

## CURRICULUM VITA

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### Education

**Ph.D. in Public Administration and Policy** (2024) University of Georgia  
Dissertation: *Rurality in Public Administration: Conceptualization, Measurement, and Implications for Organizational Capacity and Network Structure*  
Committee: Eric Zeemering (Chair), Emily Bell, and Katherine Willoughby

**Master of Public Administration** (2019), Appalachian State University  
**Master of Arts in Political Science** (2019), Appalachian State University  
Concentration: American (U.S.) Government  
**B.S. in Political Science** (2017), Appalachian State University

**Research Interests:** State and Local Government, Rural Local Governance, Public Management, Public Personnel, Public Sector Labor Unions

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### Publications

#### *Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles*

**Jensen, C. & Piatak, J. S.** (2023). Public Service Motivation and Trust in Government: An Examination across the Federal, State, and Local Levels in the United States. *American Review of Public Administration*. <https://doi.org/10.1177/02750740231200449>

#### *Book Chapters*

Willoughby, K. G., & **Jensen, C.** (2021). Public Budgeting Mechanics. In B. D. McDonald & M. M. Jordan, *Teaching Public Budgeting and Finance* (1st ed., pp. 51–74). Routledge. <https://doi.org/10.4324/9781003240440-4>

#### *Invited Book Reviews*

**Jensen, C.** (2021). Public Service Motivation and Public Opinion: Examining Antecedents and Attitudes (Elements in Public and Nonprofit Administration), Piatak, Jaclyn and Holt,

Stephen, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, 2021, 84 pp., \$20.00 (pb), ISBN: 9781108964005. *Public Administration*. <https://doi.org/10.1111/padm.12767>

*Professional Technical Reports*

Bell, Emily V., **Colt Jensen**, and Megan Mullin. (2021). "The State of Community Water Systems: Pressures, Goals, and Innovations in North Carolina." <https://www.evbell.com/publications>

*Special Issue Introduction and Editorial Assistance - State and Local Government Review*

Kimberly Nelson, Eric Zeemering, and **Colt Jensen**. (2023). "Protecting Democracy: Virtual Issue for the 2023 American Society for Public Administration Conference." [https://journals.sagepub.com/topic/collections-slg/slg\\_1-protecting\\_democracy/slg](https://journals.sagepub.com/topic/collections-slg/slg_1-protecting_democracy/slg)

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**Manuscripts in Progress**

Piatak, J. S. & **Jensen, C.** (2023). Public Values and Sector Service Delivery Preferences: Public Preferences on Contracting from Simple to Complex Human Services. (Revise and Resubmit)

Eric Zeemering and **Colt Jensen**. The Influence of Local Government Structure on Multiplex Advice Relationship Formation.

**Jensen, C.** The Unionization of State Government Employees and the Cost of Government: Re-evaluating an Evolving Relationship.

Gene Brewer and **Colt Jensen**. Threats of Assault on Public Sector Employees: Direct and Indirect Victimization, Job Satisfaction, and the Role of Respect.

Nathan Favero, Minjung Kim, **Colt Jensen** and Jaclyn Piatak. What Should Public Organizations Prioritize? Exploring Different Value Hierarchies among the Public.

**Jensen, C.** Unpacking the Association between Rurality and Local Government Capacity: A Multidimensional Analysis of Municipalities and Counties in Georgia.

**Jensen, C.** The Impact of Legalizing Mobile Sports Gambling on the Utilization Problem Gambling Helpline Resources: The Cases of Tennessee and Virginia.

## Conference Presentations

*Unpacking the Impact of Rurality on Local Government Capacity: A Multidimensional Analysis of Municipalities and Counties in Georgia.* SECoPA. September 2023.

*What Should Public Organizations Prioritize? Exploring Different Value Hierarchies among the Public.* MPSA. April 2023 (with Nathan Favero, Minjung Kim, Jaclyn Piatak).

*The Urban-Rural Economic Development Divide in Georgia: Understanding Differences in Strategy.* ASPA. March 2023.

*State-Level Public Employee Wage Spending: Do Labor Unions Move the Needle?* ASPA. March 2023.

*Rural Local Governments in the United States: Collaboration and Innovation.* AoM. August 2022 .

*Understanding Public Service Delivery Preferences: An Examination of Public Values and Public Service Motivation.* PMRC. June 2022 (with Jaclyn Piatak).

*The Influence of Public Service Motivation on Trust in Multilevel Governance.* IRSPM. April 2022 (with Jaclyn Piatak).

*How do Threats of Assault Influence Federal Employee Attitudes about the Workplace?* Southern Political Science Conference. January 2022 (with Gene Brewer).

*The Influence of Local Government Structure on Multiplex Advice Relationship Formation.* SECoPA. September 2021 (with Eric Zeemering).

*International Patterns of Learning Disparities Regarding Public Personnel Policies among Public Sector Employees: Evidence from Australia, Canada, U.S., and the U.K.* IPMN. August 2021 (with Gene Brewer).

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## Teaching Experience

### *University of Georgia*

Instructor of Record: PADP 4200 - Introduction to Local Government

Spring 2024

Teaching Assistant: POLS 1101 - American Government

Fall 2023

### *Appalachian State University*

Lecturer

Fall-Spring: 2018-2019 (In-Person)

BUS 2001-Resume Writing & Professional Development

Spring-Summer: 2020 (Online)

## Professional Service

Manuscript Reviewer, State and Local Government Review, 2023

Graduate Student Advisory Board, International Journal of Public Management, 2023-Present

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## Statistical Software

Stata (Proficient)

LaTeX (Proficient)

R (Proficient)

Python (Novice)

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## Languages

Native: English

Advanced: Portuguese

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## Professional Affiliations

Public Management Research Association (PMRA)

American Society of Public Administration (ASPA)

Section of Intergovernmental Admin and Management (SIAM)

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## Selected Funding, Fellowships, and Grants

2023 UGA Dept. of Public Administration Dissertation Research Grant (\$3,000)

2022 The Nigro Fellowship for PMRC Travel, University of Georgia (\$1,800)