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Education

Harvard University
Ph.D., Political Science, March 2005
A.M., Political Science, June 2000

Dissertation: “The Dilemma of Discretion: Career Ambitions and the Politics of Central Banking.”

Advisors: Torben Iversen, James Alt, and Michael Hiscox.

Rice University
B.A., *summa cum laude*, ΦBK, Political Science, Economics, and History, May 1998

Academic Appointments

University of Washington
Associate Professor of Political Science September 2013–present
Adjunct Associate Professor of Statistics
Core Faculty Member of the Center for Statistics and the Social Sciences

University of Washington
Assistant Professor of Political Science September 2004–August 2013
Adjunct Assistant Professor of Statistics
Core Faculty Member of the Center for Statistics and the Social Sciences

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Robert Wood Johnson Scholar in Health Policy Research

August 2007–July 2009

Honors, Grants, and Fellowships

Charles H. Levine Memorial Prize (International Political Science Association)

for best book on comparative public policy and administration, 2014

Center for Statistics and the Social Sciences (CSSS) Seed Grant, 2012

Who's Who In America, 2011–present

Dean's commendation for consistently high teaching evaluations, 2010–2011,

2011–2012, 2013–2014

Sage Award for Best Article in *European Union Politics*, 2008

Robert Wood Johnson Scholar in Health Policy, 2007–2009

Mancur Olson Award (American Political Science Association)

for best dissertation in political economy, 2005

Senator Charles Sumner Dissertation Prize, Harvard University, 2005

Center for Basic Research in the Social Sciences (CBRSS) Dissertation Completion

Fellowship, 2002–2003

Doctoral Fellow of the Harvard University Multidisciplinary Program in

Inequality and Social Policy; NSF IGERT-funded Fellowship, 2001–2002

Harvard Summer Language Fellowship, 1999

National Science Foundation (NSF) Graduate Fellowship, 1998–2001

Books

Christopher Adolph. 2013. *Bankers, Bureaucrats, and Central Bank Politics: The Myth of Neutrality*. Cambridge Studies in Comparative Politics. Cambridge University Press.

2014 Charles H. Levine Memorial Prize for best book on comparative public policy and administration, awarded by IPSA & *Governance*

Reviewed in *Financial History Review*, 21(1), 103–106.

International Journal of Constitutional Law, 12(3).

Journal of Economic Literature, 52(1), 223–226.

Journal of Global Faultlines, 1(1).

Journal of Politics, 76(3), E22.

Revue française de science politique, 64(4).

The International Spectator, 49(1), 152–154.

Peer-Reviewed Articles

Paula Lantz, Jeffrey Alexander, **Christopher Adolph**, and JoLynn Montgomery. 2014. “State Government Organization of Health Services, 1990–2009: Correlates and Consequences.” *Journal of Public Health Management and Practice*. Vol. 20(2). March/April. 160–167.

Margaret Levi, **Christopher Adolph**, Daniel Berliner, Aaron Erlich, Anne Greenleaf, Milli Lake, and Jennifer Noveck. 2012. “Aligning Rights and Interests: Why, When, and How to Uphold Labor Standards.” *World Development Report 2013: Jobs* Background Paper. Washington, D.C.: World Bank.

Christopher Adolph, Scott L. Greer, and Elize Massard da Fonseca. 2012. “Allocation of Authority in European Health Policy.” *Social Science and Medicine*. Vol. 75(9). 1595–1603.

Victor Shih, **Christopher Adolph**, and Mingxing Liu. 2012. “Getting Ahead in the Communist Party: Explaining the Advancement of Central Committee Members in China.” *American Political Science Review*. Vol. 106(1). February. 166–187.

Reprinted in Anthony Saich, ed., forthcoming, *The Politics and Governance of China*, Cheltenham, UK: Edward Elgar.

Scott Greer, Elize Massard da Fonseca, and **Christopher Adolph**. 2008. “Mobilizing Bias in Europe.” *European Union Politics*. Vol 9(3). 403–433.

2008 Sage Prize for Best Article in European Union Politics

Christopher Adolph and Gary King, with Michael Herron and Kenneth Shotts. 2003. “A Consensus on Second Stage Analyses of Ecological Inference Models.” *Political Analysis*. Vol 11. 86–94.

Christopher Adolph and Gary King. 2003. “Analyzing Second Stage Ecological Regressions.” *Political Analysis*. Vol. 11. 65–76.

Other Publications

Christopher Adolph. 2003. “Visual Interpretation and Presentation of Monte Carlo Results.” *The Political Methodologist*. Vol. 11(2). 31–35.

Christopher Adolph. 2000. “Party Schools.” *American Prospect*. December 18. 16–17.

In Progress

“Legal Protections for Dating Partners and Intimate Partner Homicide,” with Miriam Alvarez, Emmanuela Gakidou, and Ali Mokdad (Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation, Washington).

“Something’s Got to Give: The Political Economy of State Budget Trade-offs,” with Christian Breunig and Chris Koski.

“Career Advancement in the British Civil Service.” With Scott Greer (Michigan, Public Health) and Holly Jarman (Albany, Political Science).

“Leadership Advancement in the International Longshore and Warehouse Union.” With Margaret Levi (Washington) and Amanda Clayton (Washington).

“The Shanghai Effect: Do Exports to China Affect Labor Rights in Africa?” With Aseem Prakash and Vanessa Quince (Washington).

Teaching

University of Washington, 2004–2007, 2009–present

POLS 205	Political Science as a Social Science S10
STAT/SOC/CSSS 221	Statistical Concepts and Methods for the Social Sciences W12
CSSS/SOC/STAT 321	Case-Based Social Statistics I F10, F12
POLS/ECON 409	Politics and the Economy S05, F06 Political Economy of the Great Recession and its Aftermath W15
POLS 501	Quantitative Political Methodology I W06
POLS/CSSS 503	Quantitative Political Methodology II S05, S07, S10, S11, S12, S14
POLS/CSSS 510	Maximum Likelihood Methods for the Social Sciences F09, F10, F11, F12, F13, F14
SOC/CSSS/STAT 536	Analysis of Categorical Data W05, F05, F06
CSSS 569	Visualizing Data W06, W10, W11, W12, W13, W14, W15

University of Essex Summer School in Social Science Data Analysis, 2009–present

Course 2i	Panel Data Analysis for Comparative Research 09, I0, I1, I2, I3, I4, I5
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Invited short courses

Visualizing Model Inference and Robustness CEACS, Instituto Juan March, Madrid · November 19–21, 2012
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Mentoring

University of Washington political science Ph.D.'s graduated (current position):

- ★ **Twelve** formal Ph.D. committees in political science
- 2014 **Amanda Clayton** · Freie Universitat Berlin, Postdoctoral Fellow
- 2013 **Sijeong Lim** · Stockholm University, Postdoctoral Fellow
- 2013 **Loren Collingwood** · UC–Riverside, Asst. Prof. Political Science
- 2012 **Daniel Berliner** · University of Minnesota, Asst. Prof. of Political Science
- 2008 **John Ahlquist** · University of Wisconsin, Assoc. Prof. of Political Science

Other University of Washington Ph.D.'s graduated (current position):

- ★ **Six** formal Ph.D. committees in other disciplines
 - 2014 **Ji Youn (Rose) Kim** · Business · Univ. of Kentucky, Asst. Prof.
 - 2013 **Sui Luo** · Economics · Capital Univ. of Econ. & Bus. (Beijing), Asst. Prof.
 - 2007 **Santosh Srivastava**[†] · Applied Math · Fred Hutchison Cancer Res. Ctr.
- [†]*indicates nominal service as a Graduate School Representative*

Harvard University senior thesis advisees (current position):

- 2001 **Alexander Kuo** · Cornell University, Asst. Prof. Political Science

Software

Primary developer and maintainer of three R packages:

- tile Graphical system for model interpretation and data exploration
- simcf Flexible counterfactual set-up and simulation for estimated models
- partialrank Regression models for partially observed rank data

Academic Service

Department of Political Science, University of Washington, 2004–2007, 2009–present

Methods Field Supervisor, 2005–2007, 2009–2015

Co-organizer, Symposium Honoring Margaret Levi, 2014

Political Methodology Search Committee, 2012–2013, 2013–2014

Graduate Admissions Committee, 2011–2012, 2013–2014

Website Design Committee, 2014–2015

Technology Committee, 2009–2013

Lev Senior Thesis Award Committee, 2010–2011

Ad hoc Committee on Undergraduate Awards, 2006–2007

Undergraduate Program Committee, 2005–2006

Center for Statistics and the Social Sciences, University of Washington, 2004–2007,
2009–present

Seminar Director, 2013–2014

Executive Committee, 2013–present

Blalock Award Committee, 2004–2007, 2009–present

Social Coordinator, 2004–2007

Other University of Washington service, 2004–2007, 2009–present

Faculty Affiliate, Center for Comparative and Historical Analysis of Organizations
and States (CHAOS), 2004–present

Steering Committee, Center for Social Science Computation and Research (CSSCR),
2010–present

External Review Committee, Center for Social Science Computation and Research
(CSSCR), 2013–2014

Reviewer, Royalty Research Fund, 2006, 2012

Public Service

Expert witness on ecological inference and the statistical analysis of elections in *Borders v. King County*, which contested the 2004 Washington gubernatorial election. *Positive verdict; unappealed.*

Expert witness on ecological inference and the statistical analysis of elections in *Sarantou v. Lucas County, Ohio*, which contested the 2010 Lucas County commissioner election. *Positive outcome; case dropped by plaintiff.*

Research analyst for consultants and expert witnesses in fourteen redistricting lawsuits, 2001–2003.

Professional Activities

Member of American Political Science Association, International Studies Association, Society for Political Methodology, and American Statistical Association.

Referee for *American Journal of Political Science*, *American Political Science Review*, *Comparative Political Studies*, *Journal of Politics*, *Party Politics*, *Perspectives on Politics*, *Political Analysis*, *Political Science Research and Methods*, *PS: Political Science & Politics*, *Public Choice*, *Social Science Quarterly*, *Sociological Methods and Research*, and *Statistical Analysis and Data Mining*.

Steering Committee, PoliInformatics Network (PI-NET), 2012–.

Panel Chair, “Positive Political Economy of China and Vietnam,” Annual Meetings of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2014.

Panel Discussant, “Labor Unions, Wage Bargaining, and Inequality,” Annual Meetings of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2014.

Panel Chair, “New Frontiers in Quantitative Chinese Politics Research,” Annual Meetings of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2013.

Panel Discussant, “All Politics Is Local: Migrants, Counties, and Governance in China,” Annual Meetings of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2013.

Panel Discussant, Tenth Anniversary Conference of the Center for Statistics and the Social Sciences, University of Washington, Seattle, June 2009.

Participant, Annual Meeting of the Robert Wood Johnson Scholars in Health Policy Research, Aspen, Colorado, May 2007.

Participant, Annual Meeting of the Robert Wood Johnson Scholars in Health Policy Research, Aspen, Colorado, May 2008.

Participant, Image and Meaning 2, Los Angeles, July 2005.

Discussant, Comparative Political Economy Poster Session, Annual Meetings of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, 10 April 10 2005.

Panel Chair, “New Approaches to the Welfare State,” European Political Economy Workshop, Center for European Studies, Harvard University, November 5–6, 1999.

Presentations

“The Shanghai Effect: Do Exports to China Affect Labor Rights in Africa?” With Vanessa Quince and Aseem Prakash. Presented at the Annual Meetings of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, 3 April 2014; Symposium Honoring Margaret Levi, University of Washington, Seattle, 10 October 2014.

“Modeling Bureaucratic Careers: Advancement, Policy, and Performance.” Invited presentation in the Comparative Public Policy Speaker Series, Department of Political Science, Texas A&M University, 24 March 2014.

“Tuftes without Tears: Simple tools for visual exploration and presentation of regression models.” Invited presentation at the Social Development Research Group, November 8, 2011; the Joint Statistical Meetings, Denver, August 2008; and the Center for Statistics and the Social Sciences, University of Washington, 31 January 2007.

“Getting Ahead in the Communist Party: Explaining the Advancement of Central Committee Members in China.” With Victor Shih and Mingxing Liu. Presented at Center for Statistics and the Social Sciences, University of Washington, October 2009, University of Chicago, November 2008, and Annual Meetings of the American Political Science Association, Boston, September 2008.

“Health Policy Priorities in Hard Times: A Compositional Model of Budget Trade-offs in the States.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Robert Wood Johnson Scholars in Health Policy Research, Aspen, May 2009.

“Something’s Got to Give: The Political Economy of State Budget Trade-offs.” Paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Political Science Association, Boston, MA, 2008, and Annual Meetings of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, 14 April 2007.

“Exit, Advancement, and Loyalty in the Central Bank: The Political Economy of Central Banker Tenures.” Paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, 20 April 2006.

“The Dilemma of Discretion: Career Ambitions and the Politics of Central Banking.” Invited Comparative Historical Analysis of Organizations and States (CHAOS) seminar, University of Washington, 2–3 February 2006.

“Statistical Issues in the 2004 Washington Gubernatorial Election Contest.” With Mark Handcock. Presented at the Center for Statistics and the Social Sciences, University of Washington, 30 November 2005.

“Three simple tests of career influences on monetary policy.” Paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., September 2005.

“What Time Series Cross-Section Estimator Should I Use *Now*? Guidance from Monte Carlo Experiments.” With Daniel Butler and Sven Wilson. Paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., September, 2005; paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, 10 April 2005.

“Succession in the Temple: Central Banker Careers and the Politics of Appointment.” Paper presented at the Annual Meetings of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 10, 2005; at the Center for Statistics and the Social Sciences Seminar, March 9, 2005; poster presented at Summer Meetings of the Society for Political Methodology, Stanford University, July 2004.

“The Dilemma of Discretion: Career Ambitions, Policy Preferences, and the Politics of Money.” Poster presented at Multidisciplinary Program on Inequality and Social Policy Summer Institute, Cambridge, MA, 19 June 2004.

“The Uses of Autonomy: Central Bankers’ Careers, Institutional Context, and Economic Performance.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago IL, 16 April 2004.

“Paper Autonomy, Private Ambition: Central Bankers’ Careers and the Economy.” Presented at Yale University (November 2003), Rice University (November 2003), Penn State University (December 2003), the University of Washington (December 2003), New York University (February 2004), the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA, August 2003, and at the Comparative Political Economy Workshop, Cornell University, 25–26 October 2002.

“Central Bankers’ Careers and Inflation: Results from 14 Countries.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston MA, August 2002.

“Parties, Unions, and Central Banks: An Interactive Model of Unemployment in OECD Countries.” Presented at The Comparative Political Economy of Developed and Less Developed Countries, Yale University, 4–5 May 2001.

“Economic and Racial Bias in Parties’ Allocation of State Educational Aid.” Presented at the Inequality and Social Policy Workshop, 25 September 2000.

“Parties, Institutions, and Unemployment.” Presented at the Rational Choice/Political Economy Lunch, 12 November 1999.

“Determining Legislative Outcomes: The Effects of Committee Specialization on Legislative Committee Performance.” With Keith Hamm, Ronald Hedlund, and Nancy Martorano. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, MA, September 1998.

Media Coverage

Below are news articles, op-eds, and blog posts *commenting on my research or drawing on †interviews with me.

Central banking

†Michael Knigge. “Yin or yang for the Fed?” *Deutsche Welle*. August 14, 2013. dw.de/p/190hq.

*José Fernández Albertos. “La neutralidad de los bancos centrales.” *El Diario*. July 8, 2013. www.eldiario.es/piedrasdepapel/neutralidad-bancos-centrales_6_151594861.html

*Lars Christensen. “Christopher Adolph on the politics of central banking.” *The Market Monetarist*. February 17, 2012. marketmonetarist.com/2012/02/17/christopher-adolph-on-the-politics-of-central-banking

*José Fernández Albertos. “Astérix, Spiderman y el Banco de España.” *El País*. October 17, 2011. elpais.com/diario/2011/10/17/opinion/1318802411_850215.html

*Howard Davies. “The Bank should pick a deputy for our times.” *Financial Times*. May 28, 2008. www.ft.com/cms/s/0/ede850e0-2cdd-11dd-88c6-000077b07658.html#axzz2Ho8UKA4s

Chinese politics

*Yasheng Huang. “Democratize or die: Why China’s Communists face reform or revolution.” *Foreign Affairs*. January/February, 2013. 92(1). www.foreignaffairs.com/articles/138477/yasheng-huang/democratize-or-die

*Eric Voeten. “How to Get Ahead in China’s Communist Party.” *The Monkey Cage*. March 23, 2012. themonkeycage.org/2012/03/23/how-to-get-ahead-in-chinas-communist-party

Trade and Labor

*Henry Farrell. “Supply Chains and Labor Rights.” *The Monkey Cage*. December 20, 2012. <http://themonkeycage.org/2012/12/20/supply-chains-and-labour-rights>

*Eric Voeten. “More on Trade and Labor Rights.” *The Monkey Cage*. December 20, 2012. themonkeycage.org/2012/12/20/more-on-trade-and-labor-rights