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Appointments

Professor, Princeton University, Department of Politics, 2020-present

Associate Professor (with tenure), Duke University, Department of Political Science, 2018-2020.

Director of Survey Research, Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies, 2015-present.

Associate Professor (with tenure), George Washington University, Department of Political Science, 2014-2018.

Assistant Professor, The Ohio State University, Department of Political Science, 2007-2014.

Research Scholar, Princeton University, Center for the Study of Democratic Politics, 2007-2008.

Assistant Professor, The University of Texas at Austin, Department of Government, 2005-2007.

Education

Ph.D., Political Science, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, May 2005

B.A., Political Science, Southern University, Baton Rouge, LA, December 1997

Refereed Journal Publications

1. Antoine Banks, **Ismail K. White** and Brian McKenzie. 2019 “Black Politics: How Anger Influences the Political Actions Blacks Pursue to Reduce Racial Inequality”. *Political Behavior*.
Co-Winner of APSA Best Paper Published in Political Behavior, 2019

[*How do black people channel their anger about racial injustice? Here’s what we found.*](#)
Washington Post
2. Luke Keele, Paru Shah, **Ismail K. White** and Kristine Kay. 2017. “Black Candidates and Black Turnout: A Study of Viability in Louisiana Mayoral Elections.” *Journal of Politics*. Volume 80, Number 4.
3. Luke Keele and **Ismail K. White**. 2017. “African American Turnout and African American Candidates.” *Political Science Research Methods*. 1-19. doi:10.1017/psrm.2017.45

4. Kristine Kay, Gladys Mitchell-Walthour, and **Ismail K. White**. 2015. "Priming Race and Class in Brazil: AfroBrazilian Support for Racial versus Class Policy" *Politics, Groups, and Identities*. Volume 3, Issue 2.
5. Chaitoff, Alexander M, Thomas Wickizer, and **Ismail K. White**. 2015. "Understanding How Components of Black Racial Identity and Racial Realities May Impact Healthcare Utilization: A Randomized Study." *Journal of Health Disparities Research and Practice*. Vol. 8, Iss. 4.
6. **Ismail K. White**, Chryl Laird and Troy Allen. 2014. "Selling Out?: The Politics of Navigating Conflicts Between Racial Group Interest and Self-Interest." *American Political Science Review*. Volume 108, Issue 4, pp. 783-800.
Best Paper, APSA Race, Ethnicity and Politics Section, 2014
Rodney G. Higgins Award, National Conference of Black Political Scientists, 2014
7. Michael J. Hanmer, Anotine J. Banks and **Ismail K. White**. 2014 "Experiments to Reduce the Over-reporting of Voting: A Pipeline to the Truth," *Political Analysis*. (Winter 2014) 22 (1): 130-141
8. Luke Keele, Corrine M. McConaughy and **Ismail K. White**. 2012. "Strengthening the Experimenter's Toolbox: Statistical Estimation of Internal Validity." *American Journal of Political Science*. 56(2): 484-499.
9. Corrine M. McConaughy, **Ismail K. White**, David L. Leal and Jason P. Casellas. 2010 "A Latino on the Ballot: Explaining Co-Ethnic Voting Among Latinos and the Response of White Americans." *Journal of Politics*, Vol. 72, no. 4. (October):1199-1211.
10. Tony N. Brown, Mark K. Akiyama, **Ismail K. White**, Elizabeth Anderson, and Toby Jayaratne. 2009. "Differentiating Contemporary Racial Prejudice from Old-Fashioned Racial Prejudice." *Race and Social Problems* 1(2):97-110
11. **Ismail K. White**. 2007. "When Race Matters and When it Doesn't: Racial Group Differences in Response to Racial Cues." *American Political Science Review*, 101(2): 339-354.
Sammy Younge Award for Best Paper by a Graduate Student, National Conference of Black Political Scientists, 2001
12. **Ismail K. White**, Tasha S. Philpot, Kristin Wylie, and Ernest McGowen. 2007. "Feeling the Pain of My People: Hurricane Katrina, Racial Inequality, and the Psyche of Black America." *Journal of Black Studies*, 37(4): 523-538.
13. Brian Duff, Michael J. Hanmer, Won-ho Park and **Ismail K. White**. 2007. "Good Excuses: Understanding Who Votes with an Improved Turnout Question." *Public Opinion Quarterly*, 71(1):67-90.
14. Vincent L. Hutchings, Nicholas A. Valentino, Tasha Philpot, and **Ismail K. White**. 2004. "The Compassion Strategy: Race and the Gender Gap in American Politics." *Public Opinion Quarterly*, 68(4):512-541.

15. Nicholas A. Valentino, Vincent L. Hutchings and **Ismail K. White**. 2002. "Cues That Matter: How Political Ads Prime Racial Attitudes During Campaigns." *American Political Science Review*, March: 75-90.

Books

Steadfast Democrats: How Social Forces Shape Black Political Behavior,
Ismail K. White and Chryl Laird. Princeton University Press (2020)

Reviews:

Bloomberg - [Why Black Voters Keep Picking Democrats: It isn't because African-Americans are liberal](#). Stephen L. Carter

Op-eds:

FiveThirtyEight- "Why So Many Black Voters Are Democrats, Even When They Aren't Liberal" ([link](#))

The Atlantic- "Trump Doesn't Understand Why Black Voters Stick Together" ([link](#))

The Washington Post- "Why President Trump's bid for the black vote is unlikely to bear fruit" ([link](#))

Mentions:

USA Today- "Young Black voters say they aren't enthusiastic about a Joe Biden presidency" ([link](#))

Vox- "Do Joe Biden's 'you ain't black' comments ultimately matter?" ([link](#))

NPR- "Trump Campaign Reworks Its Pitch To Black Voters After Pandemic Slams Economy" ([link](#))

The Takeaway w/ Amy Walter- "A Primary Election During A Pandemic" ([link](#))

NPR All Things Considered w/ Audie Cornish- "Understanding The Black Vote In The Democratic Primary" ([link](#))

The New York Times- "Trump Has His Sights Set on Black Voters" ([link](#))

CBC The National- "Super Tuesday: The trends, contenders and what's next" ([link](#))

CBC The Current- "Who are your people? How a candidate's authenticity can influence African American voters" ([link](#))

MSNBC Morning Joe- “African-Americans are not a monolith,’ says professor on voting trends” ([link](#))

CNN Tonight with Don Lemon-“Can Trump break through black support for Democrats?” ([link](#))

The Washington Post-“Biden lost his ‘electable’ claim. That’s why black votes are up for grabs again.” ([link](#))

Intelligencer: NYMagazine “Trump Isn’t a Moderate, But He Plays One on TV” ([link](#))

CodeSwitch:NPR- “The Black Table In The Big Tent” [Start at 32:00] ([link](#))

CodeSwitch:NPR-“What The Kanye Controversy Can Teach Us About Black Voters” ([link](#))

Vox-“4 political science lessons from Kanye West’s embrace of Donald Trump: Normal people are instinct-driven rationalizers motivated by group loyalty dynamics, not ideologies” ([link](#))

All Things Considered:NPR-“What the Uproar Over Kanye West Might Reveal About Black Voters” ([link](#))

The Conversation-“Would American Vote for Oprah for President” ([link](#))

BuzzFeed-“Did Russia’s Social Media Campaign to Discourage Black Voters Cost Clinton The Election?” ([link](#))

Vox’s Mischief of Faction-“Why Black Voter Turnout Fell in 2016” ([link](#))

African-American Political Psychology: Identity, Opinion, and Action in the Post-Civil Rights Era. Edited Tasha S. Philpot and **Ismail K. White.** (2010). Palgrave Macmillan Press.

Book Chapters

“Feeling Different: Racial Group-Based Emotional Response to Political Events.” With Tasha S. Philpot, Kristin Wylie, and Ernest McGowen. In *African-American Political Psychology: Identity, Opinion, and Action in the Post-Civil Rights Era.*(2010) Palgrave Macmillan. Ed. Tasha S. Philpot and Ismail K. White.

“Racial Cues in Campaign News: The Effects of Candidate Issue Distance on Emotional Responses, Political Attentiveness.” (2006) With Vincent L. Hutchings, Nicholas A. Valentino, Tasha Philpot. In *Feeling Politics: Affect and Cognition in Political Information Processing.* Palgrave Macmillan. Ed. David Redlawsk.

“Political Information in Black and White :The Effect of Attention to Black Political Discourse on Black Opinion Formation” With Chryl Laird, Ernest B. McGowen III, and Jared K. Clemons. In *Race & Public Policy.* LSU Press. Ed. Joshua Grimm. Forthcoming.

Law Review Articles

“The Locked Ballot Box: The Impact of State Criminal Disenfranchisement Laws on African American Voting Behavior and Implications for Reform.” (2003) With Aman McLeod and Amelia Gavin. *Virginia Journal of Social Policy and the Law*. 11(1): 67-88.

Public and Technical Reports

“How Good is This Excuse?: Correction of Overreporting of Voter Turnout Bias in the 2002 American National Election Study.” (2004) With Duff, Brian, Michael J. Hanmer, and Won-ho Park. National Election Study (NES) Technical Report Series, No. nes010872.

“50 Years of the Voting Rights Act: The State of Race in Politics.” With Khalilah Brown-Dean, Zoltan Hajnal, Christina Rivers. <http://jointcenter.org/blog/50-years-voting-rights-act>

“Black Voter 2016: Enthusiasm.” With Andra Gillespie and William Cubbison. http://jointcenter.org/sites/default/files/Black%202016%20Voter%20Turnout%20Report-Enthusiasm_1.pdf

“Voters in 2016: Government Spending on Internet and Technology Training.” With Kristen Broady and William Cubbison. http://jointcenter.org/sites/default/files/Post-Election%20Government%20Spending%20Brief%20-%20Internet%2011.10.16_1.pdf

“Voters in 2016: Government Spending on Health Care Coverage.” With Kristen Broady and William Cubbison. <http://jointcenter.org/sites/default/files/Post-Election%20Government%20Spending%20Brief%20-%20Health%20Care%20Final.pdf>

“Democracy Found Voter Study Group Report on the 2016 Presidential Election” <https://www.voterstudygroup.org/reports/2016-elections/executive-summary>

Book Reviews

Review of *Trust in Black America: Race, Discrimination and Politics* by Shayla C. Nunnally. *The American Review of Politics*.

Working Papers

“The Identity Politics Trap” With Corrine McConnaughy and Tina Tucker

“Black Voter Registration in Louisiana” With William Cubbison and Luke Keele
 ○ *Lucius Barker Award, MPSA, 2017*

“In the Presence of Blackness: The Effect of Racialized Social Pressure on African American Party Identification” With Chryl N. Laird, Julian J. Wamble and Corrine M. McConnaughy. *Under Review*

“Racial Politics Complicated: The Work of Gendered Identity Cues in American Politics.” With Corrine M. McConaughy.

- *Lucius Barker Award, MPSA, 2011*

“Vote Overreporting While Black: Identifying the Mechanism Behind Black Vote Overreporting” With Clinton M. Jenkins, Michael J Hanmer and Antoine J. Banks.

“African-American Turnout in Majority-Minority Districts.” With Luke Keele and David Nickerson.

Academic Presentations

Invited Roundtables

Who Can Vote: Reexamining the 15th Amendment, Reflections on the Impact of the Reconstruction Amendments: A Research Symposium on the Social and Economic Outcomes of the 13th, 14th, and 15th Amendments, The Samuel DuBois Cook Center on Social Equity at Duke University, National Archives, March 2017.

50 Years of the Voting Rights Act: The State of Race in Politics, The Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies, Selma Public Library, Selma, AL, March 2015.

Race in the Obama Era Roundtable, MLK Holiday Conference, Capital University, January 2011.

Implicit Racial Attitudes Roundtable, Transforming Race: Crisis and Opportunity in the Age of Obama, Kirwan Institute for the Study of Race and Ethnicity, February 2010.

Identity and Politics Roundtable, Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, 2007.

Experimentation in Political Science Roundtable, Summer Meeting of the Society for Political Methodology Meeting, 2007.

Race and Interdisciplinarity, Implications for Research and Careers Roundtable, Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, 2007.

Fellowships, Awards, and Grants

Lucius Barker Award, best paper on a topic investigating race or ethnicity and politics, Midwest Political Science Association, 2017.

Rodney G. Higgins Award, best faculty paper, National Conference of Black Political Scientists, 2014.

Race, Ethnicity and Politics Section best paper award, American Political Science Association, 2014.

Lucius Barker Award, best paper on a topic investigating race or ethnicity and politics, Midwest Political Science Association, 2011.

Social and Behavioral Science Small Research Grant, The Ohio State University, 2010, 2012. \$1,000.

Time-Sharing Experiments for the Social Sciences (TESS) grant for “Experiments to Reduce the Overreporting of Voting: A Pipeline to the Truth,” with Antoine D. Banks and Michael J. Hanmer, 2010.

Coca-Cola Critical Difference for Women Research Grant (with Corrine McConaughy), The Ohio State University, 2010-2011. \$2,500.

National Science Foundation Minority Post-Doctoral Research Fellowship, 2007-2009. \$120,000 (Stipend \$80,000 & Research \$40,000).

Center for the Study of Democratic Politics Research Fellowship, Princeton University, 2007-2008. \$45,000 (Stipend).

Robert Wood Johnston Scholars in Health Policy Fellowship, Harvard University (2007-2009, Declined).

University of Texas office of the vice president for research, Research Grant, 2006 to 2007. \$6,000.

National Science Foundation Dissertation Research Grant, 2003-2004. \$12,000.

National Election Study Pre-Doctoral Fellowship, 2003-2004. \$36,000

Gerald R. Ford Dissertation Fellowship and Research Grant, University of Michigan, 2002. \$6,000.

Horace H. Rackham Merit Fellowship, University of Michigan, 1997-2002.

American Political Science Association grant to attend the Institute for Political Psychology at The Ohio State University, 1998.

Sammy Younge Award, Best Paper Presented by a Graduate Student at the 2001 Annual Meeting of the National Conference of Black Political Scientists.

Professional Activities and Service

Editorial Board, *American Political Science Review*, 2020 - Present

Editorial Board, *Journal of Politics*, 2007-2008. 2016-2017

Editorial Board, *Political Behavior*, 2015-2018

National Science Foundation Dissertation Award Review Panel, 2016, 2017

The Democracy Fund Voter Study Group, 2016-present

Associate Principle Investigator Time Sharing Experiments for the Social Sciences (TESS), 2013

Summer Research Opportunity Program (SROP) mentor, The Ohio State University, 2010

Section Head, Race and Ethnic Politics, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2010

Expert Advisory Panel, Americans for American Values, 2008-2010

GLASS Alliance for Graduate Education Round Table, “Lived Experience and Advice: Life as a New Assistant Professor,” 2010

Co-organizer, Conference on Methodology in Political Psychology, with Corrine McConaughy, 2010

Co-organizer, Conference on African American Political Psychology, with Tasha Philpot, 2005

National Science Foundation Review Panel, 2008

Advising

Dissertation committee chair:

Nyron Crawford (Ph.D. Ohio State; Assistant Professor, Temple)

Chryl Laird (Ph.D. Ohio State; Assistant Professor, Bowdoin College)

Dissertation committee member:

Leah Christiani (Ph.D. University of North Carolina; Assistant Professor University of Tennessee)

Nura Sedique (Ph.D. Duke University; Post-doctoral Scholar Princeton University)

Brianna Mack (Ph.D. Ohio State; Assistant Professor Ohio Wesleyan University)

Julian Wamble (Ph.D. candidate, University Maryland; Assistant Professor, Stony Brook University 2018)

William Cubbison (Ph.D. candidate, George Washington University; Analyst Institute)

Yalidy Matos (Ph.D. Ohio State; Assistant Professor Rutgers University)

Zoltan Buzas (Ph.D. Ohio State; Assistant Professor, Drexel)

Bryan Cole (Ph.D. Ohio State; University of Houston)

Ernest McGowen (Ph.D. University of Texas; Associate Professor, University of Richmond)

Undergraduate research advisor:

Phillip McMahan (Ohio State)

Alex Chaitoff (Ohio State, 2013 Recipient of Marshall Scholarship)

Teaching

Undergraduate

Introduction to American Politics, The Ohio State University

Introduction to American Government, University of Texas at Austin

Black Politics, The Ohio State University, George Washington University

Media and Politics, The Ohio State University

Political Psychology, University of Texas at Austin, The Ohio State University, George Washington University

Public Opinion, The Ohio State University

Graduate

Race and Ethnic Politics, The Ohio State University

Political Behavior, The Ohio State University, George Washington University

Public Opinion, University of Texas at Austin