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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Clinical Associate Professor Associated Professor of Politics Data & Research Analytics Coordinator Center for Global Affairs & Department of Politics New York University	September 2017 – Present
Visiting Research Scholar Department of Political Science Stony Brook University	January 2024 – Present

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Political Science, Stony Brook University	July 2017
Dissertation: <i>Party Coalitions & Partisan Behavior in the American Public</i>	
Committee: Jason Barabas (Chair), Stanley Feldman, Leonie Huddy, and David R. Jones	
M.A. in Political Science, Stony Brook University	May 2014
M.S. in Global Affairs, <i>With Distinction</i> , New York University	January 2009
B.A. in Social Science (Political Science Concentration), <i>Magna Cum Laude</i> , St. Joseph's College	June 2005

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

“Worth a Try? The Electoral Consequences of Symbolic Legislation” (with Nicole Huffman and David Stack*). Forthcoming at *Research & Politics*.

"Evolution by National Election? Partisanship, Voting Behavior, and Sentiments toward Culture War Groups" (with Srivardhan Jangili, Vitoria Sgorlon, and Joseph Sandor*). Forthcoming at *Politics, Groups, and Identities*.

* Graduate student co-author(s)

- “Un-Priming Politics: A Method to Reduce Overreporting of Political Engagement” (with Elizabeth C. Connors). *Forthcoming at Political Behavior*.
- Kane, John V. “Using Graph Recording Code for Graph Customization: An Application to Adding Lines and Text” *Forthcoming at The Stata Journal*.
- Kane, John V. “More Than Meets the ITT: A Guide for Anticipating and Investigating Non-Significant Results in Survey Experiments” 2025. *Journal of Experimental Political Science* 12(1): 110-125.
- Kane, John V. “Two Terms of Endearment? Incumbent-Party Performance in U.S. Presidential Elections” 2025. *Political Science Research & Methods* 13 (3): 702-714.
- Kane, John V. and Samuel L. Perry. “Belief in Divine (versus Human) Control of Earth Affects Perceived Threat of Climate Change” 2024. *Nature Portfolio Journals (npj) Climate Action* 3 (78).
- Kane, John V. and Ian G. Anson. “Partisan Solutions for Partisan Problems: Electoral Threat and Republicans’ Openness to the COVID-19 Vaccine” 2025. *Politics, Groups and Identities* 13(1): 28-45.
- Kane, John V. and Benjamin J. Newman. “What They Have But Also Who They Are: Avarice, Elitism, and Public Support for Taxing the Rich” 2023. *Public Opinion Quarterly* 87(2): 402-414.
- Kane, John V., Yamil R. Velez, and Jason Barabas. “Analyze the Attentive & Bypass Bias: Mock Vignette Checks in Survey Experiments” 2023. *Political Science Research & Methods* 11(2): 293-310.
- Anson, Ian G. and John V. Kane. “Ought It Audit? Information, Values, and Public Support for the Internal Revenue Service.” 2023. *Journal of Experimental Political Science* 10(2): 209-220.
- Altier, Mary Beth and John V. Kane. “Framing States: Unitary Actor Language and Public Support for Coercive Foreign Policy.” 2023. *International Studies Quarterly* 67(1).
- Kane, John V. and Ian G. Anson. “Deficit Attention Disorder: Partisanship, Issue Importance, and Concern About Government Overspending.” *Forthcoming at Political Behavior*.
- Andrew W. Delton, John V. Kane, Michael Bang Petersen, Theresa E. Roberts, and Leda Cosmides. “The Partisan Mindset and Social Pressure: Feeling Anger and Gratitude at Exiters and Recruits in Political Groups.” 2022. *Party Politics*. 28 (5): 845-53.
- Lilliana Mason, Julie Wronski, and John V. Kane. "Activating Animus: The Uniquely Social Roots of Trump Support" 2021. *American Political Science Review* 115 (4): 1508-16.
- Kane, John V., Lilliana Mason, and Julie Wronski. “Who’s at the Party? Group Sentiments, Knowledge, and Partisan Identity.” 2021. *Journal of Politics* 83 (4): 1783-99.

Kane, John V. and David C. Wilson. “Controversy and Costs: Investigating the Consensus on American Voter ID Laws.” 2021. *Political Behavior* 43: 397-421.

Kane, John V. “Fight Clubs: Media Coverage of Party (Dis)Unity & Citizens’ Selective Exposure to It.” 2020. *Political Research Quarterly* 73 (2): 276-92.

Kane, John V. “Enemy or Ally? Elites, Base Relations, and Partisanship in America.” 2019. *Public Opinion Quarterly* 83 (3): 534-558.

Kane, John V. and Jason Barabas. “No Harm in Checking: Using Factual Manipulation Checks to Assess Attentiveness in Experiments.” 2019. *American Journal of Political Science* 63 (1): 234-49.

Kane, John V. and Benjamin J. Newman. “Organized Labor as the New Undeserving Rich? Mass Media, Class-based Anti-union Rhetoric, and Public Support for Unions in the U.S.” 2019. *British Journal of Political Science* 49 (3): 997-1026.

Kane, John V. “Why Can’t We Agree On ID? Partisanship, Perceptions of Fraud, and Public Support for Voter Identification Laws.” 2017. *Public Opinion Quarterly* 81 (4): 943-955.

Newman, Benjamin J. and John V. Kane. “Economic Inequality and Public Support for Organized Labor.” 2017. *Political Research Quarterly* 70 (4): 918-932.

Kane, John V. and Helmut Norpoth. “No Love for Doves? Foreign Policy and Candidate Appeal.” 2017. *Social Science Quarterly* 98 (5): 1659-1676.

Kane, John V. “Control, Accountability and Constraints: Rethinking Perceptions of Presidential Responsibility for the Economy.” 2016. *Presidential Studies Quarterly* 46 (2): 335-364.

Newman, Benjamin J. and John V. Kane. “Backlash against the ‘Big Box’: Local Small Business and Public Opinion toward Business Corporations.” 2014. *Public Opinion Quarterly* 78 (4): 984-1002.

BOOK

[Truth Addict: How to Ask Questions, Test Ideas, and Get Answers in a Data-Driven World](#). 2026. *University of California Press*.

BOOK CHAPTERS & REVIEWS

Mason, Lilliana, Julie Wronski and John V. Kane. “Rallying Hate: How Trump Support is Not Normal Partisanship.” *Forthcoming*. In *Reconsidering Parties and Partisanship*, edited by Christopher F. Karpowitz and Jeremy Pope.

Kane, John V. Review of Jamie N. Druckman’s *Experimental Thinking: A Primer on Social Science Experiments*. (Cambridge University Press). 2024. *Public Opinion Quarterly* 88(2): 442-444.

Kane, John V. “The Empiricism Strikes Back: Strategies for Avoiding a Post-Truth World” In *The Future of Global Affairs: Managing Discontinuity, Disruption, and Destruction*, edited by Christopher Ankersen and Waheguru Pal Singh Sidhu. Palgrave Macmillan.

Kane, John V. and Jason Barabas. Review of Adam Seth Levine’s *American Insecurity: Why Our Economic Fears Lead to Political Inaction*. 2016. *Journal of Politics* 78 (1): e12-e13.

RESEARCH UNDER REVIEW & IN PROGRESS

Inattentiveness in Conjoint Experiments (with Mia Costa). *Under Review*. (Older version [here](#).)

Unconditional Partisanship (with Ian Anson). *Under Review*. (Older version [here](#).)

Inattentiveness throughout omnibus surveys (with Adam Berinsky and Joohye Jeong). *Under Review*.

Inflation and Public Opinion Toward the Economy and Presidents (with Christopher Wlezien). *Under Review*. (Draft version [here](#).)

The Effects of Null Results (with John Holbein). *Writing*.

OTHER WRITING & MEDIA ENGAGEMENT

- [Guides for Doing Data Analysis & Visualization in Stata \(plus some other fun stuff\): <https://medium.com/@jvk221>](#)
- “Blakeman’s challenge: Winning Over Upstate Voters Who Don’t Know Who the Party’s Candidate for Governor Is” (Featured). 08/29/2026. *Newsday*. <https://www.newsday.com/news/region-state/blakeman-hochul-ox6vj1af>
- “Real-World Claims are Unrealistic: Why Respondent Attentiveness Deserves Attention.” (Co-authored with Mia Costa) APSA Experimental Section Newsletter, Fall 2025 (Vol. 6, Issue 2). https://connect.apsanet.org/s42/newsletter_new/
- “Is New York’s Mamdani the Future of US Democrats?” (Featured). 10/27/25. *Barrons.com*. <https://www.barrons.com/news/is-new-york-s-mamdani-the-future-of-us-democrats-b4bc690d>
- “‘It’s like a cult’: Democrats Aren’t Laughing at GOP Bills Honoring Trump” (Featured). 02/06/2025. *RollCall.com*. <https://rollcall.com/2025/02/06/democrats-not-laughing-republican-messaging-bills-trump/>
- “Why is MAGA so obsessed with the Epstein files?” (Featured.) 03/17/25. *The Independent*. <https://www.independent.co.uk/news/world/americas/us-politics/jeffrey-epstein-files-list-pam-bondi-trump-maga-b2716554.html>
- “Why the President Doesn’t Affect the Economy as Much as You’d Think” (Featured) 11/21/24. *Yahoo Finance*. <https://finance.yahoo.com/news/why-president-doesn-t-affect-140036303.html>

- “The President’s Influence on the U.S. Economy May Be Greatly Exaggerated, According to Experts.” (Featured). 11/07/24. CNBC.
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- “Trump Rides Global Wave of Anti-Incumbency” (Featured) 11/07/24. *AFP News/Barron’s*. <https://www.barrons.com/news/trump-rides-global-wave-of-anti-incumbency-clda291f>
- “VP Debate Could Sway Undecided Voters, says analyst | REUTERS” (Featured) 10/01/24. *Reuters*. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xzWsr3dUWg0>
- “The Real Trump Mystery” (Featured) 09/25/24. *The New York Times*.
<https://www.nytimes.com/2024/09/25/opinion/trump-maga-sources-support.html>
- “Telling Americans God is In Control of Earth’s Future Saps Their Concern About Climate Change” (Co-authored with Samuel L. Perry) Springer Nature Research Communities: “Behind the Paper” Series. 09/17/2024.
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- “Experts Say Kamala Harris’ Law Enforcement Background Might Help Her at the Ballot Box” (Featured) 08/03/24. *Newsday*.
<https://www.newsday.com/news/nation/kamala-harris-law-enforcement-background-rm53xla1>
- “In a Tense Election, Higher Education Hangs in the Balance” (Featured) 07/18/24. *Diverse*. <https://www.diverseeducation.com/leadership-policy/article/15679928/in-a-tense-election-higher-education-hangs-in-the-balance>
- “Letitia James Gets a Boost” (Featured). 05/26/24. *Newsweek*.
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- “Biden’s Overlooked Advantage” (Author). 04/29/2023. *TIME Magazine*.
<https://time.com/6972045/joe-bidens-overlooked-advantage/>
- “How partisanship can help solve the social problems it causes” (Co-Author) 03/04/2024. London School of Economics USAPP Blog.
<https://blogs.lse.ac.uk/usappblog/2024/03/04/how-partisanship-can-help-solve-the-social-problems-it-causes/>
- “Voters are mad about the economy—but is it Biden’s Fault?” (Featured) 11/16/2023. *The Messenger*. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gZGWpI_FHkg
- “How Politicians Talk About Hostile Countries Influences How Forceful the Public Wants Their Response to Be” (Author) 06/06/23. London School of Economics USAPP Blog. <https://blogs.lse.ac.uk/usappblog/2023/06/06/how-politicians-talk-about-hostile-countries-influences-how-forceful-the-public-wants-their-response-to-be/>
- “5 Reasons the President Has Little Control Over the Economy” 04/11/23. *Big Think*. <https://bigthink.com/the-present/5-reasons-president-little-control-economy/>

- “The Unsettling Truth about Trump’s First Great Victory” 03/22/23. *The New York Times*. <https://www.nytimes.com/2023/03/22/opinion/trump-racial-resentment-2016-2020.html>
- “In Race for 23rd District, Nick Langworthy’s career – and the GOP’s brand – Is At Stake.” 07/28/2022. <https://www.cityandstateny.com/politics/2022/07/race-23rd-district-nick-langworthys-career-and-gops-brand-stake/375114/>
- “Hasty Redistricting has Rattled the Playing Field for New York Primaries.” 06/18/2022. <https://www.courthousenews.com/hasty-new-york-redistricting-has-rattled-the-primary-playing-field/>
- “Everyone Loves to Hate the IRS. That’s a Problem.” 04/22/2022. *The Washington Post*. <https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2022/04/22/irs-underfunded-messaging-republicans-democrats/>
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- “Republicans and Democrats have split over whether to support multiethnic democracy, our research shows.” 01/03/2022. *The Washington Post*. <https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2022/01/03/maga-faction-jan-6-race-democracy/>
- “How Republican leaders could motivate their voters to get vaccinated against the coronavirus” *The Washington Post*. 10/08/2021. <https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/2021/10/08/how-republican-leaders-could-motivate-their-voters-get-vaccinated-against-coronavirus/>
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- “Trump’s Cult of Animosity Shows No Sign of Letting Up.” *The New York Times*. 07/07/21. <https://www.nytimes.com/2021/07/07/opinion/trump-gop.html>
- “Donald Trump Has Escaped Criticism for the \$2 Trillion Covid-19 Stimulus. A Democratic President Would Not Have.” *London School of Economics USAPP Blog*. 04/03/20. <https://blogs.lse.ac.uk/usappblog/2020/04/03/donald-trump-has-escaped-criticism-for-the-2-trillion-covid-19-stimulus-a-democratic-president-would-not-have/>
- “Americans Start Caring More about the Deficits and the National Debt When the Party They Oppose Runs Them Up” *London School of Economics USAPP Blog*. 02/28/2020. <https://blogs.lse.ac.uk/usappblog/2020/02/27/americans-start-caring-more-about-deficits-and-the-national-debt-when-the-party-they-oppose-runs-them-up/>

- “Analysis: Trump More Negative, Prolific on Twitter Amid Democratic Impeachment Inquiry” USA Today. 12/23/2019). <https://www.usatoday.com/in-depth/news/politics/2019/12/23/donald-trumps-tweets-get-negative-impeachment-2020-election-loom/2601246001/>
- “Which is Worse: Bigotry, or Cowardice in the Face of Bigotry?” The Washington Post. 12/12/2019. https://www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/sure-not-all-republicans-hate-outsiders-but-many-defer-to-the-hater-in-chief/2019/12/12/6bb61b58-1d16-11ea-87f7-f2e91143c60d_story.html
- “Trump Needs His Base to Burn With Anger.” The New York Times. 07/03/2019. <https://www.nytimes.com/2019/07/03/opinion/trump-republican-base.html>
- “Trump Support is Not Normal Partisanship,” Vox. 06/21/19. <https://www.vox.com/polyarchy/2019/6/21/18679314/trump-support-is-not-normal-partisanship>
- “Why It’s Good for Bipartisanship When Politicians Publicly Ignore and Reject Their Own Party’s Base,” *London School of Economics United States Politics and Policy* blog, 05/02/19. <https://blogs.lse.ac.uk/usappblog/2019/05/02/why-its-good-for-bipartisanship-when-politicians-publicly-ignore-and-reject-their-own-partys-base/>
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- “How Presidents Can Succeed By Disappointing Their Base,” *The Monkey Cage* Blog at *The Washington Post*, 07/13/16. <https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/monkey-cage/wp/2016/07/13/how-presidents-can-succeed-by-disappointing-their-base/>

INVITED RESEARCH TALKS & CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Talk on Inflation Rates and Public Opinion at the Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Political Science Association (April 2026).

Talk on Data Quality in Large Omnibus Surveys at the Annual Meeting of the Midwestern Political Science Association (April 2026).

Talk on Diagnosing Non-Significant Results in Survey Experiments at Seoul Workshop for Empirical Research in Politics (SWERP) (March 2026).

Talk on Diagnosing Non-Significant Results in Survey Experiments at University of Toronto (February 2026).

Presentation on Null Results in Survey Experiments. American Political Science Association: Elections, Public Opinion, and Voting Behavior (EPOVB) conference (May 2025).

Talk on Diagnosing Non-Significant Results in Survey Experiments at Ohio State University (April 2025).

Talk on Diagnosing Non-Significant Results in Survey Experiments at University of Arizona (April 2025).

“Sharing Stata Knowledge Online: Existing Examples and Guidance on How to Do It More Effectively” Presented at the Oceania Stata Conference (February 2025). ([LINK](#))

Talk on Diagnosing Non-Significant Results in Survey Experiments at University of Western Ontario (November 2024).

Talk on Diagnosing Non-Significant Results in Survey Experiments at University of Notre Dame (April 2024).

Talk on Writing and Publishing in Political Science at Stony Brook University (April 2024).

Talk on Diagnosing Non-Significant Results in Survey Experiments at Stony Brook University (March 2024).

Talk on Public Attitudes Toward Deficit Spending at Dartmouth College (February 2023). ([Video link](#))

Talk on Experimental Methods and Null Results at Dartmouth College, Department of Government (February 2023).

Talk on Partisanship and Social Groups at NYU’s Social Identity & Morality Lab (February 2022).

Talk on Partisanship and Political Psychology at Dartmouth College (November 2021.)

Talk on Survey Research & Data Analysis at University of Fallujah, Iraq. August 2021.

Annual Meeting of the *Society for Political Methodology*: 2020

Annual Meeting of the *Midwestern Political Science Association*: 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2023, 2024, 2025 (Chicago, IL).

Annual Meeting of the *American Political Science Association*: 2014 (Washington D.C.); 2016 (Philadelphia, PA); 2024 (Philadelphia, PA).

Annual meeting of the *International Society for Political Psychology*: 2016 (Warsaw, Poland).

Identity Politics Research Group (IPRG): 2015 (University of Connecticut); 2016 (Princeton University, NJ).

Annual “How Class Works” Conference: 2016 (Stony Brook University, NY).

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

New York University

- Analytic Skills for Global Affairs (Graduate)
- Applied Statistics (Graduate)
- Advanced Data Analysis (Graduate)
- Public Opinion & Political Psychology in Global Affairs (Graduate)
- Consulting Practicum: United Nations 75th Anniversary Worldwide Survey
- Graduate Thesis Advisement

Stony Brook University

- Recipient of 2016 Departmental Teaching Award
- Introduction to Statistics for Public Policy (Graduate)
- Intermediate Statistics for Public Policy (Graduate)
- U.S. Foreign Policy (Upper-level Undergraduate)

St. Joseph’s College

- Introduction to Political Science (Undergraduate)
- Human Rights & Global Environmental Politics (Upper-level Undergraduate)
- Contours of the American Political Left (self-designed; Upper-level Undergraduate)
- Global Crises: International Policy Challenges & Prospects (self-designed; Upper-level Undergraduate)
- Political Science Thesis Advisement (Upper-level Undergraduate)

Other Teaching Interests

- Media and Politics
- U.S. Presidency/ Congress / Political Institutions
- Survey Design and Experimental Research Methods

JOURNAL REVIEWER

- Journal of Politics (**Editorial Board Member**)
- Nature: Human Behavior
- American Political Science Review
- American Journal of Political Science
- British Journal of Political Science
- Public Opinion Quarterly
- Political Behavior
- Political Analysis
- Political Psychology

- Journal of Experimental Political Science
- International Journal of Public Opinion Research
- Political Research Quarterly
- American Politics Research
- Electoral Studies
- Perspectives on Politics
- Political Science Quarterly
- Journal of Survey Statistics and Methodology
- One Earth
- Election Law Journal
- Politics & Gender
- Group Processes & Intergroup Relations
- Research & Politics
- PLOS ONE
- Journalism Studies
- Sociological Methods & Research

FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

- 2023: Recipient of New York University's Dean's Research Grant (\$5,000).
- 2022: Recipient of New York University's Dean's Research Grant (\$5,000).
- 2021: Recipient of the NYU-SPS Outstanding Service Award
- 2019: Recipient of New York University's Dean's Research Grant (\$5,000).
- 2018: Recipient (with Mary Beth Altier) of New York University's Dean's Research Grant (\$5,000).
- 2017: Recipient of the American Political Science Association's John Sullivan Award for Best Paper Presented By a Graduate Student
- 2017: Recipient of New York University's School of Professional Studies "Teaching Excellence" Award
- 2016: Recipient of Stony Brook University's "Milton Lodge Award for Outstanding Research Potential"
- 2016: Recipient of the Stony Brook University Departmental Teaching Award
- 2016: *Presidential Studies Quarterly* "Featured Author" (June 2016 issue)
- 2016: Stony Brook University Graduate Student Organization (GSO) Distinguished Travel Award (\$1,500)
- 2016: International Society for Political Psychology (ISPP) Summer Academy Fellow, Warsaw, Poland
- 2016: International Society for Political Psychology (ISPP) Early Career Scholar Travel Award
- 2016 American Political Science Association Travel Award
- Departmental Fellowship & Tuition Scholarship, Stony Brook University, Department of Political Science

DATA ANALYTIC SKILLS

- STATA, R, and RATS statistical software
- Qualtrics survey programming

ADDITIONAL EDUCATION

- Institute for Spanish Language Acquisition, Puerto Rico July 2013
- *Centro Panamericano de Idiomas*, Monteverde/Flamingo, Costa Rica August 2011
- *Proyecto Linguístico Quetzalteco de Español*, Quetzaltenango, Guatemala August 2009

ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL & CONSULTING EXPERIENCE

Data-Analytic Consulting for International Center for Research on Women	2022
Data Analyst / Research Consulting for NAACP / Legal Defense Fund	2021-22
Data Analyst for United Nations 75 th Anniversary Worldwide Survey (“UN75”)	2020-21
Survey Instrument Developer and Data Analyst for <i>World Vision International—Iraq</i>	2018-19
Medicaid Service Coordinator & Billing Control Specialist, Maryhaven Center of Hope	2006-12
Office of Assemblyman Steve Englebright (Setauket, NY) (Internship)	2004-05

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Identities & Ideologies Project at New York University; American Political Science Association; Midwest Political Science Association; International Society of Political Psychology; Center for the Study of the Presidency & Congress; Identity Politics Research Group; Society for Political Methodology