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Appointments

DePauw University. Assistant Professor of Political Science, 2016-present.

Education

Ph.D.: Political Science, University of Connecticut, 2016

Dissertation: "A Changing Climate in the Public Mind: How do Economic Risks and Partisan Divides Affect How We Think about Climate Change?"

Graduate Certificate in Human Rights: University of Connecticut. 2012.

M.A.: Economics, University of Connecticut, 2010.

B.Sc.: Chemistry, Illinois Institute of Technology, 2008

Peer reviewed journal articles, and chapters in edited volumes

Benegal, Salil, and Lyle Scruggs. 2016. "Economic Conditions and Public Opinion on Climate Change" in *Oxford Research Encyclopedia on Climate Change Communication*.

Chapman, Audrey R., and Salil Benegal. 2013. "Globalization and the Right to Health." in *The State of Economic and Social Human Rights: A Global Overview*, ed. Alanson Minkler. New York: Cambridge University Press, pp. 61-85.

Scruggs, Lyle, and Salil Benegal. 2012. "Declining Public Concern About Climate Change: Can We Blame the Great Recession?" *Journal of Global Environmental Change* 22(2): 505-515.

Bai, James, Kaleyhia Flowers, Salil Benegal, Milagros Calizo, Vrudhdhi Patel, and Sandra Whaley Bishnoi. 2009. "Using the Enzymatic Growth of Nanoparticles to create a Biosensor: An Undergraduate Quantitative Analysis Experiment." *Journal of Chemical Education* 86(6): 712-716.

Teaching

DePauw University:

POLS 150: Comparative Politics and Government
POLS 265: Introduction to Environmental Policy
POLS 290: Special Topics: Introduction to Human Rights
POLS 390: Special Topics: Political Psychology

University of Connecticut:

POLS 1202 - Introduction to Comparative Politics
UNIV 1810 - Introduction to Global House Learning Community
POLS/HRTS 3212 - Comparative Perspectives in Human Rights

Invited talks

Wabash College

Manuscripts under review

"The Effectiveness of Partisan and Non-Partisan Sources in Correcting Climate Change Denial." Under review at *Journal of Politics*.

"Climate Change as a Natural or Human Problem: Causes and Consequences of Misattribution." Under review at *Public Understanding of Science*.

Conference papers:

"Thinking of Winners and Losers in the Economy: How Are Attitudes Towards Wealth Redistribution Changed by Narratives of Wealth and Poverty." 2016 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. With Thomas Hayes.

"Media Framing and Public Opinion on Renewable Energy." 2015 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. With Oksan Bayulgen.

"Environmental Concerns and Economic Tradeoffs: How Concern for the Environment Shifts When People Think About Jobs." 2015 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.

"Social Welfare Generosity and Public Opinion About Climate Change." 2014 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. With Lyle Scruggs.

"Procedural Justice and Political Risk." 2014 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. With Mikhael Shor.

"Social Welfare Generosity and Public Opinion About Climate Change." 2013 Council of European Studies 20th International Conference of Europeanists. With Lyle Scruggs.

"American Exceptionalism or Economic Erosion? What Explains Changing Attitudes to Global Warming?" 2012 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.

"Past Due: The Role of External Debt in Explaining Equitable Development." 2012 Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association. With Benjamin C. Carbonetti.

"Fair Weather Friends? Economics, Public Opinion and Climate Change." 2011 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. With Lyle Scruggs.

Prior research grants:

"Media and Public Opinion about Renewable Energy", experimental survey design and analysis with Oksan Bayulgen, UConn Department of Political Science, 2015.

CIRI Human Rights Data Project, data coding for physical integrity rights violations for David Richards, UConn Human Rights Institute, 2013.

"Household Consumption and Gender Inequality: Evidence from India", data collection and analysis for Shareen Hertel and Nishith Prakash, UConn Human Rights Institute's Economic and Social Rights Program (ESRP), 2011.

"Explaining Public Opinion about Climate Change", data analysis with Lyle Scruggs, funded by UConn Center for Environmental Studies and Engineering (CESE), 2011.

"Hungry for Justice: Social Mobilization on the Right to Food in India", data analysis for Shareen Hertel, UConn Human Rights Institute's Economic and Social Rights Program (ESRP). 2010.

"Globalization and the Right to Health", data analysis with Audrey R. Chapman, funded by UConn Health Center, UConn Human Rights Institute's Economic and Social Rights Program, and University of Ottawa. 2010-2011.

Social and Economic Rights Fulfillment (SERF) Index Project, data coding for economic rights outcomes for Susan M. Randolph and Sakiko Fukuda-Parr, UConn Department of Economics and Human Rights Institute. 2010.

Invited manuscript reviewer:

- *Climatic Change*
- *Environmental Politics*
- *Global Environmental Change*
- *Political Behavior*

Grants and Awards:

University of Connecticut

- Brain Imaging Research Center (BIRC) Seed Grant for fMRI Research, with Mikhael Shor, Peter Molfese, and Thomas Hayes