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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Clemson University , Department of Political Science	
Associate Professor	2024 – Present
Assistant Professor	2018 – 2024
Washington University in St. Louis , Department of Political Science	
Postdoctoral Research Associate	2017 – 2018
Boise State University , Department of Political Science	
Visiting Assistant Professor	2016 – 2017

EDUCATION

Ph.D.	University of Texas at Austin , Government	2009 – 2016
	Subfields: comparative politics and methodology	
B.A.	Boise State University , Political Science	2004 – 2007

RESEARCH. GOOGLE SCHOLAR CITATION COUNT: 370

Books

Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew, Rachel Navarre, and Stephen Utych. 2023. *The Age of Discontent: Populism, extremism, and conspiracy theories in contemporary democracies*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. [doi:10.1017/9781009279383](https://doi.org/10.1017/9781009279383).

- David O. Sears Best Book in Mass Politics, International Society of Political Psychology, 2024.
- Reviewed in: *Political Psychology*, *Choice*.

Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew. 2017. *Regime support beyond the balance sheet: Participation and policy performance in Latin America*. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press. doi:[10.1017/9781108332958](https://doi.org/10.1017/9781108332958).

- Reviewed in: *Perspectives on Politics*, *Latin American Politics and Society*, *Latin American Research Review*, *Journal of Latin American Studies*, *Populism*.

Refereed articles

Utych, Stephen, Rachel Navarre, and Matthew Rhodes-Purdy. 2022. White Identity, anti-elitism, and opposition to COVID-19 restrictions in the United States. *Representation*, 58(2), 301-310. doi: [10.1080/00344893.2022.2075030](https://doi.org/10.1080/00344893.2022.2075030)

Utych, Stephen, Rachel Navarre, and Matthew Rhodes-Purdy. 2022. Fear or loathing? Affect, economy, and prejudice. *Journal of Race, Ethnicity, and Politics*. doi:[10.1017/rep.2021.32](https://doi.org/10.1017/rep.2021.32)

Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew. 2021. Lock them up! Punitive aggression and populism as political vigilantism. *Electoral Studies* 74. doi:[10.1016/j.electstud.2021.102415](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.electstud.2021.102415)

Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew, Rachel Navarre, and Stephen Utych. 2021. Populist psychology: Economics, culture, and emotions. *Journal of Politics* 83(4), 1559-1572. doi:[10.1086/715168](https://doi.org/10.1086/715168)

Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew and Fernando Rosenblatt. 2021. Raising the red flag: Democratic elitism and the protests in Chile. *Perspectives on Politics*. doi:[10.1017/S1537592721000050](https://doi.org/10.1017/S1537592721000050)

Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew. 2020. Procedures matter: Strong voice, evaluations of policy performance, and regime support. *Political Studies* 69(2), 412-433. doi:[10.1177/0032321720903813](https://doi.org/10.1177/0032321720903813)

Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew, Rachel Navarre, and Stephen Utych. 2020. Measuring simultaneous emotions: Existing problems and a new way forward. *Journal of Experimental Political Research*. doi:[10.1017/XPS.2019.35](https://doi.org/10.1017/XPS.2019.35)

Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew and Raúl Madrid. 2020. The perils of personalism. *Democratization*, 27(2), 321-339. doi:[10.1080/13510347.2019.1696310](https://doi.org/10.1080/13510347.2019.1696310)

Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew. 2017. Beyond the balance sheet: Performance, participation and regime support in Latin America. *Comparative Politics*, 49(2), 252-272. doi:[10.5129/001041517820201350](https://doi.org/10.5129/001041517820201350)

Madrid, Raúl and Matthew Rhodes-Purdy. 2016. Descriptive representation and regime support in Latin America. *Political Studies*, 64(4), 890-909. doi:[10.1177/0032321715617772](https://doi.org/10.1177/0032321715617772)

Piñeiro, Rafael, Matthew, Rhodes-Purdy and Fernando Rosenblatt. 2016. The engagement curve: Populism, politics and inequality in Latin America. *Latin American Research Review*, 51(4), 3-23. doi: [10.1353/lar.2016.0046](https://doi.org/10.1353/lar.2016.0046)

Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew. 2015. Participatory populism: Theory and evidence from Bolivarian Venezuela. *Political Research Quarterly*, 68(3), 415-427. doi: [10.1177/1065912915592183](https://doi.org/10.1177/1065912915592183)

Book Review Essays

Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew. 2019. Critical debates in populism studies: A review of three short introductions. *Populism*, (2)2, 237-245.

Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew. 2017. Promise and limitations: Recent scholarship on participatory governance in Latin America. *Latin American Politics and Society*, 59(3), 122-131.

Book Chapters

Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew. 2017. Participatory self-governance and conflict intensification in Bolivarian Venezuela. In J. Gordin & L. Renno (Eds.), *Institutional Innovation and the Steering of Conflicts in Latin America*. Colchester, UK: European Consortium for Political Research Press.

Book Reviews

Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew. 2019. Book review: Samuel Handlin, *State Crises in Fragile Democracies*. *Journal of Latin American Studies*, 51(3), 715-717.

Invited Talks and Presentations

Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew. 2024. Moving Beyond the Age of Discontent. University of Manchester, Politics Department.

Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew. 2023. Economic Crises and the Rise of Exclusionary Identities. Presented at the Populism, Piety, and Patriotism Conference at Pennsylvania State University.

Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew. 2021. The hidden risks of technocracy and the *Estallido Social* in Chile. Rockefeller Center for Latin American Politics Tuesday Webinar Series, Harvard University.

Selected Conference Participation

Authors meet critics panel for *The Age of Discontent*. 2023. Presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association.

Navarre, Rachel, Matthew Rhodes-Purdy, Alex Herzog, and James Fahey. 2023. Decoding populism: a content analysis of polarizing frames. Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.

Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew. 2021. Populism, efficacy, and the charismatic bond. Presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.

Navarre, Rachel, Matthew Rhodes-Purdy, and Stephen Utych. 2020. Conspiracies and populism: What they don't want you to know. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association.

Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew, Rachel Navarre, and Stephen Utych. 2020. Cultural discontent: Measurement and treatment strategies. Presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association.

Section Chair, Latin American & Caribbean Politics, for the 2019 annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association.

Navarre, Rachel and Matthew Rhodes-Purdy. 2017. Change from the top? Religion and opinions on immigration. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association.

Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew. 2014. Latent Condition Comparative Configurational Analysis (LC-QCA): a mixed method for qualitative analysis. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association.

Rhodes-Purdy, Matthew. 2012. Participation paradoxes: Voting, contention, and satisfaction with democracy. Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association.

HONORS AND AWARDS

External Grants and Funding

Defense Security Cooperation University (DSCU) 2023
\$580,000. With Amira Jadoon.

External Awards

Fulbright Distinguished Scholar, 2024
Faculty of Liberal Arts,
University of Manchester

Best Dissertation Award, 2017
Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies,
Harvard University

Juan Linz Best Dissertation Prize, APSA (Honorable Mention) 2017

Fulbright Student Fellowship, Chile	2012
Clemson Awards	
CBSHS Outstanding Article Award	2020
University of Texas at Austin Fellowships	
Continuing Fellowship, College of Liberal Arts	2014
Prestigious Award Supplementary Fellowship	2013

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

As instructor of record

- Latin American Politics (in-person and online)
- Populism in Global Perspective
- Populism in the US and Texas
- Democratization
- Introduction to Comparative Politics
- Introduction to Political Science
- Introduction to American and Texas Government
- Introduction to American National Government

As teaching assistant

- Introduction to Political Science Statistics
- American Government in Comparative Perspective
- Third World Political Development
- Politics of Mexico
- Politics of East Asia
- Suicide Terrorism

NON-ACADEMIC PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Clearwater Research, Inc., Boise, ID August 2007 – August 2009

Research analyst/project manager

- Duties: survey design and data analysis · proposal and budget preparation · coordinating with call center interviewers and management · writing and presenting reports · conducting focus groups

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

ICPSR Summer Program

Ann Arbor, MI, summer 2011

Topics studies: maximum likelihood estimation · R statistical software · time series analyses · mathematics for statistics

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Political Science Association, 2009 – Present
Midwest Political Science Association, 2014 – Present

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

University And Departmental Service

- Member, Research Committee, College of Behavioral, Social, and Health Sciences
- Member, Assessment Committee, Department of Political Science
- Member, Curriculum Committee, Department of Political Science

Service to the Field

Peer-Reviewed Articles for:

- *American Political Science Review*
- *American Journal of Political Science*
- *Journal of Politics*
- *British Journal of Political Science*
- *Perspectives on Politics*
- *Political Behavior*
- *Political Psychology*
- *Electoral Studies*
- *Journal of Elections, Parties, and Public Opinion*
- *Political Research Quarterly*
- *Latin American Politics and Society*
- *Latin American Research Review*
- *Journal of Politics in Latin America*
- *Public Opinion Quarterly*
- *Nations and Nationalism*
- *Social Science Journal*
- *Acta Politica*
- *Bulletin of Latin American Research*
- *Third-World Quarterly*

LANGUAGES

English: Native Language

Spanish: Intermediate Listener and Speaker, Advanced Reading and Writing

COMPUTER SKILLS

Statistical software: R · Stata · MPLUS · SPSS · SAS · Maple

Data management software: MS Access

REFERENCES

- Prof. Kurt Weyland, UT Austin. kweyland@austin.utexas.edu
Prof. Kenneth Roberts, Cornell University. kr99@cornell.edu
Prof. Ryan Carlin, Georgia State University, gcarlin@gsu.edu
Prof. Raúl Madrid, UT Austin, rmadrid@austin.utexas.edu
Prof. Jeffery Peake, Clemson University, jpeake@clemson.edu