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Academic Appointments **University of Texas at Dallas**
Assistant Professor of Political Science August 2021 - Present

Education **Emory University**
Ph.D., Political Science 2021
Committee: Clifford Carrubba (Chair), Jeffrey Staton, Zachary Peskowitz
Dissertation: Courts, Constraints, and Public Opinion in Europe
• Winner of 2022 Ernst B. Haas Best Dissertation Award, *European Politics and Society Section, American Political Science Association*

M.A., Political Science 2020

London School of Economics and Political Science
M.Sc., Politics and Government in the European Union, *with Merit* 2015

Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey
B.A., Political Science, History, *Magna Cum Laude* 2014

Research Interests Comparative political institutions, Judicial decision-making, Public Law, European Politics, Quantitative Methods, Causal Inference, Computational Social Science

Peer-Reviewed Publications Cheruvu, Sivaram, Jay N. Krehbiel, and Samantha Mussell. "Partisanship, Pragmatism, or Idealism? Evaluating Public Support for International Courts in Backsliding Democracies." *Journal of European Public Policy* (Forthcoming)

Cheruvu, Sivaram. 2024. "Are Judges on *per curiam* courts ideological? Evidence from the European Court of Justice." *Journal of Law and Courts* 12 (1): 185-197
<https://doi.org/10.1017/jlc.2023.17>

Cheruvu, Sivaram and Jay N. Krehbiel. 2024. "Do Preliminary References Increase Public Support for European Law? Experimental Evidence from Germany." *International Organization*, 78(1): 170-187.
<https://doi.org/10.1017/S0020818323000243>

Cheruvu, Sivaram. 2023. "Education, Public Support for Institutions, and the Separation of Powers." *Political Science Research and Methods*, 11(3): 570-587.
<https://doi.org/10.1017/psrm.2022.29>
(formerly titled, "How does Education affect Public Support for Courts?")
• Winner of 2021 Neal Tate Award for best paper on judicial politics presented at the 2020 conference, *Southern Political Science Association*
• Winner of 2020 Best Graduate Student Paper Award, *Law and Courts Section, American Political Science Association*

Cheruvu, Sivaram. 2022. "When does the European Commission Pursue Noncompliance?." *European Union Politics*, 23(3): 375-397.
<https://doi.org/10.1177/14651165221087635>
• Winner of 2022 SAGE Award for best article published in volume 23 of *European Union Politics*. <https://doi.org/10.1177/14651165231170453>

Cheruvu, Sivaram and Joshua Fjølseth. 2022. "Improving the Efficiency of Pretrial Bargaining in Disputes over Noncompliance with International Law: Encouraging Evidence from the European Union." *Journal of European Public Policy*, 29(8): 1249-1267. <https://doi.org/10.1080/13501763.2021.1945130>

Cheruvu, Sivaram and Jay N. Krehbiel. 2022. "Delegation, Compliance, and Judicial Decision-making in the Court of Justice of the European Union." *Journal of Law and Courts*, 10(1): 113-138. <https://doi.org/10.1086/718496>

Krehbiel, Jay N. and Sivaram Cheruvu. 2022. "Can International Courts Enhance Domestic Judicial Review? Separation of Powers and the European Court of Justice." *Journal of Politics*, 84(1): 258-275. <https://doi.org/10.1086/715250>

Krehbiel, Jay N. and Sivaram Cheruvu. 2021. "The COVID-19 Pandemic and Public Support for European Integration: Evidence from Germany." *Journal of Political Institutions and Political Economy*, 2(1): 63-80. <https://dx.doi.org/10.1561/113.00000030>

Cheruvu, Sivaram. 2019. "How do institutional constraints affect judicial decision-making? The European Court of Justice's French language mandate." *European Union Politics*, 20(4): 562-583. <https://doi.org/10.1177/1465116519859428>

Working Papers

Cheruvu, Sivaram, "Are European Court of Justice Judges biased towards their member states?." *Revise and Resubmit at European Union Politics*

Cheruvu, Sivaram and Jay N. Krehbiel, "Do Politicized Domestic Courts Undermine Public Support for International Law?." *Under Review*

Jackli, Laura, Matthew Stenberg, Sivaram Cheruvu, Jay N. Krehbiel, "Fake News Efficacy and Electoral Engagement: Survey Evidence from Hungary" *Under Review*

Cheruvu, Sivaram and Tommaso Pavone, "The End of History in EU Law and Politics? Challenging Founding Narratives with a New Research Agenda."

Cheruvu, Sivaram, "Do Legislative Agenda-Setters Constrain Judicial Decision-making? Evidence from the European Union."

Cheruvu, Sivaram, Joshua Fjølseth, Silje Synnøve Lyder Hermansen and Daniel Naurin, "How do Merit Commissions affect Judicial Behavior? Evidence from the Court of Justice of the European Union."

Cheruvu, Sivaram and Thalia Gerzso, "How do Domestic Legal Institutions affect Public Support for Judicial Power? Evidence from Sub-Saharan Africa."

Cheruvu, Sivaram and Joshua Fjølseth, "Do Administrative Deficits Cause Noncompliance with International Law? Causal Evidence from the European Union."

Cheruvu, Sivaram and Jeffrey Ziegler, "How Much Influence do Opinion-Writers have on *Per Curiam* Courts? Uncovering Author Drift in Written Decisions using Neural Networks."

Cheruvu, Sivaram, "How do Courts uphold the Law while facing Noncompliance? Evidence from the European Court of Justice."

Works in Progress

Cheruvu, Sivaram and Jay N. Krehbiel, "International Courts and the Politics of Democratic Backsliding." Book Manuscript

Cheruvu, Sivaram and Jay N. Krehbiel, “Do citizens in backsliding democracies support international courts’ judicial power? Evidence from Hungary”

Cheruvu, Sivaram, Amanda Driscoll, Jay N. Krehbiel and Michael Nelson, “On the Legitimacy of National High Courts amid Democratic Backsliding.”

Fjelstul, Joshua and Sivaram Cheruvu, “Political Appointees and Prosecutorial Independence: How the Leadership of the European Commission Influences the Management of Legal Cases.”

Cheruvu, Sivaram. “Judicial Behavior in the CJEU.” Book Chapter

Public Scholarship Carrubba, Clifford J., Matthew J. Gabel, Jay N. Krehbiel, Sivaram Cheruvu, and James F. Spriggs II. 10 May 2021. “We compared the Supreme Court with other democracies’ high courts. More justices would improve its work.” *Washington Post Monkey Cage Blog*: wapo.st/3bfrw81

Invited Talks “Judicial Behavior in the CJEU”, *Empirical Legal Studies in EU Law*, University of Copenhagen, Copenhagen, Denmark, June 3, 2024.

“Do Politicized Domestic Courts Undermine Public Support for International Law?”, London School of Economics, London, UK, March 29, 2024

“Do Politicized Domestic Courts Undermine Public Support for International Law?”, University of South Carolina, Columbia, South Carolina, November 16, 2023

“The End of History in EU Law and Politics? Challenging Founding Narratives with a New Research Agenda”, *Litigants, Agendas, and Decisions at the European Court of Justice*, University of Oslo, Oslo, Norway, June 12, 2023.

“Judicial Behavior in the CJEU”, *Empirical Legal Studies in EU Law: Foundations, Methods, Themes*, London School of Economics Law School, London, UK, June 2, 2023.

“Do Preliminary References Increase Public Support for European Law? Experimental Evidence from Germany”, University of Oxford, Oxford, UK, April 20, 2023.

“How does Education affect Public Support for Courts?”, University of Oxford, Virtual presentation, February 8, 2021.

“How does Education affect Public Support for Courts?”, University of Texas at Dallas, Virtual presentation, February 2, 2021.

“Does the Secret Ballot Protect Judicial Independence? Evidence from the European Court of Justice”, *ECPR Standing Group on Law & Courts Webinar Series*, Virtual presentation, December 10, 2020.

“Does the Secret Ballot Protect Judicial Independence? Evidence from the European Court of Justice”, *University of California, Berkeley European Politics Working Group*, Virtual presentation, December 7, 2020.

“Noncompliance and the Strategic Timing of Enforcement Actions”, *EUPoLex: The Politics of Judicial Power Workshop*, Virtual presentation, May 28, 2020.

“Why Language Matters at the CJEU”, *The CJEU Database Project: An Inventory of Research Themes and Data*, Gothenberg University, Gothenberg, Sweden, March 1, 2019.

Conference Participation

2024: Midwest Political Science Association Conference
Public Choice Society Annual Meeting
Southern Political Science Association Conference†
Southern Workshop in Empirical Political Science (Vanderbilt University)†
Texas Comparative Circle (University of North Texas)
Texas Methods Meeting (University of Texas at Dallas)
Texas Triangle International Relations Conference (Rice University)†
University of Texas at Austin Emerging Scholars in Public Law Conference‡
2023: Joint Global Politics of Law and Courts Workshop† (University of Oslo)
European Political Science Association Conference*
European Union Studies Association Conference*
Midwest Political Science Association Conference†
Southern Political Science Association Conference†
Texas Comparative Circle (Texas Tech University)
Texas Triangle International Relations Conference (Texas A&M University)
2022: Global Law and Politics Network Conference (Emory University)†
American Political Science Association Conference
European Political Science Association Conference
European Union Studies Association Conference
International Conference of Europeanists
Midwest Political Science Association Conference
Southern Workshop in Empirical Political Science (Rice University)†
Texas Comparative Circle (University of Texas at Austin)
2021: European Consortium of Political Research General Conference†
Midwest Political Science Association Conference†
Southern Political Science Association Conference
Western U.S. Graduate Workshop on the European Union (University of Washington)
2020: Emory Institutions and Lawmaking Conference
Law and Society Association Annual Meeting (Cancelled, COVID-19)
Midwest Political Science Association Conference (Cancelled, COVID-19)
Minnesota Political Methods Colloquium Graduate Conference (Cancelled, COVID-19)
Southern Political Science Association Conference
2019: European Consortium of Political Research General Conference*
Midwest Political Science Association Conference†
Southern Political Science Association Conference
University of Texas at Austin Graduate Conference in Public Law
Western U.S. Graduate Workshop on the European Union (University of Washington)
2018: Midwest Political Science Association Conference
Western U.S. Graduate Workshop on the European Union (University of Washington)*

† Served as discussant/chair, ‡ Conference co-organizer, * Coauthor presented paper

Teaching Experience

University of Texas at Dallas

- PSCI 3350: Comparative Politics (Undergraduate), Spring 2024
- PSCI 3351: Comparative Courts and Law (Undergraduate), Fall 2021, Fall 2023
- PSCI 4309: Politics of the European Union (Undergraduate), Fall 2023
- PSCI 4363: International Law (Undergraduate), Fall 2022
- PSCI 6321: Proseminar in Comparative Politics (Graduate), Fall 2022
- PSCI 6337: Comparative Institutions (Graduate), Spring 2023
- PSCI 6342: Comparative Courts and Law (Graduate), Spring 2022, Spring 2024

Emory

- POLS 208: Research Design and Methods (TA with Beth Reingold), Spring 2019
- POLS 395: American Legal System (Co-instructor with Tom Clark), Fall 2019

Honors, Awards, and Fellowships

SAGE Award for best article published in volume 23 of *European Union Politics*, 2022
Southern Political Science Association Artinian Travel Award, 2023 – \$500
Service Award, APSA Law and Courts Section, 2022
Ernst B. Haas Best Dissertation Award, APSA European Politics and Society, 2022
Neal Tate Award for best paper in judicial politics presented at SPSA, 2021 – \$500
Best Graduate Student Paper Award, APSA Law and Courts Section, 2020 – \$200
Southern Political Science Association Prestage-Cook Travel Award, 2020 – \$300
Emory Writing Center Fellowship, 2021 - 2022 (Declined) – \$23,831
Emory University Fellowship, 2016 - 2021
United States Presidential Management Fellowship Finalist, 2015
Phi Beta Kappa, Rutgers University, 2014
Eagleton Undergraduate Associate, Rutgers University, 2013 - 2014
Ruth K. Bennett Award, for highest GPA in political science, Rutgers University, 2013
Debate Champion, Think Transatlantic National Finals, sponsored by the German Embassy in Washington DC, 2013 – \$4000 voucher for travel to Germany
Lloyd C. Gardner Fellow, Rutgers University, 2012 - 2013

Reviewer

American Journal of Political Science, European Politics and Society, European Union Politics, Foreign Policy Analysis, International Criminal Justice Review, International Studies Quarterly, Journal of European Public Policy, Journal of Law and Courts, Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization, Journal of Politics, Political Research Exchange, Political Research Quarterly, Politics, Review of International Organizations

Professional Service**Field of Political Science**

- **Winner of 2022 Service Award**, *Law and Courts Section, American Political Science Association*
- **Founder/Organizer**, Junior Law and Politics Research Community, 2021 - Present
- **Committee Service**: APSA Law and Courts Section Committee on Recruitment, Retention, and Equality (2021 - Present), APSA European Politics and Society Section Ernst B. Haas Best Dissertation Award (2023)

University of Texas at Dallas

- Survey Research Search Committee (2022-2023)
- Interviewer for Archer Fellowship Program (2022, 2023, 2024)

Emory

- **President**, Graduate Political Science Organization, 2019 - 2020
- **Facilitator**, Diversity in the Discipline Reading Group, March 2019

Advising**PhD Advising**

- Prajakti Akarte (Dissertation committee)
- Haruna Minoura (Dissertation committee)
- Ricardo Noé (Field paper committee, Dissertation committee)
- Katie Sanchez (Dissertation committee)

Masters Advising

- Lukas Baumheier (Masters thesis chair)

Undergraduate Advising

- Samantha Mussell (Undergraduate Research Scholar Awards Symposium, Summer Platform for Undergraduate Research, Senior Thesis)

Professional Memberships American Political Science Association
Council for European Studies
European Political Science Association
Midwest Political Science Association
Southern Political Science Association

Software R, L^AT_EX, Microsoft Office