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EDUCATION

University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA

Ph.D., Politics, December 2015

Fields: American Politics (major) and Political Theory (minor)

Dissertation: "Chords of Sympathy: The Development of National Political Attachments in the 19th Century"

Committee: James W. Ceaser (co-chair), Sidney Milkis (co-chair), Jeffery Jenkins, Brian Balogh

M.A., Politics, May 2012

Thesis: "Chords of Sympathy: Efforts to Develop Patriotic Nationalism in the Early Republic"

Claremont McKenna College, Claremont, CA

B.A., Government (Honors), 2008

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Claremont McKenna College, Claremont, CA

Assistant Professor, Department of Government, January 2016 – present

BOOK

Emily Pears, *Cords of Affection: Constructing Constitutional Union in Early American History* (Lawrence: University Press of Kansas, 2021).

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Emily Pears and Emily Sydnor, "COVID-19 and the Culture of American Federalism," *RSF: The Russell Sage Foundation Journal of the Social Sciences*, 8:8 (December 2022) 181-220.

Emily Pears and Emily Sydnor, "The Correlates and Characteristics of American State Identity," *Publius: The Journal of Federalism*, 52:2 (Spring 2022) 173-200.

Andrew J. Clarke and Emily Pears, "Conquering Space through Internal Improvements: Federal Nation-Building in 19th-Century America," *Publius: The Journal of Federalism*, 50:2 (Spring

2020) 256-279.

Emily Pears, "Visible States and Invisible Nation: Newspaper Coverage of 19th Century Lawmaking," *Journal of Policy History*, 31:3 (July 2019) 354-381.

Emily Pears, "Chords of Affection: A Theory of National Political Attachments in the American Founding," *American Political Thought*, 6:1 (Winter 2017): 1-29.

BOOK REVIEWS AND ESSAYS

Emily Pears, "Demagoguery in America," *National Affairs*, 53 (Fall 2022), 116-132. Available at: <https://www.nationalaffairs.com/publications/detail/demagoguery-in-america>.

Emily Pears, Review of Jared A. Goldstein, *Real Americans: National Identity, Violence, and the Constitution*, presented as a "Critical Dialogue" with author responses in *Perspectives on Politics*, 20:4 (December 2022) ,1414-1416.

Emily Pears, "What Does My Government Ask of Me?" *The Constitutionalist*, April 15, 2021 available at: <https://theconstitutionalist.org/2021/04/15/essay-series-on-patriotism-fifth-essay-what-does-my-government-ask-of-me/>

Emily Pears, "Popular Legitimacy: A Tenuous Proposition," review essay of George Van Cleve, *We Have Not a Government* and Howard Pashman, *Building a Revolutionary State*, in *Tulsa Law Review*, 55:2 (Winter 2020): 277-283.

Emily Pears, Review of Edward J. Larson, *George Washington, Nationalist*, in *American Review of Politics*, 36:2 (June 2018): 98-99.

Emily Pears, Review of Rogers Smith, *Political Peoplehood: The Role of Values, Interests and Identities*, in *American Political Thought*, 6:1 (Winter 2017): 166-169.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS AND CONFERENCE PAPERS

"America's Town Hall: The Legacy of America's Founding Fathers" panel participant, National Constitution Center, September 2021.

"COVID-19 and the Culture of American Federalism," with Emily Sydnor, presented at the Russell Sage Foundation conference on "The Social and Political Impact of Covid-19 in the United States," virtual, June 2021.

"The Antecedents of State Identity," with Emily Sydnor, presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, virtual, April 2021.

"Author Meets Critics: Beienburg's Prohibition, the Constitution & States' Rights," panel participant at American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco (virtual), September 2020.

"Distributive Nationalism and Internal Improvements," with Andrew Clarke, presented at Congress and History Conference, Princeton, NJ, June 2018.

“Creating Trust in Government” with Emily Sydnor, presented at Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, April 2018.

“Chords of Sympathy: The Development of National Political Attachments in the 19th Century,” invited talk at Claremont Graduate University lecture series “Taking the Constitution Seriously: Lessons from the Founding Speaker Series, February 7 2017.

“Submerged Nation and Visible States: 19th Century State Spending and Patriotism,” presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, September 2016.

“Political Attachments and American Federalism: Evidence from Comparative Newspaper Coverage,” presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual meeting, April 2015.

“Newspaper Coverage and Political Attachments: How Baltimore’s Political Attention Shifted in the 19th Century,” presented at the Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, January 2014.

“The Public Side of Federalism: Presidential Rhetoric and the States,” presented at the 2013 Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, April 2013.

“Chords of Sympathy: Efforts to Develop Patriotic Attachments from the Early Republic to the Progressives,” accepted at the 2012 American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, August 2012. Presented at the 2013 Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, January 2013.

“Chords of Sympathy: Efforts to Develop Patriotic Nationalism in the Early Republic,” presented at the 2012 Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, March 2012

HONORS AND AWARDS

“Best Book in American Political Thought, 2021” from the American Political Thought section of the APSA for *Chords of Affection: Constructing Constitutional Union in Early American History*.

Low Institute Student-Faculty Research Grant, Fall 2018, Spring 2019.

Claremont McKenna College Faculty Research Grant, Summer 2016, Fall 2017, Summer 2019.

Bankard Fund for Political Economy, Pre-Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship, University of Virginia, 2015, \$15000

National Fellowship in Politics and History, Miller Center of Public Affairs, University of Virginia, 2014-2015 (Mentor: Emily Zackin), \$22,000

President’s Fellowship, University of Virginia, 2010-2015, \$18,000

Institute for Humane Studies Graduate Fellowship, 2013-2015, \$2,000

Bradley Graduate Fellowship, The Lynde and Harry Bradley Foundation, 2012-2015, \$3,000

Honors in Government, Claremont McKenna College, 2008

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Claremont McKenna College, Assistant Professor, Department of Government

Introduction to American Politics, Spring 2016, Fall 2016, Fall 2017, Fall 2018, Spring 2020, Spring

2021, Fall 2021, Spring 2022
Patriots and Demagogues, Spring 2017, Spring 2018, Spring 2019, Spring 2021, Spring 2022
Democratic Education in America, Spring 2019
University of Virginia, Instructor, Department of Politics
American Political Development, Summer 2013
University of Virginia, Teaching Assistant, Department of Politics
Introduction to American Politics (Prof. Larry Sabato) Spring 2013, Spring 2014 (Head TA)
Introduction to American Politics (Prof. James Ceaser) Fall 2012, Spring 2012 (Head TA)
Constitutional Interpretation: Separation of Powers and Federalism (Prof. David O'Brien) Fall 2011

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

American Political Science Association Annual Meeting Short Course, "Teaching 'Introduction to American Politics' in Turbulent Times," August 2019.
National Center for Faculty Development and Diversity Faculty Bootcamp, Spring 2018
UVA Teaching Resource Center, "Tomorrow's Professor Today," 2013-2014
UVA Teaching Resource Center, Course Design Institute, June 2014
Jack Miller Center Summer Institute, Philadelphia, PA, August 2014

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant, University of Virginia, 2010 – 2012
Research Assistant to Professor James Ceaser. Conducted research on topics including American exceptionalism, foundational American political thought, and American electoral history.

Policy Advocate, California Common Cause, 2008 – 2010
Represented California Common Cause before the California State Legislature by testifying and lobbying on issues of redistricting reform, voting rights and government accountability and working with elected representatives to develop election reform legislation.

Political Reporting Specialist, Nielson, Merksamer, Parrinello Mueller & Naylor, LLP, 2008
Researched campaign and lobbying regulations in all 50 states and prepared legal summaries of those regulations for clients. Prepared and filed lobbying and campaign finance compliance reports for dozens of clients in all 50 states.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND MEMBERSHIPS

Member: American Political Science Association, Midwest Political Science Association
Reviewer: *Publius: The Journal of Federalism*, University Press of Kansas, CQ Press.