

Paige Pellaton | Curriculum Vitae

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Academic Appointments

- 2026–present **Assistant Professor of Public Policy**
California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo
- 2025–2026 **Assistant Professor of Political Science**
University of North Florida
- 2024–2025 **Adjunct Assistant Professor of American Politics and Public Policy**
University of California Center Sacramento

Education

- 2024 **Ph.D.** in Political Science at the University of California, Davis
- 2020 **M.A.** in Political Science at the University of California, Davis
- 2017 **B.A.** in Political Science at the New College of Florida

Publications

- Pellaton, Paige**, Jonathan P. Colner, Alex Cohen, Cory Struthers, Siddharth Kishore, Scott A. MacKenzie, Matthew S. Shugart, Mehdi Nemati, and Ariel Dinar. 2026. "Chapter 21. Legislative Responsiveness to Climate Change: Politically-driven Adaptation in California's Agricultural Sector." In *Handbook on Climate Change Impacts, Mitigation, and Adaptation in Agriculture*, edited by Ariel Dinar and Robert O. Mendelsohn. Cheltenham, UK: Edward Elgar Publishing Ltd.
- Garlick, Alex, Mary Kroeger, and **Paige Pellaton**. 2024. "Legislative Capacity Limits Interest Group Influence: Evidence from California's Proposition 140." *Legislative Studies Quarterly*: 1-14. Available online at: <https://doi.org/10.1111/lsq.12478>.
- Copus, Ryan, Ryan Hübert, and **Paige Pellaton**. 2024. "Trading Diversity? Judicial Diversity and Case Outcomes in Federal Courts." *American Political Science Review*: 1-15. Available online at: <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0003055424000625>.

Working Papers

- Pellaton, Paige, and Rana McReynolds. 2025. "On the Emergence and Behavior of Minoritized State Lawmakers."
- Pellaton, Paige. 2025. "The Room Where It Happens: Ideological Conflict in State Legislative Committees."

Pellaton, Paige. 2025. "Trust Me, I'm an Expert: The Impact of Career-Committee Congruence on State Legislative Entrepreneurship"

Policy Papers

Murphy, Colin, **Paige Pellaton**, and Samuel Fuller. 2022. "Improving the Transfer of Knowledge from Scientists to Policy Makers: Best Practices and New Opportunities to Engage." Institute of Transportation Studies, University of California, Davis. Research Report UCD-ITS-RR-22-04. Available online at: <https://doi.org/10.7922/G2J101G9>.

D'Agostino, Mollie, **Paige Pellaton**, and Brittany White. 2020. "Equitable Congestion Pricing." Institute of Transportation Studies, University of California, Davis. Research Report UCD-ITS-RR-20-88. Available online at: <https://escholarship.org/uc/item/17h3k4db>.

D'Agostino, Mollie, **Paige Pellaton**, and Austin Brown. 2019. "Mobility Data Sharing: Challenges and Policy Recommendations." Institute of Transportation Studies, University of California, Davis. Research Report UCD-ITS-RR-19-19. Available online at: <https://escholarship.org/uc/item/4gw8g9ms>.

Grants and Awards

2026	The APSA Jewell-Loewenberg Prize for Best Article on U.S. State Legislative Politics
2023	The APSA Thomas Carsey Graduate Fellowship Award The Merk Family Distinguished Prospectus Award
2022	The WPSA Charles Redd Award for Best Paper on the Politics of the American West

Conference Presentations and Invited Talks

Invited Talks.....	
2026	"Redrawing the Lines: What Florida's Midcycle Redistricting Means for Washington" (Jacksonville Urban League) "Results Pending: The American Experiment @ 250" (University of North Florida)
2023	"Knowing What Works: Evaluating Public Policy for Effectiveness, Equity, and Efficiency," (Chicano Latino Youth Leadership Project Statewide Leadership Conference)

Conferences.....

2026	Panelist, Southern Political Science Association (New Orleans, LA)
2025	Panelist, Western Political Science Association (Seattle, WA)
2023	Panelist and Discussant, Western Political Science Association (San Francisco, CA) Panelist, Women in Legislative Studies Conference (Providence, RI)
2022	Presenter, UC Davis American Politics Reading Group (Davis, CA) Presenter, UC Davis Political Science Research Workshop (Davis, CA) Panelist, Western Political Science Association (Portland, OR) Panelist, Midwest Political Science Association (Chicago, IL)

Teaching

American Politics and Public Policy at Cal Poly.....

POLS 3338: Critical Issues in U.S. Politics	Fall 2026
POLS 3375: California Politics	Fall 2026
POLS 3359: Research Design	Spring 2027 (2x)
POLS 5550: Regulatory and Economic Policy	Spring 2027

American Politics at UNF.....

POS 2041: Introduction to American Politics (Online)	Summer Session B 2026
POS 2041: Introduction to American Politics	Fall 2025, Spring 2026
POS 3114: Issues in State and Local Governance	Spring 2026
POS 3424: Congress and the Legislative Process	Fall 2025

Public Policy at UC Center Sacramento.....

POL 193: Essentials of Policy Research	Fall 2024, Spring/Summer 2025
POL 195: Policy Analysis in California	Summer/Fall 2024, Winter/Spring 2025
POL 196A: Seminar in American Politics	Fall 2024, Spring 2025
POL 198: Directed Group Study (Governing California)	Fall 2024, Winter 2025

Service

University Service.....

2025–2026	UNF Liaison for The Washington Center
2025–2026	Faculty Advisor for the College Democrats of UNF

Department Service.....

2026	Member of the Search Committee for Assistant Professor of Public Policy at UNF
2026	Member of the Search Committee for Instructor of Political Science at UNF
2024–2025	Editor of the UCCS Undergraduate Journal

Professional Development

- 2026 UNF Center for Instruction and Research Technology (CIRT):
Teaching Online (4-week course)
Course Copying 101: Preparing for a Smooth Semester Transition
Grading Rescue: Rubrics, Scaffolding, and Student Peer-Review
Writing Effective Alt Text for Course Content
Canvas Accessibility: Ally & the Accessibility Checker
- 2025 UC Davis Center for Educational Effectiveness (CEE):
Smarter Assessments with Transparent Design Workshop

Certifications and Technical Skills

Certifications: CITI Social and Behavioral Responsible Conduct of Research (ID: 8822939)

Programming: R

Other: QUALTRICS, SQL

References

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