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### **EDUCATION**

Ph.D. in Political Science, University of Tennessee, 2015.  
M.B.A., Webster University, Vienna, Austria, 2007.  
M.A. in Political Science, University of Tennessee, 2006.  
B.A. in Philosophy, Central Connecticut State University, 2004.

### **OTHER PROFESSIONAL TRAINING**

Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research,  
University of Michigan. "Dynamic Models for Policy, Economics, and  
Society: Time-Series Methods", 5 Day Workshop led by Harold D.  
Clarke, University of Texas, Dallas.

### **PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS**

Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science,  
University of Tennessee, fall 2011.

Graduate Teaching Associate, Department of Political Science,  
University of Tennessee, spring 2012 to summer 2015.

Lecturer, Department of Political Science, University of Tennessee, fall  
2015.

### **JOURNAL ARTICLES**

**Castater, Eric G.** 2015. "Unionization and the Partisan Effect on  
Income Inequality." *Business and Politics* 17 (1): 1-40.

## **ONGOING PROJECTS**

Han, Kyung Joon Han and **Eric G. Castater**. "They May Not Have the Skills, but They Have the Desire: Why the Skill Composition of Trade Unions Matters for Wage Inequality." Article under review.

**Castater, Eric G.** and Kyung Joon Han. "Deal or No Deal: Social Pact Formation as a Two-Stage Process." Article under review.

**Castater, Eric G.** "Economic Globalization and the Union Effect on Wage Inequality."

**Castater, Eric G.** "Gendering the Union Effect on Wage Inequality."

**Castater, Eric G.** "Political Determinants of Private and Public Sector Unionization."

## **GRANTS AND AWARDS**

Summer Graduate Research Assistantship. University of Tennessee, 2013. (\$3,600)

William G. McCall Award for Dissertation Research Assistance. University of Tennessee, 2013. (\$500)

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

**Castater, Eric G.** 2015. "Political Determinants of Private and Public Sector Unionization." Paper to be presented at the 47<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Northeastern Political Science Association, November 12-14, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

**Castater, Eric G.** and Kyung Joon Han. 2015. "Deal or No Deal: Labor Union Fractionalization and Social Pact Agreement." Paper presented at the 73<sup>rd</sup> annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 16-19, Chicago, Illinois.

**Castater, Eric G.** and Amnah Husain Ibraheem. 2015. "Female and Male Wage Inequality: The Impact of Union Membership and Female

Representation in Government.” Paper presented at the 86<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, January 15-17, 2015, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Kyung Joon Han and **Eric G. Castater**. 2014. “Trade Unions and Wage Inequality: How a Compositional Aspect of Trade Unions Determines Wage Inequality.” Paper presented at the 72<sup>nd</sup> annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 3-6, Chicago, Illinois.

**Eric G. Castater**. “Unions, Partisanship, and Income Inequality.” Paper presented at the 85<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, January 9-11, 2014, New Orleans, Louisiana.

**Eric G. Castater**. “Unions, Economic Globalization, and Income Inequality.” Paper presented at the 71<sup>st</sup> annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 11-14, 2013, Chicago, Illinois.

## **OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Assistant to the Mayor, Stratford, Connecticut, 2009.

Campaign Manager, Jim Miron for State Senate, 2010.

## **CONFERENCE TRAVEL GRANTS**

Travel Grant from the University of Tennessee Graduate Student Senate to attend the 73<sup>rd</sup> annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 2015, Chicago, Illinois.

## **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Economic and Political Consequences of National Labor Organizations;  
Determinants of Economic Inequality and its Political Consequences;  
Institutional and Political Determinants of Labor Unions  
Characteristics and Public Perceptions of Labor Unions; Economic  
Globalization and its Impact on Government Responsiveness to Citizen  
Demands.

## **TEACHING INTERESTS**

Comparative Politics, International Relations, Quantitative Methods, American and European Politics, International Political Economy

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

International Political Economy (POLS 471), University of Tennessee, fall 2015

Introduction to International Relations (POLS 265), University of Tennessee, summer 2015.

Introduction to Comparative Politics (POLS 349, POLS 249), University of Tennessee, fall 2013, spring 2014, fall 2014, spring 2015, fall 2015.

Economic Inequality in the Wealthy Democracies (Independent Study), University of Tennessee, fall 2014.

Political Change in Developing Areas (POLS 350), University of Tennessee, summer 2014.

Introduction to Political Science (POLS 102), University of Tennessee, spring 2012, fall 2012, spring 2013, fall 2015.

## **DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE**

Founded and led monthly political science graduate student research workshop, fall 2013 to spring 2015.

Member of Political Science Graduate Student Council (Comparative Politics Representative), fall 2013 to spring 2014.

Member of Political Science Graduate Student Council (Treasurer), fall 2012 to spring 2013.

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP**

Member, American Political Science Association

Member, Midwest Political Science Association

Member, Southern Political Science Association