

Curriculum Vitae

Kathryn A. VanderMolen
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Academic Appointment

University of Tampa 2016 - present
Department of Political Science and International Studies
Associate Professor

Education

University of Missouri, PhD. 2016
Political Science: American Politics, Public Policy
Dissertation: Neutral Competence in Democracy: Public Preferences for Severing the Electoral Connection

Committee: Peverill Squire (chair), Lael Keiser, Marvin Overby, and Jeffrey Milyo

DePaul University. B.A., summa cum laude. 2011
Political Science.

Peer-Reviewed Publications

Anderson, Mary, Liv Coleman, and Kathryn VanderMolen. "Partisanship and Elections in Florida." *Government and Politics in Florida*, 4th edition. *Forthcoming*.

VanderMolen, Kathryn and Clint Swift. 2021. "Marginalization and Mobilization: The Roots of Female Legislators' Collaborative Advantage." *State Politics & Policy Quarterly*.

VanderMolen, Kathryn. 2017. "Stealth Democracy Revisited: Reconsidering Preferences for Less Visible Government." *Political Research Quarterly*. 70:3 (687-698).

VanderMolen, Kathryn and Jeffrey Milyo. 2017. "Public Confidence in the Redistricting Process: The Role of Independent Commissions, State Legislative Polarization, and Partisan Preferences." *State & Local Government Review*. 4: 48 (236-245).

Swift, Clint and Kathryn VanderMolen. 2016. "Term Limits and Collaboration Across the Aisle: An Analysis of Bipartisan Cosponsorship in Term Limited and Non-Term Limited State Legislatures." *State Politics & Policy Quarterly*. 16:2 (198-226).

Research Under Review

“Haste Makes Waste: Measuring Legislative Error in the U.S. States.” Co-authored with Jonathan Lewallen. *Under Review at Legislative Studies Quarterly*.

“Confidence and Candidate Emergence Among Women: An Exploratory Mixed-Methods Approach” *Under review at Social Science Quarterly*.

Research in Progress

“Confidence-in-Knowledge and the Big Five Personality Traits” Co-authored with Mary Anderson.

“State Legislators and the Determinants of Legislative Error.”

Non-Academic Writing & Media Interviews

“What Do the People Think Should Replace Democracy?” 2017. *The Crick Centre for Understanding Politics* (University of Sheffield) August 10.

“Do Term Limits Reduce Bipartisan Cooperation?” (telephone interview) 2016. *NPR Illinois*. August 3.

“If Citizens Want to Get Rid of Selfishness and Gridlock in Legislatures, Term Limits are Not the Answer.” 2015. *London School of Economics blog on American Politics and Policy*. December 12.

Academic Awards, Fellowships, and Grants

Research Innovation and Scholarly Excellence Award (RISE), 2023-2024.
\$12,999.60

Research Innovation and Scholarly Excellence Award (RISE), 2022-2023.
\$6,733.20

Faculty Sabbatical. Fall 2022.

CSSME Award for Outstanding Teaching, 2020-2021.

Summer SURF student research award stipend, 2021.
\$1,000

Research Innovation and Scholarly Excellence Award (RISE), 2020-2021.

\$4,573.20

Learning Enrichment Grant (LEG) for Civic Engagement, 2019-2020.

Professional Development Award for Spring 2019.

Teaching offload.

Research Innovation and Scholarly Excellence Award (RISE), 2018-2019.

\$4,000

Board of Fellows Grant, 2018-2019.

\$3,375

Learning Enrichment Grant (LEG) for Civic Engagement, 2017-2018.

CSSME Dean's Fund, 2016. Curricular development grant.

Kinder Dissertation Fellow, 2015-2016.

Kinder Dissertation Research Grant, 2014.

\$2,500

Kinder Research Grant, 2014.

\$1,000

Research Grant. Department of Political Science, University of Missouri, 2014.

Excellence in Teaching Award. Department of Political Science, University of Missouri, 2014.

Dean L. Yarwood Scholarship for Excellence in American and Policy Research. University of Missouri, 2014.

G. Ellsworth Huggins Fellow. University of Missouri, 2011-2016.

Conference Presentations

"Staff and the Power of US State Legislatures" Presenting at the 2023 Southern Political Science Association Conference in St. Pete Beach, FL.

"Haste Makes Waste: Measuring Legislative Error in the U.S. States. Presented at the 2021 Florida Political Science Association annual meeting (virtual).

AACU Conference attendee. October 2019. San Antonio, TX.

“Legislative Error in the States.” Presented at the 2019 State Politics and Policy Conference. College Park, MD.

“Legislative Error in the States.” Presented at the 2019 Southern Political Science Association conference. Austin, TX.

“Evaluating Support for State Political Institutions.” Presented at the 2018 Midwest Political Science Association Meeting. Chicago, IL.

“Term Limits and Gubernatorial Appointments.” Presented at the 2017 State Politics and Policy conference. St. Louis, MO.

“Process Preferences in the States.” Presented at the 2017 State Politics and Policy conference. St. Louis, MO.

2016 CCES Survey Results. Presented at the 2017 Cooperative Congressional Election Study conference. Provo, UT

“Building Consensus?: Analyzing the Cosponsorship Patterns of Female State Legislators in Polarized Environments.” Presented at the 2016 MPSA annual meeting, Chicago, IL.

“The Effects of Interviewer Gender on Support for Women’s Issues” Presented at the 2016 MPSA annual meeting, Chicago, IL.

“To Elect, Appoint, or Promote?: Bureaucratic Selection Mechanisms and Public Legitimacy.” Presented at the 2015 APSA short course on public management, San Francisco, CA. 2015.

“The Conditional Effects of State Legislative Term Limits on Bipartisan Collaboration.” Presented (with Clint S. Swift) at the State Politics and Policy Conference, Sacramento, CA. 2015

“Who Wants Stealth Democracy? Direct Democracy and Preferences for Nonelected Decision-makers,” paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL. 2015.

“Term Limits and Collaboration Across the Aisle: An Analysis of Bipartisan Cosponsorship in Term Limited and Non-Term Limited State Legislatures,” paper presented (with Clint S. Swift) at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL. 2015.

“Redistricting Reform and Citizen Confidence: A Bottom-Up Evaluation of a Good Government Movement,” paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL. 2014.

Courses Taught

PSC 309 State Politics
PSCH 101 American Government Honors
PSC 101 American Government
PSC 269 & 270 Research Methods
PSC 100 Introduction to Government and World Affairs
PSC 321 The Presidency and Executive Power
PSC 405 Congress and Legislative Politics
PSC 312 Politics of Money

Professional Service & Associations

Conference Panel Discussant and Chair: MPSA 2018
Conference Panel Discussant: SPSA 2019

Journal Referee:

Legislative Studies Quarterly

State Politics & Policy Quarterly

British Journal of Political Science

Political Research Quarterly

Representation

Publius: The Journal of Federalism

Party Politics

Executive Council Member, Florida Political Science Association

American Political Science Association

Midwest Political Science Association

Southern Political Science Association

APSA State Politics and Policy Section

APSA Legislative Studies Section

References available upon request.