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EDUCATION

- 2025 (expected) PhD Candidate, Political Science, University of Georgia
Graduate Certificate – Native American Studies
Dissertation: *Native Representation in American Political Institutions*
Committee: *Geoffrey Sheagley, Joseph Ornstein, Michael Lynch & Danielle Hiraldo*
- 2013 MSW, Social Work, University at Buffalo (SUNY)
- 2010 BS, Industrial & Labor Relations, Cornell University

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Indigenous Politics, Representation, Race, Ethnicity & Politics, Bureaucracy, Political Opinion, Legislative Process, State Politics, Federal Indian Policy, Interest Groups

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Blasingame, Elise, Christina L. Boyd, Roberto F. Carlos, and Joe Ornstein. 2023. "How the Trump Administration's Quota Policy Transformed Immigration Judging." *American Political Science Review* (First Look): <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0003055423001028>

APSA Law and Courts Section Award for Best Conference Paper, APSA 2023

Evan Ringquist Award for Best Paper on Political Institutions, MPSA 2023

Blasingame, Elise. "Holding Office in Native America: The Policy Choices of Native Women Legislators" in *Distinct Identities: Minority Women in US Politics*, 2nd edition, ed. Nadia E. Brown & Sarah Allen Gershon. 2023. New York, NY: Routledge.

Boyd, Christina L., Roberto F. Carlos, Margaret H. Taylor, Matthew Baker, and Elise Blasingame. (2023). "Reviewing In Absentia Immigration Removal Orders in the Federal Circuit Courts" *Political Research Quarterly* (Online First): <https://doi.org/10.1177/10659129231164947>

Natalie Hernandez, Sherilyn Francis, Brielle Evans, Andrea G Parker, Jemea Dorsey, Danette McLaurin Glass, Mica Whitfield, Elise Blasingame, Pamela Braxton, and Rasheeta Chandler. (2022). "Addressing maternal mental health among black perinatal women in Atlanta, Georgia: a CBPR approach." *Journal of the Georgia Public Health Association*, 8(3).

Hernandez, N.D., Dorsey, J., Glass, D.M., Pope, E., Worthy, N., Blasingame, E., Gooding, J., Braxton, P., Whitfield, M., Dotson, Y. (2019, November), "Community-Engaged Approaches to Address the Ethical Concerns of Maternal Mental Health Disparities Research." *Journal of Health Care for the Poor and Underserved*, 30(5), 12-20.

Kohrt, B.A., Blasingame, E., Compton, M.T, Dakana, S.F., Dossen, B., Lang, F., Strode, P., and Cooper, J., (2015). "Adapting the Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Model of Police–Mental Health Collaboration in a Low-Income, Post-Conflict Country: Curriculum Development in Liberia, West Africa." *American Journal of Public Health*, 105.

MANUSCRIPTS SUBMITTED

Ornstein, Joseph T., Elise N. Blasingame and Jake S. Truscott. "How To Train Your Stochastic Parrot: Deep Language Models for Political Texts." (*revise and resubmit*)

Blasingame, Elise, Eric Hansen and Richard Witmer. “Are Descriptive Representatives More Successful Passing Group-Relevant Legislation? The Case of Native American State Legislators” (*under review*)

WORKS IN PROGRESS

“Examining the Influence of the Indian Reorganization Act on the Creation and Content of Tribal Constitutions” with Danielle Hiraldo and Christopher Clark

"Reexamining Voting Behavior on American Indian Legislation in Congress" with Kirsten Carlson.

"Representation in US State Legislatures and Satisfaction with Democracy," with Neil S. Williams.

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

- 2024 Departmental Nominee, UGA Graduate School Excellence in Teaching Award
- 2024 Departmental Nominee, UGA Graduate School Engaged Scholarship Award
- 2023 APSA Law & Courts Section Best Conference Paper Award for “How the Trump Administration’s Quota Policy Transformed Immigration Judging.”
- 2023 MPSA Evan Ringquist Award for Best Paper on Political Institutions for “How the Trump Administration’s Quota Policy Transformed Immigration Judging.”
- 2022 Society for Political Methodology, Gosnell Prize for Excellence in Political Methodology for “How To Train Your Stochastic Parrot: Deep Language Models for Political Texts.”
- 2022 Ruth Peck Scholarship, Institute of Native American Studies, University of Georgia
- 2020 & 2021 Thomas P. and M. Jean Lauth Fellowship, University of Georgia
- 2020 Georgia Trend’s 40 Under 40 - Georgia’s Best and Brightest
- 2016 Georgia Center for Non-Profits’ 30 under 30 – Georgia Nonprofit Leaders
- 2013 SUNY Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence, University at Buffalo (SUNY)
- 2013 Terese Eusanio Memorial Award, University at Buffalo (SUNY)

CONFERENCES & PRESENTATIONS

- 2024 Southern Political Science Association, “Whose Team Are You On? Evaluating Public Response to Native American Policy Priorities (New Orleans, LA)
- 2023 The American Political Science Association, “Examining the Influence of the Indian Reorganization Act on the Creation and Content of Tribal Constitutions” with Danielle Hiraldo and Christopher Clark. (*Online*)
- 2023 The American Political Science Association, “Are Descriptive Representatives More Successful Passing Group-Relevant Legislation? The Case of Native American State Legislators” with Eric Hansen and Rick Witmer. (*Online*)

- 2023 The American Political Science Association, “APSA Indigenous Politics Research Roundtable” (*Online*)
- 2023 The Midwest Political Science Association, “How the Trump Administration’s Quota Policy Transformed Immigration Judging” with Christina L. Boyd, Roberto F. Carlos and Joseph T. Ornstein. (Chicago, IL)
- 2022 The American Political Science Association, “How To Train Your Stochastic Parrot: Deep Language Models for Political Texts” with Joseph T. Ornstein and Jake S. Truscott. (Montreal, ON)
- 2022 The Society for Political Methodology, “How To Train Your Stochastic Parrot: Deep Language Models for Political Texts” with Joseph T. Ornstein and Jake S. Truscott. (St. Louis, MO)
- 2022 The Midwest Political Science Association, “The Trump Effect on Immigration Judging” with Christina L. Boyd, Roberto F. Carlos and Joseph T. Ornstein. (Chicago, IL)
- 2022 The Midwest Political Science Association, “Reexamining Voting Behavior on American Indian Legislation in Congress” (Chicago, IL)
- 2021 International Studies Association South, “The Effects of Representation on Satisfaction with Democracy in The United States” with Neil Williams (Atlanta, GA)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor: Native American Politics (4790) - Fall 2023 – University of Georgia
 Instructor: Introduction to American Politics (1101) - Fall 2022 – University of Georgia
 TA: Introduction to American Politics (1101E) - Spring 2023 – University of Georgia (*Online*)
 TA: Applied Civic Engagement (4645E) - Summer 2021, 2022 – University of Georgia (*Online*)

SKILLSET

R, Stata, Qualtrics, Excel, Content Analysis, Focus Group Methods, Motivational Interviewing, Data Governance, Strategic Planning, Mentorship, Board Development, Government Relations, Non-Profit Administration, Community Outreach, Grant Writing & Management, Public Relations, Policy Advocacy, Program Development & Evaluation, Equity, Inclusion & Belonging

SERVICE & MEMBERSHIP

Member, American Political Science Association
 Member, Native American and Indigenous Studies Association
 Member, Co-Chair (2023-24), Indigenous Studies Network, American Political Science Association
 Member, Race, Ethnicity & Politics Section, American Political Science Association
 Member, Southern Political Science Association
 Member, Midwest Political Science Association
 Facilitator, SPIA Graduate Student Association (SPIA-GSA) Leadership Orientation (2023)
 Founding Member, SPIA Graduate Student Association (SPIA-GSA)
 Founding Member, UGA Native American Students Association
 Member, SPIA Diversity and Inclusion Working Group
 Organizer, SPIA GSA Graduate Student Research Workshop (2021) & Graduate Orientation (2021)

SELECTED GRANTS (**supported community-based research projects*)

UGA Graduate School Dean's Research Grant \$4,500 (2023)
APSA Indigenous Research Grant, \$2,000 (2023)
United Health Foundation, Operational Funding, \$750,000 (2020)*
Dobbs Foundation, Program and Research Funding, \$75,000 (2019-2020)*
Jesse Parker Williams Foundation, Research & Advocacy Funding, \$30,000 (2019-2020)*
Annie E. Casey Foundation, Research Funding, \$25,000 (2016)*

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

March 2022 – Dec. 2023 Chrysalis Lab (Atlanta, GA), DEI Facilitator /
Data & Evaluation Consultant

April 2016 – August 2020 Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Coalition of Georgia (Atlanta, GA),
Executive Director

August 2014 - April 2016 Georgia Watch (Atlanta, GA)
Director of Community Education & Financial Protection

Sept. 2013 - August 2014 The Carter Center, Program Associate (Atlanta, GA)
May – August 2013 The Carter Center, Research Assistant (Liberia, West Africa)

July 2011 - July 2012 Buffalo Midwifery Services (Buffalo, NY), Policy Coordinator

July 2010 - July 2011 Committee of Interns and Residents (New York, NY), Organizer

FELLOWSHIPS & OTHER EXPERIENCE

February 2024 – Current Advance Native Political Leadership (remote)
Scholar-in-Residence

May - July 2023 Udall Congressional Fellowship (Washington, D.C.)
Graduate Fellow, Office of the Assistant Secretary
U.S. Department of Interior

June 2021 - June 2022 Osage Minerals Council (Pawhuska, OK),
Graduate Research Assistant

January - May 2013 The Carter Center (Atlanta, GA), Graduate Research Assistant

Sept. 2011 - Sept. 2012 Pride Center of Western New York (Buffalo, NY), Graduate Intern

July 2009 - May 2010 Office of Labor Education Research (Ithaca, NY), Research Assistant

February - June 2009 International Labour Organization (New Delhi, India), Intern

LEADERSHIP TRAINING

University of Arizona - Native Nations Institute - Introduction to Native Nation Building (2023)
Arizona State University - American Indian Policy Institute, Indigenous Leadership Academy (2022)
Zell Miller Leadership Institute (2020)
LEAD Atlanta (2019)
Annie E. Casey Foundation - Child Health Policy Fellow (2018)
New Leaders Council - Atlanta Chapter (2016)

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Communications Chair, Parks Chair, Adair Park Today (2015-current)
Founding Board Member, Postpartum Support International - Georgia Chapter (2017 - 2022)
Member, Georgia Maternal Mortality Review Action Committee, Georgia DPH (2018-2019)
Post 3 - At Large Appointee, Treasurer, City of Atlanta Commission on Women (2017 - 2020)
Board Member, Annie E. Casey Foundation Community Advisory Council (2015)
Board Member, Watermargin Cooperative, Cornell University (2011-2013)
Board Member, Cornell Women's Resource Center (2007-2010)

REFERENCES

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