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EDUCATION

University of Texas at Austin
PhD, Government, expected May 2012
Dissertation: *How Institutions Affect Political Outcomes at the Intersection of Race and Gender*
Committee Chair: Robert Moser
Fields: Comparative Politics and International Relations

American University
MA, International Relations, December 2003
Primary field: International Organization; Related fields: Political Economy
Thesis: "Discourse Analysis of Neoliberalism"

Wheaton College
BA, Political Science, May 1995

PUBLICATIONS & WORKS IN PROGRESS

Do Ethnic Parties Exclude Women? Holmsten, Stephanie, R.G. Moser & M. Slosar. *Comparative Political Studies* 43(10), October 2010.

The Paradox of Descriptive Representation: Can PR Elect Women and Ethnic Minorities? Moser, Robert & S. Holmsten, *World Politics*, revise and resubmit.

Special Electoral Rules and Descriptive Representation: How Do Preferential Rules Promoting Minority Representation Affect the Election of Women? Holmsten, Stephanie & R.G. Moser, under submission.

DISSERTATION SUMMARY

This study examines the intersection of race and gender in three distinct questions. The first question explores the strength of race and gender as political cleavages. Using CSES survey data, I compare the relative likelihood that women will vote for the same party and members of ethnic minority groups will vote for the same party. The second question uses a cross-national statistical analysis to study the election of women to seats designed to elect ethnic minorities. I investigate whether group, candidate, or constituency characteristics affect the election of minority women. In the third question, I study the relationship between ethnic parties and the election of women through cross-

national statistical analysis and with-in case comparisons that explore differences among ethnic parties that might explain variation in the election of women.

FELLOWSHIPS & HONORS

Jess Hay Endowment for Chancellor's Graduate Student Research Fellowship
Office of Graduate Students, 2010.

Professional Development Award
Department of Government, 2010.

Malcolm MacDonald Dissertation Fellowship
Department of Government, 2009.

David Bruton, Jr. Graduate Fellowship
Office of Graduate Studies, 2009.

Professional Development Award
Department of Government, 2009.

Malcolm MacDonald Research Internship
Department of Government, Summer 2008.

Professional Development Award
Department of Government, 2008.

Liberal Arts Graduate Research Fellowship
College of Liberal Arts, Spring 2007.

CONFERENCE PAPERS

"The Relative Effect of Race and Gender on Voting Behavior" by Stephanie S. Holmsten, American Political Science Association, Seattle, WA, Sept. 1-4, 2011.

"When do special rules for ethnic minorities promote women's representation?" by Stephanie S. Holmsten, American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, September 2-5, 2010.

"When Weak States Win" by Stephanie S. Holmsten, American Political Science Association, Toronto, Canada, September 3-6, 2009.

"Do Majority-Minority Districts and Reserved Seats for Minorities Undermine the Election of Women?" by Robert G. Moser and Stephanie S. Holmsten, American Political Science Association, Toronto, Canada, September 3-6, 2009.

"When Weak States Win" by Stephanie S. Holmsten, Texas Triangle Conference, Houston, TX, January 31, 2009.

"Do Ethnic Parties Discriminate Against Women?" by Robert G. Moser and Stephanie S. Holmsten, American Political Science Association, Boston, MA, August 31- September 2, 2008.

"The Paradox of Descriptive Representation: Can PR Elect Women and Ethnic Minorities?" by Robert G. Moser and Stephanie S. Holmsten, Mid-West Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 3-5, 2008.

TEACHING AND RESEARCH INTERESTS

Democratization; Politics and Gender; Intersectionality of race and gender, International political economy; International organizations; Trade and development

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

"International Regimes and the Bretton Woods Trading Order: GATT and the WTO." Guest lecture for International Political Economy, Prof. Patrick McDonald. University of Texas at Austin, Department of Government. Fall 2008.

"International Political Economy." Teaching Assistant. Prof. Patrick McDonald. University of Texas at Austin. Department of Government. Fall 2008.

"The United States and Regime Change." Teaching Assistant. Prof. Jason Brownlee. University of Texas at Austin. Department of Government. Spring 2008.

"International Institutions and the Bretton Woods Trading Order." Guest lecture for International Political Economy, Prof, Patrick McDonald. University of Texas at Austin, Department of Government. Fall 2007.

"The US Farm Bill and International Implications." Guest lecture for The Politics of Food in America, Prof. Bartholomew Sparrow. University of Texas at Austin, Department of Government. Fall 2007.

"International Political Economy." Teaching Assistant. Prof. Patrick McDonald. University of Texas at Austin. Department of Government. Fall 2007.

"The Politics of New Democracies." Teaching Assistant. Prof. Robert Moser. University of Texas at Austin. Department of Government. Summer 2007.

"Congress and the Presidency." Teaching Assistant. Prof. David Prindle. University of Texas at Austin. Department of Government. Spring 2007.

"The Politics of New Democracies." Teaching Assistant. Prof. Robert Moser. University of Texas at Austin. Department of Government. Fall 2006.

"America and The World." Teaching Assistant. Prof. Alan E. Kessler. University of Texas at Austin. Department of Government. Spring 2006.

"Globalization and Trade Politics." Teaching Assistant. Prof. Alan E. Kessler. University of Texas at Austin. Department of Government. Fall 2005.

OTHER ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITIES

Teaching Gender and Politics: Lessons from the Field, Short Course, APSA 2011.
Reviewer for Feminist Formations, Summer 2011.
Grant review committee for Liberal Arts Graduate Research Fellowships, Fall 2007.

PAST EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE

IRIS. Research Assistant to the Director. University of Maryland, College Park, MD. June 2004 – August 2004
Managed research grant from the UK's Department for International Development on legal reform in the Middle East and North Africa; Compiled country-level economic, political and social data; Analyzed survey results; Edited final report.

Bread for the World. National Campus Advocacy Organizer. Washington, DC. Sept. 1995-Jan. 2002.
Educated grassroots advocacy leaders across the country about US public policy related to poverty and development including domestic welfare programs and foreign aid; Wrote legislative updates four times a year for university leaders and faculty; Collaborated with Oxfam America to write and publish *Just Add Consciousness: A Guide to Social Activism* (Oxfam, 2002); Awarded travel grant to study the impact of US foreign aid on health, education, agriculture and debt relief in Uganda and Tanzania.

Project Global Village. Research Intern. Tegucigalpa, Honduras, June-Dec. 1994
Designed and conducted socio-economic survey to analyze conservation techniques of farmers in rural areas of Cerro Azul National Park.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Political Science Association
American Association of University Women
International Studies Association

REFERENCES

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