

John Kuk

CONTACT

INFORMATION

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ACADEMIC

APPOINTMENTS

Washington University in St. Louis
Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Department of Sociology

9/2017-Present

EDUCATION

University of California, San Diego

Ph.D., 2012–2017

Department of Political Science

Dissertation: *An Unequal and Polarized Democracy: Why Has Unequal Growth Caused Party Polarization in the American Public*

Committee: James Fowler (Co-Chair), Gary Jacobson (Co-Chair), Seth Hill, Stephan Haggard, Lane Kenworthy, James Druckman (Northwestern University)

Seoul National University

M.A., 2011

Political Science

Seoul National University

B.A., 2009

Political Science, *magna cum laude*,

Agricultural Economics (minor) and Philosophy (minor)

RESEARCH

INTEREST

American politics, politics of inequality, race and ethnicity, political behavior, urban segregation, machine learning, text analysis, and political methodology.

PUBLICATIONS

Zoltan Hajnal, **John Kuk**, and Nazita Lajevardi. “We All Agree: Strict Voter ID Laws Disproportionately Burden Minorities.” *The Journal of Politics* 80.3 (2018): 1052–1059.

John Kuk, Deborah Seligsohn, and Jack Jiakun Zhang. “The Effect of Rising Import Competition on Congressional Voting Towards China.” *Journal of Contemporary China* 27.109 (2018): 103–119

WORKING PAPERS

John Kuk. “The Effect of Economic Distress on Racial Attitudes.”

John Kuk. “Red American Dream, Blue American Dream: The Geography of Intergenerational Mobility and Voting Behavior.” *Under Review*

Ariela Schachter and **John Kuk**. “A Change of Heart or Change of Address? The Geographic Sorting of Whites’ Attitudes towards Immigration.” *Under Review*

John Kuk, Deborah Seligsohn, and Jack Jiakun Zhang. “The Partisan Divide in U.S. Congressional Communications after the China Shock.” *Under Review*

John Kuk and Nazita Lajevardi. “Constituent Communications in a New Technological Era: Congressional E-Newsletters.” *Under Review*

John Kuk and Inbok Rhee. “North Korean Elites and Their Propaganda Strategy: Analyzing Korean Central News Agency Text Data.” *Under Review*

John Kuk. “Inequality and Public Polarization: Have Voters Become Polarized as Income Inequality Rises?”

Zoltan Hajnal, **John Kuk**, and Nazita Lajevardi. "A Disproportionate Burden: Strict Voter Identification Laws and Turnout."

Max Besbris, Ariela Schachter, and **John Kuk**. "The Language of Segregation: Variation in the Description of Rental Housing Across Neighborhoods."

WORKS IN
PROGRESS

John Kuk. *The Economic Origins of Tribal Politics*. Book manuscript in preparation

Max Besbris, **John Kuk** and Ariela Schachter. "The Distribution of Fair Market Rent Housing in the Metropolitan United States."

Max Besbris, Jacob Faber, **John Kuk** and Ariela Schachter. "The Impact of Homicide on Rental Market."

Mitch Downey, **John Kuk**, and Nazita Lajevardi. "The Disparate Rejection Rate of Voter Registration Applications."

GRANTS AND
AWARDS

Weidenbaum Center on the Economy, Government, and Public Policy Small Grant (with Ariela Schachter) 2018

UCSD Political Science TA Excellence Award 2017

Sanford Lakoff Fellowship 2017

UCSD Graduate Student Association Travel Grant 2015, 2016

TEACHING

Instructor of Record:

Growing Up Poor Across America Spring 2018, Fall 2018

Teaching Assistant with Discussion/Recitation Sections:

Causal Inference (Graduate) Spring 2017

Introduction to American Politics Fall 2014, Spring 2016

Political Inquiry (undergraduate research design, statistics) Fall 2013

Introduction to Comparative Politics Winter 2016

Guest Lectures:

Introduction to American Politics Summer 2016

Korean Politics Spring 2014, Summer 2014, Spring 2015

INVITED TALKS
& PRESENTATIONS

Invited Talk

University of Mannheim, Collaborative Research Center (scheduled 9/2018)

Presentations

APSA 2010, 2015, 2017, 2018

MPSA 2015, 2017, 2018

Politics of Race, Immigration, and Ethnicity Consortium (PRIEC) 2018

Polmeth 2014, 2015, 2018

ASA 2018

Election Science, Reform, and Administration 2018

International Political Economy Society (IPES) 2017

UCSD North Korea Workshop 2017

Political Networks 2011

PROFESSIONAL & DEPARTMENT SERVICE	<p>Panel Chair, MPSA 2018</p> <p>Panel Discussant, MPSA 2018</p> <p>Panel Chair, Polmeth 2018</p> <p>APSA Class and Inequality Section Conference Committee 2017</p> <p>University of California, San Diego</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">President, Political Science Graduate Student Association, 2014–2015</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Co-organizer, Human Nature Group, 2015–2017</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">System Administrator of HNG Supercomputer, 2015–2016</p> <p>Seoul National University</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Organizer, Comparative Politics Workshop 2010–2011</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">President, Political Science Graduate Student Association, 2010–2011</p>
OTHER ACTIVITIES	<p>Fire fighter (alternative service for military duty) Fall 2005 – Fall 2007</p>
CITIZENSHIP	<p>United States of America and Republic of Korea (dual citizenship)</p>
REFERENCES	<p>Gary Jacobson (gjacobson@ucsd.edu) Distinguished Emeritus Professor, Political Science</p> <p>James Fowler (folwer@ucsd.edu) Professor, Political Science and Medical Genetics</p> <p>Zoltan Hajnal (zhajnal@ucsd.edu) Professor, Political Science and School of Global Policy and Strategy</p> <p>Ariela Schachter (ariela@wustl.edu) Assistant Professor, Sociology</p>