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## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor, Florida State University, Fall 2005 – current.

- Political Institutions Working Group, Spring 2006 – current.

Mentoring-Faculty-in-Residence, Summer Institute on EITM (UCLA). 2007.

Visiting Assistant Professor, University of Iowa, 2004-2005.

## EDUCATION

### New York University

Ph.D. 2004, M.A. 2001, in Political Science.

**Dissertation:** The Logic of Pre-Electoral Coalition Formation. **Committee:** Alastair Smith (chair), William Clark, Michael Gilligan, Jonathan Nagler, G. Bingham Powell.

### Institut d'Etudes Politiques de Paris (Sciences Po)

Certificate of Political Studies (1-year program), with Honors, 1996

### University of Chicago

B.A. 1993 in Political Science, with Departmental and General Honors

University of Chicago Paris Program, 1991-2 (Paris X, University of Nanterre)

## OTHER EDUCATION

Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models (EITM), University of Michigan (2003)

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Comparative Politics: Institutions, Coalitions, Political Parties, Bargaining.

Area Studies: Advanced Industrialized Democracies with specialization in Europe, France.

Methodology: Formal Models, Game Theory, Econometrics.

## PUBLICATIONS

### Books

2008. Willam Clark, Matt Golder & Sona Golder. *Principles of Comparative Politics*. Washington DC: CQ Press.

2006. Sona Golder. *The Logic of Pre-Electoral Coalition Formation*. Ohio State University Press.

### Peer-reviewed articles

2010. Courtenay Ryals Conrad & Sona N. Golder. "Measuring Government Duration and Stability in Central Eastern European Democracies." *European Journal of Political Research* 49(1): 119-150.

2010. Sona N. Golder. "Bargaining Delays in the Government Formation Process." *Comparative Political Studies*. 43(1): 3-32.

2006. Sona N. Golder. "Pre-Electoral Coalition Formation in Parliamentary Democracies." *British Journal of Political Science*. 36: 193-212.

2005. Sona N. Golder. "Pre-Electoral Coalitions in Comparative Perspective: A Test of Existing Hypotheses." *Electoral Studies*. 24: 643-63.

2002. William Clark, Matt Golder & Sona Nadenichek Golder. "Fiscal Policy and the Democratic Process in the European Union." *European Union Politics*. 3: 205-30.

## **GRANTS RECEIVED**

"Making Electoral Democracy Work: Voters, Parties, and the Rules of the Game." Co-PI (with André Blais et al.) on a grant from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (Canadian \$2.5 million). Awarded 2008.

"Making Electoral Democracy Work: Voters, Parties, and the Rules of the Game." Co-PI on a preliminary grant proposal (with André Blais et al.) to the Social Sciences and Humanities research Council of Canada (Canadian \$20,000). Awarded 2007.

"Evaluating Democratic Performance." Co-PI on a grant to the Council on Research and Creativity at Florida State University (\$125,000). Awarded 2006.

## **UNDER REVIEW**

"The Balance of Power Between Citizens and the State: Democratization and the Resource Curse" (with Matt Golder and Bill Clark).

- Revise & Resubmit at *British Journal of Political Science*.

"Who Wins? Determining the Party of the Prime Minister" (with Garrett Glasgow & Matt Golder).

"Monetary Institutions and the Political Survival of Long-Serving Political Leaders" (with Bill Clark & Paul Poast).

"Modeling the Institutional Foundations of Parliamentary Government Formation" (with Matt Golder & David Siegel).

"Who 'Wins'? The Government Formation Process in Europe" (Grant Proposal with Garrett Glasgow & Matt Golder).

## **MANUSCRIPTS AND WORK IN PROGRESS**

*Who Wins? The Government Formation Process in Europe*. (Book Manuscript with Garrett Glasgow and Matt Golder).

"Conceptualizing Government Duration and Stability" (with Courtenay Ryals Conrad).

"A Unified Approach to Modeling the Government Formation Process" (with Garrett Glasgow & Matt Golder).

"Party Motivations and Platform Choice under Proportional Representation Electoral Rules" (with Matt Golder & David Siegel).

"A New Measure of Audience Cost Generating Institutions" (with Mark Souva & Gary Uzonyi).

“Party Leaders, Leader-Specific Punishments, and Government Coalition Dynamics” (with Alastair Smith and Andrew Little).

“Gamson’s Law and Executive Coalition Formation in the French Regions” (with Jacqueline Thomas).

## FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS AND AWARDS

### Florida State University

- Nomination for University Teaching Award, 2008-2009.
- Nomination for Honors Thesis Mentor Award, 2007-2008.
- First-Year Assistant Professor Award, 2006. \$15,000.

### New York University

- Winner of the 2003 Society for Political Methodology Poster Award for “Pre-Electoral Coalition Formation: Theory and Empirics.”
- NSF Grant to attend Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models workshop, 2003.
- Nominated for the Dean’s Outstanding Graduate Student Teaching Award, 2000-2001.
- MacCracken Fellowship, 1997-2003.
- Research Grant, NYU Center for Conflict Resolution and Cooperation, 2002, 2003.

## INVITED PRESENTATIONS

2009. “A Behavioral Model of Government Formation in Parliamentary Democracies”. Department of Mathematics Complexity Seminar, Florida State University.

2009. “Who Wins? Determining the Party of the Prime Minister”. University of Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis. 2009.

## CONFERENCE PAPERS

### 2009

- “And Now for Something Completely Different: A Behavioral Model of Government Formation” (with Matt Golder & David Siegel). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago.
- “Monetary Institutions and the Survival of Political Leaders” (with William Clark & Paul Poast). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago.

### 2008

- “Party Motivations and Platform Choice under Proportional Representation Electoral Rules” (with Matt Golder & David Siegel). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston.
- “Empirically Modeling the Government Formation Process” (with Garrett Glasgow & Matt Golder). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago. Revised version presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston and at the VIM: Women in Political Methodology Conference, Ohio State University.
- “Conceptualizing Government Duration and Stability” (with Courtenay Ryals). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston.

2008 (*continued*)

- “A New Measure of Government Duration and Stability in Central Eastern European Democracies” (with Courtenay Ryals). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago.

2007

- “Modeling the Government Formation Process” (with Garrett Glasgow & Matt Golder). Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago.
- “Bargaining Delays in the Government Formation Process.” Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago.

2006

- “Bargaining Delays in the Government Formation Process.” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia.
- “Power & Politics: Exit, Voice and Loyalty Revisited” (with William Clark & Matt Golder). Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia.

2004

- “Pre-Electoral Coalitions in Parliamentary Democracies.” Summer Political Methodology Meeting, Stanford University and the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago.
- “The Effect of Electoral Coalitions on Government Formation.” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago.
- “Uncertainty, Coalition Bargaining, and Stock Price Volatility” (with Fiona McGillivray). Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago.
- “Pre-Electoral Coalition Formation: Theory and Empirics.” Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago.

2003

- “Pre-Electoral Coalition Formation: Theory and Empirics.” Summer Political Methodology Meeting, University of Minnesota.
- “The Effect of Electoral Rules on Pre-Electoral Coalition Formation: A Comparative Analysis.” Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago and the Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Political Science Association, San Antonio.
- “An Explanation of Pre-Electoral Coalition Formation.” Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Political Science Association, San Antonio.

2002

- “Electoral Coalitions: A Simple Model.” Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago and the Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Political Science Association, New Orleans.

2001

- “Party Elites, Distributional Conflicts, and Electoral Coalitions.” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco.
- “Fiscal Policy and the Democratic Process in the European Union” (with William Clark & Matt Golder). European Union Studies Association Meeting, Madison.
- “Party Elites and Coalition Strategies.” Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago.

2000

- “A New Theory of the Dynamics of Mainstream Right Parties in France.” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C.

1999

- “Protecting National Minority Rights in Eastern Europe.” Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago.

## FIELD WORK

Six-month internship in the French National Assembly, Paris, working for a Deputy (and regional vice-president) from *La Drôme*.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Florida State University

*Graduate:*

- Political Institutions (Spring 2007, Fall 2008, Fall 2009)
- Introduction to Game Theory (Spring 2008, scheduled Spring 2010)
- Executive-Legislative Relations (scheduled Spring 2010)

*Undergraduate:*

- European Politics (2006 - 2009)
- Introduction to Comparative Political Science (2006 – 2008)
- Institutional Approaches to Democracies and Dictatorships (2006)
- Social Science Honors Seminar (2006)
- Directed Independent Study (French Politics) (2006)
- Directed Independent Study (Comparative Political Research) (2007)

## SERVICE

*Discipline*

- Member, POP Award Committee (for best paper presented at APSA in 2008 on a Political Organizations and Parties panel)
- Member, Lawrence Longley Award Committee (for best paper published in 2005 on Representation and Electoral Systems)
- Reviewer for *Acta Politica*, *American Journal of Political Science*, *American Political Science Review*, *Asian Studies*, *British Journal of Political Science*, *Electoral Studies*, *European Journal of Political Research*, *International Political Science Review*, *Journal of Legislative Studies*, *Journal of Politics*, *Journal of Theoretical Politics*, *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, *National Science Foundation*, *Party Politics*, *Public Choice*, *Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada*, *Studies in Comparative International Development*.
- Panel Chair, Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Political Science Association, Chicago, 2001, 2005.
- Panel Discussant, Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Political Science Association, Chicago, 2001, 2005, 2008.

*Florida State University*

- Dissertation Committee Member (Jacqueline H. R. Demeritt, Melissa O. Neal, Courtenay Ryals Conrad).
- Undergraduate Honors Thesis Chair (Gary J. Uzonyi).
- Undergraduate Honors Thesis Committee Member, 2008-2009, 2009-.
- Executive Committee, 2007 - 2008.
- Executive Committee for the Center for the Study of Democratic Performance, 2008 - .
- Field Representative (Comparative) for Graduate Studies Committee, 2009 - .
- Field Representative (Comparative) for the Undergraduate Studies Committee, 2005 – 2009
- Panel Chair, Winthrop King Center International Symposium on “The Fifth Republic at Fifty”, 2008.
- Discussant, CSDP Conference on Democratic Performance, 2009.

*New York University*

- Department of Politics Faculty Recruitment Committee, 2000-2001
- President of the Political Science Graduate Student Association, 1998-1999.

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP**

American Political Science Association  
Midwest Political Science Association  
Southern Political Science Association

**LANGUAGE COMPETENCY**

French – fluent spoken, written, reading.  
Spanish – basic.

**REFERENCES**

**Kathleen Bawn**

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