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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Computational Sociology; Statistical Models of Social Networks
Network Formation; Access to Resources in Networks; Status Dynamics
Social Change Organisations; Organisational Competition & Strategy; Uncertainty Reduction
Organised Climate Change Denial; The Climate Change Countermovement

APPOINTMENTS & AFFILIATIONS

Postdoctoral Researcher in Sociology and Social Networks, *University of Oxford*, Department of Sociology (Mar 2017 – Present)
Non-Stipendary Research Fellow, Nuffield College, *University of Oxford* (Mar 2017 – Present)
Research Assistant, *University of Cambridge*, Department of Sociology (Feb 2016 – Present)

EDUCATION

PhD: Social Research Methods, *London School of Economics & Political Science*, 2012 – 2016 (*awarded without corrections*)
MSc: Social Science of the Internet, *University of Oxford* (St. Cross College), 2011 – 2012
BA (Hons): Communication Studies, *Summa Cum Laude*, *Clemson University*, 2007 – 2011
Visiting Student, *Massachusetts Institute of Technology* (The Media Lab; Human Dynamics Group), Autumn 2013

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Simpson, C. R. (2016). Competition for foundation patronage and the differential effects of prestige on the grant market success of social movement organisations. *Social Networks*. Issue 46, p. 29-43.

Simpson, C. R. (2015). Multiplexity and strategic alliances: The relational embeddedness of coalitions in social movement organisational fields. *Social Networks*. Issue 42, p. 42-59.

ARTICLES IN PREPARATION

Chwieroth, J. M., Simpson, C. R. & Walter, A. Networked default: Political interdependence and partisan survival in democracies since 1872. (*Status: Finalising text; Robustness Checks*)

Honourable Mention, Best Paper Award — 2014, *International Political Economy Society*

Media Mentions: *The Wall Street Journal* (<http://on.wsj.com/1hsHjT5>), *The Telegraph* (<http://bit.ly/1M6UeTf>)

Simpson, C.R. & McPherson, E. Social media, the structure of reciprocity and the potential for solidarity inside NGO coalitions. (*Status: Finalising Text; Robustness Checks*)

Simpson, C. R. Interlocking tactical repertoires and strategic decision-making in the Palestinian National Movement, 1987-2004. (*Status: Revision of Theory; Supplementary Data Collection and Analysis*)

MAJOR AWARDS

Santander Academic Travel Award (MIT Placement), *London School of Economics & Political Science/Santander* (2013)

LSE PhD Scholarship, *London School of Economics & Political Science* (Full Scholarship, 2012)

Clarendon Fund Scholarship with Santander Graduate Award, *University of Oxford/Santander* (Full Scholarship, 2011)

INVITED TALKS

The Mitchell Centre for Social Network Analysis, *University of Manchester* (February 4, 2015)

Nuffield Social Network Analysis Seminar, *Nuffield College, University of Oxford* (June 14, 2014)

PUBLIC WRITING

Chwieroth, J. M., Walter, A., & Simpson, C. R. (2015, June 18). If Greece defaults, dominoes will not fall. *The Conversation* (<http://bit.ly/1hOkVmO>).

COMPUTATION SKILLS & SPECIALIST METHODOLOGICAL COMPETENCIES

Stochastic Actor-Oriented Models; Exponential Random Graph Models; Latent Space Models
R (Intermediate; 4 years of continuous use); Python (Intermediate; 4 years of periodic use)

RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE

CV Consultant, LSE Careers, *London School of Economics & Political Science* (Oct 2013 – Feb 2016)
Coached students on effective writing (narrative cohesion, persuasion) in one-to-one sessions on job materials
Regularly worked with undergraduates and postgraduates on diverse career paths
Materials discussed with students included CVs, covering letters, statements of purpose and free-response application questions
Role occasionally required discussion of preparation for job interviews and career planning

REFERENCES

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