

## **ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

**Assistant Professor**, North Carolina State University

2026 – Present

## **EDUCATION**

**Ph.D. Political Science**, University of Houston

**Juris Doctor**, *magna cum laude*, Cleveland State University College of Law

Attorney License: New York

**B.A., Journalism**, Northern Michigan University

## **RESEARCH**

### **Peer-Reviewed Articles:**

1. **Lopez, Lucia**. 2026. “How Policy Design Affects Perceptions of Beneficiaries and Support for Welfare” *Political Behavior*. [PDF](#).
2. Clifford, Scott, **Lucia Lopez**, and Lucas Lothamer. 2026. “Reassessing Support for Political Aggression and Violence in the United States.” *Public Opinion Quarterly*. [PDF](#).
  - Media Coverage: [Good Authority](#) , [Good Authority 2](#)
3. Artabe, Eugenia, Alex Badas, and **Lucia Lopez**. 2025. “Partisan Foundations of Attitudes Toward State Courts.” *Political Research Quarterly*. [PDF](#).
  - Media Coverage: [Governing](#)

### **Under Review:**

1. Badas, Alex and **Lucia Lopez**. Latino Racism-Ethnicism and Attitudes towards the U.S. Supreme Court.
2. Clifford, Scott, **Lucia Lopez**, Lucas Lothamer, and Bradley Madsen. A Harm Regulation Model of Support for Political Aggression.
3. **Lopez, Lucia**. How Housing Voucher Policy Design Signals Effort and Shapes Public Opinion.
4. Badas, Alex, Nathan Carrington, and **Lucia Lopez**. How Members of Congress Shape Emotional Responses to the Supreme Court.

### **Working Papers & Ongoing Projects:**

1. **Lucia Lopez** and Scott Clifford. People Prioritize and Punish Fraud Whether Committed by Program Beneficiaries or Providers.
2. **Lopez, Lucia**. Correcting Misperceptions About Welfare Policy.
3. **Lopez, Lucia**. Public Support for Access to Justice.
4. **Lopez, Lucia**. Race-Neutral Design?: Policy Design and the Racialization of Welfare Opinion.
5. Artabe, Eugenia, and **Lucia Lopez**. Linked Legitimacies? State and U.S. Supreme Court Legitimacy.
6. **Lopez, Lucia**. Signaling Effort or Creating Barriers? Elite Rhetoric on Policy Design and Deservingness.

### **Law Review and Other Publications:**

1. Lopez, Lucia. Forthcoming. Book Review. “Living Off the Government? Race, Gender, and the Politics of Welfare” by Anne M. Whitesell. New York, New York University Press. 2024. 312 pp.

2. **Lopez, Lucia.** 2020. "Land of the Free, If You Can Afford It: Reforming Mayor's Courts in Ohio." *Cleveland State Law Review* 68(3): 609–41. [PDF](#).

## **AWARDS AND FUNDING**

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### **External Grants**

- 2026**      [APSA Advancing Research Grant for Early Career Scholars](#) (\$2,000)
- 2025**      [Russell Sage Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Grant](#) (*Housing Policy Design*, \$15,000)
- 2024**      [Rapoport Family Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Grant](#) (*Welfare Policy Design*, \$14,941)

### **Internal Grants**

- 2025**      University of Houston Summer Fellowship for Research Excellence (\$6,000)
- 2024**      Department of Political Science Dissertation Grant (\$2,000)

### **Awards & Honors**

- 2026**      American Bar Foundation's Access to Justice Early Career Scholar (\$1,000)
- 2025**      APSA EPOVB Section Early-Career Fellow (\$500)
- APSA Experimental Research Section Early-Career Fellow (\$500)
- 2024**      Comprehensive Exams with Distinction: American Politics & Public Policy
- 2022**      APSA Diversity Fellow (\$2,000)

### **Travel Grants**

- 2025**      APSA Lee Ann Fujii Diversity Fellowship Travel Grant (\$500)
- APSA Political Communication Travel Grant (\$600)
- APSA Inequality and Redistribution Travel Grant (\$500)

## **PRESENTATIONS**

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- 2026**      American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Boston  
            American Bar Foundation Access to Justice Meeting, Chicago  
            Elections, Public Opinion, and Voting Behavior Conference at Washington University  
            Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting
- 2025**      Texas American Behavior Conference  
            American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Vancouver  
            Elections, Public Opinion, and Voting Behavior Conference at Stony Brook  
            Southern Workshop in Empirical Political Science at the University of Kentucky  
            Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting  
            Junior American Workshop Series  
            Junior Law and Politics Research Community

**2024** Elections, Public Opinion, and Voting Behavior Conference at Florida State University

## **TEACHING**

Political Psychology, Political Behavior, Public Opinion, Race & Ethnic Politics, Law and Justice

## **SERVICE TO THE DISCIPLINE**

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| <b>2026-</b>     | <b>Executive Council Member</b> , APSA Public Policy Section                                                                                     |
| <b>2024-</b>     | <b>Editorial Assistant</b> (to Co-Editors Scott Clifford and Jennifer Jerit)<br>Journal of Experimental Political Science                        |
| <b>2025-</b>     | <b>Communications Director</b> , APSA EPOVB Section 32                                                                                           |
| <b>2023-2024</b> | <b>Treasurer</b> , Political Science Graduate Student Association                                                                                |
| <b>2022-2023</b> | <b>Advocacy Director</b> , Graduate and Professional Student Association<br><b>Graduate Student Representative</b> , Faculty Senate Subcommittee |
| <b>Ongoing</b>   | <b>Reviewer:</b> Journal of Experimental Political Science, Political Research Quarterly                                                         |