

# Seth B. Warner

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## APPOINTMENTS

**University of Connecticut** | Storrs, Connecticut  
Assistant Professor in American Politics  
Aug. 2024 – present

**University of North Florida** | Jacksonville, Florida  
Assistant Professor of American Politics  
Aug. 2023 – Aug. 2024

## EDUCATION

**The Pennsylvania State University** | State College, Pennsylvania  
Ph.D., Political Science  
• Fields: American Politics, Political Methodology  
• Committee: Eric Plutzer (chair), Ray Block, Daniel DellaPosta, Suzanna Linn  
August 2023

M.A., Political Science  
May 2020

**Vassar College** | Poughkeepsie, New York  
B.A., Political Science  
May 2014

## PUBLICATIONS

- [11] Warner, S.B. (2026). Partisan Wishful Thinking in Polarized Times. *Conditionally accepted at Political Behavior*.
- [10] Warner, S.B. (2026). Governing Party Issue Ownership and How Citizens Perceive Conditions. *Forthcoming at Political Research Quarterly*.
- [9] Phillips, J. B., & Warner, S. B. (2026). Election Outcomes and Affective Polarization in the United States. *Political Research Quarterly*, 79(2), 399-409.
- [8] Warner, S. B. (2025). Whose Party Is This? Explaining Perceptions of US Party Ideology. *Public Opinion Quarterly*, 89(4), 1185-1199.
- [7] Warner, S.B. (2025). Partisan Animosity and Protest Participation in the United States. *Social Forces*, 104(2), 476-494.  
➤ Media coverage: *Houston Chronicle*, *Seattle Post-Intelligencer*, *SFGate*, *Yahoo! News*
- [6] Hemauer, N., & Warner, S.B. (2025). Analyzing Public Support for School-Based Mental Health Services. *Journal of Health Politics, Policy and Law*, 50(5), 771-799.
- [5] Warner, S. B. (2024). Toward an Ideological Common Space: Extending Bonica's CFscores to the Citizen Level. *Political Behavior*, 46(2), 1303-1324.

- [4] Warner, S. B., & Stecula, D. A. (2024). PhD Stipends and Program Placement Success in Political Science. *Research & Politics*, 11(2).
- [3] Warner, S.B. (2023). Measuring Executive Ideology and Its Influence. *State Politics & Policy Quarterly*, 23(1), 97-116.
- [2] Warner, S.B. (2022). Analyzing Attention to Scandal on Twitter: Elites Sell What Supporters Buy. *Political Research Quarterly*, 76(2), 841-850.
- [1] Plutzer, E., & Warner, S. B. (2021). A Potential New Front in Health Communication to Encourage Vaccination: Health Education Teachers. *Vaccine*, 39(33), 4671-4677.

## WORKING PAPERS

- [6] Warner, S.B. Affective Polarization across Time and Place in the United States. *Invited to revise and resubmit at Political Analysis*.  
➤ SSRN Top Paper in Political Behavior
- [5] Warner, S.B. Citizen Affective Polarization and Legislative Behavior in Congress. *Under review*.
- [4] Warner, S.B., & Buscemi, A. The Hero, Villain, and Victim Narratives of Affectively Polarized Partisans. *Under review*.
- [3] Warner, S.B. District-to-Capital Distance Has Little Relationship with Several Outcomes in US State Legislatures. *Under review*.
- [2] Warner, S.B. Punitive Particularism: State-Level ICE Arrests Increase when Democratic Governors Criticize Trump.
- [1] Allamong, M.B. & Warner, S.B. Does Local Politics Reduce Affective Polarization? Maybe Not.

## DATA AND TOOLS

- [3] Warner, S.B. Affective Polarization by Party, Geography, and Year in the United States, 2009 to 2023. (Available upon request.)
- [2] Warner, S.B. Daily Time Series of Affective Polarization Among the US Public, 2019 to 2023. Available at [https://github.com/sbwarner/ts\\_polarization](https://github.com/sbwarner/ts_polarization)
- [1] Warner, S.B. Research Output Predictor: A workflow planning tool for academics. Available at [https://sethwarner.shinyapps.io/forecasting\\_app/](https://sethwarner.shinyapps.io/forecasting_app/)

## COURSES TAUGHT

*University of Connecticut*

POLS 2622: State and Local Government (Fall 2024, Spring 2025, Fall 2025)

POLS 3612: Electoral Behavior (Spring 2025, Spring 2026)

POLS 3625: Public Opinion (Fall 2024, Fall 2025)

POLS 3627: Connecticut State and Municipal Politics (Spring 2026)

*University of North Florida*

POS 2041: Introduction to American Government (Fall 2023, Spring 2024, Summer 2024)

POS 3734: Research Analysis for Political Science (Fall 2023)

*The Pennsylvania State University*

PLSC 308: Introduction to Political Research (Spring 2022)

PLSC 230: American Political Campaigns and Elections (Summer 2021)

## **RESEARCH GRANTS**

- 2022           Dissertation Support Competition, College of Liberal Arts at Penn State (declined)
- 2021-22       Small Grant Competition, Center for Effective Lawmaking  
                  for “Affective Polarization and Legislative Behavior: Citizen Heat and Elite Red Meat”
- 2018-21       Summer Fellowship, Center for American Political Responsiveness
- 2020           Summer Research Grant, Department of Political Science at Penn State  
                  for “Measuring Gubernatorial Ideology with CFscores”

## **AWARDS AND HONORS**

- 2023           Raymond and Roberta Lombra Outstanding Graduate Research Award \*
- 2022-23       Susan Welch / Nagle Family Graduate Fellowship \*
- 2018-23       College of Liberal Arts Enhanced Graduate Fellowship \*
- 2022           Robert S. Friedman Award for Excellence in Teaching †
- 2022           Tom Carsey Scholar, State Politics & Policy section, American Political Science Association

\* College of Liberal Arts at Penn State   † Penn State Department of Political Science

## **PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED TALKS**

*Does Exposure to Local Politics Reduce Affective Polarization?*

May 2026       Elections, Public Opinion, and Voting Behavior (St. Louis, Missouri)

*Wishful Thinking in Polarized Times*

April 2026       Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting (Chicago, Illinois)

*Affective Polarization across Time and Place in the United States*

April 2026       Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting (Chicago, Illinois)

April 2025       Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting (Chicago, Illinois)

*Affective Polarization and Legislative Behavior: Does Citizen Heat Meet with Elite Red Meat?*

March 2024 Elections, Public Opinion, and Voting Behavior (Tallahassee, Florida)  
Dec. 2023 University of Connecticut (Storrs, Connecticut)  
Nov. 2023 University of Pittsburgh (Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania)

*Partisan Affect and Protest Participation*

March 2023 Elections, Public Opinion, and Voting Behavior (Tallahassee, Florida)  
April 2022 State Politics & Policy Conference (Tallahassee, Florida)

*Contentious Communities: Affective Polarization in US Cities and Towns*

Sept. 2022 American Political Science Association Annual Meeting (Montréal, Québec)  
April 2022 Junior Americanist Workshop Series (Remote)  
April 2022 Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting (Chicago, Illinois)

*Toward an Ideological Common Space: Extending Bonica's CFscores to the Citizen Level*

April 2021 Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting (Remote)  
Nov. 2019 Northeastern Political Science Association Annual Meeting (Philadelphia, Pennsylvania)

**SERVICE AND COMMUNITY**

Service to the Public

*Public Engagement*

2026 Guest Speaker, UConn Center for Learning in Retirement  
2025 Guest Columnist, *The Conversation*  
Participant, Bright Line Watch Expert Survey  
Visiting Fellowship in Assessment, College Board (AP US Government exam)  
2024 Participant, Vote Compass Survey of US Election Experts

*Media Interviews*

Television: News4JAX (10/11/23, 10/28/23, 12/20/23)  
Radio: WICC 95.9 FM (6/10/26)  
Print/Digital: CT Examiner (11/7/24, 10/31/25), CT Insider (8/18/24, 4/21/26), CT Mirror (5/12/26),  
Daily Campus (9/13/24, 10/25/24, 11/18/25), Hartford Courant (6/1/25), Hearst  
Connecticut (11/7/24, 11/5/25), Jewish Insider (6/27/25), La Razón (9/15/24),  
New Haven Register (10/15/24)

Service to the Discipline

*Journal refereeing:* American Political Science Review; British Journal of Political Science; Journal of  
Elections, Public Opinion, and Parties; Journal of Politics; Political Behavior; Political Research  
Quarterly; Politics, Groups, and Identities; PS: Political Science & Politics; Public Opinion Quarterly;  
State Politics & Policy Quarterly

*Scholarly organizing:*

- 2026 Panel, "Identity, Trust, and Polarization in Contemporary US Politics" at MPSA 2026  
AI in Political Science Discussion Group (Virtual)  
2025 Panel, "Polarization, Partisanship, and Group Identity in US Politics" at MPSA 2025

*Scholarly panels:*

- 2025 Discussant, Partisan Animosity in America Annual Meeting  
2024 Discussant/Chair, "Representation" at State Politics & Policy 2024  
Discussant/Chair, "Populism, Elite Rhetoric, and Place" at EPOVB 2024  
2023 Panelist, "Polarization, Pluralism, and Democracy" at the Institute for Humane Studies 2022  
Discussant, "Sources and Consequences of Affective Polarization" at APSA 2022  
Discussant and Chair, "Advances in Survey Methodology" at MPSA Annual Conference  
2021 Panelist, "How to Survive Grad School" at MPSA Annual Conference  
Panelist, "2020 in Retrospect" series at the Institute for Humane Studies

*Committee service:*

- 2026 Selection Committee, State Politics & Policy Best Journal Article

Service to the Department and University

*University of Connecticut*

- 2024-26 Member of the Colloquium Committee  
2025-26 Advisor, B.A. in Political Science Honors Thesis  
2026 Guest Speaker, Social Psychology brownbag series  
2025 Judge, Research Excellence in Political Science poster competition  
Reviewer, Augusta Gerberich Scholarship  
Guest speaker, POLS 4894 Honors Colloquium  
2024-25 Panelist, Pizza and Politics (10/12, 2/5, 4/9)

*University of North Florida*

- 2024 Directed Independent Study, Multivariate Analysis  
2023 Member, Public Law Faculty search committee  
Member, Political Science major curricular committee  
Participant, UNF Celebrating Student Success Faculty Showcase  
Panelist, UNF Constitution Week "Popcorn and Politics" Discussion

*Penn State University*

- 2019-22 Graduate Mentor, Graduate Association for Political Science  
2021 Recruitment Weekend panelist  
2019 Conference Volunteer, McCourtney Institute for Democracy at Penn State

Workshop participation

Exploring Online Learning, UConn Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning  
CIMER Mentorship Training, UConn Graduate School  
Teaching Online Foundations Course, University of North Florida  
"Promoting Equity through Inclusive Teaching Practices," UNC Chapel Hill (Remote)

“Turning Disruption into Learning Opportunities,” Schreyer Institute for Teaching at Penn State  
“Value of a Teaching Philosophy,” Schreyer Institute for Teaching at Penn State

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2021                Research Assistant to Prof. Ray Block  
2020-21           Research Assistant, Mood of the Nation Poll  
                      *Supervisors: Michael Berkman and Eric Plutzer*  
2018-19           Research Assistant, 2019 Survey of American Health and Science Teachers  
                      *Supervisor: Eric Plutzer*

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2022-23           Adjunct Researcher, RAND Corporation  
2016-17           Assistant Director of Data and Application Management, Drexel University  
2014-16           Admissions Counselor, Earlham College  
2013               Candidate, Dutchess County (NY) Legislature  
2012               Deputy Campaign Manager, Jonathan Smith for NYS Assembly

## SKILLS

*Methodological:* Questionnaire design, survey weighting, complex survey analysis, natural language processing, time-series / cross-sectional analysis, machine learning methods

*Programming:* Python, R, STATA ado

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