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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

Visiting Assistant Professor of Political Science
Dickinson College

July 2011-Present
Carlisle, PA

Visiting Assistant Professor of Political Science
Radford University

August 2010-July 2011
Radford, VA

EDUCATION

Ph.D. The Ohio State University, Political Science, August 2010.
Dissertation: "The Redistricting Cycle in American State Politics"
Committee: Craig Volden (chair), Jan Box-Steffensmeier, Alan Wiseman

M.A. The Ohio State University, Political Science, December 2005.
Major: American Politics; Minor: Political Methodology

B.A. Rice University, Political Science, Linguistics, and Spanish, May 2001.
Magna cum laude. Phi Beta Kappa.

RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

Research interests: redistricting; state politics; elections and voting behavior; political parties; representation; legislative politics; political participation; public policy diffusion.

Teaching interests: elections and voting behavior; legislative politics; state and local politics; political parties; public policy; constitutional and election law; research methods.

PUBLICATIONS

Makse, Todd. 2012. "Strategic Constituency Manipulation in State Legislative Redistricting." *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, forthcoming.

Makse, Todd and Craig Volden. 2011. "The Role of Policy Attributes in the Diffusion of Innovations." *The Journal of Politics* 73(1): 108-124.

Makse, Todd and Anand E. Sokhey. 2010. "Revisiting the Divisive Primary Hypothesis: 2008 and the Clinton-Obama Nomination Battle." *American Politics Research* 38(2): 233-65.

MANUSCRIPTS IN PROGRESS OR UNDER REVIEW

“Defining ‘Communities of Interest’ in Redistricting Through Initiative Voting.” (*Under Review*)

“Not in My Front Yard! The Displaying of Yard Signs as a Form of Political Participation.” (with Anand E. Sokhey) (*Revise and Resubmit at Political Behavior*)

“Policy Attributes and Legislative Entrepreneurship in State Legislatures.”

“The Anticipation of Redistricting and Party Finance Strategies.” (*Under Review*)

“Understanding Visible Political Participation: The Diffusion of Yard Signs in Neighborhoods.” (with Anand E. Sokhey and Scott Minkoff)

“Winning’s Half the Battle: How Parties Finance State Legislative Candidates in Post-Redistricting Elections.”

“Yard Sign Displays and the Enthusiasm Gap in the 2008 and 2010 Elections.” (with Anand E. Sokhey) (*Revise and Resubmit at PS: Political Science and Politics*)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Dickinson College (2011-2012)

American Government (POSC 120): Fall 2011, Spring 2012

Political Behavior (POSC 242): Fall 2011

Political Parties and Interest Groups (POSC 245): Fall 2011

Research Methods (POSC 239): Spring 2012

Radford University (2010-2011)

Introduction to American Government (POSC 120): Fall 2010, Spring 2011, Summer 2011

Contemporary Issues in American Election Law (POSC 390): Fall 2010.

Congress (POSC 321): Spring 2011

Ohio State University (2006-2010)

Introduction to American Politics (PS 101): Three times between 2007 and 2009

Techniques of Political Analysis (PS 485): Six times between 2006 and Winter 2010.

Legislative Politics (PS 517): Autumn 2008, Spring 2010.

AWARDS, GRANTS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

Dickinson College Scholarly Project Grant, Spring 2012 for project “Constituent Perceptions of ‘Communities of Interest’ in Redistricting and Representation,” \$1,500

Ohio State University Summer Survey Research Fellowship: Summer 2009.

Dept. of Political Science recognition of teaching excellence: Spring 2007; Spring 2009.

AWARDS, GRANTS, AND FELLOWSHIPS (CONTINUED)

Best Graduate Student Paper Award, State Politics and Policy Section of the American Political Science Association, 2008, for paper, "Winning's Half the Battle: How Parties Finance State Legislative Candidates in Post-Redistricting Elections."

Harvey Walker Senior Research Grant, October 2008.

Dean's Distinguished University Fellowship, Ohio State University: 2003-05, 2007-08.

Francis R. Aumann Award (best graduate student paper presented at a professional conference or convention), 2006-07, Ohio State Department of Political Science.

Best Graduate Student Paper Award, State Politics and Policy Section of the American Political Science Association, 2006, for paper, "Redistricting and Party Organizational Strategy in State Legislative Elections."

APSA Travel Grant: August 2006 and September 2009.

Ray Travel Award, Ohio State Council of Graduate Students: April 2006.

PROFESSIONAL AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Journal Referee:

American Politics Research; Journal of Politics; Policy Studies Journal, Political Behavior; Political Research Quarterly; State Politics and Policy Quarterly.

Conference chair and/or discussant:

American Political Science Association Conference: 2008, 2011
Midwest Political Science Association Conference: 2008, 2009, 2011
State Politics and Policy Conference, 2010, 2011

Dickinson College service

Senior Honors thesis advisor: Darrell Pacheco
Political Science Department Quiz Bowl

Radford University service

Capstone Project advisees: Kelsey Lewis, Brittany Rainey
Virginia Legislative Redistricting Competition team

Ohio State University service

Peer Teaching Observation Program
Parallel Graduate Studies Committee
First-year Student Mentor Program

RECENT CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Makse, Todd. 2011. "Policy Attributes and Legislative Entrepreneurship in State Legislatures." Eleventh Annual State Politics and Policy Conference, Hanover, NH and Annual Meeting, American Political Science Association, Seattle, WA.

Makse, Todd, Anand E. Sokhey, and Scott Minkoff. 2011. "Modeling Yard Sign 'Wars' with the Spatial Probit Model." 28th Annual Summer Meeting, Society for Political Methodology, Princeton, NJ.

Makse, Todd and Anand E. Sokhey. 2011. "Yard Sign Displays and the Enthusiasm Gap in the 2008 and 2010 Elections." Annual Meeting, Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

Makse, Todd. 2010. "Contextual Perceptions of Congressional Representation." Annual Meeting, American Political Science Association, Washington, DC.

Makse, Todd, Anand E. Sokhey, and Scott Minkoff. 2010. "Understanding Visible Political Participation: The Diffusion of Yard Signs in Neighborhoods." Annual Meeting, Western Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA; Annual Meeting, Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

Makse, Todd and Anand E. Sokhey. 2009. "Not in My Front Yard! What Yard Signs Tell Us About Expression, Instrumentalism and the Paradox of Political Participation." Annual Meeting, Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL and Annual Meeting, American Political Science Association, Toronto, ON.

Makse, Todd and Anand E. Sokhey. 2009. "Voter Turnout and Symbolic Participation in a Previously Divided Primary Electorate." Annual Meeting, Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA.

Makse, Todd. 2008. "Winning's Half the Battle: How Parties Finance State Legislative Candidates in Post-Redistricting Elections." Annual Meeting, American Political Science Association, Boston, MA.

Makse, Todd. 2008. "Pursuing Legislative Control of Redistricting through Party Finance Strategy." Eighth Annual State Politics and Policy Conference, Philadelphia, PA.

Makse, Todd. 2008. "Realizing Gains from Redistricting through Party Finance." Annual Meeting, Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

REFERENCES

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