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### Academic Positions

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Associate Professor, School of Public Policy, UC Riverside, 2016 - present

Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, UC Riverside, 2016 - present

Faculty Affiliate, Robert Presley Center of Crime and Justice Studies, UC Riverside, 2016 - present

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Connecticut, 2012 - 2015

### Education

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Stony Brook University, Ph.D., Political Science, 2012

Sonoma State University, M.A., Political Science, 2007

UC Berkeley, Visiting Scholar, 2006-2007

Sonoma State University, B.A., Political Science, 2005

### Research Interests

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American Politics, Public Policy, Race and Ethnic Politics, Class and Inequality, Public Opinion and Political Behavior, Research Methods

### Impact Statistics

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### Published Articles

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41. Newman, Benjamin J. "Economic Inequality, the Working Poor and Belief in the American Dream." Forthcoming, *Public Opinion Quarterly*
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39. Reny, Tyler T., and Benjamin J. Newman. 2021. "The Opinion Mobilizing Effect of Social Protest Against Police Violence: Evidence from the 2020 George Floyd Protests." *American Political Science Review* 115(4): 1499-1507
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36. Newman, Benjamin J., and Paul Teten. 2021. "Inequality Federalism and Economic Self Interest in Subnational Progressive Tax Politics." *Political Research Quarterly* 74(1): 243-252.
35. Liao, Steven, Neil Malhotra, and Benjamin J. Newman. 2020. "Providing Local Economic Benefits Increases Positivity toward Immigrants: Evidence from an Exogenous Influx of Chinese Foreign Capital." *Nature Human Behaviour* 4: 481-488.
34. Newman, Benjamin J. 2020. "Inequality Growth and Economic Policy Liberalism: An Updated Test of a Classic Theory." *Journal of Politics* 82(2): 765-770.
33. Velez, Yamil R., and Benjamin J. Newman. 2019. "Tuning In, Not Turning Out: Evaluating the Impact of Ethnic Television on Political Participation." *American Journal of Political Science* 63(4): 808-823.
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31. Hartman, Todd K., and Benjamin J. Newman. 2019. "Accounting for Pretreatment Exposure in Panel Data: Re-Estimating the Effect of Mass Public Shootings." *British Journal of Political Science* 49(4): 1567-1576.
30. Kane, John V., and Benjamin J. Newman. 2019. "Organized Labor as the New Undeserving Rich: Mass Media, Class-Based Anti-Union Rhetoric, and Public Support for Unions in the U.S." *British Journal of Political Science* 49(3): 997-1026.
29. Newman, Benjamin J., and Neil Malhotra. 2019. "Economic Reasoning with a Racial Hue: Is the Immigration Consensus Purely Race Neutral?" *Journal of Politics* 81(1): 153-166.
28. Newman, Benjamin J., and Thomas Hayes. 2019. "Durable Democracy? Economic Inequality and Democratic Accountability in the New Gilded Age." *Political Behavior* 41(1): 5-30.
27. Newman, Benjamin J., Sono Shah, and Erinn Lauterbach. 2018. "Who Sees an Hourglass? Assessing Citizens' Perception of Local Economic Inequality." *Research & Politics* 5(3): 1-7.
26. Reny, Tyler T., and Benjamin J. Newman. 2018. "Protecting the Right to Discriminate: The Second Great Migration and Racial Threat in the American West." *American Political Science Review* 112(4): 1104-1110.
25. Newman, Benjamin J., Sono Shah, and Loren Collingwood. 2018. "Race, Place, and Building a Base: Latino Population Growth and the Nascent Trump Campaign for President." *Public Opinion Quarterly* 82(1): 122-134.

24. Malhotra, Neil, and Benjamin J. Newman. 2017. "Explaining Immigration Preferences: Disentangling Skill from Prevalence." *Research & Politics* 4(4): 1-6.
23. Newman, Benjamin J., and John V. Kane. 2017. "Economic Inequality and Public Support for Organized Labor." *Political Research Quarterly* 70(4): 918-932.
22. Newman, Benjamin J., and Clifford D. Vickrey. 2017. "Friends on the Dole: Social Networks, Vicarious Economic Distress, and Support for Social Welfare Spending." *International Journal of Public Opinion Research* 29(1): 172-188.
21. Newman, Benjamin J. 2016. "Breaking the Glass Ceiling: Local Gender-Based Earnings Inequality and Women's Belief in the American Dream." *American Journal of Political Science* 60(4): 1006-1025.
20. Newman, Benjamin J., Yamil Velez, and Shanna Pearson-Merkowitz. 2016. "Diversity of a Different Kind: Gentrification and its Impact on Social Capital and Political Engagement in Black Communities." *Journal of Race, Ethnicity, and Politics* 1: 316-347.
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10. Newman, Benjamin J. 2014. "My Poor Friend: Financial Distress in One's Social Network, the Perceived Power of the Rich, and Support for Redistribution." *Journal of Politics* 76(1): 126-138.
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8. Newman, Benjamin J., and Yamil Velez. 2014. "Group Size vs. Change? Assessing Americans' Perception of Local Immigration." *Political Research Quarterly* 67(2): 293-303.
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5. Newman, Benjamin J. 2013. "Acculturating Contexts and Anglo Opposition to Immigration in the U.S." *American Journal of Political Science* 57(2): 374-390.
4. Newman, Benjamin J., and Joshua Johnson. 2012. "Ethnic Change, Concern over Immigration, and Approval of State Government." *State Politics and Policy Quarterly* 12(4): 415-437.
3. Newman, Benjamin J., Todd K. Hartman, and Charles S. Taber. 2012. "Foreign Language Exposure, Cultural Threat, and Opposition to Immigration." *Political Psychology* 33(5): 635-657.
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## Popular Writing

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- P6. Malhotra, Neil and Benjamin J. Newman. 2019. "What's Behind the Desire for 'Skilled' Immigrants? Racial Prejudice." *The Monkey Cage @ The Washington Post* (May 22<sup>nd</sup>) [ [link](#) ].
- P5. Newman, Benjamin J., Sono Shah, and Loren Collingwood. 2018. "Trump's Attacks on Hispanics Paid Dividends at the Ballot Box." *Newsweek* (U.S. Edition, January 24) [ [link](#) ].
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- P3. Newman, Benjamin J., Todd K. Hartman, Patrick L. Lown, and Stanley Feldman. 2014. "Humanitarian Appeals Encourage a Permissive Immigration Policy." *The Monkey Cage at The Washington Post* (April 25<sup>th</sup>) [ [link](#) ]
- P2. Hartman, Todd K., Benjamin J. Newman, and C. Scott Bell. 2014. "Anti-Hispanic Prejudice Drives Opposition to Immigration in the U.S." *USAPP-American Politics and Policy*, The London School of Economics and Political Science (March 25<sup>th</sup>) [ [link](#) ].
- P1. April A. Johnson, Jack Citrin, Christopher D. Johnston, and Benjamin J. Newman. 2012. "E-Verify is About Culture, Not Jobs." *San Francisco Chronicle* (December 2<sup>nd</sup>) [ [link](#) ].

## Media Attention

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- M18. Kasler, Dale. 2022. "Gavin Newsom signed two more gun-safety laws. Sacramento's latest mass shooting came days later." *The Sacramento Bee* (July 6<sup>th</sup>) [ [link](#) ].
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- M16. Edsall, Thomas B. 2021. "How strong is America's multiracial democracy?" *The New York Times* (September 1<sup>st</sup>) [ [link](#) ].
- M15. Gangitano, Alex and Brett Samuels. 2021. "Biden action on guns draws praise, skepticism." *The Hill* (April 8<sup>th</sup>) [ [link](#) ].
- M14. Gangitano, Alex. 2021. "Easing pandemic marks return to gun violence." *The Hill* (March 24<sup>th</sup>) [ [link](#) ].
- M13. Hsu, Tiffany. 2020. "Anti-Asian Harassment is Surging. Can Ads and Hashtags Help?" *The New York Times* (July 21<sup>st</sup>) [ [link](#) ].
- M12. Yam, Kimmy. 2020. "Senate Democrats Call for Federal Action on Anti-Asian Coronavirus Racism." *NBC News* (April 20<sup>th</sup>) [ [link](#) ].

- M11. Edsall, Thomas B. 2020. “Does Anybody Have a Clue About How to Fight Back Against Trump’s Racism?” *The New York Times* (February 26<sup>th</sup>) [ [link](#) ].
- M10. Van Dam, Andrew. 2018. “The Surprising Way Gun Violence is Dividing America.” *The Washington Post* (May 31<sup>st</sup>) [ [link](#) ].
- M9. “Gun Massacres Seem to Change Minds” 2018. *The Economist* (May 26<sup>th</sup>) [ [link](#) ].
- M8. Jacobs, Tom. 2018. “How a Growing Latino Population Provided Fertile Ground for Exploitation by the Trump Campaign.” *Pacific Standard* (January 24<sup>th</sup>) [ [link](#) ].
- M7. Graff, E.J. 2017. “What Political Science Can Tell Us About Mass Shootings.” *The Washington Post* (November 6<sup>th</sup>) [ [link](#) ].
- M6. Edsall, Thomas B. 2017. “How Immigration Foiled Hillary.” *The New York Times* (October 5<sup>th</sup>) [ [link](#) ].
- M5. Yarbrough, Beau. 2017. “Gambling, Drinking, and Shooting Ranges: Is Gun Tourism Just Another Las Vegas Attraction?” *The Orange County Register* (October 14<sup>th</sup>) [ [link](#) ].
- M4. Porter, Nathan. 2013. “Study suggests long commute may be driving away passion for politics.” *The Washington Times* (September 24<sup>th</sup>) [ [link](#) ].
- M3. Sides, John. 2013. “Long commutes are making Americans more politically apathetic.” *The Washington Post* (November 19<sup>th</sup>) [ [link](#) ].
- M2. Inskip, Steve, and Shankar Vedantam. 2013. “Study: Commuting Adversely Affects Political Engagement.” *National Public Radio*, Morning Edition (November 19<sup>th</sup>) [ [link](#) ].
- M1. Mantle, Larry. 2013. “Politically Apathetic? Maybe it’s your commute, study suggests.” *Southern California Public Radio*, Air Talk (November 22<sup>nd</sup>) [ [link](#) ].

## Invited Presentations

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- I9. “The Color of Disparity: Racialized Income Inequality and Support for Liberal Economic Policies.” Claremont Graduate School, Inequality and Policy Research Center, March 9, 2021.
- I8. “Uncovering Discrimination in the Policing of Anti-Immigrant Hate Crime.” University of California, San Diego, American Politics Speaker Series, October 1, 2018.
- I7. “Uncovering Discrimination in the Policing of Anti-Immigrant Hate Crime.” University of Southern California, Sol Price School of Public Policy, Political Institutions and Political Economy Workshop, September 11, 2018.
- I6. “Uncovering Discrimination in the Policing of Anti-Immigrant Hate Crime.” New York University, Identity Politics Research Group, Spring 2018 Meeting, May 18, 2018.

- I5. "The Trump Effect: An Experimental Investigation into the Emboldening Effect of Racially Inflammatory Elite Communication." University of Southern California, Sol Price School of Public Policy, Parties & Partisanship in the Age of Trump Symposium, February 13, 2018.
- I4. "Diversity of a Different Kind: Gentrification and its Impact on Social Capital and Political Engagement in Black Communities." Harvard University, Political Psychology Working Group, October 2013.
- I3. "Diversity of a Different Kind: Gentrification and its Impact on Social Capital and Political Engagement in Black Communities." University of Pittsburgh, New Directions in the Study of Diversity and Representation, The Center for the Study of American Politics and Society, September 25, 2015.
- I2. "Collateral Damage? Assessing the Impact of Broken-Windows Policing on Public Opinion and Electoral Behavior." University of Texas – Dallas, School of Economic, Political and Policy Studies. November 2, 2016.
- I1. "Inverted Class Rhetoric and Anti-Union Sentiment" University of Connecticut, Identity Politics Research Group, Spring 2015 Inaugural Meeting, May 28, 2015.