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RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS **Substantive:** Governance and ethics of technology, comparative political economy, bureaucratic politics, behavioral public administration.
Methods: Machine learning, causal inference, time series analysis.

EDUCATION **Ph.D., University of California, Berkeley** (Political Science) 2014
Committee: Sean Gailmard (Chair), Eric Schickler, Jas Sekhon and Kevin Quinn.
* *IGERT Fellow, National Science Foundation.*
* *Empirical Legal Studies Fellow, UC Berkeley School of Law.*
* *Visiting Research Scholar, UC Berkeley School of Law.*

M.A., University of California, Berkeley (Political Science)
M.A., Harvard University (Statistics)
B.S., Cornell University (Industrial and Labor Relations, European Studies)

CURRENT ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS **University of Georgia, Athens, GA** 2016 – Present
Assistant Professor, Department of Public Administration and Policy
Assistant Professor (by courtesy), Department of Statistics

Fellow, Center for International Trade and Security

Affiliate, Institute for Artificial Intelligence.

PREVIOUS ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS **Harvard University, Cambridge, MA** 2021
Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics
Visiting Faculty Fellow (Awarded)
Ethics of Technological and Biomedical Innovation

Princeton University, Princeton, NJ 2017 – 2018
Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs
School of Engineering and Applied Science
Microsoft Visiting Professor of Information Technology Policy

Emory University, Atlanta, GA Summer 2020
Department of Quantitative Theory and Methods (QTM)
Visiting Faculty Fellow

University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, CA 2015-2016
School of Information
Data Science Fellow

Harvard Kennedy School of Government, Cambridge, MA 2013-2015
Ash Center for Democratic Governance and Innovation
Democracy Fellow

BOOKS

- [2] *Promethean Populism: Technological Revolutions and Democratic Backsliding*. Manuscript in preparation.
- [1] *Causal Inference and Counterfactuals with Learning Algorithms*. Under contract with Cambridge University Press.

WORKING PAPERS

- [7] “Seeing is believing: How politicians communicate home style through images.” (w/ Dhruvil Badani, Shiry Ginosar and Jake Williams) Preparing for *Electoral Studies*
- [6] “CBDCs and the Politicization of Central Banks.”
- [5] “Coethnicity and Digital Reputation.” (w/ Micah Gell-Redman) Preparing for *Nature Human Behaviour*.
- [4] “Automation and autocrats.” Preparing for the *Journal of Democracy*
- [3] “Artificial Intelligence and Bureaucratic Capacity in the Developing World.” Preparing for *Public Administration and Development*.
- [2] “Greening Parliaments: The Political Economy of ECB Climate Mandates.” Preparing for *International Organization*.
- [1] “Can the Fed make the trains run on time? Bureaucratic capacity and local government bailouts.” Preparing for *Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory*.

PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- [13] 2022. Porumbescu, Gregory, Donald Moynihan, L. Jason Anastasopoulos, and Asmus Leth Olsen. “When blame avoidance backfires: Responses to performance framing and outgroup scapegoating during the COVID-19 pandemic.” *Governance*.
- [12] 2022. Sonja R. West, Jonathan Peters, and L. Jason Anastasopoulos, “All the News That’s Fit to Be Identified”, *Colorado Technology Law Journal*. Forthcoming.
- [11] 2021. Anastasopoulos, L. Jason, George J. Borjas, Gavin G. Cook, and Michael Lachanski. “Job Vacancies and Immigration: Evidence from the Mariel Supply Shock.” *Journal of Human Capital* 15, no. 1 (2021): 1-33.
- [10] 2020. Andrew B. Whitford, Jeff Yates, Adam Burchfield, L. Jason Anastasopoulos and Derrick Anderson. “The Adoption of Robotics by Government Agencies: Evidence from Crime Labs.” *Public Administration Review*
https://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=3434554.
- [9] 2020. Jason Anastasopoulos and Anthony Bertelli. “Understanding Delegation Through Machine Learning: A Method and Application to the European Union.” *American Political Science Review*.
<https://doi.org/10.1017/S0003055419000522>.
- [8] 2020. L. Jason Anastasopoulos, Tima Moldogaziev and Tyler Scott. “Organizational Context and Budget Orientations: A Computational Text Analysis.” *International Public Management Journal*.
<https://doi.org/10.1080/10967494.2019.1706677>
- [7] 2020. Mozer, Reagan, Luke Miratrix, Aaron Russell Kaufman, and L. Jason Anastasopoulos. “Matching with text data: An experimental evaluation of methods for matching documents and of measuring match quality.” *Political Analysis* 28, no. 4 (2020): 445-468.
- [6] 2019. Di Ma, Marcus Liu, Zachary Steinert-Threlkeld, L. Jason Anastasopoulos, and Jungseock Joo*. “Understanding the Political Ideology of Legislators from Social Media Photographs.” Accepted.
ICWSM 2020: 14th International Association for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence (AAAI) Conference on Web and Social Media.
<https://arxiv.org/abs/1907.09594>.

*Peer-reviewed, computer science conference proceedings. Authorship in reverse order.

- [5] 2019. L. Jason Anastasopoulos and Jake Williams. “A scalable machine learning approach for measuring violent and peaceful forms of political protest participation with social media data.” *PLoS ONE* 14(3): e0212834.
<https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0212834>.
- [4] 2019. L. Jason Anastasopoulos and Andy Whitford. “Machine Learning for Public Administration Research, with Application to Organizational Reputation.” *Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory*.
<https://doi.org/10.1093/jopart/muy060>.
- [3] 2017. L. Jason Anastasopoulos. “Migration, Immigration, and the Political Geography of American Cities.” *American Politics Research*.
<https://doi.org/10.1177/1532673X17740936>.
- [2] 2016. L. Jason Anastasopoulos. “Estimating the gender penalty in House of Representative elections using a regression discontinuity design.” *Electoral Studies* 43: Pages 150-157.
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.electstud.2016.04.008>.
- [1] 2013. Phil Tetlock, Gregory Mitchell and L. Jason Anastasopoulos. “Detecting and Punishing Unconscious Bias”. *Journal of Legal Studies* 42(1): 83-110.
<https://www.jstor.org/stable/10.1086/668403>

OTHER
PUBLICATIONS

- [2] 2018. L. Jason Anastasopoulos, George Borjas, Gavin Cook and Michael Lachanski. “(Machine) Learning About Immigration’s Impact in Local Labor Markets With Classified Ad Text.” *US 2050 Conference Proceedings*.
- [1] 2017. L. Jason Anastasopoulos, Keith Poole and Jamie Monogan. “The ‘Big Data’ Revolution in Political Campaigning and Governance.” *Oxford Bibliographies Online: Political Science*
<http://www.oxfordbibliographies.com/view/document/obo-9780199756223/obo-9780199756223-0232.xml>.

GRANTS AND
AWARDS

- United States Department of Justice (DOJ)**
Federal Bureau of Investigation (Under Review) 2022
- PI for a research project seeking to better understand the causes and consequences of law enforcement officer suicide.
 - Co-PI: Thirimachos Bourlai.
 - \$199,000 requested.
- E–Course and Active Learning Course Development Grant**
School of Public and International Affairs, University of Georgia 2022
- Awarded to develop *POLS 4420: Politics and Technology*, into an e-course which incorporates active learning.
 - \$4,000 Awarded.
- Society for Political Methodology**
Miller Prize for Best Paper in Political Methodology 2021
- Awarded for “Matching with text data: An experimental evaluation of methods for matching documents and of measuring match quality.” *Political Analysis*.
- Knight Foundation Freedom of the Press Award (with Jonathan Peters (UGA Grady and Law School) and Sonja West (UGA Law School)).** (\$25,000). 2020.
- Institute for Humane Studies, George Mason University..** *Hayek Fund for Scholars* (\$1,500). 2020.

American Political Science Association, Public Administration Section. *Volcker Junior Research Scholar Research Grant* (\$6,500). 2020.

US 2050 Initiative Grant. *Peter G. Peterson Foundation and Ford Foundation. Co-PI with George Borjas, Michael Lachanski and Gavin Cook* \$60,000. 2018–2019

SELECTED
TEACHING
EXPERIENCE

Politics of Technological Innovation (Undergrad). 2020-2022

Governance and Ethics of Artificial Intelligence and Technological Innovations.

Modern Text Analysis and Machine Learning for Social Research, University of Georgia (PhD Level), Fall 2019

[PADP 9200] Big Data in Public Administration and Policy or Machine Learning, Artificial Intelligence and the Administrative State. University of Georgia, Fall 2018. MPA/MPP

[POLS 4150] Research Methods in Political Science. University of Georgia, Fall/Spring 2018–2019. Undergraduate.

[WWS 586A] [Machine Learning for Policy Analysis](#), Princeton University, Spring 2018, MPA/MPP.

[POLS 8500] [Applied Machine Learning](#), University of Georgia, Spring 2017, Political Science, (PhD/MA/MPP).

[POLS 4150] [Introduction to Quantitative Methods](#), University of Georgia, Spring 2017, Political Science, (Undergraduate).

[PADP 7110] [Research Methods in Public Administration](#), Fall 2016, Public Administration and Policy, (MPA).

Survey Experiments Mini-Course, Harvard Kennedy School of Government, Spring 2013.

STUDENTS

2022-2023 Academic Year

Casey Kim, Department of Public Administration and Policy (PhD), University of Georgia.

Chih-Kai Chang, Department of Public Administration and Policy (PhD), University of Georgia.

Yuan Chang, Department of International Affairs (PhD), University of Georgia..

Yoon Cho, Department of Public Administration and Policy (PhD), University of Georgia.

Rex Van Horn, Institute for Artificial Intelligence (MA), University of Georgia.

Adam Burchfield, Department of Public Administration and Policy (PhD), University of Georgia.

Jake Truscott, Department of Political Science (PhD), University of Georgia .

Jordan Graham, Department of Linguistics (MA), University of Georgia.

Before 2022

Taylor Smith, Department of Statistics (MA), University of Georgia (*Chair*).

Mikhail Ivonchuk, Department of Public Administration and Policy (PhD), University of Georgia.

Roger Qiyuan Jin, Department of Public Administration and Policy (PhD), University of Georgia.

Filip Viskupic, Department of International Affairs (PhD), University of Georgia.

SERVICE

Curriculum Committee Member, Department of Public Administration and Policy, University of Georgia. 2021.

Alston Chair Search Committee Member, Department of Political Science, University of Georgia, 2019-2020

MPA Exam Committee, Department of Public Administration and Policy, University of Georgia, 2018-2019

Organized panel, “Behavioral Public Administration, Artificial Intelligence and Big Data Panel Proposal.” UNC Chapel Hill. PMRC 2019.

Chair and Discussant, “New Methods in Political Methodology Panel.” Boston, MA, APSA 2018.

Organized panel + Chair + Discussant, “Images as Data in Political Science.” San Francisco, CA. APSA 2017.

Core Faculty, Georgia Informatics Institute, University of Georgia.

Affiliated Faculty, Institute for Artificial Intelligence, University of Georgia.

Speakers Committee, Political Science Department, University of Georgia.

Reviewer for *Public Administration Review*, *American Journal of Political Science*, *Journal of*

Politics, American Political Science Review, Journal of Public Policy, Political Research Quarterly, Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory, Cambridge University Press..