Jason Anastasopoulos

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RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

Substantive: Political economy of technology, comparative political economy, bureaucratic politics, behavioral public administration.

Research Methods: Machine learning, causal inference, time series analysis, experiments.

EDUCATION

Ph.D., University of California, Berkeley (Political Science)

2008-2014

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

Associate Professor, Department of Public Administration and Policy	2024 - Present
Assistant Professor, Department of Public Administration and Policy	2020 – 2024
Assistant Professor, Department of Public Administration and Policy and	
Department of Political Science	2016 – 2020
Adjunct Professor, Department of Statistics	2020-Present

- Affiliate, Owens Institute for Behavioral Research.
- Fellow, Center for International Trade and Security.
- Affiliate, Institute for Artificial Intelligence.

University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA

CLEAR Fellow, Sol Price School of Public Policy 2024 – Present

Harvard Kennedy School of Government, Cambridge, MA

Weatherhead Center for International Affairs

 $Visiting\ Fellow\ (Awarded)$ 2024 – 2025

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] "CBDCs and the Politicization of Central Banks."
- [6] 2023. "Estimating persistent and short-lived causal effects of policy interventions." (w/ Inkyu Kang) Preparing for the Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory
- [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

- [14] 2024. "Visible Home Style" (w/ Dhruvil Badani, Shiry Ginosar and Jake Williams) Conditionally accepted at *Electoral Studies*.
- [13] 2023. West, Sonja. R., Peters, Jonathan and L. Jason Anastasopoulos. "All the News That's Fit to Be Identified: Facilitating Access to High Quality News Through Internet Platforms", Colorado Technology Law Journal. Volume 21, Issue 1.
- [12] 2023. 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* 36, no. 3: 779-803.
- [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.srn.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.

[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.
- 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

University of Georgia

Presidential Interdisciplinary Seed Grant (Awarded)

2023

- Title: "Developing Applied Institutional Ethics for the Age of AI: Interdisciplinary Approaches"
- Co-PI for competitive, university level seed grant.
- Co-PIs: Jeremy Davis, Prashand Doshi, Matthew I. Hall; Akshat Lakhiwal, Aaron Schecter and Ari Schlesinger.
- \$149,975 awarded.

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

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.

SELECTED
TEACHING
EXPERIENCE

Politics and Technology (Undergrad). 2020–Present

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.

Supervision	OF
Graduate	
Student	
Research ¹	

Name	Degree	Placement
Kyoung-cheol (Casey) Kim	PhD, Public Administration	Current Student.
Chih-Kai Chang	PhD, Public Administration	Current Student
Yuan Wang	PhD, International Affairs	Assistant Professor Ripon College
		(Tenure-track)
Rex Vanhorn	MS, Artificial Intelligence	PhD program in Artificial Intelli-
		gence, University of Georgia
Nicholas Akin	MS, Artificial Intelligence	Lockheed Martin - AI/ML Engineer
Jake Truscott	PhD, Political Science	Postdoc - Purdue University
Roger Qiyuan Jin	PhD, Public Administration	Assistant Professor, California
		State University, Dominguez Hills
		(Tenure-Track)
Filip Viskupic	PhD, International Affairs	Assistant Professor, South Dakota
		State University, (Tenure-Track)
Mikhail Ivonchyk	PhD, Public Administration	Assistant Professor, University of
		Albany, (Tenure-Track)
Taylor B. Smith	MS, Statistics	Data Scientist for the Tampa Bay
		Rays (Major League Baseball)

SERVICE

Leadership Council on Artificial Intelligence, Office of the Provost, University of Georgia. 2024.

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..