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Academic Position

Professor, University of Oklahoma, 2017-present
Director and Curator, Carl Albert Congressional Research & Studies Center, 2018-present
Associate Professor, University of Oklahoma, 2014-2017
Associate Director, Carl Albert Congressional Research & Studies Center, 2014-2018
Associate Professor, University of Texas at Dallas, 2012-2014
Associate Program Head/Ph.D. Graduate Advisor, University of Texas at Dallas, 2013-14
Assistant Professor, University of Georgia, 2006-2012

Education

Michigan State University, PhD, Department of Political Science, December 2005
Michigan State University, MA, Political Science, 2002
University of Georgia, MA, Political Science, 2001
University of Rochester, BA, Political Science, 1998

Other Education

Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models, Duke University, 2004
ICPSR, University of Michigan, 2002 & 2003

Teaching and Research Interests

American Politics, Political Geography, Congress, Elections,

Awards and Fellowships

The Raymond W. Smock Fellowship
SSRC Negotiating Agreement in Congress Research Grant, 2017-18
Risser Innovative Teaching Fellow, 2015-16
SPIA Summer Research Award, 2012
Pi Sigma Alpha Susette M. Talarico Award for Excellence in Teaching, 2007-08 & 2010-2011
Patrick J. Fett Award for the best paper on the scientific study of Congress and the Presidency, 2007
(with David Rohde)
Harold Gosnell Prize for the best work in political methodology presented at any political science conference during 2005-06 (with Kevin M. Quinn, Burt L. Monroe, Michael Colaresi, and Dragomir R. Radev)
American Political Science Association Congressional Fellow, Office of Congressman Daniel Lipinski (IL-3), 2005-06
Political Institutions and Public Choice Fellow, Michigan State University, 2001-05

Peer Reviewed Publications

1. "Gaining Access and Constituent Correspondence in the U.S. Congress," with Matthew Geras. Forthcoming *Congress & The Presidency*
2. "Running from the Donald or Jumping on the Trump Train: Campaign Rhetoric and the 2016 Congressional Election," Jessica Hayden, Sarina Rhinehart, and Michael Crespin. Forthcoming *Journal of Political Marketing* doi: 10.1080/15377857.2018.1478650
3. "Land, Wood, Water, & SPACE: Senator Robert S. Kerr, Congress, and Selling the Space Race to the American Public" Jessica Hayden, Matthew Geras, Nathan Gerth, and Michael Crespin. *Social Science Quarterly* (2017) 98(4): 1189-1203. Special issue on Selling Science.
4. "Institutional Control of Redistricting and the Geography of Representation," Barry Edwards, Michael Crespin, Ryan Williamson, and Maxwell Palmer. *Journal of Politics* (2017) 79(2): 722-726
5. "Redistricting and Individual Contributions to Congressional Candidates," Michael Crespin and Barry Edwards *Political Research Quarterly* (2016) 69(2): 220-232
6. "Earmarks and Subcommittee Government in the U.S. Congress," Austin Clemens, Michael Crespin, and Charles Finocchiaro *American Politics Research* (2015) 43(6): 1074-1106
7. "The Establishment of Party Policy Committees in the U.S. Senate: Coordination, not Coercion," Michael Crespin, Anthony Madonna, Joel Sievert and Nathaniel Ament-Stone. *Social Science Quarterly* (2015) 96(1): 34-48
8. "The Political Geography of Distributive Politics," Austin Clemens, Michael Crespin, and Charles Finocchiaro. *Legislative Studies Quarterly* (2015) 40(1): 111-136
9. "Procedural Signaling, Party Loyalty, and Traceability in the U.S. House of Representatives," Jamie Carson, Michael Crespin, and Anthony Madonna. *Political Research Quarterly* (2014) 67(4): 729-742
10. "Re-evaluating the Effects of Redistricting on Electoral Competition, 1972-2012," Jamie Carson, Michael Crespin, and Ryan Williamson. *State Politics and Policy Quarterly* (2014) 14(2): 162- 174
11. "Elections and the Politics of Pork in the U.S. Senate," Michael Crespin and Charles Finocchiaro, *Social Science Quarterly* (2013) 94(2): 506-529
12. "Pork-Barreling in Australian Politics: A Reconsideration of Leigh," Austin Clemens, Michael Crespin, and Charles Finocchiaro *Australian Journal of Political Science* (2013) 48(2): 221-232
13. "Measuring Variations in Party Unity Voting: An Assessment of Agenda Effects," Michael Crespin, David W. Rohde and Ryan J. Vander Wielen. *Party Politics* (2013) 19(3):432-457
14. "Constituency Congruency and Candidate Competition in Primary Elections for the U.S. House," Jamie Carson, Michael Crespin, Carrie Eaves and Emily Wanless. *State Politics and Policy Quarterly* (2012) 12(2): 127-145

15. "Constituency Congruency and Candidate Competition in U.S. House Elections," Jamie Carson, Michael Crespin, Carrie Eaves, and Emily Wanless. *Legislative Studies Quarterly* (2011) 36(3): 461-82. [Included in the *LSQ* virtual issue on Congressional Elections <http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/j.1939-9162.2011.00022.x/full>]
16. "Dimensions, Issues, and Bills: Appropriations Voting on the House Floor," Michael Crespin and David W. Rohde. *Journal of Politics* (2010) 72(4): 976-989
17. "Serving Two Masters: Redistricting and Voting in the U.S. House of Representatives," Michael Crespin, *Political Research Quarterly* (2010) 63(4): 850-859
18. "If You Can't Join 'em, Beat 'em: The Gender Gap in Individual Donations to Congressional Candidates," Michael Crespin and Janna Deitz. *Political Research Quarterly* (2010) 63(3): 568-580
19. "How To Analyze Political Attention With Minimal Assumptions And Costs," Kevin M. Quinn, Burt L. Monroe, Michael Colaresi, Michael Crespin, and Dragomir R. Radev. *American Journal of Political Science* (2010) 54(1): 209-228
20. "Perception and Reality in Congressional Earmarks," Michael Crespin, Charles Finocchiaro and Emily Wanless. *The Forum*. (2009) 7(2): Article 1
21. "Tracking the Dynamic Evolution of Participants Salience in a Discussion," Ahmed Hassan, Anthony Fader, Michael Crespin, Burt L. Monroe, Kevin M. Quinn, Michael Colaresi and Dragomir Radev. *Proceedings of COLING* (International Conference on Computational Linguistics), (2008) pages 313-320
22. "MavenRank: Identifying Influential Members of the U.S. Senate using Lexical Centrality," Anthony Fader, Dragomir Radev, Michael Crespin, Burt L. Monroe, Kevin M. Quinn and Michael Colaresi. *Proceedings of the EMNLP* (Empirical Methods on Natural Language Processing), (2007) pages 658-666
23. "Redistricting, Constituency Influence, and Party Polarization in Congress," Jamie Carson, Michael Crespin, Charles Finocchiaro and David Rohde. *American Politics Research* (2007) 35(6): 878-904
24. "Ideology, Electoral Incentives and Congressional Politics: The Republican House Class of 1994," Michael Crespin, Suzanne Gold, and David W. Rohde. *American Politics Research* (March, 2006) 34(2):135-158
25. "Parties as Procedural Coalitions in Congress: An Examination of Differing Career Tracks," with Jeffery A. Jenkins, Michael Crespin, and Jamie L. Carson. *Legislative Studies Quarterly* (August, 2005) 30(3): 365-389
26. "Using Geographic Information Systems to Measure District Change, 2000-02," Michael Crespin, *Political Analysis* (2005) 13(3): 253-260

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27. "The Effect of State Redistricting Methods on Electoral Competition in United States House Races," Michael Crespin and Jamie L. Carson. *State Politics and Policy Quarterly* (Winter, 2004) 4(4): 455-469
28. "Shirking in the Contemporary Congress: A Reappraisal," Jamie L. Carson, Michael Crespin, Jeffery A. Jenkins, and Ryan J. Vander Wielen. *Political Analysis* (Spring, 2004) 12(2): 176-179
29. "The Calculus of Concession: Media Coverage and the Dynamics of Nominating in Presidential Nominations," Audrey Haynes, Paul-Henri Gurian, Michael Crespin, and Christopher Zorn. *American Politics Research* (May, 2004) 32(3): 310-337
30. "The Media, the Campaign and the Message," Julianne Flowers, Audrey Haynes and Michael Crespin. *American Journal of Political Science* (April, 2003) 47(2): 259-273

Book Chapters

1. "The Effect of Open and Closed Primaries on Voter Turnout," Matthew Geras and Michael Crespin. (2018) in *Handbook of Primary Elections*, Robert G. Boatright ed. Routledge Press
2. "Congressional Spending," Michael Crespin and Charles Finocchiaro. (2011) in *New Directions in Congressional Politics*, Jamie Carson, ed. Routledge Press
3. "Distributive and Partisan Politics in the U.S. Senate: An Exploration of Earmarks, 1996 – 2005," Michael Crespin and Charles Finocchiaro. (2008) in *Why Not Parties? Party Effects in the United States Senate*, Nathan Monroe, Jason Roberts and David Rohde eds. University of Chicago Press

Other Publications and Datasets

1. "Why congressional leadership might not be excited about the prospect of earmarks returning," with Charles Finocchiaro. *The Hill* (2018). Reprinted in *Eurasia Diary*
2. "This is how to get rid of gerrymandered districts," with Ryan D. Williamson, Maxwell Palmer and Barry C. Edwards. *Washington Post Monkey Cage Blog* (2017)
3. Roberts, Jason, David Rohde, and Michael H. Crespin. Political Institutions and Public Choice Senate Roll-Call Database. <http://www.ou.edu/carlabertcenter/research/pipc-votes>
4. "PIPC Votes Roll-Call Dataset" Essay contribution to LSS Newsletter (2016)
5. "New Directions in Legislative Research: Lessons from Inside Congress," with Anthony Madonna. 2016 49(3) *PS: Political Science & Politics*. Part of a symposium "The Transformed Congressional Experience," co-edited with Anthony Madonna. We solicited and edited essays from Rep. David Price, Rep. Dina Titus, Sen. Mike Lee, and former Rep. John Barrow. Reposted on the LegBranch.com blog.
6. "It's not just Hillary Clinton. Members of Congress are careless with classified material too" Michael Crespin and Nathan Gerth. *Washington Post Monkey Cage Blog* (2016)

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7. “Can Independent Redistricting Commissions Lead Us Out of the Political Thicket?” Barry Edwards, Angel Sanchez, Tyler Yeargain, Michael Crespin, and Jessica Hayden. *Albany Government Law Review* 2016 9(2): 288-349
8. “Redistricting encourages more out-of-district contributions to Congressional candidates from individuals,” with Barry Edwards. *LSE American Politics and Policy Blog* (2016)
9. Crespin, Michael H. and David Rohde. Political Institutions and Public Choice Roll-Call Database <http://cacexplore.org/pipcvotes/>
10. “Which Republican presidential candidate will drop out next? Maybe these two.” *Washington Post Monkey Cage Blog* (2015). Reprinted in the *Tulsa World*
11. “Change and Continuity in Congressional Districts,” *Extensions: A Journal of the Carl Albert Congressional Research and Studies Center*. (Winter 2015): 12-17.
12. “In Congress, committees are still at the center of pork barrel politics,” with Austin Clemens and Charles J. Finocchiaro. *LSE American Politics and Policy Blog* (2015)
13. “Despite party pressures, House members’ support for their leadership in procedural votes is not guaranteed,” with Jamie Carson and Anthony Madonna. *LSE American Politics and Policy Blog* (2015)
14. “In order to increase competition in U.S. House races, states should look to extra-legislative bodies to redraw congressional boundaries,” with Jamie Carson and Ryan Williamson. *LSE American Politics and Policy Blog* (2014)
15. A review of Thomas Brunell, *Redistricting and Representation: Why Competitive Elections are Bad for America*. In *Perspectives on Politics* (March 2009) 7(1): 187-188.
16. “Turning Theory to Practice: A Political Scientist Tackles the Hill,” *PS: Political Science & Politics* (April 2006) 39(2): 382

Working Papers and Projects

1. “Bipartisan Negotiations and the Civil Rights Act of 1964”

Classes

University of Oklahoma

American Federal Government, (1113), Spring 2015, Fall 2015, Fall 2016, Fall 2017

American Federal Government Honors, (1113), Fall 2017

Capitol Scholars: A Service Learning Course (4033), Spring 2015, Spring 2016, Spring 2017, Spring 2018, Spring 2019

Congress in the Political System, Graduate level (5263), Fall 2014, Fall 2016

Community Scholars: A Service Learning Course (4023), Fall 2018

Foundations of American Politics (3723), Spring 2017, Spring 2018

Politics in America (2103), Fall 2015

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U.S. Congress, (3143), Fall 2014, Spring 2016

University of Texas at Dallas

Campaigns and Elections, Graduate level (6330), Spring 2014

American National Government (2305), Fall 2013 x 2

Constitutional Foundations and Political Behavior in the U.S. and Texas (2301), Fall 2012

Political Institutions in the U.S. and Texas (2302), Spring 2013

Congress and Public Policy (4343), Spring 2013

University of Georgia

Introduction to American Government (1101), Fall 2006, Spring 2007, Spring 2008, Spring 2009, Fall 2009, Fall 2010, Fall 2011

Introduction to American Government Honors (1105H), Fall 2006, Fall 2007, Fall 2009, Fall 2010, Fall 2011

Introduction to Political Science (2000), Fall 2007, Fall 2008, Spring 2011, Spring 2012x2

The Legislative Process (4600), Summer 2007, Spring 2008, Summer 2008, Fall 2008, Summer 2009, Summer 2010, Summer 2011

The Legislative Process, Graduate level (8140), Spring 2009, Spring 2011

Invited Workshops and Presentations

2018

Orem UT, – Redistricting Reform Forum

Athens, GA – Legislative Rules and Procedures Conference, University of Georgia

2017

New York, NY – Negotiation Agreement in Congress Workshop, Social Science Research Council

Ripon, WI – Center for Politics and the People, Ripon College

2016

Warrenton, VA – FairVote Electoral Reform Workshop Participant.

2015

Iowa City, IA – Political Discourse Symposium, University of Iowa Public Policy Center

Durham, NC – Political Institutions and Public Choice 20th Anniversary Conference, Duke University

Nashville, TN – Congress and History Conference, Vanderbilt University

Rochester, NY – American Politics Working Group, University of Rochester

2014

Marietta, GA, – Constitution Day Lecture, Southern Polytechnic State University

College Park, MD – Congress and History Conference, University of Maryland, College Park

College Station, TX – American Politics Speakers Series, Texas A&M University

2012

Athens, GA - Congress and History Conference, University of Georgia

2011

Providence, RI – Congress and History Conference, Brown University

2010

Merced, CA - Conference on Budget Politics, University of California, Merced.

Durham, NC - Triangle Political Methods Group, joint Duke University and University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

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2009

Binghamton, NY - Department of Political Science, SUNY Binghamton
Durham, NC - Conference on Bicameralism, Duke University

2008

Washington D.C. – Congress and History Conference, George Washington University

2007

Columbia, S.C. – Department of Political Science, University of South Carolina

2006

Davis, CA – Political Methodology Summer Meeting, UC Davis
Minneapolis, MN – Party Effects in the U.S. Senate Conference II, University of Minnesota
Durham, NC – Party Effects in the U.S. Senate Conference, Duke University
Minneapolis, MN – Restoring Electoral Competitiveness: Research and Remedies for Redistricting Conference, University of Minnesota

2005

Tallahassee, FL – Political Methodology Summer Meeting, Florida State University

2004

Palo Alto, CA - Political Methodology Summer Meeting, Stanford University

2003

Minneapolis, MN - Political Methodology Summer Meeting, University of Minnesota

Recent Presentations

2018

“Minority Participation on Major Legislation: The Case of the Civil Rights Act of 1964” Paper Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Boston, MA

2017

“Beyond the Roll Call: Multidimensional Negotiation During the Great Society” working paper presented at the SSRC Negotiating Agreement in Congress Workshop, New York, NY

“Running from the Donald or Jumping on the Trump Train: Campaign Rhetoric and the 2016 Congressional Election,” with Jessica Hayden and Sarina Rhinehart. Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago IL and the Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Vancouver BC

2016

“Gaining Access and Constituent Correspondence in the U.S. Congress,” with Matthew Geras. Paper Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA

“Institutional Control of Redistricting and the Geography of Representation,” with Barry Edwards, Ryan Williamson, and Maxwell Palmer. Paper presented at the State Politics Annual Meeting, Dallas, TX

“Building an Electoral Record: The Increase in Procedural Traceability in Congress,” with Jessica Hayden, Anthony Madonna, and Ivy Shen. Paper presented at the Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Juan, PR and the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL

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2015

“Consistently Inconsistent?: Moderate Voting in the U.S. House of Representatives,” with Jessica Hayden. Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago IL

2014

“Redistricting and Individual Contributor Behavior, 1990-2010,” with Barry Edwards. Paper presented at the Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA and the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington D.C.

2013

“Redistricting and Individual Contributions to Congressional Candidates,” with Barry Edwards. Paper presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL

2012

“Partisan Signaling and Agenda Control in the U.S. House of Representatives,” with Jamie Carson and Anthony Madonna. Paper presented at the Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Portland, OR

2011

"The Political Geography of Distributive Politics," with Austin Clemens and Charles Finocchiaro. Paper presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA

“Senate Collective Action and the Legislative Reorganization Act of 1946,” with Anthony Madonna and Nathaniel Ament-Stone. Paper presented at the Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA and the History of Congress Conference, Brown University

"The Political Geography of Congressional Elections," with David Darmofal and Carrie Eaves. Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.

Professional Activities

Editorial Board Member

Journal of Politics 2019-present

Political Research Quarterly 2018-present

Reviewer

American Journal of Political Science, American Politics Research, American Political Science Review, American Review of Politics, Bloomsbury, British Journal of Political Science, Congress and the Presidency, Election Law Journal, Electoral Studies, Journal of Comparative Politics, Journal of Legislative Studies, Journal of Political Marketing, Journal of Political Science, Journal of Politics, Journal of Public Administration Research, Legislative Studies Quarterly, National Science Foundation, Norton, Political Behavior, Politics and Policy, Political Research Quarterly, Political Science Quarterly, Political Science Research Methods, PS: Political Science & Politics, Public Choice, Publius, Routledge, Social Science Quarterly, State Politics and Policy Quarterly

Grants

“Beyond the Roll Call: Multidimensional Negotiation During the Great Society” Negotiating Agreement in Congress Research Grants, \$10,000

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Risser Innovative Teaching Fellowship, \$10,000

Consultant, “Dynamics of Political Representation and Political Rhetoric” (PI – Burt Monroe, Co-PIs – Steven Abney, Michael Colaresi, Kevin Quinn, Drago Radev) National Science Foundation, Human Social Dynamics: Dynamics of Human Behavior, 2005-07, BCS 0527513

Service

External

Midwest Political Science Association's Evan Ringquist Award committee, 2017

AP Capstone Consultant Norman High, 2016-2017

Fairvote Reform Impact Team, 2015-16

Hosted Congress and History Conference at Carl Albert Center, 2016

LSS Newsletter Editorial Board, 2015-present

LSS Newsletter Committee, 2014-2015

Section Head, Legislative Institutions MPSA, 2013

Chair and/or Discussant at various conference panels

Member Gosnell Prize search committee, Political Methodology Section of APSA, 2006-07, 2007-08

Internal

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Director and Curator, Carl Albert Congressional Research & Studies Center, 2018-present

Associate Director, Carl Albert Congressional Research & Studies Center, 2014-2018

Provost Advisory Committee on Service Learning, 2018-present

CAS Big Data Working Group, 2016-present

Faculty Evaluation Committee, 2018-present

University Athletics Council, 2015-present

Graduate Studies Committee, 2014-present

Western History Collection Curator Search committee, 2018

University Library Special Collection Director Search committee, 2017

Department of Political Science Committee A, 2016-2018

Department of Political Science Strategic Planning Committee, 2016-present

Elite Retention Squad, 2015-2018

Faculty Senate Ad Hoc Reapportionment Committee, 2016, 2018-19

American Politics Search Committee, 2014-15

Students for Rand Faculty Advisor, 2015-16

UTD

Associate Program Head/Ph.D Graduate Advisor, Fall 2013-2014

Program Committee, 2012-2014

Academic Review and Scholarship Committee, 2013-2014

University Wellness Committee, 2014

Ad hoc Committee on Undergraduate Education in Political Science

Faculty Advisor, Moderate Party Group

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UGA

Undergraduate Coordinator, 2012

Endowed Chair search committee, Department of Political Science, 2008-09

Faculty Executive committee, Department of Political Science, 2007-08, 2010-2011, 2011-12

Lecturer search committee, Department of Political Science, 2008, 2009

Pi Sigma Alpha Faculty Advisor, 2010-2011

Undergraduate Committee, 2011-2012

Student Committees:

Chair:

Jessica Hayden – Assistant Professor, Western Carolina University

Matthew Geras – OU in progress

Sarina Rhinehart – OU in progress

Bennie Ashton – OU in progress

Member Completed:

Paul Carlsen – President, Lakeshore Technical College

Austin Clemens – Public Sector

Carrie Eaves – Elon University

Henrik Schatzinger – Ripon College

Emily Wanless – Augustana College

Jack Collens – Siena College

Ryan Williamson – Auburn University

Member in Progress

Periloux Peay – OU in progress

Edgar Zamora – OU in progress

Masters Committee:

Chair

Katie Chase – Public Sector

Member:

Andrew Pierce– transferred to Emory University Ph.D. program

Greg Wolf – transferred to UNC Chapel Hill Ph.D. program, now assistant professor Drake University

Stephen Pettigrew – transferred to Harvard Ph.D. program