

## **JAKOB MILLER**

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### **ACADEMIC POSITIONS**

**Taylor University**  
*Associate Professor*

Upland, IN  
Fall 2017 - Present

### **EDUCATION**

**The Ohio State University**  
**Ph.D Political Science**  
Advisor: Thomas Nelson, Ph.D.  
Thesis: "All of the People, All of the Time: An Analysis of Public Reaction to the Use of Deception by Political Elites"

Columbus, OH  
May 2017

**Purdue University**  
**B.A. Political Science**

West Lafayette, IN  
May 2011

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

**Taylor University**  
**Constitutional Law I and II**

Upland, IN

- Worked with the Halbrook Distinguished Chair of Government to deliver a sophisticated constitutional law course
- Involved high-profile guest speakers, including former solicitor-general Fisher

**Taylor University**  
**Campaigns and Elections**

Upland, IN

- Arranged guest speakers to give students real-world practical experience
- Managed professional volunteer work for students through campaign partnerships

**Taylor University**  
**Introduction to American Politics**

Upland, IN

**Taylor University**  
**Political Thinking**

Upland, IN

**Taylor University**  
**Political Behavior**

Upland, IN

**Taylor University**  
**Research in Political Studies**

Upland, IN

**Taylor University**  
**Public Policy**

Upland, IN

**Taylor University**  
**Congress and the Presidency**

Upland, IN

**Taylor University**  
**United States Constitutional Development**

Upland, IN

**The Ohio State University**  
**Instructor, Introduction to American Politics**

Columbus, OH  
 January 2015 - 2017

**The Ohio State University**  
**Instructor, The American Presidency**

Columbus, OH  
 May 2014 - 2016

- Conducted an original advanced seminar on the presidency to 30-50 senior political science students
- Fostered student involvement in the political process, including debate- and speech-watching events

**The Ohio State University**  
**Guest Lecturer, Data Analytics**

Columbus, OH  
 Autumn 2014

- Taught a small seminar of graduate students the principles of bootstrapping

#### **Education Training:**

##### **Bedi Center for Teaching and Learning Excellence**

- Underwent training on assessment, Title IX, student learning modes, advising, technology use, and accommodating students with special needs, among others

##### **Faith Integration Workshop**

- Studied with Dr. Bird on the integration of faith and our academic disciplines

##### **University Center for the Advancement of Teaching (UCAT)**

- Underwent training on course design and feedback, academic misconduct prevention, grading accuracy and efficiency improvement, and student relationship management

##### **Ohio State University Political Science Teaching Workshop Series**

- Received personal training on Political Science-specific instructional methods from senior Ohio State Political Science faculty

#### **CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION**

**Intercollegiate Studies Institute: Little Platoon Seminar**

Wilmington, DE

**Host and Presenter**

2022

*Freedom of Speech in the Modern Era*

**National Council on Undergraduate Research**

University of North Carolina, NC

**Mentor**

2022

*Religion vs. Politics: Which Wins at a Christian Liberal Arts University?*

**The Ray C. Bliss Institute State of The Parties Conference**

Akron, OH

**Presenter**

2021

*Orwell's Collapse: Partisan Polarization and Its Effect on Language Use*

**The Intercollegiate Studies Institute Colloquium**

Philadelphia, PA

**Panelist**

2021

*Shakespeare and Plutarch: Liberty and Tyranny*

**Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference** Chicago, IL  
**Presenter** 2020  
*Polarization and Language Use*

**Kuyers/INCHE Conference** Grand Rapids, MI  
**Presenter** 2019  
*Teaching Politics in a Changing Political Context*

**Indiana Political Science Conference** Evansville, IN  
**Presenter** 2018  
*Expectancy Violations and Elite Deception*

**Southern Political Science Annual Meeting** San Juan, PR  
**Presenter** 2016  
*All the People, All of the Time?*

**Decision Sciences Collaborative Annual Research Forum** Columbus, OH  
**Presenter** 2015  
*Public Reaction to Elite Deception*

**RESEARCH EFFORTS**

**C-SPAN** Nationwide  
**C-SPAN 2021 Survey of Presidential Leadership** 2021

- Worked with C-SPAN to provide reviews of all past presidential leadership
- Partnered with C-SPAN on research promotion and engagement efforts

**Taylor University** Upland, IN  
**Energy in the Executive** 2020

- Mentored Students in a project to research the use of presidential executive orders
- Guided students through multiple research presentations, both at Taylor and outside academic conferences

**Taylor University** Upland, IN  
**Orwell's Collapse** Fall 2018

- Received a grant to engage in a project examining language use as a barometer of political unrest
- Worked with students to grant research experience and career preparation

**The Ohio State University** Columbus, OH  
**Student Researcher (Dissertation)** Summer 2015

- Designed an original survey experiment to examine new hypotheses about how citizens' partisan affiliations can affect their processing of political deception revelations
- Fielded a large-scale research project (800 participants) using innovative and efficient sampling techniques
- Analyzed qualitative and quantitative data to reveal previously-undiscovered patterns of American political responses
- Used publicly available data and a natural experiment design to replicate these findings at the national level

**The Ohio State University** Columbus, OH  
**Student Researcher** Spring 2014

- Designed and ran an original survey experiment to examine new hypotheses about how citizens process deception from their leaders
- Worked with undergraduate students in order to examine political psychological reactions to deception threats
- Presented results at the Behavioral Decision-Making Conference, Columbus, OH

**The Ohio State University**  
**Research Assistant**

Columbus, OH  
Summer 2013

- Organized an ongoing research effort into constructing network analyses of early American Congress-members for P.I.'s Gregory Caldeira and William Minozzi
- Oversaw outside research companies while digitizing high volumes of low quality records
- Undertook data management duties including cleaning, standardization, and archival to enable project progress
- Resulted in "Social Influence in the U.S. House of Representatives, 1801-1861". Prepared for the Congress & History Conference, Vanderbilt University, May 22-23, 2015

**The Ohio State University**  
**Collaborator**

Columbus, OH  
Spring 2013

- Collaborated with Sergio Diaz-Sierra on the design of a survey instrument to track Burkean conservatism
- Organized the collection of respondents for survey data
- Performed factor analysis and post-tests to evaluate the effectiveness of the newly devised scale

**Technical Training**

The Ohio State University

- **Statistical Packages:** R, Stata, SPSS, Minitab
- **Selected Techniques:** OLS, MLE, Event-History Models, Multi-Level Modeling, Bootstrapping, Randomization Inference, Agent-Based Modelling
- **Methodology:** Experimental Design, Survey Design, Survey Sampling
- **Programming:** R, Python

**Research and Event Grants**

- **Election Event Grant** Funding for Election Student Engagement Event
- **Digital** Funding for Election Student Engagement Event
- **FMUS** Mentored two students in Summer 2020
- **Women's Giving Circle** \$1,000 to fund a political language investigation
- **CEEP** \$1,000 to fund a student-level GOTV effort on Taylor's Campus, including registration drive and election watch
- **National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant** (Applied) \$17,510 to fund a national survey experiment
- **Behavioral Decision Making Initiative/Decision Sciences Collaborative Grant** (2013) \$770 for political behavior research

**Grant Training**

**National Science Foundation Workshop Series**

Summer 2015

- Received one-on-one instruction and coaching from professionals and former NSF board members in order to create winning grant proposals

**PUBLICATIONS**

“The Zacchaeus Option: Encouraging Young Christian Students to Engage in the Study of American Politics.” *International Journal of Christianity and Education*. Currently under review.

“The Smokescreen Effect: Expectancy Violations and Public Reaction to Accusations of Political Deception.” *Political Science Studies*.

“Orwell’s Collapse: Partisan Polarization and Its Effect on Language Use.” *Ray C. Bliss Institute of Applied Politics Conference Proceedings*.

**Reviews:**

Attenuated Democracy: A Critical Introduction to U.S. Government and Politics. *The Open Textbook Library*.

America: The User’s Manual. *The Open Textbook Library*.

**Acknowledgements:**

Minozzi and Caldeira. “Congress and Community: Coresidence and Social Influence in the U.S. House of Representatives, 1801–1861.” *American Political Science Review*.

**SERVICE**

<b>Lux et Fides Board Member</b>	Taylor University
<b>FACET Committee Member</b>	Taylor University
<b>Politics and Law &amp; Politics and Public Service Major Coordinator</b>	Taylor University
<b>MLK Day 2021 Speaker</b>	Taylor University
<b>FMUS Research Lunches Speaker</b>	Taylor University
<b>2020 Student Engagement Election Panel Panelist</b>	Taylor University
<b>Voter Registration Drives Organizer/Leader</b>	Taylor University
<b>Politics Departmental Review Lead Author</b>	Taylor University
<b>2019 Empower Institute Guest Speaker</b>	Taylor University
<b>The Echo Numerous articles/interviews</b>	Taylor University
<b>Zondervan Library External Review Interview Participant</b>	Taylor University
<b>Colleague’s College 2018</b>	Taylor University

**Presenter**

**Academic Technology Committee  
Committee Chair**

Taylor University

**Library BGC  
Committee Member**

Zondervan Library, Taylor University

**The Ohio State University  
Graduate Mentor**

Columbus, OH

**Pearson Education  
Textbook Reviewer**

Columbus, OH

**Methods Research Series  
Guest Host and Discussant**

Columbus, OH

**OSU Political Science Department  
Undergraduate Research Pool Organizer**

Columbus, OH

**American Politics Dissertation Workshop  
Founder**

Columbus, OH

**Workshop in American Politics  
Co-ordinator**

Columbus, OH

**MEMBERSHIPS****Chapter Advisor:**

- Pi Sigma Alpha

**Professional Member:**

- Christians in Political Science
- Initiative on Faith and Public Life
- American Political Science Association
- Midwest Political Science Association
- Southern Political Science Association
- Indiana Political Science Association

**Member:**

- Upland Community Church