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Curriculum vitae

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## EDUCATION

- 2017 **Ph.D.**  
Government and International Relations, University of Sydney, Australia  
Committee: Pippa Norris (Harvard University), Ariadne Vromen (University of Sydney), Steven Livingston (George Washington University), Sarah Birch (King's College London), Stefaan Walgrave (University of Antwerp)
- 2009 **MA (Dipl. Geogr.)**  
Geography, Freie Universität Berlin, Germany  
Minors: Political Science, Geoinformatics

## EMPLOYMENT

- May 2020 - Present **Lecturer**  
School of Government and International Relations, Griffith University, Australia
- Apr 2018 – Apr 2020 **Lecturer**  
Institute for Political Science, Heidelberg University, Germany
- Sep 2017 – Dec 2019 **Research Associate**  
Department of Government and International Relations, University of Sydney, Australia
- Oct 2017 – Dec 2017 **Research Officer**  
School of Sociology, College of Arts & Social Sciences, Australian National University, Australia.
- Sep 2016 – Aug 2017 **Research Associate and PEI Survey Manager**  
Electoral Integrity Project, University of Sydney, Australia.
- Dec 2016 – Feb 2017 **Visiting Researcher, Research Unit Democracy and Democratization**  
Berlin Social Science Center (WZB), Berlin, Germany.
- Feb 2013 – Sep 2016 **Research Assistant**  
Electoral Integrity Project, University of Sydney, Australia.
- 2010 - 2013 **Lecturer**  
Faculty of Political Science, Thammasat University, Bangkok, Thailand.
- 2009 – 2013 **Research Associate**  
Strategic Nonviolence Research Committee, Thailand Research Fund, Bangkok, Thailand.

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Political Participation, Interest Groups, Crowdsourced Participation  
Authoritarianism, Media Politics, Asian Politics  
Comparative Public Policy, Agenda-setting  
Survey Methodology, Content Analysis, Digital Trace Data

## PUBLICATIONS / RESEARCH OUTCOMES

### Journal Articles

- 2021 'Agents of resistance and revival? Local election monitors and democratic fortunes in Asia', *Democratization* 28(1):103-123.
- 2021 'Direct democracy integrity and the 2017 constitutional referendum in Turkey: a new research instrument' with Norbert Kersting, *European Political Science*, doi: 10.1057/s41304-020-00309-3
- 2020 'Australian Labor as a Federal Organisation: State Uniformity or Distinctiveness?' with Anika Gauja. *Australian Journal of Politics & History* 66 (1):35-49.
- 2020 'The paranoid style of American elections: Explaining misperceptions of electoral integrity in an age of populism' with Pippa Norris and Holly Ann Garnett. *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion and Parties*, 30(1):105-125.
- 2020 'The Expanding Party Universe: Patterns of Partisan Engagement in Australia and the United Kingdom' with Anika Gauja. *Party Politics*, 26(6):822-833.
- 2019 'Does group engagement with members constitute a 'beneficial inefficiency'?' with Darren R. Halpin. *Governance*, 32(3):511-529.
- 2019 'More bang for the buck. Media freedom and organizational strategies in the agenda-setting of human rights groups'. *Political Communication*, 36(3):452-475.
- 2019 Book review: 'How to Rig an Election. By Nic Cheeseman and Brian Klaas. New Haven: Yale University Press, 2018. 320p. \$26.00 cloth'. *Perspectives on Politics*, 17(1), 284-285.
- 2018 'The 'Crowd-Factor' in Connective Action: Comparing Protest Communication Styles of Thai Facebook Pages' with Aim Sinpeng. *Journal of Information Technology and Politics*, 15(3):197-214.
- 2018 'The integrity of elections in Asia: Policy lessons from expert evaluations'. *Asian Politics & Policy*, 10(3):527-547.
- 2017 'Domestic Election Monitoring and Advocacy: An Emerging Research Agenda'. *Nordic Journal of Human Rights*, 35(4):407-423.
- 2017 'Electoral Sources of Authoritarian Resilience in Russia: Varieties of Electoral Malpractice 2007-2016' with Margarita Zavadskaia and Ferran Martínez i Coma. *Demokratizatsiya: The Journal of Post-Soviet Democratization*, 25(4):455-480.
- 2014 'Echo Chambers. Partisan Facebook Groups during the 2014 Thai Election'. *Asia Pacific Media Educator*, 24(1):1-21.
- 2013 'Cambodia's 2013 Elections: The Retreat of "Electoral Authoritarianism"?''. *SocDem Asia Quarterly*, 1(2):13-15.

### Book Chapters

- 2021 'Media-driven agenda-setting styles'. In *The Routledge Handbook of Policy Styles*, edited by Michael Howlett and Jale Tosun, Chapter 17.
- 2017 'Domestic monitors' In *Election Watchdogs: Transparency, Accountability and Integrity*, edited by Pippa Norris and Alessandro Nai, pg. 167-190. New York: Oxford University Press.
- 2006 'Potenziale und Entwicklungshemmnisse der Iranischen Wirtschaft' with Joscha Graff. In *Die Islamische Republik Iran. Eine Studienreise*, edited by Carsten Felgentreff. Potsdam: Universitätsverlag Potsdam.

### Works in progress

- 'Riding the Wave or Turning the Tide? Explaining Think Tank Recognition in the Media', with Darren Halpin
- 'The organisational determinants of subnational electoral integrity perceptions in Mexico', with Irma Méndez de Hoyos, Ferran Martínez i Coma, and Nicolás Loza Otero
- 'The party just started: How electoral threat and local political machines structure electoral malpractice in Cambodia'.

'Infowars: Disinformation, election monitors, and (mis-)perceptions of electoral integrity', with MarleneMauk.

'When to go public? Calibrating electoral reform advocacy strategies in autocracies and democracies.'

'Crowd work and networked publics as civic activism? The case of crowdsourced election monitoring'.

'Economic or ethnic mobilization? Political machines and the integrity of subnational elections in Russia' with Ferran Martínez i Coma, and Margarita Zavadskaya.

### Book Projects

'Against all odds: Election watchdogs and the limits of human rights advocacy. Solo-authored manuscript.

'Lobbying the autocrat. The dynamics of policy advocacy in Non-democracies', with Jessica Teets. Edited volume.

### Reports and data

- 2019 The Crowdsourced Replication Initiative: Investigating Immigration and Social Policy Preferences. Executive Report', with Breznau, Nate, Eike Mark Rinke, Alexander Wuttke et al., *SocArXiv Papers*. doi: 10.31235/osf.io/6j9qb.
- 2019 *Electoral Integrity Worldwide*, with Pippa Norris. May 2019. Sydney: University of Sydney.
- 2019 *Electoral Integrity in the 2018 American Elections. PEI-US-2018*, with Pippa Norris and Holly Ann Garnett. May 2019. Sydney: University of Sydney.
- 2019 *Perceptions of Electoral Integrity, (PEI-7.0)*, with Pippa Norris. Harvard Dataverse, V1, <https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/PDYRWL>.
- 2019 *Perceptions of Electoral Integrity, US 2018 (PEL\_US\_2018)*, with Pippa Norris, and Holly Ann Garnett. Harvard Dataverse, V1, <https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/METZ3U>.
- 2019 *Replication Data for: "Does group engagement with members constitute a "beneficial inefficiency"?"*. Harvard Dataverse, V1, <https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/AEZKFD>.
- 2019 *Replication Data for: "More Bang for the Buck: Media Freedom and Organizational Strategies in the Agenda-Setting of Human Rights Groups"*. Harvard Dataverse, V1, <https://doi.org/10.7910/DVN/EA011Q>.
- 2017 *The Year in Elections 2017: Mid-Year Update*, with Pippa Norris, Thomas Wynter and Sarah M. Cameron. October 2017. Sydney: University of Sydney.
- 2017 'Populist Threats to Electoral Integrity: The Year in Elections, 2016-2017', with Pippa Norris. *HKS Faculty Research Working Paper Series RWP17-018*. May 2017.
- 2017 *The 2016 American Presidential Election – Perceptions of Electoral Integrity, US 2016 subnational study*, with Pippa Norris and Holly Ann Garnett. January 2017. Sydney: University of Sydney.
- 2017 *The Australian Voter Experience. Trust and confidence in the 2016 federal election*, with Jeffrey Karp, Alessandro Nai, Ferran Martínez i Coma, and Pippa Norris. January 2017. Sydney: University of Sydney.
- 2017 *Perceptions of Electoral Integrity, (PEI-5.5)*, with Pippa Norris, Thomas Wynter and Sarah M. Cameron. Harvard Dataverse, V1, <http://dx.doi.org/10.7910/DVN/EWYTZ7>.
- 2017 *Perceptions of Electoral Integrity, (PEI-5.0)*, with Pippa Norris. Harvard Dataverse, V1, <http://dx.doi.org/10.7910/DVN/KI5WB4>.
- 2016 *The Year in Elections 2015*, with Pippa Norris, Ferran Martínez i Coma, and Alessandro Nai. February 2016. Sydney: University of Sydney.
- 2016 *Perceptions of Electoral Integrity, (PEI-4.5)*, with Pippa Norris, Ferran Martínez i Coma, and Alessandro Nai. Harvard Dataverse, V3, <http://dx.doi.org/10.7910/DVN/LYO57K>.
- 2015 'The Year in Elections, 2014' with Pippa Norris and Ferran Martínez i Coma. *HKS Faculty Research Working Paper Series RWP15-008*, February 2015.

- 2015 *Electoral Integrity in Africa*, with Ferran Martínez i Coma. Sydney/Johannesburg: Electoral Integrity Project / Hanns Seidel Foundation.
- 2015 'Die "Crowd" als Wahlbeobachter'. *Hintergrund: Südostasien* 49 (August 2015), 1-30
- 2015 *Perceptions of Electoral Integrity-Russia, (PEI-Russia 1.0)*, with Pippa Norris, Ferran Martínez i Coma, and Alessandro Nai. Harvard Dataverse, V1, <http://dx.doi.org/10.7910/DVN/8LYUAY>.
- 2015 *Perceptions of Electoral Integrity-Mexico, (PEI-Mexico 1.0)*, with Pippa Norris, Ferran Martínez i Coma, and Alessandro Nai. Harvard Dataverse, V1, <http://dx.doi.org/10.7910/DVN/O6UCIM>.

### Conference presentations

- American Political Science Association (APSA) – 2016, 2017
- Asian Political and International Studies Association (APISA) - 2011
- Australian Political Science Association (AusPSA) – 2014, 2015, 2016
- European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR) – 2016, 2017, 2018
- International Communications Association (ICA) - 2020
- International Conference of Thai Studies (ICTS) - 2014
- International Conference on International Relations and Development (ICIRD) – 2011, 2012, 2013
- International Political Science Association (IPSA) – 2014, 2016, 2018

### Invited talks

- 2017 'The state of elections worldwide'. 10 October 2017. *Australian Institute of International Affairs*, Sydney, Australia.
- 2017 'The drivers of public attention to domestic election monitoring initiatives'. 24 January 2017. *Université libre de Bruxelles*, Brussels, Belgium.
- 2016 'The drivers of public attention to domestic election monitoring initiatives'. 20 December 2016. *Berlin Social Science Center/Wissenschaftszentrum Berlin (WZB)*, Berlin, Germany.
- 2015 'Why elections fail'. 15 December 2015. *European Platform for Democratic Elections (EPDE)*, Berlin, Germany.
- 2015 'From global declarations to #reclaimnaija: Explaining the prevalence of domestic election monitoring initiatives'. 17 December 2015. *Berlin Social Science Center/Wissenschaftszentrum Berlin (WZB)*, Berlin, Germany.
- 2015 'The Year in Elections, 2014'. 5 November 2015. *Electoral Regulation Research Network (ERRN)*, University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia.
- 2015 'Crowd-Monitoring und Wahlen'. 11 July 2015. *University of Münster, Department of Political Science*, Münster, Germany.
- 2015 'The Year in Elections, 2014'. 18 March 2015. *Asian Electoral Stakeholder Forum II*, Dili, Timor-Leste.
- 2015 'Using New Technology to Map Electoral Risks'. 9 January 2015. *United Nations Development Program (UNDP) Asia-Pacific Regional Centre*, Bangkok, Thailand.
- 2014 'Partisans or everyday makers? Mapping crowdsourced election watchdog groups on facebook'. 09 October 2014. *University of Canberra, Australia and New Zealand School of Government*, Canberra, ACT, Australia.
- 2013 'Electoral authoritarianism on retreat? The case of the 2013 Cambodian election'. 26 August 2013. *Thammasat University, Faculty of Political Science*, Bangkok, Thailand.
- 2012 'Crowdsourced election observation and the legal environment for citizen engagement in Thailand'. 21 February 2012. *German-Southeast Asian Center of Excellence for Public Policy and Good Governance (CPG)*, Bangkok, Thailand.

### Media Presence / Public Commentary

- 2017 'Why the mistrust? How Elite and Popular Perceptions of Electoral Integrity diverge in Australia'. 18 May 2017. *POP Politics Aus*.
- 2016 'Electoral integrity in all 50 US states, ranked by experts', with Pippa Norris, and Holly Ann Garnett. 27 December 2016. *VOX*.
- 2016 'Why don't more Americans vote? Maybe because they don't trust U.S. elections', with Pippa Norris, and Holly Ann Garnett. 26 December 2016. *The Washington Post/Monkey Cage*.
- 2016 'Failed' Electoral System Ranked Asia's Worst'. 24 September 2016. *The Cambodia Daily*.
- 2016 'A tale of two elections'. 17 May 2016. *New Mandala*.
- 2016 'Watchdogs on a leash: where and why governments restrict election monitors'. 16 March 2016. *The Conversation*.
- 2015 'Southeast Asian elections worst in the world.' 15 February 2015. *New Mandala*.
- 2014 'The 'Thaksin Regime' vs. the 'Good People''. 26 December 2014. *Asian Correspondent*.
- 2014 'Protesters in Thailand invoke Hunger Games three-finger salute to voice dissent'. 3 June 2014. *Sydney Morning Herald*.
- 2014 'Electoral Integrity in Thailand'. 1 May 2014. *New Mandala*.
- 2014 'Voting in Asia: not meaningless charades, but public wants more'. 18 April 2014. *The Conversation*.
- 2014 'Malaysia bottom of the pile in global study on electoral boundaries'. 3 March 2014. *The Malay Mail Online*.
- 2014 'Election ranks low: study'. 28 February 2014. *Phnom Penh Post*.
- 2014 'Derailed election in a divided Thailand'. 2 February 2014. *New Mandala*.
- 2014 'Extending a hand or raising a fist to the state?'. 23 January 2014. *Open Security*.
- 2013 'Cambodian civil society keeps an eye on the election amidst widespread irregularities (The 2013 Cambodian Election, Part 2)'. 28 July 2013. *Electoral Integrity Blogspot*.
- 2013 'The 2013 Cambodian election, Part 1: The menu of strategic manipulation'. 25 July 2013. *Electoral Integrity Blogspot*.

## TEACHING

### Griffith University

Government Business Relations (BA lecture and seminar) - 2020, 2021	Convenor
Power and Policymaking (BA lecture and seminar) - 2021	Convenor

### Heidelberg University

Media and Politics in Non-Democracies (MA seminar) - 2018, 2019	Convenor
The Global Challenge of Electoral Integrity (MA seminar) - 2019	Convenor
Introduction to Comparative Politics (BA seminar) - 2018	Convenor

### University of Sydney

Introduction to Comparative Politics (BA tutorial) - 2017	Teaching assistant
Research Design (MA seminar) - 2017	Teaching assistant
Dilemmas of Development in Southeast Asia (BA tutorial) - 2014	Teaching assistant

### Thammasat University

Human Security (BA seminar) - 2011, 2012	Convenor
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Scope and Research Methods in International Relations (MA seminar) - 2012	Co-instructor
Social Science Methodology (BA lecture) - 2010, 2011, 2012	Co-convenor
Politics of International Development (BA lecture) - 2010, 2011, 2012	Co-instructor

## **GRANTS, AWARDS AND HONORS**

### **Individual**

- 2020 CGPP Research Support Scheme 'Lobbying the autocrat', Centre for Governance and Public Policy (AUD 4,850).
- 2020 Griffith Business School Research Support Scheme, 'Lobbying the autocrat', Griffith Business School (AUD 9,000).
- 2019 Workshop grant 'Policy advocacy and the media in non-democracies', Fritz-Thyssen Foundation (EUR 8,500.00).
- 2019 Workshop grant 'Policy advocacy and the media in non-democracies', Field-of-Focus 4, Heidelberg University (EUR 4,260.00).
- 2016 Berlin Doctoral Fellowship in the Social Sciences, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, University of Sydney (AUD 6,000.00).
- 2015 Conference grant, University of Sydney Southeast Asia Centre (AUD 1,000.00).
- 2015 Doctoral research travel grant, Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences, University of Sydney (AUD 3,500.00).
- 2015 Postgraduate Research Support Scheme (PRSS), School of Social Sciences, University of Sydney (AUD 500.00).
- 2014 Electoral Integrity Project grant for attendance of ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research and University of Amsterdam Digital Methods Summer School (AUD 6,200.00).
- 2013 PhD Scholarship on Electoral Integrity, under the Australian Research Council Kathleen Fitzpatrick Australian Laureate Fellowship Award [FL110100093] (AUD 108,888.00).
- 2013 Conference grant 'Challenges of Electoral Integrity in Southeast Asia', Friedrich-Naumann Foundation (EUR 5,000.00).
- 2002 German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), undergraduate students study abroad scholarship (EUR 2,904.00).

### **Electoral Integrity Project**

- 2017 International Institutional Engagement, awarded to the Electoral Integrity project by the International Centre for Parliamentary Studies (ICPS).
- 2016 Laurence and Lynne Brown Democracy Medal, awarded to the Electoral Integrity project by the McCourtney Institute for Democracy at Penn State University.

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

### **Journal article review**

World Development, Comparative Political Studies, New Media & Society, Government Information Quarterly, International Political Science Review, Political Psychology, Democratization, Social Science Computer Review, Journal of Information Technology & Politics, German Politics, Austrian Journal of South-East Asian Studies, Nordic Journal of Human Rights, Regional & Federal Studies, Journal of Current Southeast Asian Affairs

### **Conference organizing**

- 2017 Pre-APSA Workshop 'Protecting Electoral Security & Voting Rights: The 2016 U.S. Elections in Comparative Perspective', San Francisco.
- 2016 ECPR EIP panel 'Strengthening integrity through electoral reforms', Prague.
- 2016 Pre-IPSA EIP/IDEA Workshop 'Contentious elections, conflict and regime transitions', Poznań.
- 2014 Australian Political Studies Association annual conference, University of Sydney.
- 2014 Workshop 'Challenges of Electoral Integrity in Asia-Pacific', University of Sydney.
- 2013 Workshop 'Challenges of Electoral Integrity in Southeast Asia', Chulalongkorn University.
- 2013 Workshop 'Concepts and Indices of Electoral Integrity', Harvard University.
- 2011 First International Conference on International Relations and Development, Thammasat University.

### **Memberships / Affiliations**

American Political Science Association (Section 38: Political Communication)

Australian Political Science Association (Research group: Political Organisations and Participation)

Deutsche Vereinigung für Politikwissenschaft

European Consortium for Political Research (Standing Group on Interest Groups)

International Political Science Association (RC10: Electronic Democracy)

Sydney Democracy Network (SDN)

Electoral Management Research Network

### **Consultancies**

- 2015 UNDP/International IDEA, 'Secure and Fair Elections (SAFE) Workshop' Model Curriculum.
- 2015 Hanns-Seidel Foundation, 'Electoral Integrity in Africa'.
- 2014 Friedrich-Naumann Foundation, 'Wahlbeobachtung durch den Schwarm. Wie durch crowdsourced election monitoring eine neue Norm der Bürgerbeteiligung in Südostasien entsteht'.
- 2006 Working Group on Peace and Development (FriEnt), Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development, 'Agenda-setting in the Darfur crisis'.

## **LANGUAGES**

German (native), English (fluent), Thai (conversational), French (conversational)

## **RESEARCH SOFTWARE PROFICIENCY**

R, Stata, SPSS, ArcGIS, fsQCA, Qualtrics, LimeSurvey, Adobe Design CS6, Tableau

**REFEREES**

Available upon request