

MINERVAH WATHKE

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Profile

Fields: American Politics, International Relations
 Interests: American Political Development, Political Linguistic Pathology, Policy Diffusion, Natural Language Processing, Political Psychology, Religion/Race/Gender & Politics, Neoliberalism, the Far Right
 Languages: Spanish (Fluent), American Sign Language (Polite), Arabic: Masri (Polite), German (Beginner)
 Skills: Project Management, Parliamentary Procedure, R for Statistical Computing, LATEX, Python Coding Language, Research with Human Subjects, Translational Research, Robust Theoretical Background

Education

University of Missouri	
PhD: Political Science	Present Enrollment
Major Field: American Politics	
Minor Field: International Relations	
Johnson County Community College	
Business Administration [non-degree]	2024 – 2025
Deaf Studies & American Sign Language [non-degree]	2024 – 2025
Emporia State University	
Master of Arts: History – High Honors	2023
Bachelor of Arts: Political Science; Minors in History, Philosophy	2019

Work Experience

Graduate Instructor – University of Missouri, Dept. Political Science	August 2025 – Present
Research Fellow – Emporia State University, Dept. Library Science	January 2023 – May 2023
Graduate Teaching Assistant – Emporia State University, Dept. Social Sciences	August 2019 – May 2022
Canvas by Instructure: Administrative Experience (4 years)	
One-on-One Tutoring Experience (2 years)	

Relevant Skills, Programs, Certifications

IRB Certified (Citigroup, 2023-2026)
 CITI-Sci Program for Translational Research (NSF, 2025)
 Public Library, Local Government Experience (3 years)
 R for Statistical Computing, R-Studio
 Project Management, Parliamentary Procedure

Courses Taught

American Government [Graduate Instructor, Hybrid & Online]	Fall 2025
World Cultures to 1500 [Teaching Assistant]	Fall 2022
State & Local Government [Teaching Assistant]	Spring 2022
Intro to Philosophy [Teaching Assistant]	Fall 2021

Professional Memberships

American Philosophical Association	2025 – Present
Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA)	2019 – Present
MPSA Women’s Caucus	2025 – Present
North American Nietzsche Society (NANS)	2020 – Present

Current Projects

Prospective Dissertation: Subscription-Model Government	2024 – Present
Python Coding Language	2025 – Present
Natural Language Processing	2025 – Present

Publications & Conferences

- p: Wathke, M. & Emmer, C. E. (2026). *Nietzsche, AI, & the Nature of Truth*. N/P. [forthcoming]
- p: Wathke, M. & Smith, M. (2026). *Towards a Labor Hostility Index; An Expository into the effects of state labor laws on union density in the United States*. N/P. [forthcoming]
- c: 83rd Annual MPSA Conference: *Towards a Labor Hostility Index...*
- c: 42nd Research & Creative Activities Forum, University of Missouri: *Towards a Labor Hostility Index; An Expository into the effects of state labor laws on union density in the United States* 2025
- c: 82nd Annual MPSA Conference: *Olathe, Kansas: City of Corporations or Corporate City*; Discussant: Religion, Politics, and Legal Theory 2025
- c: 78th Annual MPSA Conference: *Post-anarchism as Democratic Activism* 2020
- c: 77th Annual MPSA Conference: *Exploring Post-Anarchism within Liberal Democracy* 2019
- p: Wathke, N. et al (2018). *Geopolitics of Uzbekistan: A Threatened Autarky amid the Eurasian Heartland*. Istituto di Alti Studi di Geopolitica e Scienze Ausiliarie.

Referees

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