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Employment

2007- Cornell University
Associate Professor, Department of Government (2014–present)
Executive Director, Roper Center for Public Opinion Research (2015–present)
Assistant Professor, Department of Government (2007–2014)
Faculty Affiliate, Cornell Center for the Study of Inequality (2007–present)
Faculty Director, Cornell Prison Education Program (2009–2010)

2011-2012 Princeton University
Visiting Scholar, Center for the Study of Democratic Politics

Education

2007 Ph.D., Political Science, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Committee: James A. Stimson (Chair), Michael B. MacKuen, George Rabinowitz, Marco Steenbergen, and Paul M. Kellstedt (Texas A&M University)

2004 M.A., Political Science, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

1998 B.A., Colorado College (*Cum Laude*)

Books

2016 Enns, Peter K. *Incarceration Nation: How the United States Became the Most Punitive Democracy in the World.* New York: Cambridge University Press.

2011 Enns, Peter K. and Christopher Wlezien, eds. *Who Gets Represented?* New York: Russell Sage Foundation.

Articles

2016 Enns, Peter K., Nathan J. Kelly, Takaaki Masaki, and Patrick C. Wohlfarth. "Don't Jettison the General Error Correction Model Just Yet: A Practical Guide to Avoiding Spurious Regression with the GECM" *Research and Politics.* 3(2): 1-16.

2015 Enns, Peter K. "Relative Policy Support and Coincidental Representation" *Perspectives on Politics.* 13(4): 1053-1064.

Enns, Peter K. "Reconsidering the Middle: A Reply to Gilens" *Perspectives on Politics.* 13(4): 1072-1074.

Enns, Peter K. and Julianna Koch. "State Policy Mood: The Importance of Over-Time Dynamics" *State Politics and Policy Quarterly* 15(4): 436-446.

2014 Enns, Peter K. "The Public's Increasing Punitiveness and Its Influence on Mass Incarceration in the United States" *The American Journal of Political Science.* 58(4): 857-872.

Enns, Peter K. Nathan J. Kelly, Jana Morgan, Thomas Volscho, and Christopher Witko. "Conditional Status Quo Bias and Top Income Shares: How U.S. Political Institutions Have Benefited the Rich" *The Journal of Politics.* 76(2): 289-303.

2013 Enns, Peter K. and Patrick Wohlfarth. "The Swing Justice" *The Journal of Politics.* 75(4): 1089-1107.

Enns, Peter K. and Julianna Koch. "Public Opinion in the U.S. States: 1956-2010" *State Politics and Policy Quarterly.* 13(3): 349-372.

Allan Saxe Award for the best paper on state and local politics presented at the 2012 Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Political Science Association.

Enns, Peter K. and Brian Richman. "Presidential Campaigns and the Fundamentals Reconsidered" (with Brian Richman) *The Journal of Politics.* 75(3): 803-820.

2012 Enns, Peter K. and Gregory E. McAvoy. "The Role of Partisanship in Aggregate Opinion" *Political Behavior.* 34(4): 627-651.

Enns, Peter K., Paul M. Kellstedt and Gregory E. McAvoy. "The Consequences of Partisanship in Economic Perceptions" *Public Opinion Quarterly.* 76(2): 287-310.

2011 Casillas, Christopher, Peter K. Enns, and Patrick Wohlfarth. "How Public Opinion Constrains the U.S. Supreme Court" *The American Journal of Political Science.* 55(1): 74-88.

2010 Kelly, Nathan J. and Peter K. Enns. "Inequality and the Dynamics of Public Opinion: The Self-Reinforcing Link Between Economic Inequality and Mass Preferences" *The American Journal of Political Science.* 54(4): 855-870.

McAvoy, Gregory E. and Peter K. Enns. "Using Approval of the President's Handling of the Economy to Understand Who Polarizes and Why" *Presidential Studies Quarterly.* 40(3): 545-558.

2008 Enns, Peter K. and Paul M. Kellstdt. "Policy Mood and Political Sophistication: Why Everybody Moves Mood" *The British Journal of Political Science.* 38(3): 433-454.

Select Chapters, Book Reviews, & Essays.

2016 Enns Peter K. and Jonathon P. Schuldt. "Did Moderates Help Elect Trump?" *The New York Times.* Nov. 16.

Enns Peter K. and Jonathon P. Schuldt. "Are There Really Hidden Trump Voters?" *The New York Times.* Nov. 7.

2015 Enns, Peter K. "Comment on: 'Support for Redistribution in an Age of Rising Inequality: New stylized facts and some tentative explanations'." *Brookings Papers on Economic Activity.* Spring 2015.

Enns, Peter K. and Delphia Shanks-Booth "The Great Recession and State Criminal Justice Policy: Do Economic Hard Times Matter?" *Russell Sage Foundation Great Recession Brief.*

Enns, Peter K. "Book Review of *White-Collar Government: The Hidden Role of Class in Economic Policy Making.*" *Congress & the Presidency.* 42(1): 116-118.

2012 Enns, Peter K. "Book Review of *Justices and Journalists: The U.S. Supreme Court and the Media.*" *Political Science Quarterly.* 127(1): 158-159.

2011 Enns, Peter K. and Christopher Wlezien. "Group Opinion and the Study of Representation." In *Who Gets Represented?* edited by Peter K. Enns and Christopher Wlezien. New York: Russell Sage Foundation.

2011 Enns, Peter K. and Christopher Wlezien. "Part I: Group Opinions Introduction," "Part II: Policy Representation Introduction," and "Final Thoughts on Who Gets Represented" In *Who Gets Represented?* edited by Peter K. Enns and Christopher Wlezien. New York: Russell Sage Foundation.

2008 Enns, Peter K. "Book Review of *Polarized America: The Dance of Ideology and Unequal Riches.*" *Political Science Quarterly.* 123(4): 687-689.

Select Grants

2016-2017 Russell Sage Foundation, "Rising Inequality and the Congressional Economic Agenda." (with Nate Kelly, Jana Morgan, and Chris Witko). $70,000.

2015-2018 Cornell University Institute for the Social Sciences Theme Project, "The Causes, Consequences, and Future of Mass Incarceration in the United States." (with Maria Fitzpatrick, Anna Haskins, Julilly Kohler-Hausmann, and Chris Wildeman). $150,000.

2013-2016 Russell Sage Foundation, "Campaign Funding, Political Rhetoric, and the Public (Non)Response to Rising Inequality." (with Nate Kelly, Jana Morgan, and Chris Witko). $192,163.

2012-2013 Cornell Digital Collections, "Local Newspapers and Political Rhetoric." $10,000.

2012-2013 Houston I. Flournoy Research Grant, "Time Series Analysis and Spurious Regression: An Error Correction." $3,000.

2010-2013 'Sunshine Lady Foundation, "Cornell Prison Education Program" (with Jim Schechter). $175,000 per year.

2010 LaFeber Research Grant, "Public Opinion in the U.S. States." $1,120.

2010 Houston I. Flournoy Research Grant, "Public Opinion in the U.S. States." $3,000.

2009-2010 Mellon Foundation, "Brett De Bary Inter-disciplinary Writing Group." (with 8 other faculty and graduate students). $8,000.

2008 Cornell Institute for the Social Sciences, "The Relationship between Political Preferences and Consumer Behavior." (with Chris Anderson). $3,000.

2008 Russell Sage Foundation, "The Relationship between Public Opinion and Inequality in the United States." (with Chris Wlezien). $28,000.

2007 Cornell Institute for the Social Sciences, "Homogeneity and Heterogeneity in Public Opinion." (with Chris Wlezien). $5,000.

2006-2007 National Science Foundation Dissertation Improvement Grant, "The Uniform Nature of Mass Opinion."

Honors and Awards

2012 Allan Saxe Best Paper Award for "Public Opinion in the U.S. States: 1956–2009". Awarded for the best paper on state and local politics presented at the 2012 Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Political Science Association.

2011-2012 Fellow, Princeton University's Center for the Study of Democratic Politics, 2011–2012.

2009-2012 Faculty Fellow, Cornell Institute for the Social Sciences, Project on Judgment, Decision Making, and Social Behavior, 2009–2012.

2007 Best Paper Award for "The Micro Foundations of Presidential Approval". Awarded for the best paper presented on an Elections, Public Opinion, and Voting Behavior panel at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association.

2007 James W. Prothro Award for outstanding research by a graduate student, UNC Department of Political Science.

2006 James W. Prothro Best Paper Award for "The Uniform Nature of Opinion Change". Awarded for the best graduate student paper at the 2006 Annual Meeting of the Southern Association for Public Opinion Research.

2004 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Scholar, U.S. Department of Education.

2003 Chapel Hill Village Pride Award. Awarded in recognition of a personal example of outstanding community and professional service and achievement.

Invited Presentations

Bucknell University, SUNY Oneonta, London School of Economics, Southampton University, Manchester University, Hunter College, University of Binghamton, Brookings Institute, New York University, University of Pittsburgh, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, SUNY Geneseo, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Stony Brook University, Syracuse University, McGill University, Russell Sage Foundation, George Washington University, New York Area Political Psychology Meeting, Princeton University (Crime and Punishment Workshop), Temple University, Princeton University (Center for the Study of Democratic Politics), Columbia University (Population Research Center), University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, University of Binghamton, Texas A&M University, Centro de Ivestigación y Docencia Económicas (Mexico City)

Selected Teaching

Taking America's Pulse: Creating and Conducting a National Survey (Undergraduate, Cornell University).

The Politics of Unequal Education (Undergraduate, Cornell University and Auburn Correctional Facility).

Campaigns and Elections (Undergraduate, Cornell University).

Public Opinion and Representation (Undergraduate, Cornell University).

Advanced Regression Analysis (Graduate, Cornell University).

Public Opinion (Graduate, Cornell University).

College Teach: How to be an Effective Classroom Instructor (Graduate, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill)

Analyzing Public Opinion (Undergraduate, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill)

State and Local Politics (Undergraduate, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill)

Spanish I & II (High School, Baltimore, MD, Teach For America)

Professional Service

Chair: Nominations Committee for the Southern Political Science Association (2016).

Chair: Pi Sigma Alpha Award Committee for the best paper presented at the 2016 annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association (2016).

Member: Best Paper Award Committee for the APSA Organized Section on Class and Inequality (2015).

Presenter: Access to College Education Program (2015).

Member: Philip E. Converse Book Award Committee for the APSA Organized Section on Elections, Public Opinion, and Voting Behavior (2014).

Chair: Best Paper Awards Committee for the APSA Organized Section on Elections, Public Opinion, and Voting Behavior (2009–2010).

Editorial Board: *Journal of Politics* (2013-2014).

Article Editor: *SAGE Open* (2013).

Reviewer: *African Journal of Political Science and International Relations*, *American Journal of Criminal Justice*, *American Journal of Political Science*, *American Political Science Review*, *American Politics Research*, *American Sociological Review*, *British Journal of Political Science*, *Congress and the Presidency*, CQ Press, *Crime, Law and Social Change*, *Cross-Cultural Research*, *Electoral Studies*, *European Sociological Review*, *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion and Parties*, *Journal of Empirical Legal Studies*, *Journal of Homosexuality*, *Journal of Law and Courts*, *Journal of Politics*, *Journal of Public Policy*, *Journal of Quantitative Criminology*, *Justice Quarterly*, *Law & Social Inquiry*, *Law and Society Review*, *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, Marsden Fund, National Science Foundation, *Perspectives on Politics*, *Political Behavior*, *Political Research Quarterly*, *Political Science Research adn Methods*, *Political Studies*, *Politics, Groups, and Identities*, *Policy Studies Journal*, *Presidential Studies Quarterly*, *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, *Public Choice*, *Public Opinion Quarterly*, *Research and Politics*, Russell Sage Foundation, Springer Books, *State Politics and Policy Quarterly*, *Social Science Journal*, *Social Science Quarterly*, Time-sharing Experiments for the Social Sciences (TESS).

Member: American Political Science Association (Political Methodology and Elections, Public Opinion, and Voting Behavior Sections), Midwest Political Science Association, American Association for Public Opinion Research.

Conference Chair, Discussant, and/or Panelist: American Political Science Association, Midwest Political Science Association, Southern Association for Public Opinion Research, Southern Political Science Association, Southwestern Political Science Association, Western Political Science Association

Cornell University Service

2016-	Provost's Data Science Task Force
2015-	Organizing Committee, Behavioral Economics and Decision Research Seminar
2015-2016	Board Member, Center for Teaching Excellence
2014-	Member, Computational Social Science Committee
2014-	Member, Institute for Social Sciences Faculty Advisory Committee
2014-2015	Faculty Adviser, Cornell Prison Reform and Education Project
2014	Discussion Leader, New Student Reading Project
2013-2014	Member, College of Arts & Sciences Admissions Committee
2013-2014	Member, "The Science in Society Review" Faculty Review Board
2013-2016	House Fellow, The Flora Rose House
2012-	Member, Cornell Survey Research Institute Advisory Committee
2009-2010	Faculty Director, Cornell Prison Education Program
2013	Member, Executive Director Search Committee, Cornell Prison Education Program
2008-2015	Member, Cornell Prison Education Program Advisory Board
2010	Member, Cornell Child Care Center Ad Hoc Committee

Presentations For: China Town Hall (April 2008), Political Economy Research Colloquium (April 2008), Cornell Summer College (June 2008), Sunday Forum with Tommy Bruce (November 2008), Conference on Candidates in Constituency Campaigns (October 2009), Center for Teaching Excellence, Teaching with Technology Series (February 2010), Judgement, Decision Making and Social Behavior Workshop (November 2010), PSAC Seminar (December 2010), Prefreshman Summer Program (July 2012), Rose House Presidential Debate Forum (October 2012), Becker/Rose Café Series (September 2013), Center for the Study of Inequality (October 2014), Center for Teaching Excellence (January 2015), Charter Day Panel on the American Dream (April 2015), Artificial Intelligence Seminar, Computer Science (December 2015), Center for Teaching Excellence (January 2016), Parents Committee Panel (March 2016), Explore Series (August 2016), Chats in the Stacks (September 2016), Orange is the New Black, Guest Lecture (September 2016)

Select Cornell Government Department Service

Latino Politics Search Committee (2014–2015)

Third Year Graduate Student Colloquium (2012–2014)

Coordinator of Department "PSAC" Speaker Series (2012–2014)

Diversity Recruitment Task Force (2012–2014)

Graduate Studies Committee (2010–2011)

American Politics Search Committee (2008–2009, 2014–2015)

Undergraduate Studies Committee (2007–2008)

American Politics Qualifying Exam Committee (Spring 2008, Spring 2010, Fall 2010, Fall 2012, Spring 2014, Fall 2016)

Quantitative Methods Qualifying Exam Committee (Spring 2008, Summer 2011, Summer 2012, Spring 2015)

Dissertation Committee: Michael Miller (Barnard College), Chris Casillas (Cline Law & Associates), Deondra Rose (Duke University, Sanford School of Public Policy), Julianna Koch (Nielsen), Danielle Thomsen (Syracuse University), Mallory SoRelle (Lafayette College), Takaaki Masaki (Postdoctoral Fellow, College of William & Mary), Aleksandar Matovski (Postdoctoral Fellow, Harvard University), Christopher Cairns, Catherine Reyes-Housholder, Sarah Maxey, Hoa Duong

Dissertation Reader: Sophia Wallace

Quantitative Methods Course of Study Committee: Michael Miller, Aleksandar Matovski, Joseph Florence, Takaaki Masaki, Svetlana Kosterina, Delphia Shanks (Chair), David De Micheli (Chair), Katherine Welch

Undergraduate Honors Thesis Advisor (2007, 2008, 2010, 2012, 2013, 2015)

Undergraduate Honors Thesis Committee (Psychology 2010, College Scholars 2012, Policy Analysis and Management 2014)