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## Education

### Harvard University

Ph.D. Government, 2020 (EXP.)

A.M. Statistics, 2020 (EXP.)

### Princeton University, 2005-2009.

A.B. Politics, Certificates in Political Economy and Finance (with Honors)

## Research Interests

Political institutions, international environmental politics and energy policy, formal theory

## Peer-Reviewed Publications

[“Fast, cheap, and imperfect? American public opinion about solar geoengineering,”](#) forthcoming, *Environmental Politics*, with Dustin Tingley and Gernot Wagner

[“What do people think when they think about solar geoengineering? A review of empirical social science literature, and prospects for future research,”](#) 2016, *Earth's Future*, with Elizabeth Burns, Jane A. Flegal, David W. Keith, Dustin Tingley, and Gernot Wagner

## Working Papers

[Security implications of geoengineering and countergeoengineering](#) (with Muhammet Bas)

An experimental analysis of distributional equity norms in climate negotiations (with Reuben Kline and Dustin Tingley). *Under Review*

Quality of service predicts willingness to pay for household electricity connections in rural India (with Ryan Kennedy and Johannes Urpelainen) *Under Review*

How Group Consciousness Informs Foreign Policy Preferences (with Austin Strange)

Increasing rural electrification through connection campaigns (with Brian Blankenship, Ryan Kennedy, Jason Chun Yu Wong, and Johannes Urpelainen)

## Current Projects

Enhancing the access, adoption, and applications of off-grid electricity (with Johannes Urpelainen, SP Harish, Ryan Kennedy, Maryam Aljafen, Daniel Thomas, and Sini Numminen, funding from the Rockefeller Foundation, Smart Power for Rural Development)

Understanding the behavioral impact of solar lanterns (with SP Harish, Ryan Kennedy, and Johannes Urpelainen)

Monitoring electricity quality in rural India using mobile technology (with SP Harish, Ryan Kennedy, and Johannes Urpelainen)

Vulnerability and preferences over the durability of public goods

Public opinion in the US about the international implications of climate adaptation

Understanding the effect of second order beliefs on support for solar geoengineering: evidence from the United States

## Grants and Awards

GSA Research Grant, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, 2017

Initiative for Sustainable Energy Policy, Student Fellow, 2017-present

Weatherhead Graduate Student Associates Program, 2017-present

EITM Summer Fellowship, Duke University, 2016

Weatherhead Initiative Research Cluster in International Affairs (Principal Investigator David Keith and Project Manager Joshua Horton), Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University, 2015

## Professional Presentations

**Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting**, April 2018 “How Group Consciousness Informs Foreign Policy Preferences (with Austin Strange)”

**Gordon Research Conference**, July 2017 “Fast, Cheap, and Imperfect? American Public Opinion about Solar Geoengineering”

**American Political Science Association Annual Meeting**, September 2016 “Soft Solutions to Hard Problems: Crowding out Climate Change Mitigation”

**Harvard University - Harvard Experimental Political Science Graduate Student Conference**, March 2016 “An Experimental Analysis of Distributional Equity Norms in Climate Negotiations” (with Reuben Kline and Dustin Tingley)

**New York University - Center for Experimental Social Science Eight Annual Political Science Conference**, February 2016 “An Experimental Analysis of Distributional Equity Norms in Climate Negotiations” (with Reuben Kline and Dustin Tingley)

**University of Southern California - Conference on Formal Models of International Relations**, February 2016 “An Experimental Analysis of Distributional Equity Norms in Climate Negotiations” (with Reuben Kline and Dustin Tingley)

**American Political Science Association, Annual Meeting**, September 2015 “An Experimental Analysis of Distributional Equity Norms in Climate Negotiations” (with Reuben Kline and Dustin Tingley)

## Teaching

American Foreign Policy (undergraduate lecture course), taught by Professor Joshua D Kertzer, Fall 2017-2018

International Political Economy (undergraduate lecture course), taught by Professor Jeffrey Frieden, Fall 2016-2017

Models of Conflict in International Relations (undergraduate lecture course), taught by Professor Muhammet Bas, Spring 2015-2016, Spring 2016-2017

## Service

Graduate Student Coordinator, Research Workshop in International Relations, 2016-2017

Reviewer for *Journal of Politics*, *Climate Politics*

## Research Assistance

Dustin Tingley (2014-2015)

## Languages

Hindi (fluent)

## Nonacademic Employment

**PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC)**, New York, 2010-2014.

*Global Transfer Pricing Senior Associate*: Economic / tax consulting focusing on cross-border intercompany pricing arrangements.

**The IFF (formerly the Illinois Facilities Fund)**, Chicago, 2009-2010.

*Public Policy Associate*: Community Development Financial Institution, lending money to other nonprofit institutions.