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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Assistant Professor of Political Science University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Little Rock, AR	Aug. 2023 – Current
Post-Doctoral Teaching Fellow - Founding Documents Initiative University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC	Aug. 2021 – May 2023
Instructor University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC University of South Carolina at Aiken, Aiken, SC	Aug. 2019 – May 2021
Visiting Professor University of Texas at Dallas, Richardson, Texas	Aug. 2016 – May 2018
Graduate Assistant/Instructor University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC	Aug. 2012 – May 2016
Instructor/Research Assistant Morehead State University, Morehead, KY Grant: “A Study of Foreign Availability of the Chemicals in the United States Supply Chain.” The Fund for Research and Development IHS, U.S. Department of Homeland Security. Funded. (\$1,282,789). 2010-11	Aug. 2010 – May 2012

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Political Science (May 2020), University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC American Politics and Public Law Committee: Kirk Randazzo (Advisor), Charles Finocchiaro, David Darmofal, and Susan Miller
Master of Public Administration (May 2011) Morehead State University, Morehead, KY Committee: Michael W. Hail (Advisor)
BA, Public Relations, 2011, Campbellsville University, Campbellsville, KY

PUBLICATIONS

Stephanie Ramsey Davis, CV
Peer Reviewed Publications

Davis, Stephanie, and Annelise Russell. 2025. "Boosted and Branded: Congressional Advertising with Constituents." *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 51(1): e70047.
<https://doi.org/10.1111/lsq.70047>.

Davis, Stephanie, and Annelise Russell. 2025. "U.S. Senators' Tweets: The Tweets of Single-Minded Seekers of Donations." *American Politics Research* 0(0).
<https://doi.org/10.1177/1532673X251409655>.

Davis, Stephanie, and Annelise Russell. 2024. "Redefining 'Expansion' in Congressional Communication: Homestyles for a Digital Constituency." *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 00(0): 1–16. <https://doi.org/10.1111/lsq.12483>.

Editor Reviewed Publications:

Davis, Stephanie, and Charles J. Finocchiaro. 2026. "Compromise and Consequence: The Impact of Institutions on American Representation." In *Divided Nation: Analyzing Policy, Behavior, and Institutional Challenges in Modern American Democracy*, edited by Jamie L. Carson and Ryan D. Williamson, 27–36. Berlin: De Gruyter.

Manuscripts Currently Under Review:

With Christopher T. Burks. "Toward a New Measure of Public Trust in Government: Introducing the Cultural Logics Model of Legitimacy." (Submitted February 2026)

With Annelise Russell. "Communicating in Congress: Electoral Vulnerability and the Transformation of Franked Outreach." (Submitted July 2026)

Manuscripts in Progress:

Articles

With Annelise Russell and Maggie McDonald. "Paid to Please: How Primary Threats Turn Legislators into Messaging Machines"

With Annelise Russell and Maggie McDonald. "Don't @ Me, I'm Already Leaving: Senators Communicating with Nothing to Lose"

"Policy Effects of Malapportionment of the U.S. Senate"

With Kirk Randazzo. "Congressional Intent and the Supreme Court: Measuring the Will of Congress"

"Senate Representation in the Transition from the Articles of Confederation to the 1787 Constitution: The Franco-American Treaty of Amity and Commerce."

Book Projects:

With Annelise Russell. *From Letters and Flyers to E-Newsletters and Instagram Ads: The Transformations of Franking in Congress*. (2027)

GRANTS & OTHER FUNDED PROJECTS

New Perspectives in Studies of American Governance Research Grant (\$7,000), March 2024
American University, Center for Congressional and Presidential Studies.
Representation in the U.S. Senate in the Digital Age: An Analysis of Rhetorical Representation.
Principal Investigator

TEACHING INTERESTS & COURSES TAUGHT

Teaching Interests

Congress	The Presidency	State & Local Government
Legislative Processes	Constitutional Law	Bureaucracy/Rulemaking
U.S. Institutions	Political Theory	Public Policy
Judicial Processes	Quantitative Methods	Research Methods

Undergraduate Courses Taught

American National Government	Quantitative Methods of Inquiry
Political Parties	Constitutional Law - Civil Liberties
Legislative Behavior/Processes	Gender in Politics
Judicial Processes	Contemporary Political Theory
Congress and the Presidency	American Political Thought
State and Local Government	

Graduate Courses Taught

US Supreme Court
Political Parties

RESEARCH INTERESTS

American Politics, Representative/Constituent Communications

Congressional Communications	Federalism
Interaction between Courts & Congress	Separation of Powers
Legislative Processes	Representation

Datasets Created:

- Advisory Opinions and Associated Communications from the US House Clerk’s Office (2013 to Current)
- Senatorial Tweets (campaign, personal, and official accounts) from sitting US senators Twitter/X, 2008 to Current

- Summary of Disbursements and Member Representational Allowances from the US House Clerk's Office (2018 to Current)

INVITED LECTURES AND APPOINTMENTS

Visiting Graduate Faculty July 2026
Master Program in History and Government
Ashbrook Center at Ashland University, Ashland, Ohio, and Teaching American History
(teachingamericanhistory.org)

Invited Speaker March 2026
Martin School of Public Policy and Administration
University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky
“Question Everything. Then Systematically Test It: *Why Undergraduate Research is Worth It*”

Invited Speaker March 2026
Department of Political Science Graduate Program
University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky
“When too Many Zeros Means Something: *When to use Zero-Inflated Negative Binomial Models and Other Messy Data Questions*”

Invited Speaker – AP Government Week March 2025
Rochester Institute of Technology, Rochester, New York
“Immigration Reform & Federalism”

Visiting Graduate Faculty July 2024
Master Program in History and Government
Ashbrook Center at Ashland University, Ashland, Ohio, and Teaching American History
(teachingamericanhistory.org)

RECENT PRESENTATIONS & CONFERENCES

Presenter, Women in Legislative Studies Conference October 2026
Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island

Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting (2026) January 2026
New Orleans, LA

Discussant, Arkansas Political Science Association Annual Meeting (2026) March 2026
Lyon College, Batesville, AR

Presenter & Discussant, Midwest Political Science Association Meeting (2025) April 2025
Chicago, IL

Presenter, Women in Legislative Studies Conference October 2023

Stephanie Ramsey Davis, CV

Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island

SERVICE, PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT, & LEADERSHIP

- Southern Political Science Association—Committee Member, Status Committee on Women in the Profession, 2026
- *Academic Leadership Academy* — Selected Participant, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, 2026.
- *Mobile Institute for Scientific Teaching (MoSI)* — Facilitator, May 2025.
- *Community of Practice for Teaching Evaluations and Effectiveness* — Participant, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Spring 2025.
- *Community of Transformation for Institutional Change in Evaluating Teaching Effectiveness* — Participant, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Fall 2024.
- *Mobile Institute for Scientific Teaching (MoSI)* – Participant, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, May 2024.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Society of Public Administrators
American Political Science Association
Midwest Political Science Association
Southern Political Science Association

SKILLS

- Quantitative Methods
- Proficient in Python/R/RStudio & STATA
- Web-scraping/Text scraping/LLM
- Grant writing and grant administration

References:

Available on request.