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## EDUCATION

- Ph.D.            Political Science, University of California, Davis (expected June 2020)  
                  Major Field: Comparative Politics  
                  Minor Field: American Politics
- B.A.            Politics, *cum laude*, Occidental College, Los Angeles, 2011

## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- Hale, Isaac. 2019. “[Abandon Ship? An Analysis of Tactical Voting Among Liberal Democrat Voters in the 2015 UK Election.](#)” *Parliamentary Affairs*.  
★ Research featured in invited *Democratic Audit* blog post: “[Strategic voting in the 2015 general election: why Liberal Democrats didn’t vote for their own party.](#)” (May 1, 2019)
- Hale, Isaac and Carlos Algara (University of California, Davis). 2019. “[The Distorting Effects of Racial Animus on Proximity Voting in the 2016 Elections.](#)” *Electoral Studies*. 58(2019): 58-69.  
★ Research featured in *The New York Times*: “[The Deepening ‘Racialization’ of American Politics.](#)” (Feb 27, 2019)  
★ Research featured in *Pacific Standard*: “[Trump’s Racist Remarks Helped Boost Down-Ballot Republicans in 2016.](#)” (April 8, 2019)
- Highton, Benjamin, Robert Huckfeldt, and Isaac Hale. 2016. “[Some General Election Consequences of California’s Top-Two Primary System.](#)” *The California Journal of Politics & Policy*, 8(2).

## OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- Hale, Isaac. 2011. “[Torture and the Rule of Law.](#)” Op-ed article for HuffingtonPost.com (May 25, 2011).

## UNDER REVIEW

- Hale, Isaac. “Post-Racial Politics? Racial Resentment and US House Elections, 2010-2016.” November 2018.
- Hale, Isaac. “Candidate Extremism and Electoral Design in US State Legislative Elections.” April 2019.

## WORKING PAPERS

- Hale, Isaac. “Coalitions, Bargaining, and Elections: Putting Executive-Legislative Relations in Post-dictatorship Chile in Context.”

## SELECTED AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS

- 2019 Marvin Zetterbaum Award for Excellence in Graduate Student Instruction, Department of Political Science, University of California, Davis, \$500.
- 2019 Department of Political Science Travel Grant to Attend the Annual Meeting of the *Midwest Political Science Association*, University of California, Davis, \$500.
- 2018 Graduate Student Association Travel Award to Attend the Annual Meeting of the *Western Political Science Association*, University of California, Davis, \$500.
- 2017 Department of Political Science Travel Grant to Attend the Annual Meeting of the *American Political Science Association*, University of California, Davis, \$500.
- 2017 Department of Political Science Travel Grant to Attend the Annual Meeting of the *Western Political Science Association*, University of California, Davis, \$500.
- 2014-2015 Provost's Fellowship in the Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences, University of California, Davis, \$25,000.

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Comparative Politics: *Strategic Voting, Electoral Systems, Elite Polarization, Comparative Institutions, Subnational Elections*

American Politics: *Ideological Proximity Voting, Political Polarization, Race & Electoral Politics, Candidate Strategy, State Legislatures*

## SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2019 "Candidate Extremism and Electoral Design in US State Legislative Elections." Presented at the annual meeting of the *Midwest Political Science Association*, April 2019, Chicago.
- 2018 "The Distorting Effects of Racial Animus on Proximity Voting in the 2016 Elections." Presented at the annual meeting of the *Western Political Science Association*, March 2018, San Francisco.
- 2017 "Post-Racial Politics? Racial Resentment and US House Elections, 2010-2016." Presented at the annual meeting of the *American Political Science Association*, September 2017, San Francisco.
- 2017 "Abandon Ship? An Analysis of Tactical Voting in the 2015 UK Election." Presented at the annual meeting of the *Western Political Science Association*, April 2017, Vancouver.
- 2015 "Some General Election Consequences of California's Top-Two Primary System." Presented at the annual meeting of the *American Political Science Association* (with Benjamin Highton and Robert Huckfeldt), September 2015, San Francisco.

## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2017-2019 Associate Instructor, UC Davis:

- Introduction to American Politics, Fall 2017 & Winter 2018
- Introduction to Comparative Politics, Summer 2017 & Summer 2018
- The Legislative Process

2015-2019 Teaching Assistant, UC Davis:

- The American Presidency (Professor Amber Boydstun)
- British Politics (Professor James Adams)
- Comparative Electoral Systems (Distinguished Professor Matthew Shugart)
- Contemporary Problems of the American Political System (Professor Amber Boydstun)
- French Politics (Professor James Adams)
- Introduction to American Politics (Professor Benjamin Highton)
- Judicial Politics and Constitutional Interpretation (Lecturer Jeremy Fortier)
- Russian Politics (Professor Josephine Andrews)
- Scientific Study of Politics (Professor Brad Jones), Winter 2016 & Fall 2018

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

2019 Panel Chair & Discussant, “Election Ballots.” Annual meeting of the *Midwest Political Science Association*, April 2019, Chicago.

2018-2019 Treasurer, Graduate Association of Political Science Students, University of California, Davis.

2018 Peer reviewer for *American Politics Research*.

2018 Panel Chair, “Personality and Biopolitics.” Annual meeting of the *Western Political Science Association*, March 2018, San Francisco.

2018 Panel Discussant, “Roundtable: Business Interests, Public Officials, and Racially Intolerant Symbols, Author Meets Reviewers.” Annual meeting of the *Western Political Science Association*, March 2018, San Francisco.

2017 Peer reviewer for *American Politics Research*.

2017 Panel Discussant, “Committees and Careers in Comparative Perspective.” Annual meeting of the *Western Political Science Association*, April 2017, Vancouver.

2015-2018 Political Science Department Graduate Student Union Representative, University of California, Davis.

2015-2019 Graduate Student Peer Mentor, University of California, Davis.

2014-2015 Political Science Department Representative to the Graduate Student Association, University of California, Davis.

## RESEARCH ASSISTANCE

2016 *Graduate Student Researcher*, “Partisan Asymmetry in US Senate Election Voting”, w/ Walter Stone and Benjamin Highton.

2015 *Graduate Student Researcher*, “Some General Election Consequences of California’s Top-Two Primary System,” w/ Benjamin Highton and Robert Huckfeldt.

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Political Science Association

Midwest Political Science Association

Western Political Science Association

## SELECTED NON-ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

2012-2014 *Survey Researcher*, Tulchin Research, *San Francisco, CA*.

2012 *Senior Legislative Intern*, Councilmember Rebecca Kaplan, *Oakland, CA*.

2008-2011 *Resident Advisor*, Occidental College, *Los Angeles, CA*.

## COMPUTING SKILLS

Statistical STATA (advanced, including data management, data visualization, frequentist & Bayesian modeling), R.

Presentation L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X (advanced, including tables, figures, Beamer presentation & Bibtex), PowerPoint, and RMarkdown (advanced, including typesetting & HTML Web development) .

## REFERENCES

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