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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: 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): 1742-5662
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 of the United States of America* 111(52): 18536–4
5. Hafner-Burton, Emilie M.*, **Brad L. LeVeck*** and David G. Victor*. "How Activists Perceive the Utility of International Law." *The Journal of Politics* 78, no. 1 (2016): 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." *International Studies Quarterly*, Forthcoming

7. **LeVeck, Brad L.*** and Neil Narang*. "How International Reputation Matters: Revisiting Alliance Violations in Context." *International Interactions* (2016): 1-25.
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." *Research & Politics* 3, no. 4 (2016): 2053168016683839.
9. **LeVeck, Brad L.*** and Neil Narang*. The Democratic Peace and the Wisdom of Crowds. *International Studies Quarterly*, *Forthcoming*

Papers Under Review or in Revision:

1. Disentangling Network and Global Effects in Constitutional Political Development (Under Review at Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences), with Alex Rutherford, Yontan Lupu, Manuel Cebrian, Iyad Rahwan, and Manuel Garcia-Herranz.
2. Securitizing International Security (R&R at Journal of Peace Research), with Neil Narang
3. 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 Yunkyun Sohn
5. The Information in Party Labels, with Stephanie Nail
6. 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. 2nd Conference on the Behavioral Revolution in International Relations, La Jolla CA. June 10, 2015
2. The Democratic Peace and the Wisdom of Crowds. UCLA International Relations Workshop, Los Angeles, CA, April 17, 2014

3. Uncertainty, Compliance, and Cooperation, with Emilie Hafner-Burton, David Victor. Conference on the Behavioral Revolution in International Relations, La Jolla CA. Jan 10, 2014
4. 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
5. Princeton Experimental Research Workshop: Best Practices and Applications, with Emilie Hafner-Burton. September 2012

Conference Presentations

1. "Partisan Preference Formation in Coordination Games" Behavioral Models of Politics Conference, University of Pittsburgh, May 12, 2016
2. "Partisan Preference Formation in Coordination Games" Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, August 30, 2015.
3. "The Declining Value of Moderation" Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Las Vegas, NV, April 4, 2015.
4. "The Declining Value of Moderation" Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., August 30, 2014.
5. "The Role of Fairness in Elite Bargaining" Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., August 30, 2014.
6. "Paying the Cost of Toeing the Party Line", Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, August 30, 2013.
7. "Uncertainty, Compliance and International Cooperation: An Experimental Approach", Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, August 31, 2013.
8. "The Advantages of Group Decision Making in Crisis Bargaining", Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, August 30, 2013.
9. "A Behavioral Approach to International Cooperation" Annual meeting of the International Political Economy Society, November 9, 2012
10. "The Advantages of Group Decision Making in Crisis Bargaining", Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 6, 2012.
11. "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.
12. "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.

7. "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.
8. "Who's Blaming Whom? Pitfalls of Bargaining before Multiple Audiences", Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 6, 2008.
9. "Issue Salience and Party Labels in Elections", Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 6, 2008.

Discussant/Chair

Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association. Las Vegas, NV. Panel on Electoral Reward and Punishment. April 6, 2014

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 2015, Undergraduate)

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

Poli 210b: Intro To Quantitative Analysis and Inference (Fall 2014, 2015, Graduate)

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

UCSD

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

Fellowships and Awards:

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, International Interactions, International Journal of Finance, Journal of Conflict Resolution, Journal of Politics, Journal of Theoretical Biology, Nature Climate Change, Political Behavior

Departmental Service

UC Merced Lab Director (2016)

UC Merced Executive Committee (2016)

UC Merced Lab Committee (2014)

UC Merced Graduate Exam Committee (2014-present)