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Education

University of Maryland - College Park MD

Current: PhD in Government and Politics

Expected 2027

Fields: American Politics, Methodology

Interests: Congress, Presidency, Representation, Political Parties, Social Movements

Dissertation: What Government Says and Does: Representation of Public Priorities in Congress and the Presidency, 1973–2024

Committee: Kris Miler (Chair), Michael Hanmer, David Karol, Breanna Gray

University of Maryland - College Park MD

MA: Master of Arts, Government and Politics

2025

East Carolina University- Greenville NC

B.S: Political Science

Concentration: Public Admin & Policy/State & Local Government

2022

Conference and Workshop Presentations

- American Political Science Association 2026
 - “Expressive and Substantive Presidential Representation: Public Concern, Presidential Speech, and Executive Orders”
 - “Navigating Jim Crow: The Green Book and the National Infrastructure of Black Mobility” with Jim Gimpel
- Midwest Political Science Association 2026
 - “Congressional Action, Congressional Speech & The Most Important Problem”
- Midwest Political Science Association 2025
 - “Informal Constituencies: Cross-State Representation Dynamics in Split-Party Border Districts” with Ryan Bookstein
- University of Maryland American Politics Workshop 2025
 - “Informal Constituencies: Cross-State Representation Dynamics in Split-Party Border Districts’ with Ryan Bookstein

Working Papers and Submissions

“Congressional Action, Congressional Speech & The Most Important Problem”

“Expressive and Substantive Presidential Representation: Public Concern, Presidential Speech, and Executive Orders”

“Populist Rhetoric in the United States Congress: a measure of populist language”

“Informal Constituencies: Cross-State Representation Dynamics in Split-Party Border Districts” with Ryan Bookstein

“Navigating Jim Crow: The Green Book and the National Infrastructure of Black Mobility” with Jim Gimpel (*Under Review*)

Research Positions

Research Assistant University of Maryland

Dr. Breanna Gray

Fall 2023, Spring 2024

Dr. Kris Miler

Fall 2022

Teaching Experience

Instructor of Record

Taught course, created original syllabus and all course materials

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| ● GVPT170: American Government | Fall 2025 & 2026, Summer 2026 |
| ● GVPT379G: Politics and American Music | Winter 2026 |
| ● GVPT379F: Politics and Film | Summer 2025 |
| ● GVPT 379M: American Social and Protests Movements | Summer 2024 |

Teaching Assistant University of Maryland

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| ● Senator Angela Alsobrooks & Chair Dr. Antoine Banks for GVPT 368L: What's Leadership Got to Do with it? | Spring 2026 |
| ● Dr. Marty Kobren for GVPT 432: Civil Rights and the Constitution | Spring 2026 |
| ● Dr. Richard Engstrom for GVPT 170: American Government | Spring 2025 |
| ● Dr. Marty Kobren for GVPT 170: American Government | Fall 2024 |
| ● Dr. Kris Miler for GVPT 170: American Government | Spring 2023 |