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## Employment

### *Academic*

Assistant Teaching Professor, Political Science, Drexel University, 2018–present.

Adjunct Professor, Political Science, James Madison University, Fall 2018.

Instructor, Government, Georgetown University, Summers 2012–2017.

### *Other*

Research Fellow, Democracy Fund, 2017–2018.

Research Associate, International Foundation for Electoral Systems, 2008–2010.

Graduate Intern, Campaign Finance Institute, Summer 2008.

Program Associate, FairVote, 2005–2007.

District Office Intern, U.S. Representative James H. Maloney, Summer 1999.

## Education

Ph.D., Government, Georgetown University, 2010–2017.

Dissertation: *Three Articles on Proportional Representation in American Cities*.

Committee: Josep M. Colomer, Daniel J. Hopkins, Hans C. Noel (chair), R. Kent Weaver.

M.A., Democracy & Governance (with distinction), Georgetown University, 2007–2009.

B.A., Political Science (with honors), McGill University, 2001–2005.

## Research

### *Peer-reviewed articles*

Santucci, Jack. 2019. "Using Mixed Methods to Recover Electoral History: The American Path to Proportional Voting." *SAGE Research Methods Cases, Part 2*. <http://dx.doi.org/10.4135/9781526462695>.

Santucci, Jack. 2018. "Maine Ranked-choice Voting as a Case of Electoral-system Change." *Representation* 54 (3): 297-311. <https://doi.org/10.1080/00344893.2018.1502208>. **Best paper, 2018 volume.**

Santucci, Jack. 2018. "Evidence of a Winning-cohesion Tradeoff under Multi-winner Ranked-choice Voting." *Electoral Studies* 52: 128-138. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.electstud.2017.11.003>.

Santucci, Jack. 2017. "Party Splits, not Progressives: The Origins of Proportional Representation in American Local Government." *American Politics Research* 45 (3): 494-526. <https://doi.org/10.1177/1532673X16674774>.

### *Edited articles and chapters*

Santucci, Jack. 2020. "Multiparty America?" Forthcoming in *The Journal of Politics*. <https://doi.org/10.1086/708937>.

Santucci, Jack. 2010. "What is the Future for Democracy Promotion?" *Democracy & Society* 7 (1): 5-7. <http://bit.ly/2E3GPOD>.

Santucci, Jack and Magnus Öhman. 2009. "Practical Solutions for the Disclosure of Campaign & Political Party Finance." In *Political Finance Regulation: The Global Experience*, edited by Magnus Öhman & Hani Zainulbhai, 25-42. Washington, DC: IFES. <http://bit.ly/2BGj55M>.

Santucci, Jack. 2006. "The Missing Half: Ensuring Fair Representation in Post-merger Essex, Vermont." *National Civic Review* 95 (3): 42-50. <https://doi.org/10.1002/ncr.148>.

### *Commissioned reports*

Latner, Michael S. and Jack Santucci. 2018. *Possible Results of Proportional-voting Systems for Seattle Port Commission Elections*. More Equitable Democracy, July 24. <https://bit.ly/2MKxuRf>.

Santucci, Jack and Michael S. Latner. 2018. *Voting-system Options for the Seattle Port Commission*. More Equitable Democracy, May 11. <https://bit.ly/2BdpSBx>.

Darnolf, Staffan, Jack Santucci, and Rakesh Sharma. 2014. "Impact of Perceptions of Election Integrity on Electoral Participation: The Case of Ukraine." International Foundation for Electoral Systems, July 18.

## Grants

"East-coast and National Experimental Tests of Candidate Entry under Single-seat Ranked-choice Voting, with Measurement of Attitudes toward Descriptive Representation" (\$23,000, with Jamil Scott), New America Foundation, 2020.

Tom Carsey Award (\$200), State Politics & Policy Section, American Political Science Association, 2017.

"Analyzing Legislative Voting in Small Councils" (\$4,400), Massive Data Institute, McCourt School of Public Policy, Georgetown University, 2015–2016.

Travel Grant (\$210), American Political Science Association, 2015.

Prestage-Cook Travel Award (\$125), Southern Political Science Association, 2013.

## Teaching

### *Drexel University*

PSCI 313: State & Local Government (Winter 2020).

PSCI T280: Data Analysis for Activists (Spring 2019).

PSCI 260: Social Movements in Comparative Perspective (Fall 2018).

PSCI 240: Comparative Politics II (Winter 2019).

PSCI 110: American Government (Fall 2018, Winter 2019, Spring 2019, Fall 2019, Winter 2020, Spring 2020).

PSCI 100: Introduction to Political Science (Fall 2018, Winter 2019, Fall 2019, Winter 2020).

### *James Madison University*

POSC 351W: The Current Crisis in American Party Politics (Fall 2018).

### *Georgetown University*

GOVT 303-2: Urban Politics (Spring 2016).

GOVT 121: Comparative Political Systems (Summer 2013).

GOVT 020: U.S. Political Systems (Summer 2016, Summer 2017).

XSP 02: American Economics and Business (Summer 2012, Summer 2013, Summer 2014, Summer 2015).

## Advising

HNRS I399: Reforming Congressional Representation (independent study), Drexel University, Fall 2019.

## Service

### *Journal reviews*

*American Politics Research* (2); *Election Law Journal* (3); *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion, & Parties* (3); *Party Politics* (3); *Perspectives on Politics* (1); *Politics & Governance* (1), *Representation* (1).

### *Book reviews*

CQ Press (1).

### *Panel chair or discussant*

APSA Annual Meeting (2017); MPSA Annual Meeting (2018, 2019); SPSA Annual Meeting (2020), Pi Sigma Alpha National Student Conference (2014, 2015, 2016, 2017).

### *University events*

Coordinator (for Drexel University), Pennsylvania Redistricting Town Hall, February 21, 2019.

## Awards

Best Paper, “Maine Ranked-choice Voting as a Case of Electoral-system Change,” *Representation*, 2018.

Jill Hopper Memorial Fellowship, Department of Government, Georgetown University, 2015–2016.

## Work in progress

### *Book*

My book project explains the rise and fall of proportional representation in 24 American cities, 1893-1962, as well as the attendant reform movement. We can understand electoral reform as an extension of coalition politics. In a country with two nominal parties, the price of a reform coalition is to make the rules “non-partisan.” That punts on the problem of disciplining legislatures. Historically, reform coalitions fractured, and opponents linked proportional voting with “black agitation” and communism. A byproduct of reform agitation was the popularization of plurality-at-large elections.

### *Papers*

Project on secular realignment of the U.S. party coalitions.

Project (co-authored) on anti-system attitudes in U.S. survey data.

Project (co-authored) on generational support for electoral reform.

Forensic analysis of electoral-system change in a Rust Belt city, 1924-57.

Project comparing government spending under historic urban reform templates.

## Conference presentations

“The Generational Divide on Ranked-choice Voting” (with Devin McCarthy).

SPSA, San Juan, 2020.

“The Single Transferable Vote and Government Spending: Causal Evidence from U.S. Cities.”

APSA, Washington, DC, 2019.

MPSA, Chicago, 2019.

“A Populist-elite Dimension in the U.S. Public? Evidence from Two Surveys in 2016.”

APSA, Boston, 2018.

MPSA, Chicago, 2018.

“The Saliency of Race Across All Fifty States.”

State Politics & Policy Conference, Pennsylvania State University, 2018.

“In America, Why Does Proportional Voting Have to Attack Political Parties?”

APSA (as poster), Boston, 2018.

MPSA, Chicago, 2018.

“Analyzing a Three-dimensional Policy Space with Little Prior Knowledge: The Council of the City of New York, 1938-47.”

APSA (as poster), San Francisco, 2017.

“Estimating Dynamic, Common-space Public Opinion: Why Maine Took Two Decades to Adopt Ranked-choice Voting.”

APSA, San Francisco, 2017.

State Politics & Policy Conference, Saint Louis University, 2017.

“Exit from PR & Implications for Ranked-choice Voting in American Government.”

SPSA, New Orleans, 2017.

APSA, Philadelphia, 2016.

MPSA, Chicago, 2016.

“The Other Side of Urban Reform: Insurgents & Issues under City STV, 1930-61.”

MPSA, Chicago, 2016.

“Ends Against the Middle: Revisiting the Repeal of PR in Cincinnati.”

SPSA, San Juan, 2016.

APSA (as poster), San Francisco, 2015.

POLMETH (as poster), University of Rochester, 2015.

“Party Splits & The Choice of Proportional Representation: Evidence from American Cities.”

APSA, San Francisco, 2015.

MPSA (as poster), Chicago, 2015.

SPSA, New Orleans, 2014.

“Ethnic Appeals & the Personal Vote.”

SPSA, Orlando, 2013.

## Invited talks

Panel discussion on charter reform in Portland (OR). City Club of Portland, July 18, 2019.

“What History Can Teach Us About the Prospects for Ranked-choice and Proportional Voting.” The College of New Jersey, March 8, 2019.

“Why Does America Have Only Two Parties?” International Republican Institute, November 3, 2017.

“The Coalition Politics of Ranked-choice Voting at Mid-century.” APSA short course, September 2, 2015.

“Policy Change in American Politics” (series). Triway International, Summer 2015.

“American Economics” (series). Triway International, Summer 2014.

“Election Assistance in International Development.” Colorado College, October 8, 2010.

## Op-eds & blog posts

- Santucci, Jack and Benjamin Reilly. 2020. “Utah’s new kind of ranked-choice voting could hurt political minorities – and sometimes even the majority.” LSE’s *American Politics & Policy*, January 23. <http://bit.ly/3713tAR>.
- Santucci, Jack. 2019. “Ranked-choice voting and the future of small-d democracy in New York.” *New York Daily News*, November 14. <https://bit.ly/2XJ3BGj>.
- Santucci, Jack. 2019. “Factional voting in local elections: The case of Cambridge, MA.” *Urban Affairs Forum*, February 7. <https://bit.ly/2SDISU5>.
- Santucci, Jack. 2018. “Why adopting proportional voting may bring back the big-tent political party.” LSE’s *American Politics & Policy*, November 5. <http://bit.ly/2F7KEav>.
- Santucci, Jack. 2018. “Maine’s election shows that ranked-choice voting is hot right now. But we have been here before.” LSE’s *American Politics & Policy*, June 15. <http://bit.ly/21bEsBp>.
- Santucci, Jack. 2017. “Maine’s citizens passed ‘ranked-choice voting.’ Why did Republicans shoot it down?” *The Monkey Cage/Washington Post*, May 31. <http://wapo.st/2BcksrJ>.
- Santucci, Jack. 2016. “Past experience shows that proportional representation is possible in the US, but there are tradeoffs.” LSE’s *American Politics & Policy*, December 20. <http://bit.ly/2hzDaBE>.
- Santucci, Jack. 2016. “Will ranked-choice voting succeed in Maine? That depends on the Democrats.” *The Monkey Cage/Washington Post*, October 13. <http://wapo.st/2ejA3vG>.
- Santucci, Jack. 2012. Le scrutin proportionnel aux États-Unis est-il envisageable? *Blogue génératrice/Radio-Canada*, May 17. <http://bit.ly/2EkNd7v>.

## Podcasts & webinars

- “Can America Become a Multiparty System?” *Science of Politics* (with Lee Drutman, hosted by Matt Grossman), January 29, 2020. <https://www.niskanencenter.org/can-america-become-a-multiparty-system/>.
- “Episode 14: Spoiled.” *Tatter* (Podcast of Prof. Michael Sargent, Sociology, Bates College), June 7, 2018. <https://tatter.fireside.fm/14>.
- “History of Ranked-choice Voting in the United States” (webinar). RCV Resource Center, September 8, 2017. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2IjZB7V84kU>.

## Contracting & consulting

- Sightline Institute, 2018.
- More Equitable Democracy, 2018.
- Varieties of Democracy Project, 2014.
- International Foundation for Electoral Systems, 2010–2014.
- International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance, 2012.
- Flattau Associates, 2011.
- Democracy International, 2010.

## Volunteer roles

Member, Scholars Strategy Network, 2018–present.

Academic Advisor, FairVote, 2015–present.

Member, ACE Electoral Knowledge Network, 2011–present.

Precinct Captain, DC Board of Elections & Ethics, 2010–2014.

## References

### *Teaching*

Dr. Richardson Dilworth, Interim Department Head and Professor of Politics, Drexel University, [dilworth@drexel.edu](mailto:dilworth@drexel.edu).

Dr. David A. Jones, Professor of Political Science, James Madison University, [jones3da@jmu.edu](mailto:jones3da@jmu.edu).

Dr. Mark C. Rom, Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Associate Professor of Government, Georgetown University, [romm@georgetown.edu](mailto:romm@georgetown.edu).

### *Research*

Dr. Josep M. Colomer, Adjunct Lecturer, Georgetown University, [josep.colomer@gmail.com](mailto:josep.colomer@gmail.com).

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