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APPOINTMENTS

Since 10/2023	Marie Curie Postdoctoral Research Associate, Horizon Europe GAPREP Project. Department of Communication Science, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
08/2021-09/2023	Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Horizon2020 OPTED project. School of Politics and International Relations, University College Dublin

AFFILIATIONS

Since 02/2024	COST action network OPINION Working Group 3 (Application and Data)
Since 10/2023	Research Associate, Network Institute Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
Since 08/2021	Postdoctoral Research Fellow Connected Politics Lab School of Politics and International Relations, University College Dublin

EDUCATION

08/2021	PhD, Political Science. Johns Hopkins University
	Title: Parties' Group Appeals and Their Implications for Inter- and Intra-Party Behavior
	Supervisors: Richard S. Katz and Steven Teles
05/2020	MA, Political Science. Johns Hopkins University
07/2014	MA (with distinction), Political Science, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
12/2012	BA, Political Science, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

RESEARCH

Peer-Reviewed Publications

van der Velden, M.A.C.G., and **Dolinsky**, A.O. (2024). Is Matilda Playing it? Gender in Computational Text Analysis Methods. *Computational Communication Research*, 6 (1): 1-26.

Dolinsky, A.O. 2023. "Parties' Group Appeals Across Time, Countries, and Communication Channels— Examining Appeals to Social Groups via the Parties' Group Appeals Dataset." *Party Politics*, 29 (6): 1130-1146 (Online First October 2022).

Dolinsky, A.O. 2022. "What Determines Parties' Choice of Incumbent-Renomination Methods? the Case of the UK Labour Party, 1979–2019." *Representation*, 58 (4): 585-601 (Online First July 2021).

Datasets

Dolinsky, A.O., Huber, L.M., Horne, W. 2024. "ManifestoVault V1.0: Annotated full-text general election manifestos at the natural-sentence level of three European countries 1970-2021", https://doi.org/10.34894/VKQSPO, DataverseNL, V1

Dolinsky, A.O. 2022. "PGAD – Parties' Group Appeals Dataset", https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/NZQGST, Harvard Dataverse, V1, UNF:6:xBsT/Yfi7i5AAwi8M8LKlw== [fileUNF]

Under Review

Prosser, T., and **Dolinsky**, A.O. How new cleavages affect policy outcomes – developing a research agenda. R&R.

Huber, L.M., and **Dolinsky**, A.O. Navigating the Maze of Group-Based Appeals: Towards a Unified Framework for Comparative Analysis.

Lind, F., Schoonvelde, M., Baden, C., **Dolinsky**, A.O., Pipal, C., and van der Velden, M.A.C.G. Equivalence and Validity in Multilingual Computational Text Analysis: A Validation Framework.

Rahat, G. and **Dolinsky**, A.O. *Candidate Selection and Political Representation*.

Prosser, T., and **Dolinsky**, A.O. The growing importance of new cleavages and policy outcomes.

Pre-Prints

Dolinsky, A.O., and Huber, L.M., [Political Parties and Representational Claims—A political representation approach to group appeals](#)

Huber, L.M., and **Dolinsky**, A.O. [How parties shape their relationship with social groups: A roadmap to the study of group-based appeals](#)

Working Papers

Horne, W., **Dolinsky**, A.O., and Huber, L.M. *Parties' group appeals across space and time: an effort towards an automated, large-scale analysis of parties' election manifestos.*

Dolinsky, A.O., Schoonvelde, M., Pipal, C., Baden, C., Lind, F., Shababo G., van der Velden, M.A.C.G., and Zalik, A. Multilingualism in Computational Text Analysis Methods—Evidence From A Pre-Registered Survey Experiment.

Dolinsky, A.O., Greenwood-Hau, J., Reher, S., and Stednitz, C. *Explanations for inequality and political efficacy: which causes which?.*

Dolinsky, A.O. Huber, L.M., and van der Velden, M.A.C.G. *Representation of Social Groups and Voters' Reactions: A Survey Experiment.*

Dolinsky, A.O., Huber, L.M., and Horne, W. *Group-based Appeals in Historical Perspective – Comparing Five Decades of Parties' Election Campaign Communication with Social Groups.*

Other publications

Dolinsky, A.O. 2023. [Book Review: The Reshaping of West European Party Politics: Agenda-Setting and Party Competition in Comparative Perspective, by Christoffer Green-Pedersen, Oxford University Press 2019](#). Representation. 59 (2): 357-363.

Dolinsky, A.O. 2022. [Policy-making in coalition governments. Book review of The Cycle of Coalition. How Parties and Voters Interact Under Coalition Governance, Cambridge University Press.](#) *European Political Science,* 21: 657-659.

Research Projects

2013-2016	Political Party Database Project ([PPDP](#)), PI: Gideon Rahat. Hebrew University of Jerusalem
2013-2014	Draw Your Country, PI: Reuven Y. Hazan. Hebrew University of Jerusalem

FUNDING AND AWARDS

Fellowships and Grants

2023-2025	**Postdoctoral Fellowship**, Horizon Europe Marie Sklodowska-Curie Actions (MSCA): ~**€187,000**.
2023	**Research Funding**, School of Politics and International Relations, University College Dublin: **€750**
2014-2021	**Doctoral Fellowship**, Department of Political Science, Johns Hopkins University: Stipend + Healthcare ~**$185,000**; Tuition ~**$350,000**

2020	**Dean's Prize Fellowship**, Johns Hopkins University: **$6,500**	
2019	**Research Grant**, Department of Political Science, Johns Hopkins University: **$1,500**	
2018-2019	**Travel and Conference Grants**: **€500** + **£100** + **$2835**	

Jean Monnet Centre for the New Political Economy of Europe (University College Dublin) · Elections, Public Opinion, and Parties (EPOP) Standing Group · American Political Science Association · Graduate Student Organization, Johns Hopkins University · Department of Political Science, Johns Hopkins University

2018	**Research Grant**, Leonard and Helen R. Stulman Jewish Studies Program, Johns Hopkins University: **$2,500**
2018	**Research Grant**, Warren E. Miller Fund in Electoral Politics, American Political Science Association's Centennial Centre for Political Science and Public Affairs, Grant Number 1980198: **$2,505**
2018	**Research Grant,** Leonard and Helen R. Stulman Jewish Studies Program, Johns Hopkins University: **$2,487**
2018	**Dean's Teaching Fellowship**, Johns Hopkins University: **$11,500**

Awards

2022	**Seal of Excellence** MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowship, European Commission HorizonEurope. Proposal number 101061600, score 91.6 (Reserve list)
2021	**Seal of Excellence** MSCA Postdoctoral Fellowship Seal of Excellence, European Commission Horizon2020. Proposal number 101028341, score: 90

TEACHING

Instructor of Record (Undergraduate Level)

Fall 2020	**Research Seminar**, *The Domestic Politics of Israel*, Johns Hopkins University
Fall 2018	**Research Seminar**, *The Domestic Politics of Israel*, Johns Hopkins University

Guest Lectures and Workshops

Spring 2024	**Introduction to Automated Text Analysis**, BA Honors Class, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam.

Teaching Assistant (Undergraduate Level)

Spring 2020	Introduction to Comparative Politics, Johns Hopkins University
Fall 2017	Contemporary International Politics, Johns Hopkins University
Fall 2016	Democracy and Elections, Johns Hopkins University
Fall 2015	Contemporary International Politics, Johns Hopkins University
Fall 2014	Comparative Politics—Institutions and Processes, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Fall 2014	Introduction to Government, Interdisciplinary Centre (IDC) Herzliya
Fall 2013	Comparative Politics—Institutions and Processes, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

PRESENTATIONS

Conferences and invited talks / workshops

2024	American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Conference (upcoming)
2024	European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR) General Conference (upcoming)
2024	European Political Science Association (EPSA) Annual Conference (upcoming)
2024	COMPTEXT Annual Conference (upcoming)
2024	Seminar Connected Politics Lab
2024	Political Behavior Lab, School of Political Science, University of Haifa.

2024	Harnessing Large Language Models in Political Science Research Workshop, Trinity College Dublin
2023	MZES University of Mannheim Colloquium of Research
2023, 2022, 2021, 2020, 2019	European Political Science Association (EPSA) Annual Conference
2023, 2022	COMPTEXT Annual Conference
2023	European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR) Joint Sessions
2023	Unelected Representatives and their Claims. Trondheim, Norway
2022, 2021	Political Studies Association of Ireland (PSAI) Annual Conference
2022, 2021, 2019	Elections, Public Opinion and Parties (EPOP) Annual Conference
2022	International Communication Association (ICA) Annual Conference
2022	UK Political Psychology Annual Conference
2022	Political Communication Seminar. Department of Communication Science, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
2022	EPoW-European Politics Online Workshop [link]
2021	European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR) General Conference
2021, 2019, 2018	Midwestern Political Science Association (MPSA) Annual Conference
2021	Comparative Politics Seminar, School of Politics and International Relations, UCD
2021	Politics on Wednesday Seminar, School of Politics, Philosophy, Language and Communications, East Anglia University
2021	Re:Presentations, Online Seminar Series on Political Representation [abstract]
2020	PhD Winter School, Jean Monnet Centre for the New Political Economy of Europe, UCD (Dublin)
2019	Parties, Information and the Public; Elections, Public Opinion and Parties (EPOP) pre-conference workshop, Glasgow
2019	American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Conference
2019	Fireside Chat Series, Department of Political Science, Johns Hopkins University (with Richard S. Katz)

Other workshops and collaborative events

2024	Political Communication Seminar. Department of Communication Science, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
2023	Political Communication Seminar. Department of Communication Science, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
2023, 2022, 2021	Annual OPTED Conference
2019	Teaching with Impact. Israel Institute, New York.
2015	ECPR Summer School in Methods and Techniques. Ljubljana, Slovenia
2015	Frontiers of Political Science Workshop: Political Parties as Micro-Polities. Duke University, Durham

SERVICE

University/Department

2024	Supervision of MA theses (3 students), Department of Communication Science, VU Amsterdam.
2023, 2021	Speaker at SPIRe PhD Forum, University College Dublin

2022	Search committee postdoctoral position, SPIRe, University College Dublin
2017-2018	Graduate Student Representative, Department of Political Science, Johns Hopkins University
2013-2014	First-Year Undergraduate Advisor, Department of Political Science, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Discipline

2023-2024	Co-organizer of COMPTEXT Conference, Amsterdam May 2024
2023, 2022	Expert contribution to the Chapel Hill Expert Survey (CHES) on party positions for political parties in Israel
2022, 2021	Co-convener of Diversity panel on disabilities, EPSA Annual Conference
2021-2022	Co-organizer of COMPTEXT Conference, Dublin May 2022

Reviewer

British Journal of Political Science; Comparative Political Studies; Electoral Studies; West European Politics; Representation; Journal of Elections, Public Opinion and Parties; Politics; European Political Studies; Computational Communication Research; Frontiers in Political Science; South European Society and Politics; Political Studies

OUTREACH AND ENGAGEMENT

Blog posts	LSE British Politics and Policy [link]; Political Studies Association [link]; LSE Department of Government [link].

SKILLS

Languages: Hebrew (Native); English (Fluent); Russian (Conversational)

Software: R, RMarkdown, STATA, LaTeX, Python