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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. Public Policy (Public Management Specialization)**
University of Arkansas, May 2022
- M.P.A. Public Administration and Nonprofit Studies**
University of Arkansas, May 2017
- M.S. Statistics and Analytics (Quantitative Social Science Concentration)**
University of Arkansas, July 2022
- B.A. Sociology (Gender and Sexuality Studies Concentration)**
Davidson College, May 2014
- 2012 – 2013 Academic Year: *The Swedish Public Policy Program*
Stockholm, Sweden

RELEVANT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Assistant Professor of Professional Practice** September 2024 – present
Director of Community Engagement
Director of NextGen Leadership Academy
Rutgers University (Newark), Newark, NJ
- Associate Director, Center for Outreach & Engagement** September 2023 – 2024
University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT
- Faculty Fellowships** Summer 2025 – present
Citizens and Scholars Faculty Institute 2024 – 2025 Academic Year
Campus Compact Engaged Scholars Initiative
- Editorial Board Member** July 2019 – Present
Policy Studies Journal
Managing Editor 2023 – Present
Editorial Associate 2020 – 2021
Editorial Assistant July 2019 – 2020
- Data Manager and Research Fellow** July 2022 – December 2023
Juvenile Justice Research & Reform Lab
Drexel University, Philadelphia, PA

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| Research Lead <i>Policy Research Collaboratory Lab under Dr. Geoboo Song</i> <i>University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR</i> | July 2015 – 2023 |
| Grants Manager <i>Arkansas Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) Foundation</i> <i>Conway, AR</i> | April 2021 – July 2022 |
| Graduate Advisor of Mentoring Programs <i>Center for Community Engagement</i> <i>University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR</i> | August 2019 – May 2021 |
| Graduate Assistant of Service-Learning (SL) <i>Center for Community Engagement</i> <i>University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR</i> | May 2016 – May 2017 |
| Community Sustainability Intern <i>Communities Unlimited, Inc., Fayetteville, AR</i> | Summer 2016 |
| Community Engagement Fellow <i>Center for Civic Engagement, Davidson College, Davidson, NC</i> | Summer 2013 |
| Service Odyssey Trip Leader <i>Center for Civic Engagement, Davidson College, Davidson, NC</i> | Summer 2013 |
| Bonner Scholar <i>Davidson College, Davidson, NC</i> | August 2010 – May 2014 |

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Graduate Courses Taught

Rutgers University – Newark MPA Program

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| Principles in Public Administration & Democratic Governance U.S. Health Systems & Policy | Fall 2024 – present |
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University of Arkansas at Little Rock MPA Program

Summer 2023 – Fall 2023

Professions in Public Administration (online)
Public Finance (online)

Undergraduate Courses Taught

Rutgers University – Newark MPA Program

Cross-Sector Leadership

Fall 2025

Introduction to Policy Analysis

Spring 2025

University of Arkansas Political Science Department

Introduction to Public Policy (in-person, then online)

Fall 2019 – Spring 2023

American National Government (in-person, then online)

Other Teaching Experience

Statistics and Research Methods Tutor

August 2018 – May 2019

Student-Athlete Success Center

University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR

Graduate Teaching Assistant

August 2015 – May 2018

Department of Political Science

University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, AR

PROGRAM EVALUATION / POLICY REPORT PUBLICATIONS

Parker, L. E., **Huett, Briana**, Brittany Rudd, Rena Kreimer, Amanda NeMoyer, and Naomi E. Goldstein. *Philadelphia Juvenile Restitution Pilot Project*. Prepared for the United Way of Philadelphia and Southern New Jersey, September 2023.

Huett, Briana, Amanda NeMoyer, Lena DeYoung, Nivedita Anjaria, Kelly Eom, Megan Mohler, Citlally Aguilera, and Naomi E. Goldstein. *The Promise's record clearing initiative: Six months of progress in Philadelphia*. Prepared for the The Promise / United Way of Philadelphia and Southern New Jersey, March 2023.

NeMoyer, Amanda, Kelly Eom, **Briana Huett**, Lena DeYoung, Nivedita Anjaria, Citlally Aguilera, Sarah Hutton, Andrea Anderson, and Naomi E. Goldstein. *Synthesis of the research: understanding the significance of criminal record clearing as a poverty reduction strategy*. Prepared for the The Promise / United Way of Philadelphia and Southern New Jersey, March 2023.

Kordsmeier, Briana. *Program Evaluation/Assessment of the Certified Public Manager© program*. Prepared for the Arkansas Public Administration Consortium (APAC), August 2020.

Kordsmeier, Briana, Melissa Terry, Frederick Clerson, Erika Gamboa, and Alfred Dowe. *Policy Analysis of Tenant Rights and the Habitability of Rental Housing in the State of Arkansas*. City of Fayetteville, April 2019.

Kordsmeier, Briana and Rick Barry. *Policy Analysis for Residential Food Waste Compost Program*. City of Fayetteville, December 2016.

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Borozdina, Nataliia, Creed Tumilson, **Briana Huett**, Ben Galloway, Heasun Choi, Camille Gilmore, and Geoboo Song. (2024). “Navigating the cultural maze: Validating the Douglasian Cultural Theory measures.” *Journal of Asian Governance* 1(1): 1 – 34.
<https://jag.scholasticahq.com/article/127930-navigating-the-cultural-maze-validating-the-douglasian-cultural-theory-measures>

Mcphee, Jeanne, **Briana Huett**, Leah Brogan, Elizabeth McCurdy, Amanda NeMoyer, Rena Kreimer, Lena DeYoung, and Naomi Goldstein. (2023). “Assessing readiness for change of juvenile probation policies and practices: A factor analysis of the probation officer attitudes, beliefs, and behavior (POABB) scale.” *Journal of Applied Juvenile Justice Services*, 1 – 22.
<https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/39483975/>

Kordsmeier, Briana, Creed Tumilson, and Geoboo Song. (2019). “Ideological orientations, LGBT contact, and formation of LGBT policy position.” *Social Science Quarterly*, 100(3), 779 – 792. <https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/full/10.1111/ssqu.12579>

Toner, Brendan, Tara Schmutzler, **Briana Kordsmeier**, and Joshua L. Mitchell. (2019). “The Limits of Morality: Exploring the Diffusion of Eugenics Policies across the US States.” *The Midsouth Political Science Review*, 20, 1 – 29.

NON-REFEREED ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

Song, Geoboo, Gwen Arnold, Melissa K Merry, Davor Mondom, Ben Galloway, **Briana Huett**, Camille Gilmore, Saba Siddiki, Holly L Peterson, Creed Tumilson, Heasun Choi, Meerim Seiitova. (2024). “Editorial introduction: Policy actors, dynamics, and developments – New insights from process theories and methodological applications.” *Policy Studies Journal* 52(4), 703–707. <https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/abs/10.1111/psj.12574>

Song, Geoboo, Saba Siddiki, Melissa Merry, Davor Mondom, Ben Galloway, Gwen Arnold, Aaron Smith-Walter, Holly L. Peterson, Creed Tumilson, **Briana Huett**, Heasun Choi, Nataliia Borozdina (2024). “Editorial introduction: Unveiling new dimensions in policy process theory research.” *Policy Studies Journal* 52(3), 475–479.
<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/abs/10.1111/psj.12557>

Song, Geoboo, Melissa Merry, Saba Siddiki, Gwen Arnold, Aaron Smith-Walter, Holly L. Peterson, Creed Tumilson, Heasun Choi, **Briana Huett**, Davor Mondom, Christopher Giller, Meerim Seiitova. (2024). “Editorial introduction: Exploring the frontier of policy theory research.” *Policy Studies Journal* 52(2), 205–209. <https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/full/10.1111/psj.12539>

Song, Geoboo, Melissa Merry, Saba Siddiki, Holly L. Peterson, Davor Mondom, Victor Kwaku Akakpo, Gwen Arnold, Aaron Smith-Walter, Creed Tumlison, **Briana Huett**, Heasun Choi, Eli Polley (2024). "Editorial introduction: Charting new theoretical horizons here and elsewhere." *Policy Studies Journal* 52(1), 7–10. <https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/abs/10.1111/psj.12530>

Geoboo Song, Melissa K. Merry, Holly L. Peterson, Davor Mondom, **Briana Huett**, Izehi Oriaghan, Creed Tumlison, Camille Gilmore, Gwen Arnold, Aaron Smith-Walter, Saba Siddiki, Heasun Choi. (2023). "Editorial introduction: Exploring policy theories, narratives, and policing." *Policy Studies Journal* 51(4), 709–713. <https://onlinelibrary-wiley-com.proxy.libraries.rutgers.edu/doi/10.1111/psj.12521>

Benjamin, Francis and **Briana Huett**. "Comparing one-time state solons with other lobbyists." (2021). In (Eds. Lovrich et al.) *Outside looking in: Lobbyists' views on civil discourse in U.S. state legislatures*. ISBN 978-0-87422-406-1.

Michael D. Jones, Geoboo Song, Gwen Arnold, Aaron Smith-Walter, Briana Huett, Rachael M. Moyer, Ben Galloway, Manjusha Surampalli, Creed Tumlison. (2021). "Editorial introduction: Exploring policy diffusion, collaborative governance, and policy conflict." *Policy Studies Journal*, 49(2), 330–334.

Jones, Michael D., Geoboo Song, Gwen Arnold, Aaron Smith-Walter, **Briana Huett**, Rachael M. Moyer, Creed Tumlison, Ben Galloway, and Manjusha Surampalli. (2021). "Reaching policy change: Theoretical and practical advances in policy learning research." *Policy Studies Journal*, 49(1), 6–12.

Jones, Michael D., Geoboo Song, Aaron Smith-Walter, Rachael M. Moyer, Creed Tumlison, **Briana Huett**, and Ben Galloway. (2020). "Discussing policy theories, policy formation, and analytical methods." *Policy Studies Journal*, 48(1), 6–10.

Jones, Michael D., Geoboo Song, Aaron Smith-Walter, **Briana Huett**, Rachael M. Moyer, Manjusha Surampalli and Creed Tumlison. (2020). "Governance, citizenry, and methodological advancement in policy research." *Policy Studies Journal*, 48(2), 264–270.

Jones, Michael D., Geoboo Song, Aaron Smith-Walter, Creed Tumlison, Rachael M. Moyer, **Briana Huett**, Manjusha Surampalli, and Ben Galloway. (2020). "Examining policy change and governance here and elsewhere." *Policy Studies Journal*, 48(3), 580–586.

Jones, Michael D., Geoboo Song, Gwen Arnold, Aaron Smith-Walter, Manjusha Surampalli, Creed Tumlison, Rachael M. Moyer, **Briana Huett**, and Ben Galloway. (2020). "Advances in theory and practice of policy research from national to local level." *Policy Studies Journal*, 48(4), 866–872.

Jones, Michael D., Geoboo Song, Aaron Smith-Walter, Creed Tumlison, Rachael M. Moyer, and **Briana Kordsmeier**. (2019). "Editorial team introduction." *Policy Studies Journal*, 47(4), 854–859.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Brookins, Kwesi, Shalom Staub, Robin Bachin, and **Briana Huett**. "Organizing for Impact Panel." Presented at The Research University Civic Engagement Network (TRUCEN) annual meeting. Denver, CO, April 7, 2024.

Huett, Briana, Lea E. Parker, Rena Kreimer, Brittany Rudd, Amanda NeMoyer, and Naomi E. Goldstein. "An unintended reality: Philadelphia youths' (in)ability to pay victim restitution." Presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychology-Law Society (AP-LS). Philadelphia, PA, March 2023.

Lee, Jeongyoon Lee, Geoboo Song, **Briana Huett**, Creed Tumlinson, Ben Galloway, A.G. Holdier, Nataliia Borozdina, Izehi Oriaghan. "No, thank you: Why do policy actors reject policy-relevant information/evidence, and how does it affect their policy beliefs?" Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA). Chicago, IL, April 2023.

Kordsmeier, Briana, Geoboo Song, and Janine Parry. "Climate change risk perceptions and their implications for climate justice for vulnerable populations in Arkansas." Presented at the 78th annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA). Chicago, IL, April 2020.

Kester, John, **Kordsmeier, Briana**, and Geoboo Song. Applications of cultural theory to climate change risk perceptions in Arkansas." Presenting at the 78th annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA). Chicago, IL, April 2020.

Kordsmeier, Briana and Geoboo Song. "Politics of cultural identity: Its origins and consequences." Presented at the 75th annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA). Chicago, IL, April 2017.

Kordsmeier, Briana, Creed Tumlinson, and Geoboo Song. "Do specific policies discriminate? Examining the role of ideology and LGBT contact in LGBT equality-oriented policy support." Presented at the 38th annual meeting of the Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM). Washington D.C., November 2016.

Kordsmeier, Briana and Creed Tumlinson. "Do specific policies discriminate? Examining the role of ideology and LGBT contact in LGBT equality-oriented policy support." Presented at the 74th annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA). Chicago, IL, April 2016.

WORKSHOPS AND PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

Briana Huett, Linda Sprague Martinez, John Truscinski, and Bonnie Burr. “Authentic Community Partnerships: UConn Examples and Key Takeaways.” Presented at the University of Connecticut Office of the Provost’s Center & Institute Directors Retreat on May 14, 2024.

Briana Huett. “Forming Your Impact Identity.” Presented to the University of Connecticut College of Engineering faculty on May 3, 2024.

Briana Huett. “Creating and Maintaining Authentic Partnerships.” Presented to the University of Connecticut College of Engineering faculty on March 22, 2024, then presented again to the full university on April 12, 2024.

NeMoyer, Amanda, **Briana Huett**, and Lena DeYoung. “Evaluating The Promise’s record clearing initiative in Philadelphia.” Presented to The Pardon Project and Philadelphia Lawyers for Social Equity (PLSE) on January 27, 2023.

Kordsmeier, Briana, Melissa Terry, Frederick Clerson, Erika Gamboa, and Alfred Dowe. “Policy Analysis of Tenant Rights and the Habitability of Rental Housing in the State of Arkansas.” Presented to the City of Fayetteville on April 23, 2019.

Parry, Janine, **Briana Kordsmeier**, and Geoboo Song. “LGBT issues: Public opinion in Arkansas.” Presented to Walmart Women’s Resource Council, Walmart PRIDE, and Arkansas Alumni Pride Society on January 9, 2018.

Kordsmeier, Briana and Rick Barry. “Policy Analysis for Residential Food Waste Compost Program.” Presented to the City of Fayetteville on December 15, 2016.

PERSONAL GRANTS, AWARDS, AND HONORS

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| 2025 – present | Fellow, Citizens & Scholars Faculty Institute |
| 2024 – 2025 | Fellow, Engaged Scholars Initiative, Campus Compact |
| 2022 | Rookie of the Year Award, Arkansas PBS |
| 2019 | ICPSR Scholarship for Public Administration, Public Policy, and Public Affairs, University of Michigan |
| 2017 – 2021 | Distinguished Doctoral Fellowship, University of Arkansas Graduate research assistantship, Public Policy Ph.D. program, University of Arkansas |

- Conference travel grant, Department of Political Science, University of Arkansas
- 2016 Hugh T. Henry Memorial Scholarship, Department of Political Science, University of Arkansas
- Henry M. Alexander Scholarship, Arkansas City Managers Association (ACMA)
- Conference travel grant, Department of Political Science, University of Arkansas
- 2015 Graduate research assistantship, Department of Political Science, University of Arkansas (2-year)
- Conference travel grant, Department of Political Science, University of Arkansas
- 2014 W.E.B. Dubois Excellence in Sociology Award, Davidson College
Academic Honors in Sociology, Davidson College
- 2010 – 2014 Bonner Scholarship, Davidson College