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EMPLOYMENT

University of Houston, Assistant Professor of Political Science August 2012-Present

EDUCATION

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill May 2012

PhD, Department of Political Science

Appalachian State University May 2007

MA, Department of Political Science

Campbell University May 2003

BA, Department of Government

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed:

Kirkland, Justin H. and Justin H. Gross. Forthcoming. "Measurement and Theory in Legislative Networks: The Evolving Topology of Congressional Cooperation." *Conditionally Accepted at Social Networks*.

Kirkland, Justin H. Forthcoming. "Wallet- Based Redistricting: Evidence for the Concentration of Wealth in Majority Party Districts." *State Politics and Policy Quarterly*.

Cranmer, Skyler J., Bruce Desmarais, and Justin H. Kirkland. 2012. "Toward a Network Theory of Alliance Formation." *International Interactions*. Vol. 38 (3).

Kirkland, Justin H. 2012. "Multi-Member Districts' Effect on Collaboration Between U.S. State Legislators." *Legislative Studies Quarterly*. Vol. 37 (3).

Lowery, David, Virginia Gray, Justin H. Kirkland, and Jeffrey J. Harden. 2012. "Generalist Interest Organizations and Interest System Density: A Test of the Competitive Exclusion Hypothesis." *Social Science Quarterly*. Vol 93 (1).

Benz, Jennifer, Justin H. Kirkland, Virginia Gray, David Lowery, Jennifer Sykes, and Mary Deason. 2011. "Mediated Density: The Indirect Relationship Between Public Policy and PACs." *State Politics and Policy Quarterly*. Vol. 11 (4).

Kirkland, Justin H. 2011. "The Relational Determinants of Legislative Outcomes: Strong and Weak Ties Between Legislators." *The Journal of Politics*. Vol. 73 (3).

Kirkland, Justin H., Virginia Gray and David Lowery. 2010. "Policy Agendas, Party Control, and PAC Contributions in the American States." *Business and Politics*. Vol. 12 (4).

Lowery, David, Virginia Gray, Jennifer Benz, Mary Deason, Justin Kirkland and Jennifer Sykes. 2009. "Understanding the Relationship between Health PACs and Health Lobbying in the American States." *Publius: The Journal of Federalism*. Vol. 39 (1).

Other:

Kirkland, Justin H. and Justin H. Gross. 2011. "Legislative Networks." *The Encyclopedia of Social Networks*. Sage Press.

PAPERS IN PREPARATION

"Hypothesis Testing with Network Partition Quality Statistics." invited to Revise and Resubmit at *State Politics and Policy Quarterly*.

"Chamber Size Effects on the Collaborative Structure of Legislatures." under review at *The Journal of Politics*.

"Ideological Heterogeneity and Party Cohesion in U.S. Legislatures." under review at *American Journal of Political Science*.

"Cosponsorship in the U.S. Senate: A Multilevel Approach to Detecting Subtle Social Predictors of Legislative Support." with Justin H. Gross and Cosma Shalizi under review at *Political Analysis*.

"Public Opinion and the U.S. Court of Appeals: The Case for a Countermajoritarian Court." with Jason H. Windett and Matt E.K. Hall under review at *The Journal of Politics*.

"Policy Congruence and Trust in Congress." with Kevin K. Banda.

"Political Parties and the Campaign Finance Network" with Paul S. Herrnson.

HONORS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS

James W. Prothro Award for Outstanding Research by a Graduate Student, University of North Carolina Chapel Hill, 2012.

National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant (SES-1023937), 2010-2011.

Best Graduate Student Poster Award, State Politics and Policy Conference, 2010.

Annual Meeting Travel Grant, Society for Political Methodology, 2010, 2011.

Thomas M. Uhlman Summer Research Fellowship, University of North Carolina Chapel Hill, 2010.

Thomas M. Uhlman Travel Award, University of North Carolina Chapel Hill, 2010.

Travel Grant, Graduate and Professional Student Federation, University of North Carolina Chapel Hill, 2009.

American Politics Research Group, Summer Research Fellowship, University of North Carolina Chapel Hill, 2008.

Q. Whitfield Ayres Fellowship, University of North Carolina Chapel Hill, 2007-2008.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

“Hypothesis Testing with Network Partition Quality Statistics.” Duke University, Department of Political Science Methodology Workshop, September 2011.

“Measuring Uncertainty in Community Detection for Weighted Networks.”, Pennsylvania State University, New Faces in Political Methodology, May 2011.

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

American Political Science Association Conference: 2009, 2010, 2012

Annual Meeting of the Society for Political Methodology: 2010, 2011, 2012

Political Networks Conference: 2010

State Politics and Policy Conference: 2008, 2009, 2010, 2012

Midwest Political Science Association Conference: 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011

Southern Political Science Association Conference: 2007

North Carolina Political Science Association Conference: 2006

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