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EDUCATION

PhD, Political Science, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, August 2013

Fields: American Government & Politics (focus on Political Behavior), Research Methods
Dissertation: Gender and Party Stereotypes in the Evaluation of U.S. Senate Candidates
Committee: Dr. Anthony Nownes (chair), Dr. Patricia Freeland, Dr. Nathan Kelly, and Dr. Suzanne Kurth

M.A. - Political Science, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, December 2009

Fields: Comparative Government & Politics, American Government & Politics

B.S. – Psychobiology, Florida Atlantic University, Boca Raton, May 2000

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Morehouse College
August 2013 - present

Teaching Associate, Department of Political Science, University of Tennessee,
August 2011 - August 2012

Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science, University of Tennessee,
August 2008 - August 2011

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

MOREHOUSE COLLEGE

National Government
Political Parties, Elections, and Interest Groups

UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE

Introduction to American Government & Politics
Introduction to International Relations
Introduction to Political Science

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

“Gender and Party Stereotypes in the Evaluation of U.S. Senate Candidates” Paper presented at the 2012 Midwest Political Science Association annual meeting, Chicago IL.

“An Experiment on Gender Stereotypes and Party Identification in the Analysis of U.S. Senate Candidates” Paper presented at the 2012 Southern Political Science Association annual meeting, New Orleans, LA.

“Early Voting: Does it Mobilize or is it Just a Convenience?” Paper presented at the 2012 Southern Political Science Association annual meeting, New Orleans, LA.

“Socialization & Stereotypes and their Effects on Female Candidates”. Paper presented at the 2011 Southern Political Science Association annual meeting, New Orleans.

RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

American government, comparative politics, political behavior, public opinion, gender, campaigns and elections, political development, and research methods

ACADEMIC AWARDS & GRANTS

University of Tennessee, Department of Political Science Conference Travel Award, April 2012 (\$300), January 2012 & January 2011 (\$200)

Prestage – Cook Travel Award from the Southern Political Science Association, January 2011 & January 2012

University of Tennessee, College of Arts & Sciences – Graduate Travel Award \$250, January 2012

PROFESSIONAL & DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

Vice President, Political Science Graduate Student Association, 2011-2012 academic year

Treasurer, Political Science Graduate Student Association, 2009-2010 academic year

Manuscript Review:

American Politics Research

Political Behavior

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Political Science Association

American Political Science Association, Women and Politics Section

Southern Political Science Association

Midwest Political Science Association