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RESEARCH INTERESTS	<b>American Politics and Methods:</b> Congress, the presidency, separation of powers, political parties, American political ideology, economic policy, conceptualization and measurement.	
ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS	<b>Assistant Professor</b> Department of Political Science, Sam Houston State University <b>Visiting Assistant Professor</b> Department of Government, Dartmouth College <b>Lecturer</b> Department of Government, University of Texas, Austin	August 2016 to Present September 2015 to June 2016 August 2014 to May 2015
EDUCATION	<b>University of Texas</b> , Austin, TX  Ph.D., American Politics and Methods, May 2014 <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Thesis Topic: <i>Reconceptualizing Divided Government</i></li><li>• Committee: Jeffrey Tulis, Daron Shaw, Sean Theriault, Bruce Buchanan, Frances Lee</li></ul> M.A., American Politics, December 2010  <b>University of California</b> , San Diego, CA B.A., American Politics, May 2005 <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <i>Magna cum Laude</i></li></ul>	
ADDITIONAL TRAINING	<b>University of Michigan</b> , Ann Arbor, MI <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), Summer 2010</li></ul> <b>University of Texas</b> , Austin, TX <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Summer Statistics Institute, Division of Statistics and Scientific Computation, Summer 2009</li></ul>	
PUBLICATIONS	[1] Structured Induced Deference or Equal and Coordinate Actor: Congressional Influence on American Foreign Policy. Forthcoming <i>American Politics Research</i> .	
WORKS IN PROGRESS	Competing Priorities: Federal Spending, Welfare, and Party Polarization in Congress. Invited to Revise and Resubmit <i>Congress and the Presidency</i> .  Letdown: Public Support and Bureaucratic Failures in the Modern Presidency. <i>Under Review</i> .  A World Without Elections: Model Limitations of The Biennial Congress. <i>In Progress</i> .  Consensus or Conflict: Unified Government, Divided Government, and Distributive Spending. <i>In Progress</i> .  Remapping American Political Ideology. <i>In Progress</i> .  Gradations of Divided Government. <i>In Progress</i> .	

The Limits of Constitutional Conservatism. *In Progress*.

CONFERENCE  
PRESENTATIONS

The Limits of Constitutional Conservatism. *New York Political Science Association*, New York, NY, April, 2018.

Letdown: Public Support and Bureaucratic Failures in the Modern Presidency. *Southwestern Political Science Association*, Austin, TX, April, 2017.

Remapping American Political Ideology. *Northeast Political Science Association*, Philadelphia, PA, November, 2016.

Party Polarization by Vote Type. *Northeast Political Science Association*, Philadelphia, PA, November, 2015.

Something to Fight About: Government Spending and Party Polarization in Congress. *Midwest Political Science Association*, Chicago, IL, April, 2015.

Consensus and Conflict: Unified Government, Divided Government, and Distributive Spending. *Midwest Political Science Association*, Chicago, IL, April, 2013.

American Political Party Formation and Presidential Selection: Pattern Recognition in Theory and Concept Development. *Midwest Political Science Association*, Chicago, IL, April, 2011.

The Ideological Presidency: Individual Power and the Post-Modern Presidents, with Sam West. *Midwest Political Science Association*, Chicago, IL, April, 2011.

The Ideological Presidency: Individual Power and the Post-Modern Presidents, with Sam West. *Western Political Science Association*, San Antonio, TX, April, 2011.

Budget Incrementalism and Punctuations During Unified and Divided Governments. *Southwestern Political Science Association*, Houston, TX, April 2010.

The Entering Class: Freshmen House Members and Rules Changes, 1829-2003. *Southwestern Political Science Association*, Houston, TX, April 2010.

The Entering Class: Freshmen House Members and Rules Changes, 1829-2003. *Midwest Political Science Association*, Chicago, IL, April 2010.

Testing Congressional Action Models of House Members in Funding the War on Terror: An Explanation of Structured Induced Deference. *Midwest Political Science Association*, Chicago, IL, April 2010.

FELLOWSHIPS AND  
AWARDS

Professional Development Award, University of Texas, Office of Graduate Studies, April 2013.

Joe R. Long Fellowship, University of Texas, Department of Government, Spring 2012.

Professional Development Award, University of Texas, Office of Graduate Studies, April 2011.

Clifford C. Clogg Award for full funding to the Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), Society for Political Methodology and ICPSR, Summer 2011.

Financial Support for attending Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), University of Texas, Department of Government, Summer 2011.

Professional Development Award, University of Texas, Office of Graduate Studies, April 2010.

TEACHING  
EXPERIENCE

**Sam Houston State University**, Huntsville, TX

*Assistant Professor*

**September 2016 to Present**

- American National Government
- The Presidency and Executives
- The Presidency and Executives (Graduate)
- Political Parties and Interest Groups (Graduate)

**Dartmouth College**, Hanover, NH

*Visiting Assistant Professor*

**September 2015 to June 2016**

- Political Parties
- The American Political System
- Politics and Economics

**University of Texas**, Austin, TX

*Lecturer*

**August 2014 to May 2015**

- Campaigns and Elections (Undergraduate seminar)
- Politics and Economics (Undergraduate seminar)

*Instructor*

**August 2011 to May 2014**

- Intro to American Government

*Teaching Assistant*

**August 2007 to May 2011**

- Political Parties: Spring 2011.
- Congress and the President: Fall 2010.
- Politics of Hollywood: Summer 2010.
- Urban Politics: Spring 2010.
- American Government: Fall 2009.
- Race, Media, and Politics: Spring 2009.
- American Government: Fall 2008.
- The American Presidency: Summer 2008.
- Politics of Hollywood: Spring 2008.
- American Foreign Policy: Fall 2007.

PROFESSIONAL  
MEMBERSHIPS

American Political Science Association, Member, 2007–present  
Midwest Political Science Association, Member, 2011–present

COMPUTER  
PROFICIENCY

Statistical Software:

- SPSS, STATA, R, OX, LISERL, Pajek, Python

High Processing Computing:

- Unix-based command systems including a 6,400 node Dell PowerEdge C8220 Cluster supercomputer

## REFERENCES

**Dr. Jeffrey K. Tulis** (e-mail: [tulis@mail.utexas.edu](mailto:tulis@mail.utexas.edu); phone: 512-232-7244)

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- ★ *Dissertation Committee Member.*