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Positions

- 2014 – Present Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science,
University of California, Merced
- 2012 – 2014 Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Laboratory for International Law and
Regulation, University of California, San Diego

Education

- 2012 Ph.D. Political Science, University of California, San Diego
- 2004 B.A. Linguistics, Political Science, University of California,
Berkeley

Interests: experiments, models of political decision-making, strategic cognition and learning in games

Publications:

[* Equal contribution]

1. Kim, Henry A.* and **Brad L. LeVeck***. Money, Reputation, and Incumbency in U.S. House Elections, or Why Marginals Have Become More Expensive. 2013. *American Political Science Review*. 107 (3): 492-504
2. Hafner-Burton, Emilie M.*, **Brad L. LeVeck***, David G. Victor*, and James H. Fowler. 2014. Decision Makers' Preferences for International Legal Cooperation. *International Organization* 68 (4), 845-876
3. Abdallah, Sherief, Rasha Sayed, Iyad Rahwan, **Brad L. LeVeck**, Manuel Cebrian, Alex Rutherford, and James H. Fowler. Corruption Drives the Emergence of Civil Society. 2014. *Journal of The Royal Society Interface* 11 (93), 20131044
4. **LeVeck, Brad L.**, D. Alex Hughes, Emilie Hafner-Burton, James H. Fowler, and David G. Victor. 2014. The Role of Self-Interest in Elite Bargaining. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* 111 (52), 18536-18541
5. Hafner-Burton, Emilie M.*, **Brad L. LeVeck*** and David G. Victor*. How Activists Perceive the Utility of International Law. 2016. *Journal of Politics* 78 (1), 167-180
6. Hafner-Burton, Emilie M.*, **Brad L. LeVeck*** and David G. Victor*. No False Promises: How The Prospect of Non-Compliance Affects Elite Preferences for International Cooperation. 2017. *International Studies Quarterly* 61 (1), 136-149
7. **LeVeck, Brad L.*** and Neil Narang*. How International Reputation Matters: Revisiting Alliance Violations in Context. 2017. *International Interactions* 43 (5), 797-821

8. **LeVeck, Brad L.*** and Stephanie A. Nail*. Evidence for a scale invariant relationship between the incumbency advantage and the nationalization of US House elections 1866–2014. 2016. *Research & Politics* 3 (4), 2053168016683839
9. **LeVeck, Brad L.*** and Neil Narang*. The Democratic Peace and the Wisdom of Crowds. 2017. *International Studies Quarterly*, 61 (4), 867-880
10. Frank, Morgan, Nick Obradovich, Wei Lee Woon, **Brad L. LeVeck**, and Iyad Rahwan. Detecting Reciprocity at a Global Scale. 2018. *Science Advances*, 4 (1), eaao5348
11. Rutherford, Alex, Yontan Lupu, Manuel Cebrian, Iyad Rahwan, **Brad L. LeVeck** and Manuel Garcia-Herranz. 2018. Inferring Mechanisms for Global Constitutional Progress. *Nature Human Behaviour*, 2 (8), 592 –599

Papers Under Review or in Revision:

12. International Reputation and Alliance Portfolios: How Unreliability Effects the Structure and Composition of Alliance Treaties, (Conditional accept at Journal of Peace Research) with Neil Narang
13. Mutual Knowledge Rationality Among International Policy Elites
14. The Informational Value of Legislative Records, with Stephanie Nail
15. Partisan Preference Formation in Coordination Games

Manuscripts in Progress:

1. Selective Attention to Public Signals in Coordination Games
2. Coordination, Learning, and Partisan Models of the Economy
3. The Declining Value of Moderation, with Henry Kim
4. Emergence of Voters and Non-Voters Under Social Learning Dynamics, with Yunkyu Sohn
5. Learning Versus Thinking: On the Origins of Nash Equilibrium Play Among Elite Actors International Relations, with Emilie Hafner-Burton and David Victor

Workshops:

Santa Fe Institute Graduate Workshop in Computational Social Science Modeling and Complexity, Summer 2008

Presentations:

Invited Talks/Workshops

1. The Democratic Peace and the Wisdom of Crowds, Global Security Hub Working Paper Seminar at UCSB, March 2017
2. The Democratic Peace and the Wisdom of Crowds, presented to the Scalable Cooperation Lab Speaker Series at the MIT Media Lab, Dec 14 2015
3. 2nd Conference on the Behavioral Revolution in International Relations, La Jolla CA. June 10, 2015
4. The Democratic Peace and the Wisdom of Crowds. UCLA International Relations Workshop, Los Angeles, CA, April 17, 2014
5. Uncertainty, Compliance, and Cooperation, with Emilie Hafner-Burton, David Victor. Conference on the Behavioral Revolution in International Relations, La Jolla CA. Jan 10, 2014
6. A Behavioral Approach to International Cooperation, with Emilie Hafner-Burton, David Victor.
The Ohio State University February 2013, University of Wisconsin, Madison February 2013, University of Texas February 2013, University of Pennsylvania October 2012, University of Rochester October 2012
7. Princeton Experimental Research Workshop: Best Practices and Applications, with Emilie Hafner-Burton. September 2012

Conference Presentations

1. “Mutual Knowledge Rationality Among International Policy Elites” Behavioral Models of Politics Conference, Rice University, May 25, 2018
2. “Mutual Knowledge Rationality Among International Policy Elites” Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA, March 30, 2018
3. “Mutual Knowledge Rationality Among International Policy Elites” UC Conference on International Cooperation, UCSD, March 2, 2018
4. “The Emergence of Voters and Non-Voters” Behavioral Models of Politics Conference, Duke University, May 20, 2017
5. “Partisan Preference Formation in Coordination Games” Behavioral Models of Politics Conference, University of Pittsburgh, May 12, 2016
6. “Partisan Preference Formation in Coordination Games” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, August 30, 2015.
7. “The Declining Value of Moderation” Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Las Vegas, NV, April 4, 2015.
8. “The Declining Value of Moderation” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., August 30, 2014.
9. “The Role of Fairness in Elite Bargaining” Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., August 30, 2014.

10. "Paying the Cost of Toeing the Party Line", Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, August 30, 2013.
11. "Uncertainty, Compliance and International Cooperation: An Experimental Approach", Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, August 31, 2013.
12. "The Advantages of Group Decision Making in Crisis Bargaining", Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, August 30, 2013.
13. "A Behavioral Approach to International Cooperation" Annual meeting of the International Political Economy Society, November 9, 2012
14. "The Advantages of Group Decision Making in Crisis Bargaining", Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 6, 2012.
15. "Coordination Incentives Can Explain Diverse and Simplistic Partisan Worldviews: an Experimental Test," Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Seattle, WA, Sept. 2, 2011.
16. "Are Partisans Overconfident about Issue Agreement? Using Betting to Distinguish Informed Guesses from Wishful Thinking," Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington D.C., September 4, 2010.
17. "How International Reputation Matters: Evidence from Bilateral Alliance Data 1919-2001," UC Research on International Conflict and Cooperation IGCC So-Cal Symposium, January 14, 2011
 - a. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Toronto, Canada, September 6, 2009.
 - b. Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 4, 2009.
 - c. Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, MA August 30, 2008.
18. "Who's Blaming Whom? Pitfalls of Bargaining before Multiple Audiences", Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 6, 2008.
19. "Issue Salience and Party Labels in Elections", Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 6, 2008.

Discussant/Chair

UC Conference on International Cooperation, UCSB March 10, 2017

NYU CESS Conference, NYC February 24, 2017

UC Conference on International Cooperation, UCLA March 22, 2016

Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association. Las Vegas, NV. Panel on Electoral Reward and Punishment. April 6, 2015

2nd Meeting on the Behavioral Revolution in International Relations, La Jolla CA. June 20, 2014

Conference on the Behavioral Revolution in International Relations, La Jolla CA. Jan 10, 2014

USC Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Los Angeles, CA. November 20, 2009.

NSF Conference on Politics Experiments, Charlottesville, VA. May 19, 2010

Teaching:

UC Merced

Poli 190: Games and Human Behavior (Spring 2016, Undergraduate)

Poli 190: Experimental Game Theory (Fall 2014, Undergraduate)

Poli 210b: Intro To Quantitative Analysis and Inference (Fall 2014-17 Graduate)

Poli 10: Introduction to Political Controversy (Fall 2015-16, Fall 2016, Undergraduate Research Design and Methods Course)

UCSD

Poli 140c: International Crisis Diplomacy, co-taught with Neil Narang (Summer 2010)

Advising (Role, Placement):

UC Merced

Kau Vue (Dissertation Committee Member)

Tessa Provins (Dissertation Committee Member, Assistant Professor University of Pittsburgh 2018)

Stephanie Nail (Dissertation Chair)

Peter Carey (Committee Member)

Fellowships and Awards:

2016 UC Merced Senate Faculty Research Grant \$4400

Scholarship to attend SFI Workshop on Computational Social Science 2008

Public Policy and Biological Threats Fellowship: Funded by Carnegie Corporation 2005

Jack E. Riley Scholarship 2001-2003

Service:

Professional Associations

American Political Science Association

Midwest Political Science Association
Western Political Science Association

Reviewer

American Journal of Political Science, American Politics Research, American Political Science Review, Climactic Change, Electoral Politics, Electoral Studies, International Interactions, International Organization, International Journal of Finance, Journal of Conflict Resolution, Journal of Politics, Journal of Theoretical Biology, Nature Climate Change, Political Behavior, Political Research Quarterly, Public Opinion Quarterly

Departmental Service

UC Merced Lab Director (2016)
UC Merced Executive Committee (2016)
UC Merced Political Science Search Committee (2016)
UC Merced Undergraduate Assessment Committee (2015)
UC Merced Lab Committee (2014)
UC Merced Graduate Exam Committee (2014-present)