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Academic Appointments

Brigham Young University

2022- Associate Professor, Dept. of Political Science

2015-2022 Assistant Professor, Dept. of Political Science

2023- Associate Director, Center for the Study of Elections and Democracy

2015-2022 Faculty Scholar, Center for the Study of Elections and Democracy

Education

Yale University

Ph.D. in Political Science, May 2015

Fields: American Politics, Quantitative Methods, Comparative Politics

Dissertation: “Three essays on legislative tactics, electoral accountability, and experimental methods”

Committee: Gregory Huber (Chair), Daniel Butler, Alan Gerber, David Mayhew

M.A. in Political Science, May 2012

M.Phil. in Political Science, May 2012

Brigham Young University

B.A., Political Science, *cum laude*, August 2005

Publications at Peer-Reviewed Journals

- [14] Dynes, Adam M., Hans J.G. Hassell, and Matthew R. Miles. Forthcoming. “Personality Traits and Approaches to Political Representation and Responsiveness: An Experiment in Local Government.” *Political Behavior*.
- [13] Barber, Michael and Adam M. Dynes. 2023. “City-State Ideological Incongruence and Municipal Preemption.” *American Journal of Political Science* 67(1):119-136.
- [12] Dynes, Adam M., Hans J.G. Hassell, and Matthew R. Miles. 2021. “Political Ambition and Constituency Service: Does Ambition Influence How Local Officials Respond to Electoral and Non-Electoral Service Requests from Constituents?” *American Politics Review* 49(6):646-654.
- [11] Dynes, Adam M., Michael T. Hartney, and Sam D. Hayes. 2021. “Off-Cycle and Off-Center: Election Timing and Representation in Municipal Government.” *American Political Science Review* 115(3):1097-1103.
- [10] Dynes, Adam M., and Lucy Martin. 2021. “Revenue Source and Electoral Accountability: Experimental Evidence from Local U.S. Policymakers.” *Political Behavior* 43:1113-1136.

- [9] Dynes, Adam M., Hans J.G. Hassell, Matthew R. Miles, and Jessica R. Preece. 2021. “Personality and Gendered Selection Processes in the Political Pipeline.” *Politics & Gender* 17(1): 53-73.
- [8] Butler, Daniel M., and Adam M. Dynes. 2020. “Do Republican and Democratic Legislators have Polarized Views of their District’s Demographics?” *Research & Politics* 7(3): 1-9.
- [7] Dynes, Adam M. 2020. “Which Citizens Do Elected Officials Target with Distributive Spending? A Survey Experiment on US Municipal Officials.” *American Politics Research* 48(5): 579-595.
- [6] Dynes, Adam M., and John B. Holbein. 2020. “Noisy Retrospection: The Effect of Party Control on Policy Outcomes.” *American Political Science Review*. 114(1): 237-257.
- [5] Dynes, Adam M., Hans J.G. Hassell, and Matthew R. Miles. 2019. “The Personality of the Politically Ambitious.” *Political Behavior* 41(2): 309-336.
- [4] Dynes, Adam M., and Andrew Reeves. 2018. “Who Benefits from the Party Organization? Evidence from Republican House Members' Attendance at Caucus Meetings.” *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 43(2): 207-243.
- [3] Butler, Daniel M., Craig Volden, Adam M. Dynes, and Boris Shor. 2017. “Ideology, Learning, and Policy Diffusion: Experimental Evidence.” *American Journal of Political Science* 61(1): 37–49.
- [2] Butler, Daniel M., and Adam M. Dynes. 2016. “How Politicians Discount the Opinions of Constituents with Whom They Disagree.” *American Journal of Political Science* 60 (4): 975–89.
- [1] Dynes, Adam M., and Gregory A. Huber. 2015. “Partisanship and the Allocation of Federal Spending: Do Same-Party Legislators or Voters Benefit from Shared Party Affiliation with the President and House Majority?” *American Political Science Review* 109 (01): 172-86.

Working Papers

- “How Local Officials Respond to Expressions of Public Opinion.” Dynes, Adam M., Chris F. Karpowitz, and J. Quin Monson.
- “Minimizing Partisanship in Elections: Nonpartisan Ballots and the Partisanship of Who Serves in Office.” Butler, Daniel M., Adam M. Dynes, and Michelle Torres.
- “Do Voters Prefer Trustee, Delegate, or Dictator Form of Representation?” Barber, Michael, Ryan Davis, and Adam Dynes.
- “Does Constituents’ Partisanship or Officials’ Predict Municipal Spending and Taxation?” Butler, Daniel M., Adam M. Dynes, and Michelle Torres.
- “At-Large vs. District Elections and Minority Representation in U.S. City Councils Using a Large Sample.” Baldwin, Grant, Daniel M. Butler, Adam M. Dynes, and Michelle Torres.
- “Framing Effect Bias Among Elected Municipal Officials.” Arceneaux, Vin, Daniel M. Butler, Adam M. Dynes, Christopher Vazquez.
- “Procedural Obfuscation and Electoral Accountability in Local Politics.” Dynes, Adam M.
- “Descriptive Representation among Elected and Appointed Officials in US Municipalities.” Butler, Daniel M., Adam M. Dynes, and Michelle Torres.
- “Term Limited Legislators Invest Less in Learning their District.” Butler, Daniel M., Adam M. Dynes, and Devin Ton.

“Delay, Delegation, and Obfuscation: The Politics of ‘No-Win’ Situations.” Dynes, Adam M. and Justin E. Fox.

“The Party Decides the Rules: How Different Vote Counting Rules Change the Outcome of the 2016 Republican Primary.” Dynes, Adam M. and Thomas Wood.

Teaching Experience

Brigham Young University, Instructor for the following undergraduate courses:

POLI 110: American Politics and Government (Since winter 2019)

POLI 210: Principles of American Politics (Since fall 2015)

POLI 311: State Politics (Since fall 2015. Prior to 2023, this was our only course that also covered local politics.)

POLI 322: Urban and Local Politics (Since spring 2022)

POLI 319r: Topics in American Politics: CSED Lab (research workshop in American politics for faculty and select students)

Yale University

McDougal Teaching Fellow, Yale Center for Teaching and Learning (2014-15). Trained new political science teaching fellows via workshops and teaching observations.

Teaching Fellow for the following undergraduate courses (2011-15): *Introduction to Public Opinion, Game Theory and Political Science, Political Psychology, The U.S. Congress, and Parties, Elections & Policymaking*. Grader for the following undergraduate course: *Introduction to Statistics*.

Research & Teaching Interests

Primary: American politics, legislative behavior and politics (Congress and state and local politics), representation, municipal politics, budget/distributive politics.

Secondary: campaigns and elections, political parties, presidency, policymaking process (local, state, and federal levels), political psychology, quantitative methods, causal inference, experimental methods.

Awards, Fellowships, & Affiliations

2022 BYU Mary Lou Fulton Associate Professor Faculty Award (\$9,000)

2020 BYU Mentoring Environment Grant, American Municipal Officials Database and Survey (\$20,000)

2018 BYU College of Family Home and Social Sciences Grant (\$6,500)

2018 BYU Mentoring Environment Grant, American Municipal Officials Database and Survey (\$20,000)

2017 BYU Student Experiential Learning Grant (\$7,500)

2015- Faculty Scholar, Center for the Study of Elections and Democracy, Brigham Young University

2014- Research Affiliate, Laboratories of Democracy (www.labsofdemocracy.org)

2015-16 Research Grant, Weidenbaum Center on the Economy, Government, and Public Policy, with Justin E. Fox (\$9,920)

2014-15 Congressional Research Grant, Dirksen Congressional Center, with Andrew Reeves (\$3,060)

2014-15 McDougal Teaching Fellow, Yale Teaching Center

2012-13 Policy Fellow, Institution for Social and Policy Studies at Yale

Presentations & Conference Participation

- 2023
 - American Political Science Association Annual Meeting (1 paper)
 - Local Political Economy Conference at Claremont Graduate Univ. (discussant)
 - Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting (1 paper and discussant)
- 2022
 - Invited research presentation at Univ. of Michigan, Political Science Dept., American Institutions Group (Jan. 21, 2022)
 - Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting (1 paper and discussant)
- 2020
 - Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting (1 paper and discussant)
 - American Political Science Association Annual Meeting (1 paper)
 - Invited research presentation at Stony Brook Univ., Political Science Dept. (Nov. 11, 2020)
- 2019
 - American Political Science Association Annual Meeting (1 panel chair and discussant)
 - Local Political Economy Conference at George Washington Univ. (invited attendee)
 - State Politics and Policy Conference at Univ. Maryland, College Park (1 paper)
 - Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting (Urban & Local Politics section head; 1 paper; 2 panel chair and discussant)
- 2018
 - American Political Science Association Annual Meeting (1 panel chair and discussant)
 - Local Political Economy Conference at Boston Univ. (1 paper)
 - State Politics and Policy Conference at Penn. State Univ. (1 paper)
 - Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting (2 papers; 2 panel chair and discussant)
- 2017
 - Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting (2 papers)
 - Local Political Economy Conference at Vanderbilt Univ. (1 paper)
 - Conference on Elite Personality and Political Institutions at Notre Dame Univ. (1 paper)
 - Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting (2 papers)
 - Local Political Economy Conference at Univ. of California Berkeley (invited attendee)
- 2016
 - American Political Science Association Annual Meeting (1 paper)
 - Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting (1 paper)
 - Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting (book panelist)
 - Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting (1 paper)
 - American Political Science Association Annual Meeting (2 papers)
- 2015
 - Pre-APSA State and Local Politics Conference, Institute of Governmental Studies, Univ. of California Berkeley (1 paper)
 - Young Scholars Conference, BYU Poli. Sci. Dept. (1 paper)
- 2014
 - Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting (2 papers)
- 2013
 - American Political Science Association Annual Meeting (1 poster)
 - Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting (2 papers)
- 2012
 - Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting (1 paper)

Relevant Work & Research Experience

- 2012-17 Co-principal investigator with Prof. Daniel Butler of the 2017, 2016, 2014, and 2012 American Municipal Officials Survey (www.municipalsurvey.org); and the 2012 American State Legislators Survey.
- 2006-09 Program Director, Parents for Choice in Education, Salt Lake City, UT. Worked on public advocacy, lobbying, and campaigns at state level.
- 2004 Intern/Research Assistant, Council for Court Excellence, Washington, D.C., fall semester.

Professional Service

- 2018-19 Section Head: Urban and Local Politics Section for the 2019 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association

Journal referee for the following journals in the indicated year(s):

- *American Journal of Political Science* (2022, 2020, 2019, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016)
- *American Political Science Review* (2021, 2020, 2019, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016)
- *American Politics Research* (2022, 2021, 2020, 2018, 2016, 2013)
- *British Journal of Political Science* (2021, 2020)
- *Congress and the Presidency* (2018)
- *European Journal of Politics and Gender* (2019)
- *European Political Science Review* (2019)
- *German Politics* (2016)
- *Government and Opposition* (2018)
- *Journal of Experimental Politics* (2021, 2015)
- *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management* (2018)
- *Journal of Politics* (2021, 2020, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2014)
- *Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory* (2022)
- *Journal of Public Policy* (2015)
- *Legislative Studies Quarterly* (2023, 2021, 2020, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2015)
- *Party Politics* (2022)
- *PLOS One* (2020, 2020)
- *Policy Studies Journal* (2018)
- *Political Behavior* (2022, 2022, 2021, 2015)
- *Political Geography Journal* (2018)
- *Political Research Quarterly* (2021, 2019, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014)
- *Political Studies Review* (2019)
- *Problems of Post-Communism* (2020)
- *Public Choice* (2015)
- *Public Opinion Quarterly* (2020)
- *Research & Politics* (2021)
- *SAGE Open* (2019)
- *State Politics and Policy Quarterly* (2020)