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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

University of Tennessee-Knoxville, Assistant Professor of Political Science
Knoxville, Tennessee
Fall 2025-

Hutchinson Community College, Instructor
Hutchinson, Kansas
Fall 2022-Spring 2025

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Political Science, May 2022	University of Kansas
• <i>Dissertation</i> : “Old Glory as Jesus: The Relevance of Christian Nationalism in U.S. Politics”	
M.A., Political Science, January 2009	University of Michigan
B.A., Political Science, May 2005	Kansas State University

RESEARCH

Refereed Journal Articles

Walker, Brooklyn, Paul A. Djupe, Brian R. Calfano, Andrew R. Lewis, and Anand E. Sokhey.
“Religion is Sometimes Raced: When Christian Nationalism is Ingroup Protection.”
Forthcoming at *Perspectives on Politics*.

Walker, Brooklyn, Paul A. Djupe, and Brian R. Calfano. 2025. [“Fellowship in the Fiery Furnace: A Research Note on How Religious Persecution Transcends Racial Divides.”](#) *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*.

- Featured at [Religion in Public](#)
- Walker, Brooklyn** and Paul A. Djupe. 2025. “[Christian Nationalism is Unbounded by LGB Status.](#)” *Political Research Quarterly*. 78(2): 753-767.
- Featured at [Religion in Public](#)
- Djupe, Paul A. and **Brooklyn Walker**. 2025. “[Jesus and John Wayne Wannabes: How Christian Nationalism and Femininity Shape Extreme Politics Among Men in the US.](#)” *Sociology of Religion*.
- Featured at [Religion in Public](#)
- Djupe, Paul A. and **Brooklyn Walker**. 2025. “[Reviewing and the State of the Discipline.](#)” *PS: Political Science and Politics*.
- Walker, Brooklyn**. 2025. “[Holy Nations: Why Black Americans Support Christian Nationalism.](#)” *Political Behavior*. 47(1): 81-96.
- Featured at [Religion in Public](#)
- Walker, Brooklyn** and Donald P. Haider-Markel. 2024. “[A Colorblind Christian Country? How racial attitudes affect support for Christian nationalism and civil religion.](#)” *Politics and Religion* 17(2): 183-202.
- Featured at [Religion in Public](#)
- Walker, Brooklyn**. 2024. “[Words and Attitudes of the Heart: The Emotional Content of Christian Nationalist Communications.](#)” *Religions* 15(7): 825.
- Walker, Brooklyn** and Donald P. Haider-Markel. 2024. “[Fear, Loathing, and Anger: Emotion and Demographic Change and Support for Christian Nationalism.](#)” *Public Opinion Quarterly* 88(2): 382-407.
- Featured at [Religion in Public](#)
- Walker, Brooklyn** and Donald P. Haider-Markel. 2023. “[Religious Liberties or Reading Rainbows? The Partisan Implications of Religious Liberties Frames in Education Attitudes.](#)” *Social Science Quarterly* 104(6): 1295-1308.
- Walker, Brooklyn** and Abigail Vegter. 2023. “[Christ, Country, and Conspiracies? Christian Nationalism and Belief in Conspiracy Theories.](#)” *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion* 62(2):278-292.
- Featured at [Religion in Public](#), [PsyPost](#), [The Civilian](#)

Book Chapters

- Walker, Brooklyn** and Allyson F. Shortle. “Fertilizing or Felling the Tree of Knowledge? Christian Nationalism and Public Attitudes about Higher Education.” Forthcoming in *White Christian Nationalism and the Assault on American Education*, ed. Joseph DeVitis and Kevin Talbert. Palgrave.
- Walker, Brooklyn**. “Contagious Cooperation: Exploring International Global Health through Pandemic.” Forthcoming in *Short Games and Active Learning in Political Science: Beating the Clock*. Edited by James Fielder et al.
- Djupe, Paul A., Jacob R. Neihsel, Anand E. Sokhey, and **Brooklyn Walker**. “The Rapid Anti-Democratic Turn of American Christian Nationalism.” Forthcoming in the *Routledge Handbook of Religion and Nationalism*.

Manuscripts in Submission

- “The Weakness of Anti-Christian Nationalism: When Religiously-Inclusive Orientations Can’t Increase Tolerance” with Paul A. Djupe (under R&R)

- “I Don’t Co-Parent: The Effects of Parental Rights Frames on School LGBT Policy Attitudes” with Donald P. Haider-Markel and Patrick R. Miller (under review)
- “An Eye for an Eye? The Conditional Punitiveness of Christian Nationalists,” with Kevin J. Mullinix (under review)
- “An Army for God: Gun Ownership, Christian Nationalism, and Support for Political Violence,” with Donald P. Haider-Markel and Abigail Vegter (under review)
- “The Measurement of Christian Nationalism in Broader Perspective” with Paul A. Djupe, Anand E. Sokhey, Miles D. Williams, Jacob R. Neiheisel, and Andrew R. Lewis (under review)
- “Can We Consider Christian Nationalism a Social Identity?” with Paul A. Djupe, Anand E. Sokhey, and Donald P. Haider-Markel (under review)

Working Papers

- “Groupthinking LGBT Attitudes: The Role of Group Norm Bandwagoning on Public Opinion” with Don Haider-Markel
- “Voters Gonna Vote, Vote, Vote, Vote, Vote: Taylor Swift and Celebrity Voter Mobilization,” with Allyson Shortle and Mark Harvey
- “Complement to Power: How Complementarianism Shapes Anti-Democratic Attitudes,” with Paul A. Djupe
- “I Shall Not Want: Scarcity, Abundance, and Enemies among American Christians”
- “Gender Relations Under the Umbrella: Explorations of a New Measure of Complementarianism” with Paul A. Djupe.
- “The Apocalyptic Sectarianism of American Politics” with Paul A. Djupe, Jacob R. Neiheisel, Anand E. Sokhey, and Andrew R. Lewis
- “Filled and Running Over: The Prosperity Gospel Connections to Christian Nationalism” with Paul A. Djupe and Karrie C. Gaspard-Hogewood

PRESENTATIONS

Invited Talks

- “The Effects of Christian Nationalism.” Grace Episcopal Church StorySharing, May 25, 2025. Hutchinson, KS.
- “Christian Nationalism 101.” Grace Episcopal Church StorySharing, May 4, 2025. Hutchinson, KS.
- “(Mis)using the Bible: White Evangelicalism & Christian Nationalism in America.” Center for the Study of Religion, University of California-Los Angeles. April 28, 2025.
- “The Palestinian-Israeli Conflict: Points of Contention.” Tabor College, guest lecture for The Modern Middle East, March 28, 2025.
- Professional Development Day Presenter, “Blue Dragons for Democracy: Faculty’s Pivotal Role in Promoting Civic and Democratic Engagement,” August 2024, Hutchinson Community College, Hutchinson, KS.
- “Christ, Country, and Conspiracies?” Orange County CA Chapter of Americans United for Separation of Church and State and the Humanist Association of Orange County, CA Webinar Series. July 20, 2024.
- “Christian Nationalism and the Health of American Democracy,” Iowa Secular Summit. June 22, 2024.
- “The Palestinian-Israeli Conflict: Cousins in Context. Four Issues.” Grace Episcopal Church StorySharing, November 12, 2023. Hutchinson, KS.

"Interactions and International Relations." Hutchinson Community College Introduction to Political Science, Guest Lecture, November 10, 2023.

"Why Comparison is Necessary." Hutchinson Community College Introduction to Political Science, Guest Lecture, November 8, 2023.

"Christ, Country, and Conspiracies?" Secular Student Alliance Webinar Series, November 8, 2023.

"The Palestinian-Israeli Conflict: Cousins in Context. Five Moments." Grace Episcopal Church StorySharing, November 5, 2023. Hutchinson, KS.

Professional Development Day Presenter, "Conflict Management in the Classroom," August 2023, Hutchinson Community College, Hutchinson, KS

"Terrorism as Strategy: Violence by Non-State Actors during the Oslo Process and the Al-Aqsa Intifada," Sterling College History 461: History of the Middle East, Guest Lecture, April 2017.

"Evangelical Responses to Terrorism in the Name of Islam," Sterling College Honors Program, Guest Lecture, April 2017.

"Becoming: The Development of Zionism and Palestinian Identity During the Mandate Period," Sterling College History 461: History of the Middle East, Guest Lecture, March 2017.

Conferences

"Religious Power Grabs Masquerading as Religious Liberty? The Conditionality of Religious Liberty Support," with Paul A. Djupe and Anand E. Sokhey. 83rd Annual Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, April 23-26, 2026.

"Gender Relations Under the Umbrella: Explorations of a New Measure of Complementarianism," with Paul A. Djupe. 2025 Annual Meeting of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, October 31-November 2, 2025.

"Christian Nationalism, Gun Ownership, and Support for Political Violence" with Donald P. Haider-Markel and Abigail Vegter. 121st Annual American Political Science Association Conference, September 11-14, 2025.

"The Apocalyptic Sectarianism of American Politics," with Paul A. Djupe, Jacob R. Neihsel, Anand Edward Sokhey, and Andrew R. Lewis. 121st Annual American Political Science Association Conference, September 11-14, 2025.

"The Measurement of Christian Nationalism in Broader Perspective," with Paul A. Djupe, Anand E. Sokhey, Jacob R. Neihsel, Andrew R. Lewis, and Miles D. Williams. 82nd Annual Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, April 3-6, 2025.

"I Don't Co-Parent: The Effects of Parental Rights Frames on LGBT Attitudes," with Donald P. Haider-Markel and Patrick Miller. 82nd Annual Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, April 3-6, 2025.

"Proud to be a Christian Nationalist? Christian Nationalism as Social Identity," with Paul A. Djupe and Anand E. Sokhey. 82nd Annual Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, April 3-6, 2025.

"I Don't Co-Parent: The Effects of Parental Rights Frames on LGBT Attitudes," 27th Annual Great Plains Political Science Conference, November 1-2, 2024.

"Christian Nationalism is Unbounded by LGB Status," with Paul A. Djupe. 120th Annual American Political Science Association Conference, September 5-8, 2024.

"Groupthinking LGBT Attitudes: The Role of Group Norm Bandwagoning on the Culture Wars," with Donald Haider-Markel. 26th Annual Great Plains Political Science Association Annual Meeting, October 27-28, 2023.

- “It’s Not so Black and White: Testing the Racialized Christian Nationalism Thesis,” with Paul A. Djupe, Brian R. Calfano, Andrew R. Lewis, and Anand Edward Sokhey. American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, August 31-September 3, 2023.
- “Holy Nations: Why Black Americans Support Christian Nationalism,” Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, April 13-16, 2023.
- “Freedom for Whom? How Religious Liberties Frames Affect Attitudes Towards LGBT Equality,” with Donald Haider-Markel. Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, April 13-16, 2023.
- “Holy Nations: Why Black Americans Support Christian Nationalism,” 25th Annual Great Plains Political Science Association Annual Conference, October 28-29, 2022.
- “Don’t Worry about Tomorrow?: Untangling Responses to Racial and Religious Demographic Change,” 79th Annual Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, April 7-10, 2022.
- “An Army for God: Gun Ownership, Christian Nationalism, and Support for Insurrection” 79th Annual Midwest Political Science Association Conference, April 7-10, 2022.
- “Structuring the Street: Political Opportunity Structures and Demonstrators in Authoritarian Regimes,” Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, April 3-6, 2008

PUBLIC SCHOLARSHIP

Contributor to [Religion in Public](#)

- Walker, Brooklyn and Paul A. Djupe. 2025. [“Fellowship in the Fiery Furnace: Do Christian Persecution Narratives Transcend Racial Divides?”](#) *Religion in Public*. June 6.
- Djupe, Paul A. and Brooklyn Walker. 2025. [“The Gender Ideology Behind Christian Nationalism and the Anti-Abortion Movement.”](#) *Religion in Public*. May 16.
- Referenced in [The Hill](#)
- Brooklyn Walker and Paul A. Djupe. 2025. [“The Moderate Abortion Politics of Christian Nationalism?”](#) *Religion in Public*. April 22.
- Djupe, Paul A. and Brooklyn Walker. 2025. [“Christian Nationalism Acts as Compensation for More Feminine Men.”](#) *Religion in Public*. March 10.
- Djupe, Paul A. and Brooklyn Walker. 2025. [“The Reactionary Religious Reengagement of Young Men.”](#) *Religion in Public*. March 5.
- Walker, Brooklyn. 2025. [“Using Catan in the Classroom: Trade, Build, Settle, and Explore IR?”](#) *Active Learning in Political Science*. February 22.
- Djupe, Paul A. and Brooklyn Walker. 2025. [“Is LGB Christian Nationalism a Contradiction in Terms?”](#) *Religion in Public*. February 17.
- Walker, Brooklyn. 2025. [“Is Christian Nationalism Just a Dressed Up Authoritarianism?”](#) *Religion in Public*. February 12.
- Walker, Brooklyn. 2024. [“The World’s Best \(Worst\) Dictator: Unpacking Durable Authoritarianism.”](#) *Active Learning in Political Science*. November 8.
- Shortle, Allyson, Brooklyn Walker, and Mark Harvey. 2024 [“Study shows Taylor Swift’s endorsement may turn off voters Harris needs.”](#) *The Hill*. September 20.
- Walker, Brooklyn. 2024. [“Funding Curiosity: Tips for Grant Writing.”](#) *HutchCC Grant Navigator*. September.

- Walker, Brooklyn. 2024. "[Black Christian Nationalism as Identity Management](#)." *Religion in Public*. July 9.
- Walker, Brooklyn and Donald P. Haider-Markel. 2024. "[Picturing a White Christian Nation](#)." *Religion in Public*. July 2.
- Walker, Brooklyn and Donald P. Haider-Markel. 2024. "[How Christianity's Decline Impacts White Christians' Emotion and Attitudinal Response](#)." *Religion in Public*. March 3.
- Walker, Brooklyn and Abigail Vegter. 2023. "[Christ, Country, and Conspiracies](#)." *The Civilian*. November 15.
- Vegter, Abigail and Brooklyn Walker. 2023. "[Christ, Country, and Conspiracies? Christian Nationalism, Biblical Literalism, and Belief in Conspiracy Theories](#)." *Religion in Public*. July 5.
- Walker, Brooklyn. 2023. "[Project Citizen: Building Citizenship Skills in an Introductory American Government Course](#)." *Active Learning in Political Science*. November 10.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Tennessee-Knoxville, Knoxville, TN	Fall 2025-
Hutchinson Community College, Hutchinson, KS	Fall 2022-Spring 2025
Tabor College, Hillsboro, KS	Spring 2017-Spring 2019
Wichita State University, Wichita, KS	Spring 2012 & 2019, Summer 2022
Newman University, Wichita, KS	Fall 2017
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI	Fall 2006-Summer 2009

Courses Taught as Instructor of Record:

- Introduction to American Government (face-to-face, hybrid, online)
- World Geography (face-to-face, hybrid, online)
- Introduction to International Relations (face-to-face, hybrid)
- Middle Eastern Politics (online)
- Arab-Israeli Conflict (face-to-face, hybrid)
- Political and Economic Ideologies (hybrid)
- Introduction to Comparative Politics (face-to-face)

Designed Online Course Shells

- American Government, Hutchinson Community College, Summer 2023
- World Geography, Hutchinson Community College, Summer 2024

Mentoring

Honors Project Mentor, Hutchinson Community College, 2023-2025

- Oversee first year college students as they develop and execute individual research projects
- Mentored student won Best Undergraduate Poster at the Great Plains Political Science Association Annual Conference, 2023

Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program Sponsor, University of Michigan, 2009-2010

- Supervised a team of undergraduate research assistants working on my research project
- Administrative Assistant for Arab-Israeli Conflict, University of Michigan, Fall 2007

- Mentored graduate student instructors, assisted lead instructor in syllabus development and course planning

HONORS AND AWARDS

Defended dissertation with honors, University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS, March 2022
 Completed American Politics and Comparative Politics Preliminary Exams with honors, University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS, December 2020
 Participant in the Graduate Seminar on Global Transformations, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, 2008
 Member of the Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy International Economic Development Program delegation to Jordan, Winter 2008 Traveled to Jordan to discuss policy issues with policymakers in Jordan
 Completed Comparative Politics Preliminary Exam with Honors, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, Fall 2007
 Recipient of Kingdon Award for outstanding graduate student instructors in the Political Science Department, Fall 2008
 Nominated for Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor in the Political Science Department, Fall 2007
 National Science Foundation for the Graduate Research Fellowship Honorable Mention, 2007 and 2006
 Graduated summa cum laude, Kansas State University, May 2005
 Truman Scholar, Kansas, 2004

FUNDING AND GRANTS

Louisville Institute Grant for Researchers for “The New Dynamics of Choosing Churches?”, \$55,000. With Paul A. Djupe. 2025.
 Jack Shand Research Grant for “Complement to Power: How Complementarianism Shapes Anti-Democratic Attitudes.” Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, \$5,000. With Paul A. Djupe. 2024.
 Small Grant Award for “Scarcity, Abundance, and Enemies Among American Christians”. Religion and Politics Section of the American Political Science Association, \$3,000. 2023-2024
 Five year GTA funding package offered from the University of Kansas (declined), 2019
 American Center for Oriental Research Fellowship (declined), 2010
 Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship, 2009
 Rackham Travel Grant, 2008
 University of Michigan Political Science Department Fellowship, 2005-2010
 Scholar Abroad Scholarship, National Society of Collegiate Scholars, 2004
 Yamani Scholarship, Kansas State University, 2003
 Reba Cobb Scholarship, Kansas State University, 2002
 Presidential Scholarship, Kansas State University, 2000-2004

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Pedagogy/Teaching

LGBT Safe Space Training, September 2023, Hutchinson Community College, Hutchinson, KS
New Faculty Teaching Academy, 2022-2023, Hutchinson Community College, Hutchinson, KS
AP U.S. Government and Politics Exam Reader, June 2022, ETS, Princeton, NJ
Center for Research on Learning and Teaching Graduate Teacher Certificate, Fall 2009, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

Language

Study Abroad, Fall 2004, American University in Cairo, Cairo, Egypt
Western Consortium Intensive Language Institute, Summer 2003, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT

Other

Survey Methodology Program, Questionnaire Design Workshop, Winter 2008, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan

SERVICE ACTIVITIES

To the Institution

Executive Advisory Committee, University of Tennessee, Knoxville Political Science Department, 2025-
Member, Honors Subcommittee, Hutchinson Community College, Spring 2023-Spring 2025
Co-Chair, Institutional Review Board, Hutchinson Community College, 2024-2025
All In Campus Democracy Challenge Lead Coordinator, 2024

- Most Engaged Campus for College Student Voting (award declined by campus)

Kansas Core Outcomes Groups Conference Representative, Political Science, 2022-2024
Organized voter registration drive for Hutchinson Community College students, February 2024
Member, Committee for Reaffirmation of Accreditation, Hutchinson Community College, 2023-2024
Member, Taskforce on Human Subjects and Research Integrity, Hutchinson Community College, Spring 2023-Spring 2024
Led revision of Political Science and Pre-Law curricula requirements, 2022-2023, Hutchinson Community College, Hutchinson, KS
Reviewer, Best Undergraduate Paper, Wichita State University, Wichita, KS, Spring 2019 and 2022
Organized Votes for Tabor, Tabor College, Hillsboro, KS, Fall 2018
Organizer, Workshop on Online Pedagogy, Tabor College, Hillsboro, KS, Spring 2018
Panelist, 3rd Year Paper Workshop, Ford School of Public Policy, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, October 2009
Community Service Committee, Graduate Association of Political Scientists, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, 2008-2009
Mentor, Graduate Association of Political Scientists, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, 2008-2009

Panelist, Graduate Student Orientation, Political Science Department, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, September 2008
Volunteer for University of Michigan Honors Program, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, 2007-2010
Graduate Association of Political Scientists Co-President, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, 2007-2008
Graduate Affairs Committee, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, 2006-2007

To the Discipline

Section Head, Politics and Religion. 83rd Annual Midwest Political Science Association Meeting. Chicago, IL. April 23-26, 2026.
Memo to the Religion and Politics section of APSA. "A Look at R&P Membership: Their Composition and Wishes for the Section." With Paul A. Djupe. June 25, 2025.
Chair. "Does Apocalyptic Christian Nationalism Allow Room for Disagreement?" 82nd Annual Midwest Political Science Association Meeting. Chicago, IL. April 3-6, 2025.
Kansas Core Outcomes Groups Conference Co-Chair, Political Science, 2024
Discussant. "Religion and Political Behavior." The 120th American Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, PA. September 2024.
Discussant. "Bringing Belief Back In." The 120th American Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, PA. September 2024.
Vice President, Great Plains Political Science Association, 2023-2024.
Communications Coordinator, American Political Science Association Religion and Politics Section, 2023-2025
Coordinator, Religion and Politics Early Career Summer Writing Group, Summer 2023
Chair and Discussant. "The Limits of Christian Nationalism." The Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL. April 2023.
Chair and Discussant. "Identity's Link to Religion and Politics in the US." The Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL. April 2023.
Conference Planning Committee, Great Plains Political Science Association, 2023.

Reviewer

- Journals: Aletheia, Implicit Religion, Midwest Journal of Undergraduate Research, Pastoral Psychology, Political Behavior, Political Psychology, Political Research Quarterly, Politics and Gender, Politics and Religion, Religions, St. Anthony's International Review, Social Currents, Social Forces, Social Problems, Social Psychology Quarterly, Sociology of Religion
- Presses: De Gruyter, Lynne Rienner

To the Community

Presenter, "Join the Party? Parties in the United States." Presentation to the 7th grade gifted class at Hutchinson Middle School. October 1, 2024.
Designed the Annual Community-Building Survey for Grace Episcopal Church, Hutchinson, KS, January 2024

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Political Science Association
Midwest Political Science Association
Great Plains Political Science Association
Society for the Scientific Study of Religion

LANGUAGES

Arabic: intermediate
Spanish: basic

Stata: intermediate
R: basic

Qualtrics: basic

REFERENCES

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