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CONTACT INFORMATION

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EDUCATION

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC

Ph.D., Political Science, 2020

- **Concentration:** American Politics & Quantitative Methods
- **Dissertation:** “People Like Us? American Preferences for Bigger Government in the Age of Inequality”
Committee: Jim Stimson (chair), Marc Hetherington, Frank Baumgartner, Chris Clark & Nathan Kelly (University of Tennessee)
- M.A., Political Science, 2017

Clemson University, Clemson, SC

B.A., Political Science with Research Distinction and Honors, 2015

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Public Opinion • Public Policy • Inequality • REP (Race, Ethnicity and Politics) • Qualitative & Multi-Method Research • Macropolitics • State & Local Politics

PUBLICATIONS

Stimson, James A. and Emily M. Wager. 2020. *Converging on Truth: A Dynamic Perspective on Factual Debates in American Public Opinion*. Cambridge University Press.

Wager, Emily M. “People Like Us? How Mass Preferences are Shaped by Economic Inequality and Racial Diversity” *Accepted* at State Politics & Policy Quarterly

Britt, L., Wager, Emily M, & Steelman, T. “Set in Stone: Exploring Confederate Monuments’ Meanings and Consequences for Belonging in the American South” *Conditionally Accepted* at Du Bois Review

WORKING PAPERS

Unah, Isaac, Wager, Emily M., Wheeler, K. “The Structure of U.S. Supreme Court Litigation Over Time”

Christiani, Leah R., Clark, Chris J., Greene, Steven, Hetherington, Marc J. & Wager, Emily M. “Masks and racial stereotypes in a pandemic: The case for surgical masks” (under review) ([SSRN link](#))

RESEARCH IN PREPARATION HONORS, GRANTS AND AWARDS

“Who Deserves an Abortion? A Conjoint Experiment” (with Rebecca Kreitzer)

External

2019 Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant (SES-1841184),
National Science Foundation (\$15,547)

2019 APSA Travel Grant

Internal

2020 Center for the Study of the American (UNC) Summer Research Grant (\$3000)

2019 UNC Dissertation Completion Fellowship (*tuition & stipend*)

2019 Thomas M. Uhlman Research Award, UNC Political Science (\$4,000)

2019 UNC Summer Research Fellowship (\$5,000)

2019 UNC Off-Campus Dissertation Research Fellowship (\$10,000)

2018 Center for the Study of the American South Research Grant (\$500)

RESEARCH IN THE
MEDIA

“For Black Americans, Wearing A Mask Comes With Complicated Anxieties” (with Leah Christiani, Chris Clark, Steven Greene and Marc Hetherington) *FiveThirtyEight*. June 30, 2020

“To fight the coronavirus, most Americans support universal testing and mandatory quarantines” (with Marc Hetherington, Michael MacKuen, Graeme Robertson, and Leah Christiani). *The Washington Post (Monkey Cage)*. May 15, 2020.

SELECT CONFERENCE
PRESENTATIONS

Wager, Emily M., Britt, L. & Steelman, T. “Set in Stone: The Racialized Meanings and Political Effects of Confederate Monuments”, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, April 7-9, 2019.

Wager, Emily M. “People Like Us? How Mass Preferences are Shaped by Economic Inequality and Racial Diversity”, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, April 7-9, 2019.

Stimson, James A. & Wager, Emily M. “The Facts of the Matter: How the Public Recognizes and Responds to Reality”, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, April 7-9, 2017.

RESEARCH
EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant: Marc Hetherington (2020), Jim Stimson (2016 - 2018), White House Transition Project (2016), Laura Olson (2014), Gibbs Knotts (2014)

TEACHING
EXPERIENCE

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Instructor

Analyzing Public Opinion (Fall 2018)

Teaching Assistant

Intersectionality: Race, Gender, Sexuality and Social Justice (Spring 2018)

Introduction to Government in the U.S. (Spring & Fall 2017)

State and Local Government in the U.S. (Fall 2016)

H.W. Odum Institute for Research in Social Science, UNC

Short Course Instructor

Time Series Analysis (April 2020)

Short Course Teaching Assistant

Data Matters Data Science Short Course Series (August 2019)
● Machine Learning & Deep Learning

PROFESSIONAL
SERVICE

Departmental Service at the University of North Carolina
Co-Coordinator, State Politics Working Group (2019-2020)
Graduate Student President (2018-2019)
Graduate Student Representative, American Politics Subfield (2017- 2018)

LANGUAGES

Spanish (proficient)

TECHNICAL
SKILLS

R, Stata, Python, Qualtrics, \LaTeX

METHODS TRAINING

Ordinary Least Squares Regression, Generalized Linear Models, Scaling and Dimensional Analysis, Multilevel Regression, Time Series Analysis, Regression Discontinuity, Machine learning, Experimental Design, Ethnography (Interviewing, Participant Observation and Focus Group Facilitation)

ADDITIONAL
TRAINING

Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Methods Research, Syracuse University (2018)

PROFESSIONAL
ASSOCIATIONS

Midwest Political Science Association ● American Political Science Association (*Subsection Memberships*: Class and Inequality, Race, Ethnicity and Politics, Qualitative and Multi-method Research)

AFFILIATIONS

College of Charleston Faculty Affiliate (2019)

REFERENCES

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