

Curriculum Vitae

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1 Education

Vanderbilt University

Ph.D. in Political Science, expected December 2009

Research Interests: Political Behavior/Public Opinion, Political Communication, Foreign Policy, Campaigns and Elections, Experimental Methodology

Concentrations: American Politics, International Relations

Dissertation: "Prime Time Politics: Television News and the Visual Framing of War"

Committee: John G. Geer (Co-Chair), Cindy D. Kam (Co-chair), Marc Hetherington and Bruce Oppenheimer

Abstract:

How do televised images of violence on the field of battle affect public support for war? News coverage is a powerful factor in influencing public opinion, but past empirical work has often neglected the visual component of television news. Emotion-laden imagery may evoke powerful reactions that are independent of a news story's factual information. Using an original content analysis of the Vanderbilt Television News Archives and an experiment, this dissertation examines the effects of violent war images on public support for war. I find that modern televised images of violence dwarf their predecessors, both in frequency and severity. I also find that the effects of violence are conditional: violent imagery in television news decreases public support for war only when the violence is framed as unjustified.

University of Tennessee

B.A. Political Science, 2005, *Summa Cum Laude*

B.A. French, 2005, *Summa Cum Laude*

B.A. International Studies, 2005, *Summa Cum Laude*

Political Science Departmental Honors

Paul and Martha Meek Outstanding Graduate

2 Grants and Fellowships

National Science Foundation Dissertation Enhancement Grant "Prime Time Politics: Television News and the Visual Framing of War," with John G. Geer, 2009-2010 (\$11,825)

Summer Fellow, Vanderbilt University, Center for Democratic Institutions, 2009 (\$5,000)

Graduate School Travel Grant, Vanderbilt University, 2009 (\$500)

Prestage-Cook Travel Grant, Southern Political Science Association, 2009 (\$250)

Dissertation Fellow, Vanderbilt University, Center for Ethics, 2008 (\$1,200)

Travel Grant, American Political Science Association, 2008 (\$250)

Graduate School Travel Grant, Vanderbilt University, 2008 (\$500)

Graduate Fellow, Phi Kappa Phi National Honor Society, 2005-2006 (\$5,000)

3 Conference Presentations

"Television News and the Visual Framing of War." Paper to be presented at the 2009 annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Toronto, ON. (September 2009)

"War of Images: Contrasting Visuals in Fox News and CNN Coverage of the Iraq War." Paper presented at the 2009 annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago, IL. (April 3, 2009)

"Watching War: Strategic Displays of War Violence on Television News." Paper presented at the 2009 annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA. (January 9, 2009)

"Prime Time Politics: The Changing Impact of Network Television News on Public Support for War, 1968-2007." Paper presented at the 2008 annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, MA. (August 29, 2008)

"The Impact of Graphic Television News Coverage on Opinions of War." Paper presented at the 2008 annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL (April 3, 2008)

"The Effect of Multilingualism on Citizens' Support for Integration in the European Union." Paper presented at the 2008 annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA (January 9, 2008)

"In Defense of Multilingualism: Bridging Language and Culture in the European Union." Paper presented at the Fall 2007 George Graham Memorial Symposium, Vanderbilt University (November 15, 2007)

4 Other Conference Participation

Scheduled as discussant at the 2009 annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Toronto, ON, on the panel "Deliberation, Social Networks and the Framing of Discourse" (September 2009)

Invited participant at the 2009 Conference on Experimentation, Northwestern University, Chicago, IL. (May 2009)

Discussant at the 2009 annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, on the panel "The Political Attitudes and Behavior of Journalists, Audiences, and Media Organizations" (April 3, 2009)

Discussant at the 2009 annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA, on the panel "Election Rules and Consequences." (January 8, 2009)

5 Research Experience and Training

Senior Editorial Associate, The Journal of Politics, Vanderbilt University, January 2007-June 2009

Editorial Associate, The Journal of Politics, Vanderbilt University, July-December, 2006

Research Assistant, Professor John G. Geer, Vanderbilt University; Summer 2007. Collected and analyzed data concerning Presidential campaign advertising on network television news.

Participant, University of Orleans Intensive Language Program, Orleans, France; Summer 2004

6 Teaching

Instructor, Introduction to American Government and Politics, Political Science Department, Vanderbilt University, Summer 2008

Teaching Assistant, Campaigns and Elections, Political Science Department, Vanderbilt University, Fall 2008

Guest Lecturer, Introduction to International Relations, Political Science Department, Vanderbilt University, Spring 2006

Guest Lecturer, Causes of War, Political Science Department, Vanderbilt University, Spring 2006

7 Service and Membership

Reviewer, The Journal of Politics, 2006-present.

Reviewer, *Political Communication*, 2009-present.

Co-Chair, Political Science Graduate Student Association, Vanderbilt University, 2007-2008.

Coordinator, Graduate recruitment, Vanderbilt University, Department of Political Science, 2006, 2008.

Representative, Graduate Student Council, Vanderbilt University, Department of Political Science, 2005-2006.

Member, American Political Science Association, 2007-Present.

Member, Southern Political Science Association, 2006-Present.

Member, Midwest Political Science Association, 2008-Present.

Member, Political Science Graduate Student Association, Vanderbilt University, 2006-Present.

Member, Phi Kappa Phi, inducted April 2004.

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