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**Education**

**University of Maryland, College Park, MD**

Ph.D., Political Science, Expected May 2027

**Temple University, Philadelphia, PA**

B.A., Psychology and African American Studies with departmental honors, 2021

Distinction in African American Studies, *Cum Laude*

**GRANTS, Fellowships & Awards**

Graduate Student Summer Research Fellowship, University of Maryland, Spring 2025

National Conference of Black Political Scientists Graduate Assistantship Scholarship, Spring 2025

Goldhaber Travel Grant, Spring 2025

National Science Foundation Travel Grant, Spring 2025

National Science Foundation Graduate Research Program Fellowship, Spring 2024

Baumann’s Fellowship, Fall 2023

APSA Spring Centennial Research Grant, Spring 2023

APSA Diversity Fellowship, Spring 2023

Dean’s Research Initiative Grant, University of Maryland, Spring 2023

Ford Foundation Pre-Doctoral Fellowship, Honorable Mention, 2023

Dean’s Fellowship, College of Behavioral and Social Sciences, University of Maryland, 2022

Flagship Fellowship, College of Behavioral and Social Sciences, University of Maryland, 2022

Leadership Alliance Research Fellow, Harvard University, 2021

Shirley Du Bios Scholarship for Academic Excellence, College of Liberal Arts, Temple University, 2021

**RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Race and Ethnic Politics, Black Politics, Political Behavior, Public Opinion, Class, Political Psychology

**CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

**(\*= Invited)**

“Believe it or Not? Assessing The Believability of AI- Generated Social Media Appeals” *(coauthored)*, The National Conference of Black Political Scientists, New Orleans, LA, Spring 2025

Race Over Riches: How Racial Group Solidarity Trumps Economic Self Interest for Middle- and Upper-Class African Americans, The National Conference of Black Political Scientists, New Orleans, LA, Spring 2025

Race Over Riches: How Racial Group Solidarity Trumps Economic Self Interest for Middle and Upper-Class African Americans, The National Conference of Black Political Scientists, Los Angeles, CA, Spring, 2024\*

“Systemic Barriers to Higher Education: Examining College Admissions Processes for Applicants with Criminal Records”, Poster Presentation, Leadership Alliance National Symposium, Cambridge, MA, Summer, 2020.

**WORKING MANUSCRIPTS**

Colquhoun, Amber; Cozart Darius; Laird, Chryl; Wamble, Julian: “Believe it or Not? Assessing The Believability of AI- Generated Social Media Appeals” *(forthcoming in Fall 2025)*

Davis, Delvin; Colquhoun, Amber. “Civil Asset Forfieture Practices in Alabama” The Southern Poverty Law Center. (*forthcoming in Fall 2025)*

**SUBMITTED MANUSCRIPTS**

Colquhoun, Amber. “Race Over Riches: How Racial Solidarity Trumps Economic Self-Interest for Middle and Upper-Class African Americans” *(Submitted to Journal of Race and Ethnic Politics)*

**PUBLICATIONS**

Colquhoun, Amber; Jensen, Isabelle; Laird, Chryl. “Case Study: Racial Attitudes, Racial Appeals and Messaging” in Busby, Ethan, Karpowitz, Christopher, and Wong, Cara. Eds. *Handbook of Innovations in Political Psychology*

**RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

Research Assistant, Dr. Chryl Laird, University of Maryland, Fall 2022-Present

Teaching Assistant, Dr. Micheal Spivey, *Seminar in Public Law; First Amendment: Free Speech*, University of Maryland, Fall 2024

Policy Research Intern, The Southern Poverty Law Center, Summer 2024

Policy Research Intern, The Bail Project, New York, NY, 2021-2022

Research Assistant, Dr. Ryan Enos, Harvard University, Summer 2020

**SKILLS**

Coding: RStudio, LaTeX, STATA