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CURRENT POSITION

Jean Monnet Fellow

September 2017 - present

Robert Schuman Centre for Advanced Studies at the European University Institute: Florence (Italy)

Research Project: "Politicizing Perceptions: The Power of Parties, Elites, and Mass Media in Shaping Citizens' Support for the EU"

Co-Director

September 2015 – present

Center for Research and Social Progress (CeRSP)

Ponte dell'Olio (Italy)

EDUCATION

Indiana University *Doctor of Philosophy:* Dept of Political Science. Bloomington, IN (USA); June 2005

- *Comparative Politics:* Political Behavior, Political Communication, Public Opinion, the EU
- *Methodology:* Quantitative Methods, Survey Methodology, Behavioral Modeling, MLE, Econometrics
- *Dissertation:* "The Mediated Transition: Mass Media and Political Socialization in Central and Eastern Europe" *Committee:* R. Rohrschneider (chair), R. Huckfeldt, H. Hale, O. Johnson

University of Memphis *Master of Arts:* Dept of Political Science. Memphis, TN (USA); June 2000

Rhodes College *Secondary Teaching Certification:* Mathematics. Memphis, TN (USA); May 1995

Auburn University *Bachelor of Science:* Business Admin.: Marketing. Auburn, AL (USA); May 1993

Italian National Scientific Qualification (ASN: *Associate Professor:* Political Science (14/A2: April 2017)

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RESEARCH

Peer-Reviewed Publications

- Simpson, Kathryn and Matthew Loveless. 2016. "Another Chance?: Concerns about Inequality and Support for both the European Union and Further Integration" *Journal of European Public Policy* DOI: 10.1080/13501763.2016.1170872
- Loveless, Matthew. 2016. "Inequality and Support for Political Engagement in New Democracies" *Europe-Asia Studies* 68(6): 1003-1019. DOI: 10.1080/09668136.2016.1203865
- Binelli, Chiara and Matthew Loveless. 2016. "The Urban-Rural Divide: Perceptions of Income and Social Inequality in Central and Eastern Europe" *The Economics of Transition* 24(2): 211-231. DOI: 10.1111/ecot.12087
- Loveless, Matthew. 2015. "Institutions and Media Use in Democratizing Countries: The Czech-Slovak Case as a Quasi-Experiment" *International Journal of Communication* 9(21): 2601-2621.
- Binelli, Chiara, Matthew Loveless, and Stephen Whitefield. 2015. "What Is Social Inequality and Why Does it Matter? Evidence from Central and Eastern Europe" *World Development* 70: 239-248. DOI: 10.1016/j.worlddev.2015.02.007
- Jebril, Nael, Matthew Loveless, and Václav Štětka. 2015. "Media and Democratisation: Challenges for an Emerging Sub-field" *Media Studies* 6(11): 84-98.
- Loveless, Matthew. 2015. "Contextualizing Media Behavior: Media Environments and Individuals' Media Use in the European Union" *Central European Journal of Communication* 8(1:14):112-131.
- Loveless, Matthew. 2013. "The Deterioration of Democratic Political Culture: Consequences of the Perception of Inequality" *Social Justice Research* 26(4): 471-491. DOI: 10.1007/s11211-013-0198-7
- Whitefield, Stephen and Matthew Loveless. 2013. "Social Inequality and Assessments of Democracy and the Market: Evidence from Central and Eastern Europe" *Europe-Asia Studies* 65(1): 26-44. DOI: 10.1080/09668136.2012.734588
- Loveless, Matthew and Stephen Whitefield. 2011. "Being Unequal and Seeing Inequality: Explaining the Political Significance of Social Inequality in New Market Democracies" *European Journal of Political Research* 50:239-266. DOI: 10.1111/j.1475-6765.2010.01929.x
- Loveless, Matthew. 2010. "Understanding Media Socialization in Democratizing Countries: Mobilization and Malaise in Central and Eastern Europe" *Comparative Politics* 42(4): 457-474. DOI: 10.5129/001041510X12911363510114
- Rohrschneider, Robert and Matthew Loveless. 2010. "Macro-Salience: How Economic and Political Contexts Mediate Popular Evaluations of the Democracy Deficit in the European Union" *Journal of Politics* 72(4):1029-45. DOI: 10.1017/s0022381610000514

- Loveless, Matthew. 2010. "Agreeing in Principle: Perceptions of Social Inequality and Support for the European Union in Central and Eastern Europe" *Journal of Common Market Studies* 48(4): 1085-1108. DOI: 10.1111/j.1468-5965.2010.02088.x
- Loveless, Matthew. 2009. "The Theory of International Media Diffusion: Political Socialization and International Media in Transitional Democracies" *Studies in Comparative International Development* 44(2): 118-36. DOI: 10.1007/s12116-009-9041-4
- Loveless, Matthew. 2008. "Media Dependency: Mass Media as Sources of Information in Democratizing Countries" *Democratization* 15(1):162-183. DOI: 10.1080/13510340701770030
- Whitefield, S., M. A. Vachudova, M. Steenbergen, R. Rohrschneider, G. Marks, M. Loveless, and L. Hooghe. 2006. "Do Expert Surveys Produce Consistent Estimates of Party Stances on European Integration? Comparing Expert Surveys in the Difficult Case of Central and Eastern Europe" *Electoral Studies* 26(1):50-61. DOI: 10.1016/j.electstud.2006.04.006

Invited Peer-Reviewed Publications

- Jebril, Nael and Matthew Loveless. 2017. "Media audiences and media consumption during political transitions: The case of Egypt" *Interactions: Studies in Communication & Culture* 8(2-3): 151-68.
- Binelli, Chiara and Matthew Loveless. 2013. "Looking at Inequality" *Economic Review* 30(4): 12-15.
- Jebril, Nael, Václav Štětka, and Matthew Loveless. 2013. What is known about the Role of Mass Media in Transitions to Democracy? Reuters Institute; University of Oxford (UK).
- Loveless, Matthew and Robert Rohrschneider, 2011. "Public Perceptions of the EU as a System of Governance", *Living Reviews in European Governance* 3(1). www.livingreviews.org/lreg-2011-2

Book Chapters

- Loveless, Matthew. 2016. "How Individuals' Perceptions of Inequality May Affect Their Perceptions of Corruption: A Challenge to New Democracies" in John A. Bishop and Juan Gabriel Rodríguez (eds.) Inequality after the 20th Century: Papers from the Sixth ECINEQ Meeting: Research on Economic Inequality Series (Volume 24). Emerald Group Publishing Ltd, London. pp.247-270.
- Loveless, Matthew. 2012. "Civic Resources for European Democracy in Central and Eastern Europe" in V. Kaina and I. P. Karolewski (eds.) Europe's Blues and Europe's Future: Civic Resources for a European Union in Trouble. Routledge, London. pp. 105-124.
- Whitefield, Stephen, Matthew Loveless, and Chiara Binelli. 2012. "Social Inequality: Its Character, How it is Perceived, and the Implications of its Perception for Social and Political Stability" in I.I. Eliseeva *et al.* (eds.), Социальное неравенство. [Social Inequality in Post-socialist Countries], Nestor Historia: Moscow. pp. 15-32.
- Rohrschneider, Robert and Matthew Loveless. 2007 "The Democracy Deficit and the Enlarged European Union" in M. Marsh, S. Mikhaylov and H. Schmitt (eds.) European Elections after Eastern Enlargement: Preliminary Results from the European Election Study 2004. The CONNEX Report Series No 1. Mannheim: Mannheim Centre for European Social Research (MZES), Germany. pp. 527-559.
- Loveless, Matthew and Robert Rohrschneider. 2006. "Attitudes toward European Integration and NATO in Hungary, Bulgaria, and Ukraine" in Public Opinion, Party Competition and the European Union in Post-Communist Europe. R. Rohrschneider and S. Whitefield (eds.). Palgrave. London. pp. 203-216.
- Loveless, Matthew. 2004. "Public Opinion Surveys in Hungary" in Public Opinion and Polling around the World. John Geer (ed.). ABC-CLIO. California. pp. 602-610.

Under Review & Working Papers

- 'Perceptions of National-level Income Inequality: the UK & the US (w C. Binelli)
 - **CeRSP Working Papers Series: WP15/01**
- 'Future Insecurity and Satisfaction with Democracy' (w C. Binelli)
 - **CeRSP Working Papers Series: WP17/01**
- "The 2008-2013 Economic Crisis in Europe: Right Wing Party Competition (w J. Downes)
 - **EU Academic Programme (EUAP) [Working Paper](#)**
- 'Early Election Calling and Citizens' Satisfaction with Democracy' (w E. Morgan-Jones)
- 'The Emergence of Democratic Values: Evidence from Central and Eastern Europe' (w M. Placek)
- 'Democratic Tolerance in the Context of Weak In-Group Identity' (w C. Devellennes)

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

- Loveless, Matthew and Chiara Binelli. "Misperceptions of Macro-Economic Context: The Case of Income Inequality in the United States and the United Kingdom" to be presented at the Mid-West Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL (USA) 5-8 April 2018.
- Loveless, Matthew. "Politicizing Perceptions: The Power of Parties, Elites, and Mass Media in Shaping Citizens' Support for the European Union" to be presented at the Mid-West Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL (USA) 5-8 April 2018.
- Morgan-Jones, Edward and Matthew Loveless. "Constitutional Rules and Citizen Evaluations: Do constitutional rules governing early election calling shape perceptions of democratic quality?" to be presented at the 2017 European Political Science Association Annual Conference: Milan (Italy): 22-24 June 2017.
- Loveless, Matthew and Chiara Binelli. "Expectations of Future Economic Security and National System Support: Evidence from Italy" presented at the Midwest Political Science Annual Conference. Chicago, IL (USA): 6-9 April 2017.
- Morgan-Jones, Edward and Matthew Loveless. "Constitutional Rules and Citizen Evaluations: Do constitutional rules governing early election calling shape perceptions of democratic quality?" presented at the Midwest Political Science Annual Conference. Chicago, IL (USA): 6-9 April 2017.
- Downes, James and Matthew Loveless. "Extreme Right-Wing and Center Right Party Competition on the Saliency of Immigration: Evidence from the 2008-2013 Economic Crisis in Europe" presented at the Midwest Political Science Annual Conference. Chicago, IL (USA): 6-9 April 2017.
- Morgan-Jones, Edward and Mathew Loveless. "Constitutional Rules and Citizen Evaluations: Do constitutional rules governing early election calling shape perceptions of democratic quality?" Elections, Public Opinion and Parties (EPOP) 2016 Annual Conference. University of Kent (UK): 9-11 Sept 2016.
- Jebri, Nael and Matthew Loveless. "Media Audiences and Individual Media Consumption during Political Transitions: The Case of Egypt" presented at the workshop "Everyday Politics and Social Media" held at University College London (UK): 21 April 2016
- Loveless, Matthew, Stephen Whitefield, and James Downes. "Left, Right, and Center: Party Appeals and Performance in Europe at the Onset of the 2008 Economic Crisis." Paper presented at the Department of Developmental, Personality and Social Psychology, University of Ghent Political Psychology Workshop (Belgium): 10-11 June 2015.
- Loveless, Matthew, Stephen Whitefield, and James Downes. "Left, Right, and Center: Inequality, Nationalism, and Party Performance in Europe" Midwest Political Science Annual Conference. Chicago, IL (USA): 16-19 April 2015.
- Jebri, Nael and Matthew Loveless. "New Media Audiences in Egypt: Individual Media Consumption after the Arab Spring" Social Media and Social Movements, St. Petersburg (Russia): 18-19 September 2014.
- Jebri, Nael, Matthew Loveless, and Václav Štětka. "Media and Democratization: Challenges for an Emerging Sub-field" *Complex Evolutions: Media and Democratization in Contemporary Asia*; St Antony's College, University of Oxford (UK): 5-6 Sept 2014.
- Loveless, Matthew, "Beliefs about Inequality: A Micro-model of Inequality and Political Participation" European Consortium for Political Research General Conference: Glasgow (UK): 3-6 Sept 2014.
- Loveless, Matthew, and Stephen Whitefield. "Left, Right, and Center: Inequality, Nationalism, and Party Performance in Europe" American Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Washington, DC (USA): 28-31 Aug 2014.
- Devellennes, Charles and Matthew Loveless, "Are Atheists (the non-religious) More Politically Tolerant than the Religious?" FLACSO-ISA Joint International Conference, Buenos Aires (Argentina): 24 July 2014.
- Jebri, Nael and Matthew Loveless "Individual Media Consumption and Political Transition: Evidence from Egypt" presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL (USA): 3 -6 April 2014.
- Loveless, Matthew. "Perceptions versus Reality: A Micro-model of Inequality and Political Engagement" presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL (USA): 3 -6 April 2014.
- Binelli, Chiara, Matthew Loveless and Stephen Whitefield. "What is Social Inequality and Why Does it Matter?" presented the American Economic Association: Philadelphia, PA (USA), January 2014.
- Binelli, Chiara, Matthew Loveless and Stephen Whitefield. "What is Social Inequality and Why Does it Matter?" presented at the ECPR General Conference: Bordeaux (France): 4-7 Sept 2013.

- Binelli, Chiara, Matthew Loveless and Stephen Whitefield. "Rethinking Social Inequality and Why it Matters" presented at the Fifth meeting of the Society for the Study of Economic Inequality (ECINEQ); Bari (Italy), 22-24 July 2013.
- Simpson, Kathryn and Matthew Loveless "Creating a New Class of 'Losers': Inequality in the European Union" presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL (USA): 11-14 April 2013.
- Whitefield, Stephen, Matthew Loveless, and Chiara Binelli. "What is Social Inequality and Why Does it Matter?" Hurricane Isaac prevented us from presenting it at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting. New Orleans, LA (USA): 30 Aug – 2 Sept 2012.
- Placek, Matthew and Matthew Loveless. "Political Socialization and the Emergence of Democratic Values: Evidence from Central and Eastern Europe" presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL (USA): 12-15 April 2012.
- Binelli, Chiara and Matthew Loveless. "Location and Individuals' Perceptions of Inequality: The Perspective of Perception" presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL (USA): 31 March –3 April 2011.
- Loveless, Matthew and Stephen Whitefield. "Corruption in Central and Eastern Europe: Perceptions, Inequality, and Legitimacy" presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL (USA): 31 March-3 April 2011.
- Loveless, Matthew. "Contextualizing Media Use: Media Institutions and Individuals' Engagement with Politics in Europe" presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL (USA):22-25 April 2010.
- Loveless, Matthew. "Civic Resources for European Democracy in Central and Eastern Europe" presented at the Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA (USA): 7-9 January 2010.
- Binelli, Chiara and Matthew Loveless. "Location and Individuals' Perceptions of Inequality: The Perspective of Perception" presented at the Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Atlanta, GA (USA): 7-9 Jan 2010.
- Evans, Geoffrey and Matthew Loveless. "Socially Structured Inequality and Ideological Polarization in Post-Communist Societies" presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Toronto (Canada): 3-6 Sept 2009.
- EUREQUAL* Roundtable and Conference, Multiple papers. University of (Oxford UK): 26-27 June 2009.
- Loveless, Matthew. "The Political Consequences of Social Inequality: Central and Eastern Europe" presented at the International Sociological Association, Research Committee on Social Stratification and Mobility (RC28) Annual Meeting. Beijing (China): May 14-16, 2009.
- Loveless, Matthew. "The Political Consequences of Social Inequality: Democratic Legitimation and Central and Eastern Europe" presented at the Midwest Political Science Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL (USA): 2-5 April 2009.
- Whitefield, Stephen and Matthew Loveless. "Social Inequality, Social Distance, and Social Conflict" presented at the Midwest Political Science Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL (USA): 2-5 April 2009.
- Whitefield, Stephen and Matthew Loveless. "Social Inequality, Social Distance and Social Conflict in Central and Eastern Europe" CEELBAS: "Society, Culture and Politics of Eastern Europe" St. Antony's College, The University of Oxford (UK): 12-13 December 2008.
- Evans, Geoffrey and Matthew Loveless. "The Changing Social Bases of Democratic Attitudes in Central and Eastern Europe" presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Boston, MA (USA): 28-31 August 2008.
- Loveless, Matthew and Stephen Whitefield. "Economic Experience and Perceptions of Social Inequality in Central and Eastern Europe" CEELBAS: "Changing Dimensions of Social Inequality in Russia and Eastern Europe" St. Antony's College, The University of Oxford (UK): 30 May 2008.
- Loveless, Matthew and Stephen Whitefield. "Being Unequal and Seeing Inequality: Perceptions of Social Inequality in Central and Eastern Europe" presented at Midwest Political Science Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL (USA): 3-6 April 2008.
- Loveless, Matthew. "Citizens' Strategic Media Use in Democratizing Countries: Determinants and Implications" presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL (USA): 30 Aug-2 Sept 2007.
- Rohrschneider, Robert and Matthew Loveless. "Shifting Focus: A Multi-level Model of the Democracy Deficit in the EU" presented at the Midwest Political Science Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL (USA): 12-15 April 2007.
- Loveless, Matthew. "A Multi-Level Model of Strategic Media Use in Democratizing Countries" presented at the Midwest Political Science Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL (USA): 12-15 April 2007.

Rohrschneider, Robert and Matthew Loveless. "The Democratic Deficit and the Enlarged European Union" presented at the European Elections Studies conference. Lisbon (Portugal): 11-14 May 2006.

Loveless, Matthew. "Non-Western Media Theory: Evidence from Central and Eastern Europe" presented at the Midwest Political Science Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL (USA): 20-23 April 2006.

Loveless, Matthew. Panel participation (with Dr. A. Wüst, PD Dr. H. Schmitt, & D. Lederle) "Parties in European Parliament Elections: Issues, Framing, the EU, and the Question of Supply and Demand" at the European Election Study 2004 Conference in Budapest (Hungary): 20-22 May 2005.

Loveless, Matthew. "The Diffusion Hypothesis: Exporting Democratic Values via International Media" presented at the Midwest Political Science Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL (USA): 7-10 April 2005.

Loveless, Matthew. "The High-Low Content Debate in Democratizing Countries: Central and Eastern Europe and the Development of Democratic Political Attitudes" presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL (USA): 2-5 September 2004.

Loveless, Matthew and Robert Rohrschneider. "Attitudes toward European Integration in Central and Eastern Europe: An Experiential Argument" presented at the EU Conference, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN (USA): 1-3 April 2004

Loveless, Matthew and T.K. Ahn. "Game Theory and Democratic Transitions: Modeling and Theoretic Re-considerations of Przeworski's Democracy and the Market" presented at the Southern Political Science Association Conference: New Orleans, LA (USA): 7-10 January 2004.

Loveless, Matthew. "Networks and Social Capital and Eastern Europe" presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Conference: Chicago IL (USA): 25-28 April 2002.

Loveless, Matthew. "Satisfaction with Democracy: Disparity among Constituencies" presented at the Southern Political Science Association Annual Conference: Atlanta, GA (USA): 7-10 Nov. 2001.

Galbreath, David and Matthew Loveless. "China in the Next Century: A Nation of Voters or Consumers" presented at the Southwest Political Science Association Conference: Galveston, TX (USA): 15-18 March 2000.

INVITED & PUBLIC LECTURES

Blog: *European Politics and Policy (EUROPP)* hosted at the London School of Economics: "Do centre-right parties win back votes from the far right by talking about immigration?" 3 January 2018 ([here](#))

Blog: www.parliamentstreet.org: "Beyond the Far Right?" 21 November 2017. ([here](#))

Blog: <http://www.democraticaudit.com/>: "Do centre-right parties win back votes from the far right by talking about immigration?" 27 November 2017 ([here](#))

Research featured on *National Public Radio's Academic Minute*. 24 October 2017. ([listen here](#))

Loveless, Matthew. 2017. "Politicizing Perceptions: The Power of Parties, Elites and Mass Media in Shaping Citizens' Support for the EU" Schuman Centre Seminar Series: A Europe in Flux: Populism, Perspectives and Perceptions, European University Institute. 22 November.

Loveless, Matthew. 2017. "Getting it Right': Perceptions of Inequality in the US and the UK" 24 October: European University Institute, School of Political Science

Loveless, Matthew and Chiara Binelli. "Misperceptions of Macro-Economic Context: Income Inequality in the United States and the United Kingdom" invited lecture at the Department of Economics, University of Milan-Bicocca. 10 October 2017.

Loveless, Matthew, "Voting Behavior and Perceptions of Macro-economic Context" invited lecture at the Scuola di Economia e Scienze Politiche, University of Padova (Italy). 10 May 2017.

Invited Keynote speaker for "25 Years After: The Challenges of Building the Post-Communist Media and Communications Industries". New York University – Prague (Czech Republic): 20-22 Nov 2014.

Loveless, Matthew. "Perceptions vs. Reality: A Micro-Model of Inequality and Political Engagement" invited lecture at Department of Social Psychology, University of Kent (UK): 5 November 2013.

Loveless, Matthew. "What is Social Inequality and Why Does it Matter?" invited lecture at University of Sheffield (UK): 19 October 2013.

Interviewed for "Socioeconomic and Sociocultural Trends in Europe Towards 2020-2025" (PI: Jean-François Doulet, University of Paris), expert interview: Renault Consumer Knowledge Department (France): February 2013.

Loveless, Matthew. "Contextualizing Media Use: Media Environments and Individuals' Media Use" invited lecture for the Reuters Institute for the Study of Journalism at the University of Oxford (UK): 12 November 2012

Loveless, Matthew. "The Perception of Corruption in New Democracies: The Role of Inequality" invited lecture at the University of Southampton (UK): 9 May 2012.

Loveless, Matthew. "Contextualizing Media Use: Media Environments and Individuals' Media Use" invited lecture at Trinity College, Dublin (Ireland). 30 September 2011.

One of two keynote speakers: 'EU: Can the East Rule the Continent? Perspectives on the Hungarian and Polish Presidencies of EU', sponsored by Visions of Europe: University of Kent (UK): 28 Feb 2011.

Loveless, Matthew and Chiara Binelli. "Disuguaglianza Sociale e di Reddito: Un Nuovo Concetto di Povertà Relativa [*Social and Income Inequality: A New Concept of Relative Poverty*]" invited lecture: Amnesty International: Piacenza (Italy): 29 May 2010.

Speaker on panel for the 20th anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall. Croft Institute. The University of Mississippi (USA): 20 November 2009.

Whitefield, Stephen, Matthew Loveless, and Chiara Binelli. "Social Inequality in Central and Eastern Europe" ELSA Seminar Series: Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD). Paris (France): 15 Sept 2009.

Loveless, Matthew and Chiara Binelli. "What is Social Inequality?" invited lecture at Roanoke College, Salem, VA (USA): 9 April 2009.

Loveless, Matthew. "Perceptions of Social Inequality in Central and Eastern Europe" Invited Lecture at the Department of Politics and International Relations at the University of Aberdeen (UK): 30 April 2008.

SERVICE TO THE DISCIPLINE

- Member of the *American Political Science Association* (APSA) ; the *MidWest Political Science Association* (MPSA); and the *Italian Society of Political Science* (SISP)
- Robert Schuman Centre of Advanced Studies (European University institute): Member of the European Governance and Politics Programme (EGPP)
- Service within *School of Politics and IR (Kent)*: Director of the ESRC Doctoral Training Centre Research Design Workshops and Seminars; Director of Learning Resources; Deputy Director of Graduate Studies; Senior Academic Adviser; and Chair of Disciplinary Committee
- Guest Editor of *Interactions: Studies in Communication and Culture: Societies in Flux: Media, Democratisation, and Political Socialization* Issue 8.3 (with N. Jebril and J. Matthews). Publication in November 2017.
- Developed and began a new MSc Program: *Political Psychology*. The University of Kent, UK. 2015/6.
- British Election Study Content Contribution for 2014 Module: Perceptions of Income Inequality (w/ C. Binelli).
- Organized and participated in "Workshop in Political Psychology": (w A. Cichocka, School of Psychology); University of Kent Canterbury (UK): 8 May 2014.
- Organized session (4 panels): "Political (Dis)Engagement: Inequality as a Challenge to Democracy" for the European Consortium for Political Research General Conference (with Sonja Zmerli): Glasgow (UK): 3-6 Sept 2014.
- Organized panel: "Dismantling Democracy: The Challenge of Inequality to Political Engagement" for the European Consortium for Political Research General Conference (with Sonja Zmerli): Bordeaux (France): 4-7 Sept 2013.
- Completed Applied Multilevel Modelling – National Centre of Research Methods (NCRM) and Courses in Applied Social Statistics (CASS): University of Southampton, 23-25 January 2013.
- *Research Fellow*: The Rimini Centre for Economic Analysis (Rimini, Italy)
- Associate Editor of *Social Justice Research*: 2016 – present;
- Large Project Reviewer for the Economic and Social Research Council (UK); the Polish National Science Centre; the Czech Republic Science Foundation
- Reviewer for *American Political Science Review*, *Journal of Politics*, *Comparative Political Studies*, *American Journal of Political Science*, *Journal of Comparative Politics*, *Political Behavior*, *Political Studies*, *Political Research Quarterly*, *European Journal of Political Research*, *Europe-Asia Studies*, *Electoral Studies*, *European Sociological Review*, *International Journal of Press/Politics* *International Interactions*, *European Union Politics*, *the Journal of Elections*, *Public Opinion & Parties*, *Journal of European Integration*, *Acta Politica*, *International Journal of Communications*, *Central European Journal of Communication*; *Journal of Common Market Studies*; *Rivista Italiana di Scienza Politica*; Books: *Oxford University Press*; *Austrian Academy of Sciences*
- Integrated both the [European Election Studies 2004](#) & the [EUREQUAL](#) datasets and devised codebooks
- Main Advisor: MPhil (University of Oxford), MA and PhD (University of Kent)

- PhD Students seen to completion: Univ. of Mississippi (Placek); University of Kent (Simpson)

TEACHING

For Undergraduate students:

- Introduction to Political Science/Comparative Politics
- West/East European Politics (the European Union)
- Quantitative Methods in Political Science
- Democracy and Democratization
- Media and Politics

For Graduate students:

- Comparative Political Behavior
- Political Communication
- Advanced Industrial Democracies
- Quantitative Methodology
- Political Psychology
- The Scientific Method in Social Sciences

PREVIOUS PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

*Associate Professor in
Comparative Politics*

Jan 2011 – July 2015

The University of Kent: School of Politics and International Relations:
Canterbury (UK)

- *Teaching:* (UG) Political Research and Analysis; Intro to Political Science; CEE Politics; (Grad.) Quantitative Methods; Comparative Political Behavior

Visiting Research Fellow
Oct – Dec 2012

University of Oxford. St. Antony's College: Oxford (UK)

- Media and Democracy in Central and Eastern Europe (ERC grant)

Assistant Professor
Aug 2009 – Dec 2010

The University of Mississippi. Department of Political Science: Oxford, MS (USA)

- Joint appointment with the *Croft Institute of International Studies*
- *Taught:* (UG): Research Methods for International Governance; Introduction to European Studies; (Grad.): Comparative Political Behavior, Political Communication

Nuffield Fellow
June 2007-July 2009

University of Oxford: Dept of Politics & International Relations: Oxford (UK)

- *Researcher* - EUREQUAL: Social Inequality in Central and Eastern Europe
- *Post-Doctoral Research Fellow* – Nuffield College
- *Research Associate* - Reuters Institute for the Study of Journalism
- *Taught:* (Grad.): Applied Statistics for Social Scientists; Research Design in Comparative Political Science; and Research Design Workshops.

Visiting Professor
Aug 2006-May 2007

Georgetown University: *Edmund A Walsh School of Foreign Service:*
Washington, D.C. (USA)

- *Taught:* (UG & Grad): Quantitative Methods for International Politics

Adjunct Faculty
Summer 2006

George Washington University. *Elliott School of International Affairs:*
Washington, D.C. (USA)

- *Taught:* (UG) European Union Enlargement

Scholar in Residence
Summer 2006

Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars: Washington, D.C. (USA)

- *East European Studies Program:* Short-term Research Grant

Researcher
Aug 2004 - Aug 2005

Mannheimer Zentrum für Europäische Sozialforschung: Mannheim (Germany)

- Manage European Elections Study 2004. Prepare data and codebook

Visiting Research Fellow
Summer 2003

University of Debrecen: Graduate Student Research Fellowship: Debrecen (Hungary); Office of International Programs, Indiana University, Bloomington.

RESEARCH FUNDING AND GRANT ACTIVITY

- 2018 **Marie Curie European Fellowship** (Standard): PI: Melissa Schnyder: “RefCSOs: The Impact of the EU on the Political Strategies and Organizational Forms of Domestic Migrant and Refugee Organizations”. CeRSP as Host Institution. *Under review* (awarded 2017 *Seal of Excellence*)
- 2017-18: **ESRC Secondary Data Analysis Initiative** (SDAI): “Politicizing Perceptions: UK Citizens’ Perceptions of Income and Support for UK and European Union Governance” w/ University of Manchester (£198,291). *Final round, not awarded*
- 2017-19: **Horizon 2020**: “Youth, Inequality, and Political Participation in the EU”. CeRSP as Italian institution in consortium of six European universities (€2.4million). *Final round, not awarded*
- 2017-21: **European Research Council** Consolidator Grant: “Quantitative Subjective Expectations and Support for National and European Union Governments” (€ 1.9million). *Not awarded*
- 2016: Roberto Franceschi Foundation’s **Young Professional Grant** program for the project “Youth Unemployment: a Pilot Study in the City and Province of Piacenza” Co-investigator joint with Chiara Binelli (Center for Research and Social Progress) (€ 7,000). *Awarded*
- 2016: **VisitINPS Scholars Program** for the project “Expectations of Job Instability, Job Insecurity and Earnings Risk of the Italian Skilled Unemployed: Patterns and Impact on Behavior” Co-investigator joint with C. Binelli (Center for Research and Social Progress) (€ 6,000). *Awarded*
- 2014: **NORFACE**: “The Politics of Income Inequality How perceptions of inequality are politicized and why it matters (POLINEQUAL): CO-PI w S. Zmerli; N. Letki; and M. Oskarson. *Final round, not awarded*
- 2013: **Quantitative Methods (QM) Programme**: Member of Politics & IR team (w School of Social Policy, Sociology and Social Research; the Law School; and the Business School); Nuffield Foundation, ESRC, and HEFCE. (£ 1,500,000): 2013-2018. *Awarded*
- 2011: **Economic and Social Research Council** (ES/J007986/1): “Capabilities and expectations: a new unified framework for understanding social inequality” w Universities of Oxford and Southampton. *Final round, not awarded*
- 2010: **European Research Council** (ERC) Advanced Grant (PI: Stephen Whitefield): “Capabilities and Expectations: A New Unified Framework for Understanding Social Inequality and its Political Consequences (CEQUAL)”: (€ 2.500,000) *Not awarded*
- 2009: Co-author of **European Research Council Advanced Grant** (PI: Jan Zielonka): “Media and Democracy in Central and Eastern Europe: Qualities of Media, Qualities of Democracy (MDCEE)” (€ 2,500,000): University of Oxford: 2009-13. *Awarded*
- 2010: College of Liberal Arts **Summer Research Grant**, University of Mississippi (\$7500)
- 2003: **John Gillespie Scholarship** for superior analytical abilities and research skills in positive political theory, mathematical modeling and/or the use of quantitative methods to study politics: Department of Political Science, Indiana University, Bloomington.

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