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## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

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### Faculty Appointments:

Barnard College, Columbia University.

Assistant Professor, Political Science. 2014-Present.

University of Illinois, Springfield.

Assistant Professor, Political Science. 2010-2014.

### Special Appointments:

Brennan Center for Justice, New York University School of Law.

Fellow. June 2017-Present.

University of Illinois, Springfield.

Faculty Fellow. Institute for Legal, Legislative, and Policy Studies, 2010-2014.

## EDUCATION

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Ph.D. Cornell University. Government. 2010.

M.A. Minnesota State University, Mankato. Political Science. 2005.

B.A. Concordia College (Minnesota). Political Science & Business. 2001.

## PUBLICATIONS

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### Books:

Miller, Michael G. 2014. *Subsidizing Democracy: How Public Funding Changes Elections, and How It Can Work in the Future*. Cornell University Press.

Dowling, Conor, and Michael G. Miller. 2014. *Super PAC! Money, Elections, and Voters After Citizens United*. Routledge. (Released in Paperback in 2015).

### Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles:

Hamel, Brian, and Michael G. Miller. 2018. "How Voters Punish and Donors Protect Legislators Embroiled in Scandal." *Political Research Quarterly*. Forthcoming.

Kulesza, Christopher, Michael G. Miller, and Christopher Witko. 2017. "State Responses to U.S. Supreme Court Campaign Finance Decisions." *Publius: The Journal of Federalism* 47(3): 467-490.

Miller, Michael G. 2016. "The Power of an Hour: Candidate Effort in State Legislative Elections." *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 41(2): 327-359.

Doherty, David, Conor Dowling, and Michael G. Miller. 2016. "When Is Changing Policy Positions Costly for Politicians? Experimental Evidence." *Political Behavior* 38(2): 455-484.

Dowling, Conor, and Michael G. Miller. 2016. "Experimental Evidence on the Relationship Between Interest Group Funding and Candidate Vote Share." *Journal of Experimental Political Science*. 3(2): 152-163.

## PUBLICATIONS, CONTINUED

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### Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles:

Miller, Michael G., Michelle Tuma, and Logan Woods. 2015. "Revisiting Roll-Off in Altered Optical Scan Precincts: Evidence From Illinois General Elections." *Election Law Journal* 14(4): 382-391.

Miller, Michael G. 2015. "Going All-In: Gender and Campaign Commitment." *Research and Politics* 2(3).

Dowling, Conor, and Michael G. Miller. 2015. "Can Information Alter Perceptions About Women's Chances of Winning Office? Evidence from a Panel Study." *Politics and Gender* 11(1): 55-88.

Masket, Seth, and Michael G. Miller. 2015. "Does Public Election Funding Create More Extreme Legislators? Evidence from Arizona and Maine." *State Politics and Policy Quarterly* 15(1): 24-40.

Doherty, David, Conor Dowling, and Michael G. Miller. 2014. "Does Time Heal All Wounds? Sex Scandals, Tax Evasion, and the Passage of Time." *PS: Political Science and Politics* 47(2): 357-366.

Miller, Michael G. 2013. "Do Audible Alerts Reduce Undervotes? Evidence From Illinois." *Election Law Journal* 12(2): 162-178.

Doherty, David, Conor Dowling, and Michael G. Miller. 2011. "Are Financial or Moral Scandals Worse? It Depends." *PS: Political Science and Politics* 44(4): 749-757.

Miller, Michael G. 2011. "After the GAO Report: What Do We Know About Public Election Funding?" *Election Law Journal* 10(3): 273-290.

Miller, Michael G. 2008. "Gaming Arizona: Public Money and Shifting Candidate Strategies." *PS: Political Science and Politics* 41(3): 527-32.

### Book Chapters:

Miller, Michael G. 2011. "Public Money, Candidate Time, and Electoral Outcomes in State Legislative Elections." In *Public Financing in American Elections*. Costas Panagopoulos (ed.) Temple University Press.

Miller, Michael G., and Costas Panagopoulos. 2011. "Public Financing, Attitudes Toward Government and Politics, and Efficacy." In *Public Financing in American Elections*. Costas Panagopoulos (ed.) Temple University Press.

### Other Writings:

#### Guest Columns and Op-Eds:

Miller, Michael G. 2014 (September 25). "Fight Fair on Clean Elections." *Arizona Republic*.

#### "Monkey Cage" Blog Posts:

Doherty, David, Conor Dowling, and Michael G. Miller. 2015 (October 15). "Will Hillary Clinton's Flip-Flops Hurt Her? Maybe Not."

Masket, Seth, and Michael G. Miller. 2015 (January 22). "Is Public Funding Really Electing Extremists?"

Miller, Michael G. 2013 (May 19). "Reform After the IRS Scandal? Don't Bet on It."

Miller, Michael G. 2011 (March 23). "Clean Elections vs. Political Speech."

## PROJECTS IN PROGRESS

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### Articles Invited to Revise and Resubmit:

At *The Journal of Politics*: “Do Party Chairs Think Women and Minority Candidates Can Win? Evidence from a Conjoint Experiment.” With Doherty and Dowling. *Winner of Best Paper Award, APSA Experiments Section, 2017.*

### Articles Under Review:

“The Conditional Effect of Local Party Organization Activity on Federal Election Outcomes.” With Doherty and Dowling.

“How Long Do Effects of Factual Information Endure? The Short and Long Run Impact on Knowledge and Opinion.” With Dowling and Michael Henderson.

“Beyond the Exit Poll: Testing a New Approach to Estimating Election Night Results.” With Brian K. Arbour, Daron R. Shaw, Arnon Mishkin, Dana Blanton, Chris Anderson, and Andrew Schwartz.

### Working Book-Length Projects:

“The New Financiers of Congressional Elections.” With Peter Francia and Michael Barber. Grant Application Pending.

“Kingmakers: How Local Partisans Shape Political Careers.” With Doherty and Dowling. Data Collection Pending.

### Working Article-Length Projects:

“Candidate Extremism and Voter Abstention in Congressional Elections.”

“Does Polarization Have Local Roots? Evidence from a Conjoint Experiment on Party Chairs and Primary Voters.” With Doherty and Dowling.

“Whom Does Voter ID Legislation Keep from Voting? Evidence from Texas.” With Bernard Fraga. *Recipient of Funding from MIT Election Data and Science Lab New Initiatives Grant, 2017.*

“*Stare Decisis*, Case Salience, and the Electoral Connection: Are Appointed Judges More Deferential to Precedent?” With Tuma.

“Fundraising in Congressional Primary Elections.”

“Voter Abstention After Congressional Scandal.”

## COMPETITIVE GRANTS

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### External:

MIT Election Data and Science Lab New Initiatives Grant. June 2017-June 2018. \$10,235. With Bernard Fraga.

National Science Foundation Dissertation Improvement Grant. SES-0819060. July 2008-July 2009. \$10,864.

### Internal:

Barnard Committee on Online and On-Campus Learning (COOL) Digital Pedagogy Grant. \$4,537.

UIS Center for State Policy and Leadership Public Affairs Research Grant. December 2010. \$13,945.

Cornell University American Studies Research Grant. May 2008. \$950.

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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American Political Science Association Annual Meeting. 2009-2010, 2012, 2015-2016, 2018.

Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting. 2007, 2012, 2015-2016, 2018.

American Association for Public Opinion Research. 2018.

Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting. 2005-2017.

Northeastern Political Science Association Annual Meeting. 2006-2007, 2015.

State Politics and Policy Conference. 2018.

Summer Conference on Election Science, Reform, and Administration. 2017.

NYU-CESS Experimental Political Science Conference. 2017.

Annual Meeting of the Public Choice Society. 2013.

Annual Meeting of the Society for Political Methodology (poster). 2009.

Great Plains Political Science Association Annual Meeting. 2007.

## INVITED TALKS

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Temple University. April 20, 2018.

The University of Massachusetts, Amherst. April 13, 2018.

The University of South Carolina. March 27, 2018.

The University of Mississippi. February 16, 2018.

Columbia University. October 18, 2016.

Bard College. October 13, 2016.

Scholars Strategy Network/Ford Foundation. June 17, 2016.

Cornell University. October 16, 2015.

Brennan Center, NYU Law School. June 18, 2015.

Boston College. March 18, 2015.

Illinois Campaign for Political Reform. Chicago, IL. April 25, 2014.

New America Foundation. Washington D.C. January 13, 2014. Broadcast Live on CSPAN-2.

University of Texas, Arlington. November 7, 2013.

Paul Simon Public Policy Institute Conference on Ethics and Politics in Illinois: Chicago, IL. September 28, 2012.

New York Chapter of the American Association for Public Opinion Research. Fordham University. June 9, 2008.

## MEDIA, BLOG, AND GOVERNMENTAL DISCUSSIONS OF RESEARCH

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### Government

United States Supreme Court: *McComish/Arizona Free Enterprise Club's Freedom Club PAC v. Bennett*. Docket No. 10-239. March 28, 2011.

-Quoted in Oral Argument, Cited in Brief of Petitioner, Cited in Numerous Amicus Briefs Supporting Both Petitioner and Respondent

United States Senate Subcommittee on the Constitution, Civil Rights, and Human Rights: Hearing on the "Fair Elections Now Act." April 12, 2011.

-Cited in Witness Testimony

City of Philadelphia, Hearing on Bill 170680 to publicly fund municipal elections. September 27, 2017.

### Television Outlets

MSNBC: "Public Funding Creates 'Clean Elections.'" January 27, 2014.

CSPAN 2: "Subsidizing Democracy: Can Public Funding Change Politics?" January 13, 2014.

### Podcasts

New Books in Political Science: "Subsidizing Democracy." June 9, 2015.

The Weeds: "Campaign Finance and Global Inequality." January 21, 2016.

### Major Print/Web Outlets

#### Washington Post (Blog Section)

2013 (July 8). "We Asked Science if Eliot Spitzer Could Win. It Said Yes."

2011 (June 7). "What Political Science Says About Weiner."

2011 (March 23). "The Importance of Campaign-Finance Reform in One Graph."

#### 538 Politics

2015 (March 13). "5 Lessons On The Clinton Email Scandal From Political Science."

2014 (March 4). "The Wild, Conservative West."

#### The Monkey Cage

2013 (March 28). "Can Politicians Make a Come Back from Sex Scandals?"

2012 (April 6). "Clean Elections Make for Extremists?"

2011 (June 6). "Can Anthony Weiner Survive?"

#### Vox.com

2016 (February 9). "The Great Money in Politics Myth."

2014 (August 13). "How Public Financing Changed Politics in Arizona."

#### Slate Magazine Money Box Blog

2012 (April 6). "Fundraising Buys Moderation."

#### Pacific Standard

2011 (November 7). "Scandals Do Drive Voters — When Abuse of Power Is Involved."

#### Arizona Republic

2017 (February 16). "Claims Against Arizona Clean Elections Commission are Misleading."

## HONORS AND AWARDS

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Best Paper, APSA Experiments Section. 2017. "The Effects of Candidate Race and Gender on Party Chairs' Assessments of Electoral Viability." With Doherty and Dowling.

Gladys Brooks Junior Faculty Excellence in Teaching Award. Barnard College. 2016-2017.

Faculty Marshal (elected by Barnard seniors). 2017 Commencement.

Honorable Mention: Emily Gregory Teaching Award. Barnard College. 2015-2016.

Student Organization Faculty Advisor of the Year. Model Illinois Government. University of Illinois, Springfield. 2013-2014.

Best Large Delegation. Model Illinois Government Competition. University of Illinois, Springfield Delegation. 2014.

Travel Grant from APSA Organized Section on Elections, Public Opinion, and Voting Behavior. October 2009.

APSA Travel Grant. July 2009.

Tuition Scholarship to attend ICPSR workshop "Designing, Conducting, and Analyzing Field Experiments." Yale University. June 2008.

Best Paper, Graduate Category, 2008 Student Paper Competition of the Western Social Science Association. "Public Financing, Candidate Behavior and Electoral Outcomes in State Legislative Elections." May 2008.

Warren J. Mitofsky Student Paper Award, New York Chapter of the American Association for Public Opinion Research: "Public Financing, Candidate Behavior and Electoral Outcomes in State Legislative Elections." April 2008.

Best Student Paper. "Candidate Behavior and Electoral Outcomes in State Legislative Elections." Great Plains Political Science Association Conference. March 17, 2007.

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

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American Political Science Association

*Sections:* Elections, Public Opinion, & Voting Behavior; Experimental Research; State Politics & Policy Scholars Strategy Network.

Midwest Political Science Association

Northeastern Political Science Association

Southern Political Science Association

Society of Empirical Legal Scholars

## TEACHING

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### **Courses Taught:**

#### Barnard College/Columbia University (2014-Present):

- POLS UN 1201: Introduction to American Politics (Large Lecture).
- POLS V 3250: Voting and Political Behavior.
- POLS W 3290: Voting and American Politics.
- POLS S 3296: Reforming American Elections.
- POLS BC 3325: The Politics of “Bad Behavior” (Barnard Colloquium).
- POLS BC 3334: American Elections (Barnard Colloquium).
- POLS BC 3337: Election Reform (Barnard Colloquium).
- POLS UN 3706: Empirical Research Methods in Political Science.
- POLS BC: 3720: Women in American Politics (Barnard Colloquium).

#### University of Illinois, Springfield (2010-2014):

- PSC 201: Introduction to American Government.
- PSC 242: Statistics for Social Sciences.
- PSC 410: Public Policy Processes.
- PSC 423: Women and Politics.
- PSC 451: Empirical Political Analysis.
- PSC 503: Graduate Research Methods.
- PSC 562: Seminar in Political Campaigns.
- PSC 564: Seminar in Policy Design, Analysis, and Presentation.
- PSC 599: Advanced Quantitative Research Methods.

#### Cornell University (2008-2010):

- POL 1111: Fixing Elections: Reform in American Democracy.
- POL 1111: Managing Political Campaigns.

#### Minnesota State University, Mankato (2005-2006):

- POLS 111: Introduction to American Government.

### **Graduate Student Committees**

#### Ph.D. Dissertation Committees at Columbia:

- Matthew Camp (Teachers College). Third member.

#### M.A. Thesis Committees Chaired at UIS:

- Logan Woods (Matriculated at the University of Michigan, Political Science Ph.D. Program). Winner: Best Political Science Thesis, 2014.
- Meagan Musgrave (Matriculated at Heinz School of Public Policy and Management, Carnegie Mellon University, MPP Program) Winner: Best Political Science Thesis, 2013.
- Jennifer Carter (Matriculated at Washington University, St. Louis, Political Science Ph.D. Program). Winner: Best Political Science Thesis, 2011.

## SERVICE

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### To Discipline:

#### *Reviewer:*

Journal Reviewer. *American Political Science Review*, *American Journal of Political Science*, *Journal of Politics*, *British Journal of Political Science*, *Political Research Quarterly*, *Political Behavior*, *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, *American Politics Research*, *State Politics and Policy Quarterly*, *Journal of Experimental Political Science*, *Election Law Journal*, *Research and Politics*, *PS: Political Science and Politics*, *The Social Science Journal*.

Book Manuscript Reviewer. Oxford University Press, Routledge, W.W. Norton, Westview Press.

#### *Advisory Boards:*

Academic Advisory Board Member. Campaign Finance Institute. 2014-present.

Advisory Board Member. Center for Research on Women. Barnard College. 2014-present.

Advisory Board Member. "OSF/DF Experimental Initiative." (Experimental Research Projects on Campaign Finance. Principal Investigators: Donald Green, Jonathan Krasno, and Costas Panagopoulos). 2013-2015.

#### *Conference Organizing:*

Panel Organizer. "How Candidate Attributes Shape Partisans' Views of Their Candidacy." American Political Science Association Meeting. 2018.

Panel Organizer. "Campaign Finance in America." Northeast Political Science Association Meeting. 2015.

Conference Co-Organizer. 2013 Conference on Political Scandal and Corruption. Loyola University, Chicago, IL. August 28, 2013.

#### *Conference Discussant:*

American Political Science Association: 2012.

Midwest Political Science Association: 2008, 2010, 2011, 2013-2017.

Southern Political Science Association: 2015.

Northeastern Political Science Association: 2007, 2015.

Great Plains Political Science Association: 2007.

### To Community:

Lead Author. 2017 Open Letter on Lack of Evidence for Instances of Non-Citizen Voting, signed by 200 political scientists, cited by petitioners in *Fish v. Kobach* federal voting rights case.

June-December 2016. Organizer. "Most Influential Non-Politician" #BestNonPol Twitter Tournament. Generated more than 80,000 views/interactions.

November 20-December 3, 2015. Organizer. "Most Influential Politician Who Was Never President" (#BestNonPres) Twitter Tournament. Generated more than 50,000 views/interactions, covered in Vox.com.

November 2012. In-Studio Election Analyst: Federal & Statewide Illinois Elections. WCIA TV (CBS), Champaign IL.

March 2012. Live Broadcast Election Analyst: Illinois Primary. WCIA TV (CBS), Champaign IL.

November 2010. In-Studio Election Analyst: Federal & Statewide Illinois Elections. WCIA TV (CBS), Champaign IL.

September 2010. Expert Testimony. Portland (OR) City Club. Subject: Ballot Measure 26-108, Public Funding in Portland Municipal Elections.



## SERVICE, CONTINUED

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### Media Appearances for Commentary:

*International Outlets:* *The Age* (Australia), Polish Press Agency, *Die Presse* (Austria)

*National, Regional, and Internet Outlets:* MSNBC, CSPAN-2, Fox News Channel, *The Washington Post*, *The Washington Times*, *U.S. News and World Report*, Vox.com, QZ.com, Minnesota Public Radio, Chicago Public Radio, WUIS Public Radio (Central Illinois), *The Baltimore Sun*, *Dallas News*, *Deseret News*, *The Boston Herald*, *Governing*, *The State Journal Register* (Springfield IL), Nerdwallet.com, Medill News Service, Scripps Howard News Service.

### *Local Television:*

WICS ABC News (Springfield, IL): More Than 20 Appearances, 2011-2014.

WCIA CBS News (Champaign, IL): More Than 40 Appearances, 2010-2014.

### **To University, College and Department:**

Barnard Faculty Committee on Internationalization. 2015-present.

Columbia University Faculty Athletics Committee. 2016-present.

First-Year Student Adviser. 2015-present.

Barnard Faculty Teller. 2014-15.

### Search Committees:

2018 Barnard American Politics Faculty Search.

2017 Barnard American Politics Temporary Faculty Search.

2015 Barnard American Politics Faculty Search.

### Public Talks for the College:

Junior Faculty Talk. February 5, 2018.

Regional Alumnae Relations Event, Minneapolis MN. August 17, 2017.

Regional Alumnae Relations Event, Philadelphia PA. April 24, 2017.

Phi Beta Kappa Initiation. December 13, 2016.

Post-Election Town Hall. November 9, 2016.

Barnard College Parents Weekend. October 4, 2016.

Alumnae Relations Event. September 27, 2016.

### Talks for Student Groups:

College Democrats Constitution Teach-In. March 1, 2017.

Columbia Political Science Student Association Debate Party. October 7, 2016.

Sigma Nu Faculty Colloquium. October 5, 2016.

## RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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2017-Present. Statistician. Fox News Election Decision Team. Designed new method of Election Night candidate vote estimation using non-exit poll data. Assisted in calling 2017 gubernatorial and Alabama U.S. Senate elections.

2008-Present. Statistical Consultant. Various Media, Polling, and Political Organizations.

2004-2006. Political Consultant. Various Campaigns (U.S. House, U.S. Senate). Campaign Management, Political Strategy, Policy, Communications.

April 10, 2018