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Education

**Ph.D. in Political Science (expected 2024)** – UC Santa Barbara  
Advisor: Heather Stoll – Committee: Heather Stoll, Kathleen Bruhn, Daniel Masterson– Cumm. GPA: 3.61. Fields of study: Comparative Politics & Political Economy - Dissertation: *The effects of right-wing extremism in a democracy: Has Golden Dawn wounded democracy?*

**M. A. in Political Science (2020)** – UC Santa Barbara

Advisor: Heather Stoll – Fields of study: Comparative Politics & Political Economy.

**M. A. in Political Science (2016)** – California State University, Northridge

Advisor: Keiko Hirata – Cumm. GPA: 3.94. Fields of study: International Relations.

**B. A. in Economic and Regional Development (2012)** – Panteion University (Greece)

Teaching Experience

**Instructor in Political Science (2022)** - UC Santa Barbara   
Course taught:  POLS 6 | Introduction to Comparative Politics (Summer 2022)

**Teaching Assistant in Political Science (2017-Present)** - UC Santa Barbara  
Courses taught: POLS 1 | Introduction to Political Theory (Winter 2020, Fall 2020, Spring 2021); POLS 6 | Introduction to Comparative Politics (Fall 2017, Fall 2018, Winter 2022); POLS 7 | Introduction to International Relations (Summer 2021); POLS 12 | Introduction to Comparative Politics (Winter 2019); POLS 121 | International Politics (Spring 2020, Summer 2023); POLS 127 | American Foreign Policy (Winter 2021); POLS 147 | Politics in Developing Countries (Spring 2018); POLS 172 | Political Communication in the U.S. (Winter 2023); POLS 177 | Comparative Environmental Politics (Fall 2019); POLS 186 | Introduction to International Political Economy (Spring 2022)

**Instructional Student Assistant** – California State University, Northridge   
Courses taught: POLS 155 | American Political Institutions (Spring 2016); POLS 332 | Politics of Latin America (Spring 2016); POLS 355 | American National, State and Local Governments (Spring 2016)

Research Experience

**Research Assistant (2017)** – *Syrian Refugees Panel Study* Project

UC Santa Barbara

**Research Assistant (2016-2017)** – *Understanding water conservation behavior during drought* Project, *The History, Development, and Policy Influence of the California Latino Legislative Caucus* Project

California State University, Northridge

Peer-Reviewed Publications

**Tsouloufas, George,** & Matthew Rochat. 2023. “Revisiting the effectiveness of economic sanctions in the context of Russia’s invasion of Ukraine.” *Canadian Foreign Policy* *Journal.*

Working Papers

**Tsouloufas, George.** “Why China Builds and Finances the Construction of Sports Facilities in the Global South.” (Working paper).

Research Talks & Public Speaking

**Tsouloufas, George.** (6/16/2017). “European Union and China: Stronger cooperation, more benefits for both”. (ISA International Conference 2017, Hong Kong)

**Tsouloufas, George.** (4/8/2017). “Is It True that the Atlantic Slave Trade Impeded Long-Term Economic Development and Created Political Disorder in Africa?” (Southern California Regional Conference - California State University, Northridge)

**Tsouloufas, George.** (9/24/2016). “EU’s Democratic Deficit Debate Revisited: Is the elitist model of decision-making in the EU efficient and democratically legitimate?” (ISA West Annual Conference 2016, Pasadena, California)

Honors & Awards

**2023** – Nomination for *Outstanding Teaching Assistant* Award   
UC Santa Barbara, Academic Senate

**2022** - *Adams-Lee* *Distinguished Teaching Assistant* Award recipient

UC Santa Barbara, Department of Political Science

**2016** – Nomination for *Graduate Student of the Year* Award

California State University, Northridge

**2016** – *Ahmad Eshragi Award* recipient  
California State University, Northridge

**2016** – *Academic Excellence Award* recipient  
California State University, Northridge

University Service

**Student Fee Allocation Committee Member (2021-present)**

UC Santa Barbara, Student Resources

**Student Success Steering Committee Member (2017)**

California State University Northridge, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences

Professional Affiliations

**Pi Sigma Alpha** (**ΠΣΑ**) - National Political Science Honor Society

**HAPSc** – Hellenic Association of Political Scientists

Miscellaneous

I speak **Greek** & **English.**

I have some knowledge of **Spanish.**

My preferred statistical analysis software is **R.**

My preferred research methods are **mixed methods.** I have experience using **descriptive** statistical methods.

**References:**

**Heather Stoll**

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