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### Positions

2022 – present	Arts & Sciences Alumni Professor, The Ohio State University, Departments of Political Science and (by courtesy) Philosophy, Communication, and Public Affairs.  Founding Director of IDEA (Institute for Democratic Engagement and Accountability: 2017 to present). Center for Ethics & Human Values (Co-Founder; Co-organizer of COMPAS: Conversations on Morality, Politics, and Society). Behavioral Decision Making Initiative (Affiliated Faculty), Department of German (Affiliated Faculty), Center for Historical Research (Affiliated Faculty)
2022	Visiting Professor, University of Siena
2019 – 2022	Professor, Ohio State University, Department of Political Science and (by courtesy) Philosophy, Communication, and Public Affairs.
2011 – 2019	Associate Professor (with tenure), Ohio State University, Department of Political Science and (by courtesy) Philosophy and Public Affairs.
2012 – 2014	Visiting Scholar, Northwestern University, Institute for Policy Research
2003 – 2011	Assistant Professor, The Ohio State University, Political Science. Columbus, OH, United States. John Glenn Institute for Public Service and Public Policy (Affiliated Faculty). Center for Interdisciplinary Law and Policy Studies (Affiliated Faculty)
2001 – 2003	Robert Wood Johnson Scholar in Health Policy Research, University of Michigan. Ann Arbor, MI, United States.
2001	Research Scientist, National Commission on Federal Election Reform (Carter/Ford Commission).
2000	Visiting Assistant Professor, Yale University, Ethics, Politics, & Economics. New Haven, CT, United States

## Education

2000	Ph.D., University of Chicago, Political Science
1996	M.A., University of Chicago, Political Science
1991	B.A., Northwestern University, Philosophy and Mathematical Methods in the Social Sciences (Honors in Both Majors)

## PUBLICATIONS

### Books

Politics with the People: Building a Directly Representative Democracy. (Cambridge University Press. With Kevin Esterling & David Lazer. September, 2018)

- *American Academy of Arts and Sciences (AAAS)* Democratic Citizenship Commission Best-Practice
- Included in Orientation Package for New Members of Congress, Harvard Kennedy School 2019, 2021
- Featured in Hearing before the House Select Committee on the Modernization of Congress 2019
- Best Book Award, APSA Experimental Research Section 2019, Honorable Mention
- Brookings Institution [“Congress Must Stay Connected Even in a Time of Social Distancing”](#)
- “Directly Representative Democracy,” *Kettering Review* 36(1): 46-52.
- *Perspectives on Politics*, “Critical Dialogue,” 2019, by James Fishkin, with Reply.
- *Kirkus Review*, [Link](#).

Deliberative Democracy between Theory and Practice. (Cambridge: CUP, 2015)

- Reviewed in: *Ethics*, *Perspectives on Politics*, and *Contemporary Political Theory*

### Journal Articles

Rubineau, Brian, Shinwon Noh, David Lazer, and Michael Neblo. (Forthcoming) “Pathways of Peer Influence on STEM Major Choice.” *Social Forces*.

Minozzi, W., Ryan Kennedy, Kevin Esterling, Michael Neblo, and Ryan Jewell. (Forthcoming) “Testing the Benefits of Public Deliberation.” *American Journal of Political Science*.

Neblo, Michael and Avery White. (2022). “The Digital Citizen.” *Science*.

Richards, Robert and Michael A. Neblo. (2022). “Active Is as Active Does: Deliberative and Non-Deliberative Political Communication in Context.” *Journal of Deliberative Democracy*.

Esterling, Kevin, William Minozzi, and Michael A. Neblo. (2022). “Does Familiarity Breed Esteem? A Field Experiment on Emergent Attitudes Toward Members of Congress.” *Political Research Quarterly*.

Kielty, Abigail and Michael A. Neblo. (2022). “Connecting to Congress During COVID-19: Political Representation and Two-Way Crisis Communication.” *Digital Governance*.

Neblo, Michael A. and Jeremy Wallace. (2021). "A Plague on Politics? The Covid Crisis and the Future of Legitimation." *American Political Science Review*, 1-6.

White, Avery, and Michael Neblo. "Capturing the Public: Beyond Technocracy & Populism in the US Administrative State." *Daedulus: The Journal of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences* (2021): 172.

Neblo, Michael A. (2021). "Deliberating Online: The Unique Value of Common Ground for Action." Forthcoming *The Kettering Review*.

Kennedy, Ryan, Anand E. Sokhey, Claire Abernathy, Kevin M. Esterling, David MJ Lazer, Amy Lee, William Minozzi, and Michael A. Neblo. "Demographics and (equal?) voice: Assessing participation in online deliberative sessions." *Political Studies* 69, no. 1 (2021): 66-88.

Neblo, Michael A. "Impassioned Democracy: The Roles of Emotion in Deliberative Theory." *American Political Science Review* 114, no. 3 (2020): 923-927.

Kingzette, Jon, and Michael A. Neblo. "The Civic Culture(s): Groups, Norms, and the Health of Democracy." *Journal of Race, Ethnicity, and Politics*: (2020). 1-13.

Adashi, Eli Y., et al. "Heritable Human Genome Editing: The Public Engagement Imperative." *The CRISPR Journal* 3, no. 6 (2020): 434-439.

Minozzi, Willaim, Huynjin Song, David Lazer, Katherine Ognayanova, and Michael Neblo. "The Incidental Pundit: Who Talks Politics with Whom and Why?" *American Journal of Political Science* (2019).

Abernathy, Claire, Ryan Kennedy, Kevin Esterling, William Minozzi, Justin Freeborn, Jonathan Solis, and Michael Neblo. "Constituent Communication through Telephone Town Halls: A Field Experiment Involving Members of Congress." (with). *Legislative Studies Quarterly* (2019).

Neblo, Michael, Kevin Esterling, and David Lazer. "Critical Dialogue: Reply to Fishkin's review of *Politics with the People*." *Perspectives on Politics*, 17(2), pp.527-531 (2019).

"The Crisis of Democracy and the Science of Deliberation." (with André Bächtiger, John Dryzek, Amy Gutmann, et. al.) *Science*, 363(6432), pp.1144-1146. (2019).

Ruvineau, Brian, Sinwon Noh, and Michael Neblo. "Low Status Rejection or Relegation: How Status Hierarchies Influence Negative Tie Formation." *Social Networks* 56: 33-44 (2019).

"Connecting to Congress." *Connections: The Annual Journal of the Kettering Foundation* (2019).

Neblo, M., W. Minozzi, K. Esterling, J. Kingzette, J. Green, and D. Lazer. "The Need for a Translational Science of Democracy." *Science*, 355(6328), pp.914-915 (2017).

“Field experiment evidence of substantive, attributional, and behavioral persuasion by members of Congress in online town halls,” with William Minozzi, Kevin Esterling, and David Lazer. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 112(13), 3937-3942, (2015).

- **News Coverage:** [Roll Call](#), [Boston Globe](#), [Politico](#), [The Monkey Cage](#), [Smithsonian Magazine](#)

“Expanding the Conversation: Multiplier Effects from a Deliberative Field Experiment,” with David Lazer, Anand Sokhey, Kevin Esterling, and Ryan Kennedy. *Political Communication*. 32(4), pp.552-573 (2015).

“Reform Pluralism as Political Theology and Democratic Technology.” *Election Law Journal*. 13(4): 526-533, (2014).

“Connecting to Constituents: The Diffusion of Representation Practices among Congressional Websites,” with K. Esterling and D. Lazer. *Political Research Quarterly*, 66(1):102-114, (2013).

“What is Good Quality Public Deliberation?” with Susan Dorr Goold, Scott Y. H. Kim, Raymond de Vries, Gene Rowe, and Peter Muhlberger. *Hastings Center Report*. 42(2): 24-26, (2012).

“Deliberation’s Legitimation Crisis,” *Critical Review*. 23(3): 405-419, (2012).

“The Multiple Institutional Logics of Innovation.” With David Lazer, Ines Mergel, Curt Ziniel, and Kevin Esterling. *International Public Management Journal*. 14(3):311-340, (2011).

“Representative Communication: Website Interactivity & Distributional Path Dependence in the U.S. Congress,” with Kevin Esterling and David Lazer. *Political Communication*. 28(4):409-439, (2011).

“Estimating Treatment Effects in the Presence of Selection on Unobservables: The Generalized Endogenous Treatment Model,” with Kevin Esterling and David Lazer. *Political Analysis*. 19(2):205-226, (2011).

“Means, Motive, and Opportunity in Becoming Informed about Politics: A Deliberative Field Experiment Involving Members of Congress and their Constituents,” with Kevin Esterling and David Lazer. *Public Opinion Quarterly*. Vol. 75, No. 3, pp. 483-503, (2011).

“Who Wants to Deliberate – and Why?” with Kevin Esterling, Ryan Kennedy, David Lazer, and Anand Sokhey. *American Political Science Review*. 104(3):566-583, (2010).

- **Winner of the Heinz Eulau Award for the Best Paper Published in the APSR, 2010.**

“The Co-evolution of Networks and Political Attitudes,” with David Lazer, Brian Rubineau, Nancy Katz, and Carol Chetkovic. *Political Communication*. 27:248–274, (2010).

“Improving Congressional Websites,” with Kevin Esterling and David Lazer. *Brookings Institution Issues in Technology Innovation*. Number 2, (2010).

“Disentangling Diversity in Deliberative Democracy: Competing Theories, Their Empirical Blind Spots and Complementarities,” with André Bächtiger, Simon Niemeyer, Marco Steenbergen, and Jürg Steiner. *Journal of Political Philosophy*. 18(1):32-63, (2009).

“Meaning and Measurement: Reorienting the Race Politics Debate.” *Political Research Quarterly*. 62(3): 474-484, (2009).

“Three-Fifths a Racist: A Typology for Analyzing Public Opinion About Race.” *Political Behavior*. 31(1): 31-35, (2009).

- **Winner of the Roberta Sigel Award for the Best Paper, Intl. Society for Political Psychology.**

“Online Town Hall Meetings—Exploring Democracy in the 21st Century”. Lazer, David, Michael Neblo, Kevin Esterling, & Kathy Goldschmidt. (2009). *Congressional Management Foundation, Washington, DC*.

“Veterans’ Views on Balancing Privacy & Research in Medicine: A Deliberative Democratic Study,” with Joy Pritts, Laura Damschroder, and Rodney Hayward. *Journal of Medicine & Law*. 12(1):17-32, (2008).

“Family Disputes: Diversity in Defining and Measuring Deliberation.” *Swiss Political Science Review*. 13(4): 527-557, (2007).

“Patients, Privacy, & Trust,” with Laura Damschroder, Joy Pritts, Rosemarie Kalarickel, John Creswell, and Rodney Hayward. *Social Science & Medicine*. 64(1):223-235, (2007).

“Members of Congress Websites: Diffusion at the Tip of the Iceberg,” with David Lazer, Ines Mergel, Curt Ziniel, and Kevin Esterling. *Proceedings of the International Conference on Digital Government Research*. (228) 26-34. Digital Government Research Center, Philadelphia, PA, (2007).

“Home (Page) Style,” with Kevin Esterling and David Lazer. *International Journal of E-government Research*. 2(1): 48-62, (2005).

“Thinking through Democracy: Between the Theory and Practice of Deliberative Politics.” *Acta Politica*. 40( 2): 169-181, (2005).

“Giving Hands and Feet to Morality.” *Perspectives on Politics*. 2(1): 99-100, (2004).

“The Emergence of Post-Culturalism,” with Larry Nucci. *Human Development*. 41(1): 172-179, (1998).

## **Pending Articles**

“Neither Resignation nor Revolution: Prospects for Deliberative Reform in Parliamentary Systems.” (with Nick Vlahos, Selen Ercan, Andrew Leigh, and John Dryzek). R&R at *Political Studies*.

“Athletic Democracy: Reconciling Deliberation and Participation” (with William Minozzi, David Lazer, Anand Sokhey, and Lauren Ratliff Santoro). First review.

- **Winner of the Best Paper Award APSA Political Networks Section.**

"A Randomized Field Trial on Motives for Engaging with Elected Officials" (with William Minozzi and Andrew Leigh). First review.

“Terrorism, Social Influence, and Public Opinion about Immigration: A Natural Experiment.” (with Matthew Simonson, David Lazer, and William Minozzi) First review.

“Thrasymachus’s Blush: The Science & Politics of Motivated Reasoning & Principled Rhetoric.” (with William Minozzi). First review.

“Redistricting, Representation, and the Dilemmas of a (Hyper)Extended Republic.” (with Jon Green; first review) First review.

## **Chapters in Books**

“Deliberative Field Methods.” (2022). (with Jon Kingzette) in *Assessing Deliberation: Research Methods in Deliberative Democracy* (OUP).

Green, Jon, Emily Ann Israelson, Abigail Kielty, Jonathon Kingzette, and Michael Neblo. “Civility in the 2018 Ohio Midterm Elections” in Robert G. Boatright ed. (2020). *Civility in the U.S. Senate Debates*. Tucson, AZ: National Institute for Civil Discourse

“A Humble Form of Government: Democracy as the Politics of Collective Experience,” (2020). With Emily Ann Israelson. In *The Routledge Handbook on the Philosophy of Humility*.

“Deliberative Democratic Decision-Making,” (2019). With Jon Green and Jonathon Kingzette. In *Oxford Encyclopedia of Political Decision Making*. Oxford University Press.

“Politics in Translation: Communication Between Sites of the Deliberative System.” (2018). With Avery White. In *The Oxford Handbook of Deliberative Democracy*.

“The Internet and the Madisonian Cycle: Possibilities and Prospects for Consultative Representation” (2011). With David Lazer and Kevin Esterling. In *Building Democracy Through Online Citizen Consultation*. Edited by Peter Shane.

“Measuring and Explaining the Quality of Web Sites in the (Virtual) House of Representatives.” (2007). With Kevin Estlerling and David Lazer. In *Current Issues and Trends in E-Government Research*. Edited by Donald F. Norris. Hershey, PA: The Idea Group. [Reprinted in *Virtual Technologies: Concepts, Methodologies, Tools and Applications*. (2008) Edited by Jerzy Kisielnicki. Hershey, PA: Information Science Reference.]

“Philosophical Psychology with Political Intent.” (2007). In *The Affect Effect: Dynamics of Emotion in Political Thinking and Behavior*. Edited by Russell Neuman, Michael McKuen, Ann Crigler & George Marcus. Chicago, IL: University of Chicago Press.

## **Working Papers**

“Studying Deliberative Systems, Systematically.” (with Euehan Jang)

“Open Mouths or Open Minds: Elected Officials’ Motivations to Deliberate.” (with Abigail Kielty, William Minozzi, and Ryan Kennedy)

“Social Inequalities in Exposure to and Engagement with Civic Campaigns on Facebook.” (with David Lazer)

“A Speech Act Theory of the Survey Response.” (with Jon Green, Jon Kingzette, and William Minozzi)

“Conflict and Contagion: The Social Control of Political Participation.” (with David Lazer, Anand Sokhey, William Minozzi, & Kevin Esterling) Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Seattle, WA (September, 2011).

“Time Scales of Social Influence.” (with Stefan McCabe, David Lazer, William Minozzi, and Brian Rubineau)

“Who Can Be Persuaded? The Conditionality of Mass-Elite Communication.” (with Ryan Kennedy, Anand Sokhey, David Lazer, and Kevin Esterling)

“Brokerage and Leadership,” (with Brian Rubineau, Shinwon Noh, and David Lazer).

“The Weight of Passion: A Revisionist History of Political Emotion.”

“Change for the Better: Linking the Mechanisms of Deliberative Opinion Change to Normative Theory.”

“Illegality, National Origin Cues, and Public Opinion on Immigration.” (with Karthick Ramakrishnan & Kevin Esterling).

“Logos, Ethos, Pathos: Mechanisms of Opinion Change in a Deliberative Field Experiment.” (with David Lazer, William Minozzi, & Kevin Esterling). (2012) Annual Meetings of the Midwest Political Science Association. April, Chicago, IL.

“A Theory of Deliberation as Interactive Reasoning.” (with William Minozzi and David Siegel) Presented at Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL (April, 2010).

“Narrative Democracy: Myths of Founding in Four Magical Realist Novels.” Presented at American Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Washington D.C.

“Motive Matters: Liberalism and Insincerity.”

## Reviews

Neblo, Michael A., Kevin M. Esterling, and David M. J. Lazer. Review of Democracy When the People Are Thinking: Revitalizing Our Politics Through Public Deliberation. By James S. Fishkin. New York: Oxford University Press, 2018. *Perspectives on Politics* 17, no. 2 (2019): 529–31.

Michael Neblo & Benjamin Jones. (2007). Review of Strategies of Commitment and Other Essays by Thomas Schelling. *Ethics*.

Michael Neblo. (2003). Review of Communicative Action and Rational Choice by Joseph Heath. *Ethics*.

Michael Neblo. (2003). Review of Choices, Values, and Frames by Daniel Kahneman and Amos Tversky. *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*.

Michael Neblo. (2002). Review of Rational Lives by Dennis Chong. *Ethics*.



## Bulletins, Technical Reports, Fact Sheets

Collin Burden, Tim Hysom, Kevin Esterling, David Lazer, and Michael Neblo. 2007. *Gold Mouse Report 2007*. Washington, D.C.: Congressional Management Foundation.

- **New Coverage:** “Judging of House, Senate Web Sites to Start in June,” Emily Yehle, Roll Call, May 18, 2009

Michael Neblo. 2001. *Felony Disenfranchisement*. Prepared for the National Commission on Federal Election Reform: Task Force on the Federal Election System.

## Opinion / Editorial

[“A Shop-Like Class Needed to Educate Citizens.”](#) The Columbus Dispatch: March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

[“Representing Is Hard. Online Town Halls Can Help.”](#) (with Kevin Esterling and David Lazer). *Roll Call*: November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

[“Can Members of Congress Change Your Mind?”](#) (with David Lazer) *Politico*: April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

[“Politicians and citizens talking without shouting? It can happen.”](#) *The Washington Post*: March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015

[“Digital town halls take political discussions beyond sound and fury”](#) *The Conversation*: March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015

[“Town Halls, Without the Screaming or Scripting”](#) *The Boston Globe*: August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2009

[“The Political Process Worked – This Time, Anyway”](#) (with Chad Flanders) *The Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*: April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2008

[“Why Make It Hard to Vote?”](#) (with Chad Flanders) *The Milwaukee Journal Sentinel*: January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2008

## Data Sets Collected (Selected)

**Cooperative Congressional Election Study** *datasets (2006-08, 2010-12, 2014; 2016-2018)*

Public opinion surrounding immigration and border security policy. Polimetrix weighted sample. Extensive question wording experiments. Three rolling cross sections, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2010, 2011, 2012. Two waves for each cross section, late summer (pre-election) and early November (post-election). 1000 responses for each year. Approximately 700 variables per year. Codebook available. Data not publicly available. Funding sources: Ohio State University; UCR; UC Berkeley.

**Connecting to Congress Web Quality/Content Coding *dataset***

Codes indicators of the content and quality of legislative websites for both House and Senate. Coding categories include issue quality, constituent communication, usability, and technology. Two panels, 2006 and 2007. Separate dataset for coding reliability study 535 observations per wave. Approximately 200 variables each wave. Codebook available. Data not publicly available. Funding source: NSF Digital Government Program (IIS-0429452).

**Connecting to Congress Deliberative Experiments (U.S. House / Immigration) *dataset***

40 field experiments. Each experiment involved one of: 25 members of Congress, a policy expert discussing immigration policy with a sample of constituents via an online platform. Knowledge Networks sample. Random assignment to treatment (deliberative session) and control. Each experiment had six survey waves - Baseline survey - Background materials survey – In experimental session survey - Post experimental session survey - Follow up survey one week after experimental session - Post election survey, early November 2006, 2007, 2019-present. Approximately 500 variables across the 6 waves. Codebook available. Data not publicly available. Funding source: NSF Digital Government Program (IIS-0429452).

**Connecting to Congress Experiment (U.S. Senate / Detainee Policy) *dataset***

An online deliberative experiment involving Sen. Carl Levin (D-MI) discussing detainee policy with his constituents. 197 treatment subjects and approximately 600 controls. Polimetrix unweighted sample. Codebook available. Dataset not publicly available. Funding source: Ash Institute for Democratic Governance and Innovation.

**Connecting to Congress National Survey on Immigration Policy *dataset***

National survey using the baseline survey from the deliberation experiments. Summer 2006. 1002 responses. Approximately 450 variables. Codebook available. Data not publicly available. Funding source: NSF Digital Government Program (IIS-0429452).

**Press Secretary IT Survey *dataset***

A survey on IT adoption and use among U.S. Congressional offices. Press secretaries were respondents. Over 100 in sample. Codebook available. Data not publicly available. Funding source: NSF Digital Government Program (IIS-0429452).

**Presentations (Selected)**

“Vertical Deliberation for Collectively Intelligent Decisions” ACM Collective Intelligence Conference Keynote Address (2022).

“Neither Resignation. Nor Revolution.” Biden School of Public Affairs. U. of Delaware (2022). Invited Talk.

“Thrasymachus’s Blush.” Stanford University. (2021). Invited Talk.

“Deliberative Town Halls in Australia.” Johns Hopkins University (2020). Invited Talk

“Directly Representative Democracy.” (Invited Talk). NYU, Marquette, U. of IL, Purdue, NICD, Trinity College, Dublin (2019); Harvard University; McGill University; Northwestern University; University of Bremen, Germany (2018); Villa Vigoni, Italy. (2017); University of Zurich. (2015).

“A Model of Public Reason as Cooperative Anaphora.” (Invited Talk). Washington University Political Theory Workshop. St. Louis, MO. (2013).

“Logos, Ethos, Pathos.” (2012). Rutgers University Whitman Center for Democracy (invited).

Michael Neblo. 2012. “Comments on Stories and Spaces: How Americans Make Race.” Workshop at Washington University. St. Louis, MO. (invited)

Michael Neblo 2011. “Logos, Ethos, Pathos.” University of British Columbia (invited).

Michael Neblo. 2011. “The Virtue of Deliberation: *Sophrosyne* and Epistemic Democracy.” Yale University (invited).

Michael Neblo, Kevin Esterling, David Lazer, Anand Sokhey, and Ryan Kennedy, Presenter. 2009. “Who Wants to Deliberate, and Why.” Presented at Annual Meetings of the Southern Political Science Association. New Orleans, LA. (January) [Peer Reviewed]

M. Neblo, B. Rubineau, C. Chetkovich, N. Katz, D. Lazer, Presenter. 2008. “Networks and political attitudes: Structure, influence, and co-evolution.” Presented at Networks in Political Science. Harvard University. (January 12)

Michael Neblo, Karthick Ramakrishnan, Kevin Esterling, and David Lazer, Presenter. 2007. “What Do You Mean by Immigrant? Framing Effects & Attitudes Towards Immigration in a Survey Experiment.” Presented at Politics of Race, Immigration, and Ethnicity Consortium Conference. Riverside, CA. (February).

Michael Neblo, Kevin Esterling and David Lazer, Presenter. 2007. “Connecting to Congress: Improving Deliberation in the Information Age.” Presented at Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago, IL. (April) [Peer Reviewed]

Michael Neblo, Kevin Esterling and David Lazer, Presenter. 2007. “Means, Motive, and Opportunity in Becoming Informed about Politics: A Deliberative Field Experiment.” Public Policy Institute of California. (October)

Michael Neblo, Kevin Esterling and David Lazer, Presenter. 2007. "Estimating Treatment Effects in the Presence of Selection on Unobservables: The Generalized Endogenous Treatment Model." Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University. (April)

M. Neblo, K. Ramakrishnan, K. Esterling, and D. Lazer, Presenter. 2007. "Why Does the Man in the Home Depot Parking Lot Hate Immigrants? Cultural Animus and Attitudes Towards Immigration." Presented at Cooperative Congressional Election Study (CCES) Conference. Lake Arrowhead Conference Center. (March)

Michael Neblo, David Lazer, Ines Mergel, Curt Ziniel, and Kevin Esterling, Presenter. 2007. "Networks, Hierarchies, and Markets: Aggregating Problem Solving in Social Systems." Presented at Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, Annual Conference. Washington, D.C. (November) [Peer Reviewed]

Michael Neblo, Kevin Esterling and David Lazer, Presenter. 2007. "Means, Motive, and Opportunity in Becoming Informed about Politics: A Deliberative Field Experiment." Presented at Annual Meetings of the American Political Science Association. Chicago, IL. (September) [Peer Reviewed]

Michael Neblo, David Lazer, Ines Mergel, Curt Ziniel, and Kevin Esterling, Presenter. 2007. "Networks, Hierarchies, and Markets: Aggregating Problem Solving in Social Systems." Presented at DG.O2007 Annual Meeting of the Digital Government Society. Philadelphia, PA. (May) [Peer Reviewed]

Michael Neblo, Kevin Esterling and David Lazer, Presenter. 2007. "Connecting to Congress: Improving Deliberation in the Information Age." Presented at DG.O2007 Annual Meeting of the Digital Government Society. Philadelphia, PA. (May) [Peer Reviewed]

Michael Neblo, Kevin Esterling and David Lazer, Presenter. 2006. "Connecting to Congress: Improving Deliberation in the Information Age". Presented at Annual Meetings of the American Political Science Association. Philadelphia, PA. (September) [Peer Reviewed]

Michael Neblo, Kevin Esterling and David Lazer, Presenter. 2006. "Technology Adoption and Institutional Change in the United States Senate: An Analysis of Web Site Content." Presented at DG.O2006, National Conference on Digital Government Research. San Diego, CA. (May) [Peer Reviewed]

Michael Neblo, David Lazer, Ines Mergel, Curt Ziniel, and Kevin Esterling, Presenter. 2006. "Networks, Hierarchies, and Markets: Aggregating Problem Solving in Social Systems." Presented at American Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Philadelphia, PA. [Peer Reviewed]

Michael Neblo, Presenter. 2005. "Change for the Better? Linking Deliberative Opinion Change to Normative Theory." Presented at Conference on Deliberation & Collective Choice. Evanston, IL. (May)

Michael Neblo, David Lazer, Ines Mergel, Curt Ziniel, and Kevin Esterling, Presenter. 2005. "Congressional Connections: The Diffusion of an Innovation among Members of Congress." Presented at Midwestern Political Science Conference, Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL. (April) [Peer Reviewed]

Michael Neblo, Kevin Esterling and David Lazer, Presenter. 2005. "Technology Adoption and Institutional Change in the United States Senate: An Analysis of Web Site Content." Presented at Annual Meetings of the Midwest Political Science Association. Chicago, IL. (April) [Peer Reviewed]

Michael Neblo, Theodore Marmor, Larry Jacobs, & Jon Oberlander, Presenter. 2005. "The New Talking Cure: The Deliberative Quality of the Oregon Health Plan." Presented at Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL. (April) [Peer Reviewed]

Michael Neblo, David Lazer, Ines Mergel, Curt Ziniel, and Kevin Esterling, Presenter. 2005. "Congressional Connections: The Diffusion of an Innovation among Members of Congress." Presented at Western Political Science Association, Annual Meeting. Oakland, CA. (March) [Peer Reviewed]

Michael Neblo, Presenter. 2005. "The Weight of Passion: A Revisionist History of Political Emotion." Presented at Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting. New Orleans, LA. [Peer Reviewed]

Michael Neblo, Presenter. 2005. "Narrative Democracy: Myths of Founding in Grass and Rushdie." Presented at American Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Washington D.C. (September) [Peer Reviewed]

Michael Neblo, David Lazer, Ines Mergel, Curt Ziniel, and Kevin Esterling, Presenter. 2005. "Congressional Connections: The Diffusion of an Innovation among Members of Congress." Presented at DG.O2005, National Conference on Digital Government Research. Atlanta, GA. (May) [Peer Reviewed]

Michael Neblo, Presenter. 2005. "Change for the Better? Linking Deliberative Opinion Change to Normative Theory." Presented at International Society for Political Psychology Annual Meeting. Toronto, Canada. (July) [Peer Reviewed]

Michael Neblo, Presenter. 2004. "Narrative Democracy: Myths of Re-Founding in Morrison and Marquez." Presented at American Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL. (September) [Peer Reviewed]

Michael Neblo. Presenter. 2004. "The New Talking Cure: The Deliberative Quality of the Oregon Health Plan." OSU Center for Law, Policy, & Social Science.

Michael Neblo, Presenter. 2004. "Motive Matters: Liberalism & Insincerity." Presented at Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL. (April) [Peer Reviewed]

Michael Neblo, Presenter. 2003. "Counting Voices in an Echo Chamber: Cognition, Complexity, and the Prospects for Deliberative Democracy." Presented at Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Chicago, IL. (April) [Peer Reviewed]

Michael Neblo, Presenter. 2002. Impassioned Democracy: The Role of Emotion in Deliberative Theory. Presented at American Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Boston, MA. (September) [Peer Reviewed]

Michael Neblo, Presenter. 2002. "The Weight of Passion: A Revisionist History of Political Emotion." Presented at International Society for Political Psychology Annual Meeting. Berlin, FRG. (July) [Peer Reviewed]

Michael Neblo, Presenter. 2002. "Impassioned Democracy: The Role of Emotion in Deliberative Theory." Presented at European Consortium for Political Research. Turin, Italy. (May) [Peer Reviewed]

Michael Neblo, Presenter. 2002. "Rorty and Anderson on Narratives of Democratic Identity." Presented at American Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Boston, MA. (September) [Peer Reviewed]

Michael Neblo, Presenter. 2000. "Counting Voices in an Echo Chamber: Cognition, Complexity, and the Prospects for Deliberative Democracy." Presented at International Society for Political Psychology Annual Meeting. Seattle, WA. (July) [Peer Reviewed]

Michael Neblo, Presenter. 1998. "Change for the Better? Linking Deliberative Opinion Change to Normative Theory." Presented at Midwest Political Science Association Meeting. Chicago, IL. (April) [Peer Reviewed]

## **Grants**

2022

Facebook: Unrestricted \$250,000 Gift

Matt Kaido: Two unrestricted gifts at \$10,000 each.

Julie Fanelli: \$5,000 Unrestricted gift.

Stronger Democracy Award (Made it to the final round for \$10M)

Rockefeller Brothers Foundation: "Deliberative Town Halls with Opposed Constituencies," \$25,000

2021

	Institute of Education Sciences, co-PI, "Connecting Classrooms to Congress: Fostering Civic Engagement via Online Deliberative Town Halls," \$2,000,000, 4 years
2020	<p>"The Perceived Legitimacy of Democratic Innovations in Government and Governance." Facebook (\$250,000, unrestricted). Principle Investigator. <i>Awarded.</i></p> <p>"Connecting to Congress," Democracy Fund (\$200,000). Principal Investigator. <i>Awarded.</i></p> <p>IDEA ad grant, Google (\$120,000). Principal Investigator. <i>Awarded.</i></p> <p>IDEA ad grant, Facebook (\$3,000). Principal Investigator. <i>Awarded.</i></p>
2019	<p>"Connecting to Congress About COVID," Democracy Fund (\$95,000). Principal Investigator. <i>Awarded.</i></p>
2018	<p>"Government Crisis Communication," Ohio State University (\$50,000). Principal Investigator. <i>Awarded.</i></p> <p>"State Legislative CGA" The Kettering Foundation. \$70,000. Principal Investigator. <i>Awarded.</i></p> <p>"Connecting to Constituents" The Democracy Fund / National Issues Forum Institute. \$180,000. Principal Investigator. <i>Awarded.</i></p> <p>"Common Ground for Action." The Kettering Foundation. \$58,000. Principal Investigator. <i>Awarded.</i></p>
2016	<p>"Intellectual Humility in Public Discourse." <i>The John Templeton Foundation</i>. \$225,000. Co-PI with Ryan Kennedy and Kevin Esterling. <i>Awarded.</i></p>
2015	<p>"The Coevolution of Individuals and Networks Across Multiple Attributes and Relational Ties." <i>National Science Foundation: Science of Organizations Program</i>. \$238,867. Co-Investigator. <i>Declined.</i></p> <p>"The social logic of political identity and behavior in late adolescence and early adulthood," (with David Lazer, William Minozzi, and Brian Rubin3eau). <i>National Science Foundation</i> \$249,000. Co-Principal Investigator. <i>Declined.</i></p>
2013	<p>"Protecting patients from impaired clinicians: A Deliberative Democratic Study," (with Ryan Nash). The Greenwall Foundation. \$25,000. Co-Principal Investigator. <i>Declined.</i></p>

2012 “Ongoing Republican Consultation: The National Issues Forum as a Form of Constituent Communication to Congress.” The Kettering Foundation. \$20,000. Principal Investigator. *Awarded*.

“The Deliberative Effects of Accountability & Stakes.” (with Nicholas Felts) *The William T. Grant Foundation*. \$25,000. Principal Investigator. *Declined*.

“Consolidating Data from the National Issues Forum.” *The Kettering Foundation*. \$49,000. Principal Investigator. *Awarded*.

“The Coevolution of Individuals and Networks Across Multiple Attributes and Relational Ties.” *National Science Foundation: Science of Organizations Program*. \$339,935. Principal Investigator. *Declined*.

2011 “Causal Social Network Effects in Health and Health Behaviors.” *National Institutes of Health*. \$151,059. Co-Principal Investigator.

“Tracking Deliberation Through the Democratic System.” *National Science Foundation: Political Science Program*. \$265,263. Principal Investigator. *Declined*.

2010 “The Privatization of Privacy Policy in Cyberspace: Expertise, Public Opinion, and Impediments to Democratic Governance.” *National Science Foundation: Safe and Trustworthy Cybersecurity Program*. \$236,660. Principal Investigator. *Declined*.

2010 “A Retrospective of the National Issues Forums to Date.” The Kettering Foundation. \$25,000. Principal Investigator. *Awarded*.

2008 “Conversations on Morality, Politics, and Society (COMPAS): Immigration Project.” The Ohio State University. \$100,000. Conference and Series Co-organizer.

2006 “The Coevolution of Individuals and Their Social Setting.” Institute for the Social Sciences Small Grant Award. \$8,157. Co-Principal Investigator.

2005 “Deliberative Field Experiments on Detainee Policy.” Ash Institute for Democratic Governance and Innovation. \$47,400. Co-Principal Investigator.

“Research Experience for Undergraduates.” National Science Foundation. \$12,000. Co-Principal Investigator.

“Connecting to Congress: Citizen/Representative Deliberation in the Information Age.” National Science Foundation. \$185,000. Principal Investigator.



- "Research Experience for Undergraduates." National Science Foundation. \$12,000. Co-Principal Investigator.
- 2004 "Connecting to Congress: The Adoption & Use of Web Technologies Among Congressional Offices." National Science Foundation. Co-Principal Investigator. 3 years, \$1,000,000 total for project divided among Harvard University, Ohio State University and UCR; \$101,771 to OSU (with David Lazer and Michael Neblo), NSF Award Number IIS-0429452
- 2003 "Deliberative Breakdown: When & Why Deliberation Succeeds & Fails." The Ohio State University. \$19,510. Principal Investigator.
- 2003 "Veterans Views of Privacy and Research." Veterans Administration Health Services. \$479,684. Co-Investigator.

## Honors & Awards

- 2022 Distinguished Service Award, Evans Scholars Foundation
- 2021 OSU Community Engaged Scholar Award
- 2020 Andrew Carnegie Fellowship
- 2020 Joan Huber Faculty Fellow
- 2019 Best Book Award for the Experimental Research Section of APSA: Honorable Mention for *Politics with the People*
- 2018 Distinguished Advising Award, Evans Scholars Foundation.
- 2013 Best Paper Award from the Political Networks Section of the American Political Science Association for "Difference and Deliberation."
- 2011 Heinz Eulau Award for the best paper published in the American Political Science Review, 2010.
- OSU Alumni Award for Distinguished Teaching (Semi-Finalist)
- Roberta Sigel Best Paper Award. ISPP Annual Meeting 2002, Berlin, FRG. International Society for Political Psychology.
- Scholar in Health Policy Research. Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.
- Dissertation Fellowship. Mellon Foundation.
- Grodzins Teaching Prize. University of Chicago.
- Summer Research Grant. Mellon Foundation.
- Dissertation Fellowship. National Science Foundation.
- University Century Fellowship. University of Chicago.
- Scholar of the Year. Evans Scholars Foundation.

## **Courses Taught**

Methods of Political Analysis (Chicago); Ethics, Politics, and Economics (Yale); Deliberative Democracy in Practice (Yale); Inter-disciplinary Perspectives on Immigration (OSU); Social Theory for Social Scientists (OSU); Introduction to Political Theory (OSU); Theories of Democracy (OSU); Politics and the Novel (OSU); 20th Century Political Thought (OSU); Fundamental Concepts of Political Theory (OSU); The Political Thought of John Rawls (OSU); The Social and Political Thought of Jürgen Habermas (OSU); Debating Democracy (OSU).

## **Dissertation Committees**

2025 ECHAN JANG (expected) (*chair*)  
2025 EMILY ANN ISRAELSON (expected) (*chair*)  
2025 JUNBAE AN (expected) (*co-chair*)  
2025 CHARLENE STAINFELD (expected)  
2024 ANTHONY (“BEAR”) BROWN (expected) (*chair*)  
2023 ABIGAIL KIELTY (expected) (*co-chair*)  
2023 KAITLIN MCCLAMROCK (expected)  
2023 LAURA MOSES (expected)  
2022 GRANT SHARRATT (expected)  
2022 DONG-HYE KIM (expected)  
2021 MATTHEW CHICK (Washington U., St. Louis)  
2021 SASKIA GOLDBERG (U. of Stuttgart)  
2021 (expected) JONATHAN KINGZETTE (*co-chair*)  
2021 (expected) J. DAVID WHITSETT  
2021 (expected) RUTHIE PERTSIS  
2021 (expected) LINNEA TURCO  
2020 JONATHAN GREEN (*co-chair*) (Research Scientist, Northeastern U.)  
2020 BRANDON ZAFFINI (Asst. Prof. Geneva College)  
2020 ANDREW PODOB  
2019 AVERY WHITE (*co-chair*)  
2019 TALEED EL-SABAWI (OSU, Public Health)  
2017 SERGIO DIAZ SIERRA  
2017 JAKOB MILLER  
2017 ALISON CRAIG (Asst. Prof. U. Texas -- Austin)  
2017 LAUREN RATLIFF (Asst. Prof. U. Texas -- Dallas)  
2017 NICHOLAS FELTS (*chair*; Program Officer, Kettering Foundation)  
2016 LAUREL GLEASON (OSU, Communications)  
2016 JESS GOODE  
2015 JIN SONG (OSU Communications; U. of Vienna)  
2014 MATTHEW HITT (Asst. Prof. LSU)  
2013 SAMANTHA HOWE (OSU, Policy)  
2013 AUBIN CALVERT (U. of British Columbia)  
2012 BENTLEY ALLAN (Asst. Prof. at John Hopkins U.)  
2012 MARLENE GERBER (University of Zurich)  
2012 DAVID TRAVEN (Post-doctoral fellow, Stanford U.)  
2009 S.J. MIN. (Assistant Professor, Pace University)  
2008 ANNA SHADLEY

2008 John Peel (Associate Professor, Land of Lincoln Community College)  
2004 Andrew Holbrook

### **Masters Thesis Advisor**

2019 Kyle Davis; 2018 Andrew Newman; 2012 Daniel Davis; 2011 Jessica Beardsley; 2011 Philip Jackson; 2010 Todd Rho'Dess

### **Senior Theses**

2023 Stephen Jackman; 2022 Shruti Narak (Fulbright; department best thesis award); 2018 Sjors Verhaak; 2013 Imaan Ali (departmental thesis award winner; U. of Michigan PhD candidate); 2011 Andrew Proctor (Princeton U. PhD; now faculty at U. of MN); 2010 Michael Eizyk; 2009 Jennifer Forestal (Northwestern U. PhD; now faculty at Loyola U.); 2008 Robert Gulotty (Stanford U. PhD; Asst. Prof. U. of Chicago); 2007 Mitchell Krumm (Indiana U. PhD); 2006 Benjamin Jones (Yale U. PhD); 2006 Jonathan Rardin.; 2005 Chas Runco; 2005 Alana Shockey; 2004 Erin Butcher. (I have twice been recognized for outstanding undergraduate research advising and mentorships.)

### **Administrative Service: The Ohio State University**

2022-present	Provost's Civil Discourse Initiative steering committee
2022-present	General Education Course Approval Committee
2017-present	Director, The Institute for Democratic Engagement & Accountability (IDEA)
2022	General Education "Citizenship" Approval Committee
2010-present	Center for Ethics and Human Values Steering Committee (CEHV); Co-organizer Conversations on Morality, Politics, and Society (COMPAS)
2011-2016	Humanities Institute Oversight Committee
2006 - 2007	Committee on Curriculum and Instruction (CCI), Task Force on Insight Areas, Moral Reasoning, Member.
	Provost's Task-Force on the First Generation Experience

### **Department Activities**

2019 - 2021	Annual Review Committee
2009 - 2021	Undergraduate Studies Committee.
2007 – 2009, 2022	Graduate Studies Committee.
2005 – 2007, 2016-19	Diversity Committee. (Chair, 2016-2019)
2002/5/6, 2011/2/6/7	Search Committee.
2015	Political Theory Field Head

2005, 2015	Governance Committee.
2004 - 2006	Financial Aid Committee.
2004	PEGS Funding Committee, Member.
2003 - 2014	Political Theory Speaker Series, Coordinator.

### **Community Service**

- Testimony to the Select Committee on the Modernization of Congress
- Consultation with Ohio Attorney General Dave Yost: Policies to protect the public from the abuse of AI and Big Data techniques.
- Convened a Deliberative Town Hall (DTH) and wrote a report to the Select Committee on the Modernization of Congress (SCMC) regarding national deliberative opinion on Congressional reform proposals.
- Keynote Speaker: ACM Collective Intelligence Conference
- Congressional Management Foundation Democracy Award Committee
- Convened an International Legislators Forum on Capitol Hill involving twelve members of Congress and fifteen members of various countries' national legislatures.
- Hosted a forum with Congresswoman Joyce Beatty
- Interviews for the Sunwater Institute, local NBC affiliate, Solonian Democracy Institute
- Community Leaders Forum. "Beyond Democracy as Combat.". Volunteer. First Unitarian Church.
- Board of Directors: The National Issues Forum Institute
- Member of the "Fix Congress Cohort"

### **Forum Participation**

10/2005	"Ethics & Politics." Panelist. OSU Student Government.
10/2011	"An Evening with Ken Burns: Prohibition"
11/2022	"Your Other Midterms"
11/2022	"International Legislators' Exchange" Washington, DC

**Consultation**

2001 Government. National Commission on Federal Election Reform (Carter/Ford Commission).

2019, 2021, 2022 [Testimony](#) before the U.S. House of Representatives Select Committee on the Modernization of Congress.

**Other**

11/2003 Interviewee on “The State of American Democracy”. Media. WOSU.

09/2009 to present Advisor to the Ohio State Evans Scholars

**Editorial Activities**

2012, 2014, 2015, 2018 Editorial Board for Oxford University Press’s *Politics, Philosophy, and Economics* series. Book reviewer for Oxford University Press; Princeton University Press; Cambridge University Press.

**Editorial Board**

2016 to 2020 American Political Science Review

2015 to 2020 Journal of Public Deliberation

2010 to 2015 American Journal of Political Science

2013 to 2017 Journal of Public Policy

**Reviewer**

American Political Science Review; American Journal of Political Science; Journal of Politics; Political Theory; Journal of Political Philosophy; Polity; Political Behavior; Journal of Theoretical Politics; Journal of Health Politics, Policy, & Law; Public Opinion Quarterly; Political Psychology; American Politics Research; International Theory; Political Communication; Political Research Quarterly; Journal of Public Deliberation; Journal of Public Policy.

**Languages**

French (Reading); German (Reading)

**Memberships**

American Political Science Association  
Midwest Political Science Association  
Southern Political Science Association  
International Society of Political Psychology  
The Democracy Collaborative  
Association for Political Theory