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NATIONALITY: USA

RESEARCH INTERESTS: Environmental politics, political communication, political behavior, computational social science

Employment

2014-present	Assistant Professor of Political Science, Trinity College Dublin
2011-2014	Empirical Research Fellow, Harvard Law School
2010-2011	Lecturer, Loyola Marymount University
2009	Lecturer, La Sierra University

Education

2011	PH.D. in Political Science, Claremont Graduate University <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Dissertation</i>: Political, Economic and Social Determinants of Vulnerability to Natural Disasters• <i>Committee</i>: Jacek Kugler (advisor & chair), Hal Nelson, Mark Abdollahian, Jean-Paul Ampuero• <i>Fields</i>: World Politics & Comparative Politics
2007	M.A. in International Studies, Claremont Graduate University
2005	B.A. in Political Science (<i>cum laude</i>), California State University, Los Angeles

Publications

REFEREED JOURNAL ARTICLES

Forthcoming	Boussalis, C., & Coan, T. G. Elite Polarization and Correcting Misinformation in the “Post-Truth Era”. <i>Journal of Applied Research in Memory and Cognition</i> .
2017	Alvarez, L., Boussalis, C., Merolla, J. L., & Peiffer, C. A. (2017) Love Thy Neighbour: Social Identity and Public Support for Humanitarian Aid. <i>Development Policy Review</i> .
2017	Boussalis, C., Feldman, Y., & Smith, H. E. (2017). Experimental analysis of the effect of standards on compliance and performance. <i>Regulation & Governance</i> .
2016	Boussalis, C., Coan, T. G., & Poberezhskaya, M. (2016). Measuring and modeling Russian newspaper coverage of climate change. <i>Global Environmental Change</i> , 41, 99-110.
2016	Boussalis, C., & Coan, T. G. (2016). Text-mining the signals of climate change doubt. <i>Global Environmental Change</i> , 36, 89-100. <ul style="list-style-type: none">• PRINT MEDIA: <i>The Guardian</i>, <i>The Irish Times</i> [1] [2], <i>The Sydney Morning Herald</i>, <i>The New Zealand Herald</i>, <i>The Irish Examiner</i>• ONLINE MEDIA: <i>The Conversation</i>, <i>Grist</i>, <i>DeSmogBlog</i>, <i>Klimafakten</i>• POLICY IMPACT: Sen. Sheldon Whitehouse (D-RI): <i>Time to Wake Up no.129</i>, March 1, 2016; <i>#WebOfDenial</i>, July 13, 2016.

- 2012 Boussalis, C., Nelson, H. T., & Swaminathan, S. (2012). Towards comprehensive malaria planning: the effect of government capacity, health policy, and land use variables on malaria incidence in India. *Social Science & Medicine*, 75(7), 1213-1221.
- 2011 Boussalis, C., & Peiffer, C. (2011). Health, need and politics: the determinants of bilateral HIV/AIDS assistance. *Journal of Development Studies*, 47(12), 1798-1825.
- 2010 Peiffer, C. A., & Boussalis, C. (2010). Foreign assistance and the struggle against HIV/AIDS in the developing world. *Journal of Development Studies*, 46(3), 556-573.

BOOK CHAPTERS

- 2015 Peiffer, C., & Boussalis, C. (2015). Determining aid allocation decision-making: towards a comparative sectored approach. In B. Mak Arvin & Byron Lew (Eds.) *Handbook on the Economics of Foreign Aid*, (pp. 45-63). Edward Elgar.
- 2015 Boussalis, C., Merolla, J., & Peiffer, C. (2015). Identity and Public Support for North American Integration. In Achim Hurrelmann & Steffen Schneider (Eds.) *The Legitimacy of Regional Integration in Europe and the Americas* (pp. 98-116). Palgrave Macmillan UK.
- 2012 Kugler, T., Boussalis, C., & Coan, T. G. (2012). Political Performance as a Moderator of International Migration. In Jacek Kugler & Ronald L. Tammen (Eds.) *The Performance of Nations*, (pp. 119-144). Rowman & Littlefield.
- 2012 Kugler, T., Coan, T. G., & Boussalis, C. (2012). Provincial Politics and the Attraction of FDI in India and China. In Jacek Kugler & Ronald L. Tammen (Eds.) *The Performance of Nations*, (pp. 211-228). Rowman & Littlefield.

NON-PEER REVIEWED

- 2016 Boussalis, C. (Nov. 2016). "Dark Days ahead for our Climate." In Darren G. Lilleker, Einar Thorsen, Daniel Jackson and Anastasia Veneti (Eds.) *US Election Analysis 2016: Media, Voters and the Campaign*. [LINK](#)
- 2015 Boussalis, C. (Sept. 2015). "Fishing for Votes in the Aegean." In Roman Gerodimos (Ed.) *GPSG Pamphlet No 5: First thoughts on the 20 September 2015 election in Greece*. [LINK](#)
- 2015 Boussalis, C. (Jan. 2015). "Luftwaffe on autopilot." In Roman Gerodimos (Ed.) *GPSG Pamphlet No 4: First thoughts on the 25 January 2015 election in Greece*. [LINK](#)
- 2014 Boussalis, C. (May. 2014). "Wake up, Golden Dawn is here to stay." In Roman Gerodimos (Ed.) *GPSG Pamphlet No 3: First thoughts on the 18 & 25 May 2014 elections in Greece*. [LINK](#)

SELECTED CURRENT WORK

- In progress Boussalis, C., Coan, T.G., & Cook, J. "Computer Assisted Recognition of Climate Denial and Skepticism."
- In progress Boussalis, C., Coan, T.G., & McKay, A. "Measuring the Influence of Conservative Think Tanks on Climate Change Discussions in the U.S. Congress."
- Working paper Boussalis, C., Coan, T.G., & Holman, M. "Truthful lips endure forever: Political Speech in Religious Sermons—A Text-Mining Approach."
- Working paper Boussalis, C. & Coan, T.G. "Tracing the Narrative of Hate in the Rising Greek Far-Right."
- Working paper Decadri, S. & Boussalis, C. "Populism and Text Complexity: an analysis of the XVII Italian Legislature."
- Working paper Boussalis, C., Nelson, H., & Decadri, S. "Social Capital, Democracy and International Trade."

Grants, Awards, & Honors

2016-2017	Trinity Research in Social Sciences (TRiSS) Research Fellowship, Trinity College Dublin (€2,000).
5/2015-5/2016	Trinity College Dublin Research Committee Pathfinder Programme Grant, Trinity College Dublin (€18,619).
4/2015-4/2017	Arts and Social Sciences Benefactions Fund, Trinity College Dublin (€1,500).
2015	First Prize—Innovative Approaches to the Study of Greek Society and Politics Competition, Greek Politics Specialist Group, Political Studies Association. (with Travis G. Coan), (€300).
2014	Co-investigator of research grant awarded by the Harvard University Library Lab for monitoring and evaluating patron book usage through the use of smartphone technology, Harvard University, (\$30,500).
2005-2008	Tuition fellowship, Claremont Graduate University.
2001, 2002	Dwight David Eisenhower Fellowship, U.S. Department of Transportation.

Presentations

SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

“Climate Change Communication from Cities in the United States.” (with Travis Coan and Mirya Holman) *Paper presented at the 2017 Text in Politics Workshop, PolitcologenEtmaal, University of Leiden, Leiden, Netherlands; the 2017 European Political Science Association Annual Conference, Milan, Italy; and the 2017 American Political Science meeting, San Francisco, CA.*

“Truth in Simplicity: Populism and Language Complexity in the Italian Chamber of Deputies.” (with Silvia Decadri) *Paper presented at the 2017 European Political Science Association Annual Conference, Milan, Italy.*

“Political Speech in Religious Sermons.” (with Travis Coan and Mirya Holman) *Paper presented at the 2016 Text Analysis Workshop EUENGAGE, Amsterdam, Netherlands; and the 2016 European Political Science Association Annual Conference, Brussels, Belgium.*

“Measuring and Modeling Russian Newspaper Coverage of Climate Change” (with Travis Coan and Marianna Poberezhskaya) *Paper presented at the 2015 Annual International Studies Association Convention, New Orleans, LA.; and the 2016 European Political Science Association Annual Conference, Brussels, Belgium.*

“Tracing the Narrative of Hate in the Rising Greek Far-Right” (with Travis Coan) *Paper presented at the 2014 Political Studies Association of Ireland Conference, Galway, Ireland.*

“Signals of Doubt: Text-Mining Climate Skepticism” (with Travis Coan) *Paper presented at the 2013 New Directions in Analyzing Text as Data Workshop, London School of Economics, London, UK.; 2014 Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, IL.; and the 2014 European Political Science Association Annual General Conference, Edinburgh, UK.*

“An Experimental Analysis of the Effect of Specificity on Compliance and Performance” (with Yuval Feldman and Henry E. Smith) *Paper presented at the 2013 Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Penn Law School, Philadelphia, PA.; and the 2013 Annual Meeting of the Law and Society Association, Boston, MA.*

“Balance as Bias’ Revisited: Harnessing the Power of Text-Mining to Understand Media Coverage of Climate Change” (with Travis Coan) *Paper presented at the 2013 Annual Meeting of the Western*

Political Science Association, Hollywood, CA.

“The Political Determinants of Infant Mortality in Mexico” (with Kristin Johnson and Hal Nelson) *paper presented at the 2013 Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Hollywood, CA.*

“Social Capital, Democracy and International Trade” (with Hal Nelson) *Paper presented at the 7th annual meeting of the International Political Economy Society, 9-10 November 2012, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA.; and the 53rd Annual International Studies Association Convention, 1-4 April 2012, San Diego, CA.*

“The Political Consequences of Natural Disaster.” (with Travis Coan and Parina Patel) *Paper presented at the 52nd Annual International Studies Association Convention, 16-19 March 2011, Montreal, Canada.*

“Love Thy Neighbor: Social Identity and Public Support for Humanitarian Aid.” (with Linda Alvarez, Jennifer Merolla and Caryn Peiffer) *Paper presented at the 52nd Annual International Studies Association Convention, 16-19 March 2011, Montreal, Canada.*

“The Force of Migrations: An Empirical Test of Economics, Policy, and Capacity.” (with Travis Coan and Tadeusz Kugler). *Poster presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2-5 September 2010, Washington, DC.*

“Identity and Public Support for North American Integration.” (with Jennifer Merolla and Caryn Peiffer) *Paper presented at the ‘Institutions in Context: The Design and Impact of Political Institutions during and after the Cold War’ Summer School, 31 May - 6 June 2010. University of Tampere, Finland; and at the 2010 Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 1-3 April 2010, San Francisco, CA.*

“The Impact of Sub-National Climate Adaptive Capacity on Environmentally-Induced Demographic Outcomes.” (with Hal Nelson and Siddharth Swaminathan) *Paper presented at the 51st Annual International Studies Association Convention, 17-20 February 2010, New Orleans, LA.*

“Health, Need and Politics: the Determinants of Bilateral HIV/AIDS Assistance.” (with Caryn Peiffer) *Paper presented at the 51st Annual International Studies Association Convention, 17-20 February 2010, New Orleans, LA.*

“Civic Capacity: Theory and Measurement.” (with Hal Nelson). *Paper presented at the 2010 TransPacific Research Consortium workshop, 22-23 January 2010, Claremont, CA.*

“Multiparty Elections and Africa’s Hybrid Regimes.” (with Caryn Peiffer) *Paper presented at the 52nd annual African Studies Association meeting, 19-22 November 2009, New Orleans, LA.*

“Capable and Willing: Assessing the Impact of Bureaucratic Quality on the Effectiveness of HIV/AIDS Policy.” (with Caryn Peiffer) *Paper presented at the 50th Annual International Studies Association Convention, 15-18 February 2009, New York, NY.*

“Iranian Security Policy (1948-1992): A Game-Theoretic Analysis.” (with David Dickey and Linda Alvarez) *Paper presented at the ELLAMEP Halki International Seminar, 12-17 September 2007. Rhodes, Greece.*

INVITED TALKS

- 18/2/2017 “Is Global Climate Action Trumped?” Trinity College Dublin, Dublin, Ireland.
- 9/11/2016 “Truthful lips endure forever: Political speech in religious sermons.” University College Dublin, Dublin, Ireland.
- 27/10/2016 “Mining Online Media for Climate Change Skepticism.” Linköping University, Norrköping, Sweden.
- 29/9/2016 “Implications of the 2016 US Election on Climate Change Policy.” School of Social Sciences and Philosophy, Trinity College Dublin. Dublin, Ireland.
- 30/6/2016 “The Era of Climate Change Denial is Not Over—Climate Skepticism and the 2016 US Presidential Race.” Institute of International and European Affairs. Dublin, Ireland.
- 28/10/2015 “Text Mining the Signals of Climate Change Doubt.” Dublin City University. Dublin, Ireland.
- 30/4/2015 Panelist, Workshop on the American Presidential Race 2016, Trinity College Historical Society. Dublin, Ireland.
- 9/1/2015 “Tracing the Narrative of Hate in the Rising Greek Far Right.” Workshop on Extracting the Political Signal from the Online Noise, University College Dublin, Dublin, Ireland.
- 23/4/2012 “Social Capital and International Trade.” Department of Political Science, University of Rhode Island. Kingston, Rhode Island.
- 29/3/2011 “Social Psychology Applications in International Political Economy.” School of Politics and Economics, Claremont Graduate University. Claremont, California.

GUEST LECTURES

- 22/2/2017 “The Greek Civil War.” Political Violence (Shane MacGiollabhui), Trinity College Dublin. Dublin, Ireland.
- 30/3/2016 “Conservative Think-Tanks and the Climate Denial Machine.” Contemporary Sources of Conflict (Anne Holohan), Trinity College Dublin. Dublin, Ireland.
- Spring 2015 “The Greek Economic Crisis in the Context of the Eurozone,” European Union Politics (Raj Chari), Trinity College Dublin. Dublin, Ireland.
- Spring 2012,2013 Empirical Studies in Comparative Corporate Governance (Reinier Kraakman), Harvard Law School. Cambridge, MA.
- Spring 2013 Readings in the Multivariate Analysis of CEO Turnover in the WRDS S&P 500 and S&P Mid-Cap Data Sets (Reinier Kraakman), Harvard Law School. Cambridge, MA.
- Fall 2012 Readings and Empirical Investigation in Managerial Turnover and Corporate Acquisitions (Reinier Kraakman), Harvard Law School. Cambridge, MA.
- Fall 2010 Political Economy of Development (Lisa Mueller), Seaver College, Social Science Division, Pepperdine University. Malibu, CA.
- Spring 2010 Statistics for Politics and International Relations (Pierre Englebert), Politics Department, Pomona College. Claremont, CA.
- Fall 2009 Political Economy of Development (Pierre Englebert), Politics Department, Pomona College. Claremont, CA.

MEDIA APPEARANCES

- TV UTV (Ireland)
- Radio Dublin South FM (Ireland)

Teaching experience

UNDERGRADUATE

- 2016 Contemporary Global Politics (Brown University Summer School)
- 2015-2017 Research Methods for Political Science

2014-2017 Contemporary International Relations
2010-2011 Introduction to International Relations

GRADUATE

2016-2017 Research Design
2014-2017 International Politics
2014-2016 Global Environmental Politics
2014-2016 International Development
2015 Introduction to Quantitative Research Methods
2009 International Economics

Professional service

DEPARTMENT LEVEL

2014-present Law & Political Science Course Coordinator
2015-present Friday Research Seminar Coordinator
2014-present Undergraduate & M.Sc. dissertation supervisor

UNIVERSITY LEVEL

2016-present Blackstone LaunchPad Stewardship Council, AHSS Representative
Fall 2016-present College Tutor

PROFESSION

2015-present [Management Committee Substitute \(Ireland\)](#). ISCH COST Action IS1309 – Innovations in Climate Governance: Sources, Patterns and Effects (INOGOV)
2015-present [Advisory board](#). “Pathways to Power: The Political Representation of Citizens of Immigrant Origin in Seven European Democracies.”
2010-present Reviewed manuscripts for: *Journal of Politics*; *World Development*; *Environmental Sociology*; *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion & Parties*
2011-2014 Methodological reviewer for: *Harvard Business Law Review*, *Civil Rights-Civil Liberties Law Review*, *Environmental Law Review*, *Human Rights Journal*, *Harvard International Law Journal*, *Journal of Law & Gender*, *Journal of Law and Public Policy*, *Journal of Law and Technology*, *Journal on Legislation*, *Latino Law Review*, *Harvard Law & Policy Review*, *Negotiation Law Review*, *Unbound: Harvard Journal of the Legal Left*, *Journal of Sports and Entertainment Law*, *National Security Journal*.
2010-present Conference service:

- *Chair*: European Political Science Association, Political Studies Association
- *Discussant*: American Political Science Association, International Studies Association, Midwest Political Science Association, Western Political Science Association.

POLICY WORK

2015-present Consultant, Fiji Independent Commission Against Corruption
2007-present Research associate, TransResearch Consortium.
Summer 2004 Intern, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Nicosia, Cyprus.

Association affiliations

American Political Science Association
European Political Science Association
International Studies Association
Midwest Political Science Association

Relevant Skills

LANGUAGES

English (Native), Greek (Fluent), French (Basic), Spanish (Basic)

COMPUTING KNOWLEDGE

Stata, R, Python, SPSS, SAS, Matlab, Sigmaplot, ArcGIS, \LaTeX , Microsoft Office