, Jannis Kreienkamp, Anton Kurapov, Nora Anna Lantos, Cokorda Bagus Jaya Lesmana, Najma I. Malik, Anton P. Martinez, Kira O. McCabe, Mirra N. Milla, Cristea Mioara, Erica Molinario, Manuel Moyano, Hayat Muhammad, Silvana Mula, Solomiia Myroniuk, Claudia Nisa, Boglárka Nyúl, Paul A. O'Keefe, Jose Javier Olivas Osuna, Evgeny N. Osin, Joonha Park, Antonio Pierro, Jonas Rees, Anne Margit Reitsema, Marika Rullo, Michelle Ryan, Adil Semkin, Birga M. Schumpe, Heyla A. Selim, Michael V. Stanton, Eleftheria Tseliou, Michelle vanDellen, Alexandra Vázquez, Illia Yahiaiev, Victoria W.L. Yeung, Bang Zheng, Claudia Zuñiga, and N. Pontus Leander. "Gender differences in positive and negative emotions during the COVID-19 pandemic: A comparison of 24 countries." Revised and Resubmitted at *Current Psychology*.

Barnfield, Matthew, Paula Szewach, Sabrina Stockli, Florian Stoeckel, Jack Thompson, **Joseph B. Phillips**, Benjamin Lyons, Vittorio Merola, and Jason Reifler. "Information on Public Climate Attitudes Has Lasting Effects on Second-Order Beliefs, but Limited and Ephemeral Effects on First-Order Beliefs." Revise and Resubmit at *Climatic Change*.

**Phillips, Joseph B.**, B. Kal Munis, Nicole Huffman, Arif Memovic, and Jake Ford. "When Push Comes to Shove: How Americans Excuse and Condemn Political Violence." Revise and Resubmit at *Political Behavior*.

Abou-Ismaïl, Ramzi, Robin Wollast, **Joseph B. Phillips**, and Nikhil K. Sengupta. "Do People's Attitudes Toward Collective Violence Matter? Evidence that Collective Violence Attitudes Predict Violent Behaviours." Under Review at *Conflict Resolution Quarterly*.

Barnfield, Matthew, Florian Stoeckel, **Joseph B. Phillips**, Sabrina Stockli, Jack Thompson, Vitorio Merola, Paula Szewach, Benjamin Lyons, and Jason Reifler. "Expectations Converge When Uncertainty Subsides." Under Review at *Electoral Studies*.

Bowman, Jonathan, Fanny Lalot, Dominic Abrams, **Joseph B. Phillips**, and Nikhil Sengupta. "Populist Propaganda or Individual Difference? Conceptualizing and Measuring Political Correctness." Under Review at *Personality & Social Psychology Bulletin*.

Munis, B. Kal, **Joseph B. Phillips**, and Brendan Szendro. "Feeling Fighty Across Ole Blighty: Place-based Resentment and its Consequences in England." Under Review at *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion and Parties*.

**Phillips, Joseph B.**, and Florian Stoeckel. "The Limits of Brexit Prejudice." Under Review at *Political Psychology*.

Van Dreew, Benjamin, **Joseph B. Phillips**, B. Kal Munis, and Spencer Goidel. "What's Woke?" Under Review at *The Forum*.

Wollast, Robin, **Joseph B. Phillips**, Chloe Bracegirdle, Olivia Spiegler, Christopher G. Sibley, and Nikhil K. Sengupta. "Modelling Heterogeneity in the Long-Term Trajectories of Individuals' Subjective Well-Being." Under Review at *American Psychologist*.

## Teaching Experience

### *Cardiff University*

Elections in the UK, Fall 2024.

### *University of Kent*

The Public in Politics (School of Politics and International Relations), Spring 2024. (with Ben Seyd)

Seminar on Misinformation and its Consequences (Psychology), Spring 2023.

Political Psychology (Msc-Level Module), Fall 2021; Fall 2022. (with several others)

### *Pennsylvania State University*

Public Opinion. Summer 2020.

The Scientific Study of Politics. Fall 2019.

## Advising

Undergraduate Final Year Projects: Aaron Komagum (2023-24, co-supervisor); Latoya Munduene (2023-24, co-supervisor); Mariam Sesay (2023-24, co-supervisor); Anna Vartsibasova (2023-24, co-supervisor); Emily Agyapong (2022-23, co-supervisor); Francesca Bottelli (2022-23, co-supervisor); Laavanya Harikaran (2022-23, co-supervisor)

## Selected Pedagogical Training

Identifying and Responding to Student Mental Health Problems, University of Kent. August 2021.

Inclusive Teaching and Learning Strategies, University of Kent. August 2021.

Certificate in College Teaching, Pennsylvania State University. February-April 2020.

The Learner and Learning Certificate, Pennsylvania State University. August 2017-July 2018. (6 modules on online teaching and learning)

Instructional Practice Certificate, Pennsylvania State University. May 2017-March 2018. (4 modules on online teaching and learning)

Foundations of Online Teaching Certificate, Pennsylvania State University. May-October 2017. (4 modules on online teaching and learning)

Graduate Student and Postdoc Professional Development Conference, Schreyer Teaching Institute, Pennsylvania State University. October 13, 2017; October 8, 2018.

Graduate Online Teaching Certificate, Pennsylvania State University. May 16-June 18, 2017.

## Grants, Awards, Honors

### *Grants*

Utah Valley University Civics Initiative Research Grant, 2023 (with Kal Munis, Nicole Huffman, Arif Memovic, Jake Ford, and Enrique Mendoza) (\$6,500)

Research in Democracy Support Grant, McCourtney Institute of Democracy, Pennsylvania State University, 2022 (with Arif Memovic, Kal Munis, Nicole Huffman, Jake Ford, and Enrique Mendoza) (\$1,000)

Utah Valley University Grant for Engaged Learning, 2022 (with Kal Munis, Nicole Huffman, Arif Memovic, Jake Ford, and Enrique Mendoza) (\$9,737)

Travel Grant, APSA Political Communication Section, 2019.

Research in Democracy Support Grant, McCourtney Institute of Democracy, Pennsylvania State University. 2019.

### *Awards and Honors*

Honorable Mention, Seymour Sudman Graduate Student Paper Award, American Association for Public Opinion Research. 2021.

Miller-LaVigne Fellowship, Pennsylvania State University. 2020.

Liberal Arts Teaching and Research Scholarship, Pennsylvania State University. 2020.

Eleanor Roosevelt Summer Scholarship, McCourtney Institute of Democracy, Pennsylvania State University. 2019.

Jesse M. MacKnight Memorial Scholarship, The Pennsylvania State University. 2016.

University Graduate Fellowship, College of the Liberal Arts, The Pennsylvania State University. 2016-2021.

## Presentations

### *Invited Talks*

The Democratic Consequences of Affective Polarization, Political Psychology Lab, University of Cambridge. July 17, 2024.

VOICE Panel Workshopping, Political Psychology Lab, University of Cambridge. June 26, 2022.

Roundtable on Open-Ended Survey Responses. Midwestern Political Science Association. April 5, 2021.

Seminar on Time Management. Political Science Department, Penn State. March 16, 2021.

"What Gets Considered Radical?" Campus Symposium, Penn State Mont Alto. February 15, 2021.

### *Conference Presentations and Brownbags*

American Association of Public Opinion Research: 2020, 2021, 2022

American Political Science Association: 2016, 2019, 2021, 2022

Canadian Political Science Association: 2021

Center for American Political Responsiveness, Pennsylvania State University: 2018, 2019

Comparative Politics Group, University of Kent: 2022 (2x)

Consequences of Identity Politics, University of Southampton: 2023, 2024

Current Directions in Research on Political Support: 2024

Elections, Public Opinion and Parties: 2022, 2023, 2024

European Association of Social Psychology: 2023

European Consortium of Political Research: 2023, 2024

European Political Science Association: 2023, 2024

International Society for Political Psychology: 2018, 2020, 2021, 2023

Midwest Political Science Association: 2018, 2021

New England Political Science Association: 2016, 2021

Political Psychology Lab, University of Kent: 2021, 2022 (2x)

Rural-Urban Divide Initiative (RUDE): 2023

Society for Personality and Social Psychology: 2024

State Politics and Policy: 2018

UK Political Psychology Conference: 2022, 2023, 2024

## Academic Service and Service to the Discipline

### *Academic Service*

Committee Member, PhD Studentship Search, University of Kent, February 2023.

Committee Member, PhD Studentship Search, University of Kent, March 2022.

Graduate Student Mentor, Political Science Department, Pennsylvania State University. 2017-2019.

### *Service to the Discipline*

Editorial Board: *Journal of Quantitative Description: Digital Media* (2023-present)

Section Head: Public Opinion and Political Communication, International Society for Political Psychology Conference (2024)

Panel Chair: American Association of Public Opinion Research Conference (2021, 2022); International Society of Political Psychology (2018)

Discussant: Canadian Political Science Association Annual Conference (2021); New England Political Science Association Annual Conference (2021)

Reviewer: *American Association of Public Opinion Research Conference* (2x), *American Journal of Political Science* (2x), *American Political Science Review*, *British Journal of Political Science*, *British Journal of Psychology*, *Communications Psychology*, *Electoral Studies*, *Economic & Social Research Council*, *Group Processes & Intergroup Relations*, *Humanities & Social Sciences Communications*, *Journal of Politics*, *Journal of Quantitative Description: Digital Media* (3x), *Mass Communication & Society*, *Nature Human Behaviour*, *Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin*, *PNAS: Nexus*, *Political Behavior* (3x), *Political Communication*, *Politics & Policy*, *Public Opinion Quarterly* (4x), *Research & Politics*, *Routledge Press*, *Socio-Legal Review*, *SSM: Population Health*

## Skills

Languages: English (Native), Hungarian (Beginner), Welsh (Beginner), Spanish (Beginner)

Software: R, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Stata, Qualtrics, SPSS

## References

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