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Academic Appointments

Associate professor, School of Global Policy and Strategy
Adjunct professor, department of political science
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SAN DIEGO 2015-

Fellow
Center for Advanced Studies in the Behavioral Sciences
STANFORD UNIVERSITY 2017-18

Associate professor of political science
Trice Family Faculty Scholar & H.I. Romnes Faculty Fellow
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN, MADISON 2013-2015

Assistant professor of political science & Trice Family Faculty Scholar
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN, MADISON 2011-2013

Research associate in political economy
UNITED STATES STUDY CENTRE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY 2010-2015

Assistant professor of political science
FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY 2009-11

Postdoctoral fellow at the Institute for Research on Labor & Employment
UCLA 2008-09

Education

UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON, Ph.D. in Political Science, 2008

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT BERKELEY, A.B. in Political Economy of Industrial Societies (with Highest Honors and High Distinction in General Scholarship), 1998

Published Work

books

1. Ward, Michael D. and John S. Ahlquist. forthcoming. *Maximum Likelihood Strategies for Social Science*. Cambridge University Press (Analytical Methods for Social Research series).

2. Ahlquist, John S. and Margaret Levi. 2013. *In the Interest of Others: Organizations & Social Activism*. Princeton: Princeton University Press.
 - co-winner 2014 APSA Labor Project Best Book Award
 - Reviewed in *Australian Review of Public Affairs*, *British Journal of Industrial Relations*, *Global Governance*, *International Review of Social History*, *Labor Studies Journal*, *Labour History*, *Perspectives on Politics* (review symposium), *Social Service Review*

refereed journal articles

1. Rozenas, Arturas, Shahryar Minhas, and John Ahlquist. forthcoming. “Modeling Asymmetric Relationships from Symmetric Networks.” *Political Analysis*.
2. Ahlquist, John S., Nahomi Ichino, Jason Wittenberg, and Daniel Ziblatt. forthcoming. “How do Voters Perceive Changes to the Rules of the Game? evidence from the 2014 Hungarian elections.” *Journal of Comparative Economics*.
3. Ahlquist, John S. 2018. “List Experiment Design, Non-Strategic Respondent Error, and Item Count Technique Estimators.” *Political Analysis*. 26(1):34-53.
4. Ahlquist, John S. and Ben Ansell. 2017. “Taking Credit: Redistribution and Borrowing in an Age of Economic Polarization.” *World Politics*. 69(4):640-75.
5. Ahlquist, John S., John Hamman, and Bradley Jones. 2017. “Dependency Status and Demand for Social Insurance: evidence from experiments and surveys.” *Political Science Research & Methods*. 5(1): 31-53.
6. Ahlquist, John S., Kenneth Mayer, and Simon Jackman. 2014. “Alien Abduction and Voter Impersonation in the 2012 US General Election: evidence from a survey list experiment.” *Election Law Journal*. 13(4): 460-75.
7. Ahlquist, John S., Amanda B. Clayton, and Margaret Levi. 2014. “Provoking Preferences: Unionization, Trade Policy, and the ILWU puzzle.” *International Organization*. 68(1):33-75.
8. Ward, Michael D., John S. Ahlquist, and Arturas Rozenas. 2013. “Gravity’s Rainbow: a dynamic latent space model for the world trade network.” *Network Science*. 1(1): 95-118.
9. Ahlquist, John S. 2012. “Who Sits at the Table in the House of Labor? Rank-and-file citizenship and the unraveling of confederal organizations.” *Journal of Law, Economics, & Organization*. 28(3): 588-616.
10. Ahlquist, John S. 2012. “Public Sector Unions Need the Private Sector (or why the Wisconsin protests were not labor’s Lazarus moment).” *The Forum* (special issue on American labor unions). 10(1).
11. Ahlquist, John S. and Erik Wibbels. 2012. “Riding the Wave: World Trade and Factor-Based Models of Democratization.” *American Journal of Political Science*. 56(2):447-64.
 - Winner of the 2012 AJPS Best Paper Prize awarded by the Midwest Political Science Association.

12. Ahlquist, John S. and Christian Breunig. 2012. "Model-Based Clustering and Typologies in the Social Sciences." *Political Analysis*. 20(1): 92-112.
13. Wibbels, Erik and John S. Ahlquist. 2011. "Development, Trade, and Social Insurance." *International Studies Quarterly* 55:125-49
14. Ahlquist, John S. 2011. "Navigating Institutional Change: The Accord, Rogernomics, and the politics of adjustment in Australia and New Zealand." *Comparative Political Studies* 44(2):127-55.
15. Ahlquist, John S. 2010. "Building Strategic Capacity: the political underpinnings of coordinated wage bargaining." *American Political Science Review* 104(1):171-88.
 - winner of the Michael Wallerstein Award for best published article in political economy in 2010, awarded by the political economy section of the American Political Science Association.
16. Ahlquist, John S. 2010. "Policy by Contract: Electoral cycles, parties and social pacts, 1974-2000." *Journal of Politics*. 72(2):572-87.
17. Ahlquist, John S. and Aseem Prakash. 2010. "FDI and the Costs of Contract Enforcement in Developing Countries." *Policy Sciences*. 43(2):181-200.
18. Ahlquist, John S. and Aseem Prakash. 2008. "The Influence of Foreign Direct Investment on Contracting Confidence in Developing Countries." *Regulation & Governance* 2:316-39
19. Ahlquist, John S. 2006. "Economic Policy, Institutions, and Capital Flows: Portfolio and Direct Investment Flows in Developing Countries." *International Studies Quarterly* 50:687-710

invited review articles

1. Ahlquist, John S. 2017. "Labor Unions, Political Representation, and Economic Inequality." *Annual Review of Political Science*. 20: 409-432.
2. Ahlquist, John S. and Margaret Levi. 2011. "Leadership: What it means, what it does, and what we want to know about it." *Annual Review of Political Science*. 14:1-24

refereed working papers

1. Ahlquist, John S. and Christian Breunig. 2009. "Country Clustering in Comparative Political Economy." *Discussion Papers 09/5*. Max Planck Institut für Gesellschaftsforschung.
2. Ahlquist, John. 2009. "Building Strategic Capacity: the political underpinnings of coordinated wage bargaining". *Institute for Research on Labor and Employment*. #Ahlquist09
3. Wibbels, Erik and John S. Ahlquist. 2007. "Development Strategies and Social Spending." *Estudios/Working Paper 2007/232*. Centro de Estudios Avanzados en Ciencias Sociales, Instituto Juan March de Estudios e Investigaciones.

book chapters & entries

1. Ahlquist, John S. forthcoming. "Research Frontiers in the Institutional Analysis of Work." *The Research Agenda for New Institutional Economics*. Menard, Claude and Mary Shirley, eds.
2. Ahlquist, John S. and Christian Breunig. 2014. "Quantitative Methodologies in Public Policy." in *Comparative Policy Studies: conceptual and methodological challenges*. Engeli, Isabelle and Christine Rothmayr Allison, eds. London: Palgrave Macmillian.
3. Ahlquist, John S. 2010. "Quantitative Methodologies." in *The Encyclopedia of Political Science*. New York: CQ Press.
4. Ahlquist, John S. and Aseem Prakash. 2006. "Business Strategy in a Changing Nonmarket Environment." In *Transformations in Global Governance*. ed. Sushil Vachani. New York: Edward Elgar.

book reviews

- Ahlquist, John S. 2014. "Review of *The Fissured Workplace* by David Weil." *Perspectives on Politics*. 12(4):932-4.
- Ahlquist, John S. 2007 "Review of *The Economic Origins of Dictatorship and Democracy* by Daron Acemoglu and James A. Robinson." *Comparative Political Studies* 40(8):1026-9.

research reports, outreach, & popular press

- Ahlquist, John S, Nahomi Ichino, Jason Wittenberg, and Daniel Ziblatt. 8 April 2018. "Hungarians go to the polls today. But are voters enough to protect democracy?" post on the *Washington Post* blog, the *Monkey Cage*.
- Ahlquist, John S. 14 January 2016. "SCOTUS looks at labor unions. Unions are worried. Heres why." post on the *Washington Post* blog, the *Monkey Cage*.
- Ahlquist, John S. 3 September 2015. "Risk Bearing and Risk Sharing." in the *Pacific Standard's* series on the Future of Work and Workers.
- Ahlquist, John S. and Scott Gehlbach. 28 October 2014. "What can we learn about the electoral behavior of non-citizens from a survey designed to learn about citizens?" post on the *Washington Post* blog, the *Monkey Cage*.
- Ahlquist, John S., Amanda B. Clayton, & Margaret Levi. 28 October 2013. "What are the implications of the AFL-CIO's expanding membership criteria?" invited post on the *Washington Post* blog, the *Monkey Cage*.
- Ahlquist, John S. and Margaret Levi. 24 October 2013. "The decline of union membership and what it means for politics." invited post on the *Washington Post* blog, the *Monkey Cage*.
- Ahlquist, John S. and Margaret Levi. 17 September 2013. "AFL-CIO takes big, but necessary, leap of faith." Op-Ed, *Detroit Free Press*.

- Ahlquist, John S. and Margaret Levi 2013. “Can US Unions Learn to Mobilize Workers in New Ways?” *Key Findings*. Scholars’ Strategy Network.
- Ahlquist, John S. and Margaret Levi. 2013. “With Fortresses like These...”. invited blog post at *Crooked Timber*.
- Ahlquist, John S. 2012. “Why America’s Public Sector Unions Face Political Attacks.” *Key Findings*. Scholars’ Strategy Network.

Works in Progress

under review

- Ahlquist, John S., Mark Copelovitch, and Stefanie Walter. “The Political Consequences of Economic Shocks: Evidence from Poland.”
- Ahlquist, John S. and Layna Mosley. “Private Governance and Firm Strategy in International Supply Chains: evidence from the Accord and the Alliance in the wake of Rana Plaza.”

working papers

- Ahlquist, John S. and Mitch Downey. “Using the ‘China Shock’ to learn about Unionization and Unionization to Learn about the China Shock.”

Awards & Honors

- APSA Labor Project Best Book Award, 2014
- *American Journal of Political Science* Best Paper Prize, 2012
- APSA Michael Wallerstein Award for best published paper in political economy, 2011
- Western Political Science Association Best Dissertation Award, 2010
- Co-winner, APSA Mancur Olson Prize for best dissertation in political economy, 2009
- Best poster: methodological contribution, Networks in Political Science conference, 2009
- Harry Bridges Center for Labor Studies Best Graduate Paper in Labor Studies, 2007
- UW Political Science Department essay prize for best graduate paper presented at a conference, 2005
- ΦBK–UC Berkeley, 1997

Fellowships & Grants

- University of Wisconsin BRITE lab seed grant (2014-15,\$2000)
- University of Wisconsin H.I. Romnes Faculty Fellow (2014-19, \$50,000; competitive University-wide fellowship for faculty less than 6 years post-tenure)
- University of Wisconsin Fall Competition Grant (2012, \$40,576; 2013, \$22,668)
- Russell Sage Foundation “Great Recession” grant initiative (finalist)

- Florida State University First Year Assistant Professor Grant (2010, \$17,000)
- NSF funding to attend the 2009 Networks in Political Science conference (\$1000)
- NSF funding to attend the Political Methodology meetings (2008, 2009; \$1000 each)
- NSF Graduate Research Fellowship (2004-07)
- University of Washington Graduate School Dissertation Fellowship (2007-08)
- Clogg Fellowship to attend the ICPSR summer program in quantitative methods (2004)
- University of Washington Center for Statistics and the Social Sciences Travel Grant (2003, 2004; \$1000 each)
- University of Washington J. Allen Smith Fellowship (2002-04)

Invited Talks

Geneva (2018), Bocconi (2018), Konstanz (2014, 2018), University of Colorado, Boulder (2018), Stanford SociaLab (2018), Stanford political science (2013, 2017), UC Berkeley (2017), Ohio State (2017), Duke (2017, 2015, 2013, 2009), UCLA (2017), Princeton (2016), Claremont Graduate School (2016), ETH-Zürich (2015), University of St. Gallen (2015), Nuffield College (Oxford)-CESS (2015), Penn (2015, 2009), UCSD (2014), Illinois (2014), Purdue (2014, 2008), Washington CSSS (2014), Harvard (2013), Australian National Maritime Museum (book launch, 2013), Watson Institute at Brown University (book launch, 2013), Texas A&M (2013), North Carolina (2013), LSE (2013), Penn State (2012, 2007), Hertie (2011), Washington University in St. Louis (2011), UC Irvine (2011), Wisconsin (2010), Minnesota (2010), Pittsburgh (2010), Juan March CEACS (2008), MPIfG (2008), Florida State (2008), MIT (2007)

Conference Participation

Papers & posters

American Political Science Association annual meetings, 2007-11, 2014, 2017
 Council for European Studies annual Conference of Europeanists, 2015
 Economic Science Association North American meetings, 2013
 Emory Conference on Institutions and Law-Making, 2015
 European Political Science Association annual meetings, 2014
 International Political Economy Society, 2009-12, 2015, 2016
 Society for Organizational and Institutional Economics (formerly ISNIE), 2012, 2013, 2016
 International Studies Association annual meetings, 2012, 2013
 Midwest Political Science Association annual meetings, 2005-7, 2009, 2012-14
 Networks in Political Science, 2009, 2010
 PolMeth, 2008, 2009, 2014, 2016
 Southern Political Science Association, 2010, 2011
 University of Washington Center for Statistics & the Social Sciences 10th Anniversary Conference, 2009
 Conference on Union Democracy Reexamined, University of Washington, 2006
 Transformations in Global Governance, Boston University School of Management, 2004
 Western Political Science Association annual meetings, 2004
 VI Workshop on Institutions, Individual Behavior, and Economic Outcomes, 2015

Panel chair/discussant

American Political Science Association annual meetings, 2009-10, 2014, 2015, 2017
 Council for European Studies annual Conference of Europeanists, 2015
 International Studies Association annual meetings, 2012
 Midwest Political Science Association annual meetings, 2006, 2007, 2009, 2012, 2013
 PolMeth, 2017
 Southern Political Science Association, 2010, 2011
 Cambridge University Press/Comparative Historical Analysis of Organizations & States
 Seattle Seminar Series, 2007-12

Teaching

International Political Economy: money & finance (Spring 2016)
 (MPP/MIA lecture course, UCSD)

Workers & Labor in International Markets (Winter 2016)
 (MPP/MIA lecture course, UCSD)

The Politics of Economic Inequality (Winter 2016, Fall 2016)
 (MPP/MIA lecture course, UCSD)

Policy Making Process (Winter 2016, 2017)
 (MPP/MIA lecture course, UCSD)

Understanding Political Numbers (Spring 2015)
 (undergraduate lecture course, Wisconsin)

Maximum Likelihood Methods for Social Science (Fall 2010, 2012-14, Winter 2017)
 (PhD. methods seminar, Florida State, Wisconsin, UCSD)

Inequality & Redistribution (Spring, Fall 2010; Fall 2011, 2012, 2014)
 (undergraduate lecture course, Florida State & Wisconsin)

Research Methods in Political Science (Spring 2010, 2012, 2013)
 (undergraduate lecture course, Florida State & Wisconsin)

Methods of Political Inquiry (Spring 2014)
 (undergraduate lecture course, Wisconsin)

Political Economics (Fall 2009, Spring 2012, Fall 2013)
 (PhD. seminar, Florida State & Wisconsin)

Core Seminar in Comparative Politics (Spring 2011)
 (PhD. seminar, Florida State)

Mentoring Faculty in Residence, EITM Summer Institute XII–Berkeley (Summer 2013)

Math & Statistics Refresher Workshop (Summer 2011, 2012)

(cross-disciplinary graduate methods workshop, University of Sydney SSMART program)

Workers, Inequality, Redistribution, & Democracy (Winter 2009)
(undergraduate elective lecture, UCLA)

Other Training

NSF-funded participant at EITM VI-UCLA, summer 2007

Program Visitor in Social and Political Theory-Research School of Social Sciences at the Australian National University, Fall 2006

ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods, summer 2004

RePast Java library for agent-based modeling, University of Chicago, summer 2003

Referee Activity

American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, American Politics Research, Annual Review of Political Science, British Journal of Political Science, Business & Politics, Cambridge University Press, Civil Wars, Comparative Political Studies, Economic Journal, Economics & Politics, European Journal of Political Research, European Research Council, Governance, International Interactions, International Organization, International Studies Quarterly, Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Economics, Journal of Comparative Economics, Journal of Peace Research, Journal of Policy Analysis & Management, Journal of Politics, Journal of Public Policy, Latin American Politics & Society, National Science Foundation, Netherlands Organization for Scientific Research, Perspectives on Politics, Political Analysis, Political Research Quarterly, Political Science Research & Methods, Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, PS, Public Opinion Quarterly, Quarterly Journal of Political Science, Russell Sage Foundation, Socio-Economic Review, Statistical Analysis & Data Mining, Swiss National Science Foundation, Westview Press, World Politics.

- 2009-10 *Political Research Quarterly* Outstanding Reviewer
- 2013, 2014 *AJPS* “Super Reviewer”
- 2014 *Comparative Political Studies* Outstanding Reviewer

Media interviews & quotations

NBC News (2018), Quad-City Times (2017), KPBS (2016), *Port Strategy* (2016), *Wisconsin State Journal* (2015), *Bloomberg Politics* (2015), *PBS News Hour* (2015), *Los Angeles Times* (2015), *The Guardian* (2015), NBC15-Madison (2015), WUWM-Milwaukee (2015), *Washington Post* (2015), KUOW-Seattle (2015), *Daily Cardinal* (2014), Late Night Live on Radio National Australia (2013), Racine Journal-Times (2013), WTDY-Madison “Everything at 5” (2012); Al-Jazeera English (2012); Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (2012)

Consulting & Advising

Afghanistan Ministry of Rural Rehabilitation and Development Peer Review Report (2015); World Bank Africa Region Natural Resources and Regional Integration Study (2013)

Service*Editorial*

Co-editor, *The Political Economist*. 2017-2019

Editorial board member, *Comparative Political Studies* 2013-

Disciplinary

PolMeth program committee, 2017

Conference co-organizer, "Southern California Methods Meeting," UCSD 2016

APSA Political Economy section executive committee 2014-17

Society for Political Methodology John T. Williams dissertation prize committee 2014-16

MPSA Program Committee 2014

APSA political economy section Mancur Olson dissertation prize committee 2012

Intramural

Cross-divisional hiring committee in political and economic intersections of Knowledge, Learning, and Creativity (2016-17)

Social Sciences Oversight Committee for cross-divisional hiring (2015-)

Conference co-organizer, "Big Data & Death," Wisconsin 2014.

University of Wisconsin Labor Codes Licensing Advisory Committee 2013-15 (chair 2014-15)

Conference organizer, "Leadership in Political and Economic Life," FSU 2011.

Departmental

Curriculum Committee (UCSD) 2016-17

Public Policy Career Track Advisor (UCSD) 2016-17

Faculty search committee (UCSD) 2015 (co-chair), 2016

Tenure review committee (UCSD) 2016

Graduate Admissions (Wisconsin) 2013-15; (UCSD) 2017

Publicity & website (Wisconsin) 2013-14

Computer Services Committee (Wisconsin) 2012-14

Coordinator, political economy speaker series (Wisconsin) 2011-13

Student Awards & Prizes Committee (Wisconsin) 2011-12

Reading Room Committee (Wisconsin) 2011-12

Graduate Funding Committee (FSU) 2010-11

Methodology Field Representative (FSU) 2009-11

Undergraduate Program Committee (FSU) 2009-10

Student Mentoring (placements)

Current Ph.D. students: Zachary Warner (Postdoc at Cardiff University)

Current Ph.D. committees: Abigail Vaughn, Kelly Matush

Past Ph.D. committees: Amanda Clayton (post-docs at Harvard JFK and Free University of Berlin; TT at Vanderbilt), Florian Hollenbach (post-doc at Niehaus Center, Princeton; TT at Texas A&M), Chaoyi Chang, Ning Leng, Ryan Powers, Samantha Vortherms (TT, UC Irvine), Vera Cai Zuo (Hong Kong UST), Daniel Hill (TT at University of Georgia international affairs).

other committees: (placement): Edward Hearn, Carlisle Rainey (TT at University of Buffalo (SUNY) political science)

Languages

Spanish, highly proficient reading and speaking; moderate writing proficiency.

Professional Affiliations

American Economic Association, 2011-

American Political Science Association, 2002-

- Section on Comparative Politics

- Section on Political Economy

- Section on Political Methodology

American Statistical Association, 2015-

Council for European Studies, 2015-

Economic Science Association, 2013 -

European Political Science Association, 2014-

Society for Institutional and Organizational Economics, 2012 -

Midwest Political Science Association 2004-

Southern Political Science Association 2009-11

Affiliate, Scholars' Strategy Network (SSN)

Working group on the Future of Work & Workers, Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences at Stanford.

Faculty affiliate (former), Florida State Center for the Study of Democratic Performance

Faculty affiliate (former), University of Wisconsin La Follette School of Public Affairs

Faculty affiliate (former), University of Wisconsin Institute for Research on Poverty

Faculty affiliate (former), University of Wisconsin Center for Financial Security

Faculty affiliate (former), University of Wisconsin Center for German and European Studies

Research affiliate (former), UCLA Institute for Research on Labor & Employment

Other Employment

BIZRATE.COM Los Angeles, CA

Manager of Business and Strategic Development (1999-2001)

LEK CONSULTING Los Angeles, CA

Associate (1998-9)