

Nate Kratzer

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Education:

Martin School of Public Policy, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky
Ph.D in Public Policy and Administration, Expected Completion May 2017

Centre College, Danville, Kentucky
Bachelor of Arts, Magna Cum Laude, May 2010
Majors: Philosophy, Religion Minor: Spanish

Awards and Honors:

- Kentucky Opportunity Fellowship. Academic year 2014-2015.
- Daniel R. Reedy Quality Achievement Fellowship Award. 2013-2016
- Phi Kappa Phi – The United States’ oldest all-discipline honor society. Nov. 2013
- Phi Beta Kappa – The United States’ oldest academic honor society. May 2010
- The Harold J. Gale Philosophy Prize – “Awarded to a senior of high moral character who has done outstanding work in philosophy courses at Centre College.” May 2010
- National Merit Scholar (2006-2010)

Publications:

Kratzer, Nate W. "Coal Mining and Population Loss in Appalachia." *Journal of Appalachian Studies* 21, no. 2 (2015): 173-188.

Conference Presentations:

Midwest Political Science Association Conference, 2016. Junior Scholar Symposia. Chicago, Illinois. “Politics for Cognitive Misers”

Association of Budgeting and Financial Management Conference, 2014. Grand Rapids, Michigan. Co-presented with Alex Combs. “The State of Privatization: Identifying Trends and Determinants of State Government Privatization”

Midwest Public Affairs Conference, 2014. Fort Wayne, Indiana. “Coal Mining and Population Loss”

Experience:

Primary Instructor, Introduction to Political Analysis (PS 372), University of Kentucky

(August 2015 – December 2015)

- Primary instructor for the upper-level undergraduate course on political analysis, covering: philosophy of science; research questions, hypotheses, and theories;

data collection; research design; descriptive and inferential statistics; and linear regression.

Nonprofit Consultant, Kratzer Consulting

(January 2012 – Present)

- Independent contractor performing policy analysis, social media management, website maintenance, and email list management for non-profits.
- Contracted with the National Council of Churches Eco-Justice Program (January-December 2012), the Ecumenical Poverty Initiative (May 2013 – November 2015), and the Greater Louisville Project (November 2015 - Present).

Research Assistant, Dr. Merl Hackbart, University of Kentucky

(August 2013-August 2014)

- Assisted with teaching, administrative, and research duties

Research Assistant, Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, University of Kentucky

(August 2012 – May 2013)

- Organized hazard data by county and area development district as part of the preparation of the state hazard mitigation plan.
- Supplemented local hazard data with public data from National Climatic Data Center and U.S. Census Bureau as necessary.

Eco-justice Fellow, National Council of Churches (May 2011 – August 2011)

- Conducted research; attended congressional hearings; tracked legislation; built partnerships with other NGOs and churches; and created educational and worship resources for use by congregations across the country.
- Specialized in the issue of mountaintop removal coal mining.

International Experience:

- Studied Abroad in Mexico (2007), Honduras (2007), Nicaragua (2009), Costa Rica (2010), and El Salvador (2011).

Skills:

Computer:

- R, R Shiny, Stata, Microsoft Word, Excel, Powerpoint, Access, Adobe InDesign, WordPress, Google Apps, Facebook, Twitter.
- A sample web application written using R Shiny can be accessed at: https://natekratzer.shinyapps.io/JCPS_lunch

Language:

- Spanish - Conversational

Public Speaking:

- Coached the University of Kentucky's policy solutions challenge team to first place regionally and second place nationally in the national policy solutions challenge case competition. 2015.
- Two-time National Qualifier in Lincoln-Douglas Debate, placed 29th at Nationals. 2006.