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## EDUCATION

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- Ph.D. Public Policy (Public Management Concentration), University of Arkansas, May 2022
- M.S. Statistics and Analytics (Quantitative Social Science Concentration), University of Arkansas, July 2022
- M.P.A. Public Administration and Nonprofit Studies, University of Arkansas, May 2017
- B.A. Sociology (Gender and Sexuality Studies Concentration), Davidson College, May 2014
- Honors Thesis:* “My new family’: Collective art, relationships, and the formation of non-heteronormative solidarity.”
- Other Research:* “Love’ and ‘our ITF family’: How youth form and articulate connections in an arts organization.”
- “Access to the arts: The demographic make-up of national arts participation.”
- Additional Studies* The Swedish Program for Public Policy, Stockholm School of Economics, Stockholm, Sweden, 2012-2013

## PUBLICATIONS

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- Benjamin, Francis and **Briana Huett**. “Comparing one-time state solons with other lobbyists.” (2021). In (Eds. Lovrich et al.) *Outside looking in: Lobbyists’ views on civil discourse in U.S. state legislatures*. ISBN 978-0-87422-406-1.
- Jones, Michael D., Geoboo Song, Gwen Arnold, Aaron Smith-Walter, **Briana Huett**, Rachael M. Moyer, Creed Tumilson, Ben Galloway, and Manjusha Surampalli. (2021). “[Reaching policy change: Theoretical and practical advances in policy learning research](#).” *Policy Studies Journal*, 49(1), 6–12.
- Jones, Michael D., Geoboo Song, Aaron Smith-Walter, Rachael M. Moyer, Creed Tumilson, **Briana Huett**, and Ben Galloway. (2020). “[Discussing policy theories, policy formation, and analytical methods](#).” *Policy Studies Journal*, 48(1), 6–10.
- Jones, Michael D., Geoboo Song, Aaron Smith-Walter, **Briana Huett**, Rachael M. Moyer, Manjusha Surampalli and Creed Tumilson. (2020). “[Governance, citizenry, and methodological advancement in policy research](#).” *Policy Studies Journal*, 48(2), 264–270.
- Jones, Michael D., Geoboo Song, Aaron Smith-Walter, Creed Tumilson, Rachael M. Moyer, **Briana Huett**, Manjusha Surampalli, and Ben Galloway. (2020). “[Examining policy change and governance here and elsewhere](#).” *Policy Studies Journal*, 48(3), 580–586.

Jones, Michael D., Geoboo Song, Gwen Arnold, Aaron Smith-Walter, Manjusha Surampalli, Creed Tumblison, Rachael M. Moyer, **Briana Huett**, and Ben Galloway. (2020). "[Advances in theory and practice of policy research from national to local level.](#)" *Policy Studies Journal*, 48(4), 866–872.

**Kordsmeier, Briana.** "[Program Evaluation/Assessment of the Certified Public Manager© program.](#)" Prepared for the Arkansas Public Administration Consortium (APAC) in August 2020.

Jones, Michael D., Geoboo Song, Aaron Smith-Walter, Creed Tumblison, Rachael M. Moyer, and **Briana Kordsmeier.** (2019). "[Editorial team introduction.](#)" *Policy Studies Journal*, 47(4), 854–859.

**Kordsmeier, Briana,** Melissa Terry, Frederick Clerson, Erika Gamboa, and Alfred Dowe. "[Policy Analysis of Tenant Rights and the Habitability of Rental Housing in the State of Arkansas.](#)" Presented to the City of Fayetteville on April 23, 2019.

**Kordsmeier, Briana,** Creed Tumblison, and Geoboo Song. (2019). "[Ideological orientations, LGBT contact, and formation of LGBT policy position.](#)" *Social Science Quarterly*, 100(3), 779 – 792. <https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/full/10.1111/ssqu.12579>

Toner, Brendan, Tara Schmutzler, **Briana Kordsmeier,** and Joshua L. Mitchell. (2019). "[The Limits of Morality: Exploring the Diffusion of Eugenics Policies across the US States.](#)" *The Midsouth Political Science Review*, 20, 1 – 29.

**Kordsmeier, Briana** and Rick Barry. "[Policy Analysis for Residential Food Waste Compost Program.](#)" Presented to the City of Fayetteville on December 15, 2016.

## **WORKING MANUSCRIPTS**

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**Huett, Briana,** Geoboo Song, Valerie Hunt, Brinck Kerr, and Janine Parry. "Shaping Arkansans' attitudes toward LGBT policies: The role of party identification, religious identity, and LGBT contact experience." (Under review, *Social Science Journal*)

**Huett, Briana** and Geoboo Song. "Are all states equal? Analyzing the role of LGBT contact in LGBT policy preference formation in a state-specific context." (In preparation for submission).

**Huett, Briana** and Geoboo Song. "Unequal consequences: Gauging Arkansans' concept of climate justice." (In preparation for submission).

## **CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION**

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**Kordsmeier, Briana,** Geoboo Song, and Janine Parry. "Climate change risk perceptions and their implications for climate justice for vulnerable populations in Arkansas." Presenting at the 78<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA). Chicago, April 2020.

Kester, John, **Kordsmeier, Briana,** and Geoboo Song. Applications of cultural theory to climate change risk perceptions in Arkansas." Presenting at the 78<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA). Chicago, April 2020.

**Kordsmeier, Briana** and Geoboo Song. "Politics of cultural identity: Its origins and consequences." Presented at the 75<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA). Chicago, April 2017.

**Kordsmeier, Briana**, Creed Tumlison, and Geoboo Song. “Do specific policies discriminate? Examining the role of ideology and LGBT contact in LGBT equality-oriented policy support.” Presented at the 38<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM). Washington D.C., November 2016.

**Kordsmeier, Briana** and Creed Tumlison. “Do specific policies discriminate? Examining the role of ideology and LGBT contact in LGBT equality-oriented policy support.” Presented at the 74<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA). Chicago, April 2016.

## **RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

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### ***Research Experience***

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July 2022 – present      Data Manager, Juvenile Justice Research and Reform Lab, Drexel University  
Department of Psychological and Brain Sciences

2017 – 2021              Research Assistant for Dr. Geoboo Song (Associate Professor, Department  
of Political Science) and Dr. Brinck Kerr (Director of Public Policy Ph.D.  
program), University of Arkansas

2015 – 2021              Student lead, Dr. Geoboo Song’s [Policy Research Collaboratory](#), Department  
of Political Science, Public Policy Ph.D. program, and Statistics and Analytics  
M.S. program, University of Arkansas

#### ***Examples of work:***

#### ***Presentations for the Big Data Analytics Workshop Series:***

[Workshop 1](#): Big Data, Social Science Research, and R

[Workshop 2](#): Applied Machine Learning in Social Science Research

[Workshop 3](#): Large-scale Text Analytics

Workshop 4: Big Data, Risk Analysis, and Disaster Management

Workshop 5: Big Data and Advanced Policy Analytics

[Workshop 6](#): Applied Machine Learning for the Social Sciences

2015 – 2016              Research Assistant for Dr. Joshua Mitchell (Assistant Professor) and Dr.  
Karen Sebold (Clinical Assistant Professor), Department of Political Science,  
University of Arkansas

### ***Teaching Experience***

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2019 – present            Instructor (online and in-person), American National Government, Public  
Policy, Department of Political Science, University of Arkansas

2018 – 2019              Statistics and research methods tutor, Student-Athlete Success Center,  
University of Arkansas

2017 – 2018              Teaching Assistant for Dr. Karen Sebold (American National Government  
course), Department of Political Science, University of Arkansas

2015 – 2016	Teaching Assistant for Dr. Joshua Mitchell and Dr. Karen Sebold (American National Government, The American Congress), Department of Political Science, University of Arkansas
2014 – 2015	Algebra II, AP English Literature, and AP Psychology private tutor
2012 – 2013	Group English tutor, Afterschool Nu Program, Stockholm, Sweden

### ***Other Professional Experience***

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April 2021 – present	Grants Officer, Arkansas Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) Foundation, Conway, AR
2019 – 2021	Editorial Assistant, <i>Policy Studies Journal</i>
2019 – 2021	Graduate Advisor of Mentoring Programs, Center for Community Engagement, University of Arkansas
Summer 2016	Community Sustainability Intern, Communities Unlimited, Inc., Fayetteville, AR
2016 – 2017	Graduate Assistant, UA Service-Learning Initiative, University of Arkansas
2014 – 2015	Data Control Manager, Travelier, Inc., Little Rock, AR
2013 – 2014	Community Engagement Fellow/Youth Development Intern, Davidson College Center for Civic Engagement, Davidson, NC
2010 – 2014	Bonner Scholar, Davidson College

### **GRANTS, AWARDS AND HONORS**

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2022	Rookie of the Year Award, Arkansas PBS
2019	ICPSR Scholarship for Public Administration, Public Policy, and Public Affairs, University of Michigan
2017 – 2021	Distinguished Doctoral Fellowship, University of Arkansas  Conference travel grant, Department of Political Science, University of Arkansas  Graduate research assistantship, Public Policy Ph.D. program, University of Arkansas
2016	Hugh T. Henry Memorial Scholarship, Department of Political Science, University of Arkansas  Henry M. Alexander Scholarship, Arkansas City Managers Association (ACMA)

- Conference travel grant, Department of Political Science, University of Arkansas
- 2015 Graduate research assistantship, Department of Political Science, University of Arkansas (2-year)
- Conference travel grant, Department of Political Science, University of Arkansas
- 2014 W.E.B. Dubois Excellence in Sociology Award, Davidson College
- Academic Honors in Sociology, Davidson College

### **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

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Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM); Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA); MENTOR National Mentoring Summit