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Focus Substantive: Democracy; behaviour; elections; inequality  
Methodological: Causal inference; metascience; statistical learning; spatial data; text data

APPOINTMENTS **LONDON SCHOOL OF ECONOMICS AND POLITICAL SCIENCE, UK**

Assistant Professor of Quantitative Research Methodology	2023 -
Data Science Institute Affiliate	2023 -
Department of Government Senior Visiting Fellow	2022 -

**DELIVEROO, UK**

Senior Data Scientist	2021 - 2023
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**UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA MERCED, USA**

Assistant Professor of Political Science	2017 - 2021
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EDUCATION **MASSACHUSETTS INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, USA**

Ph.D., Political Science	2017
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**UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD, UK**

M.Phil., Comparative Government	2011
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**UNIVERSITY OF KWAZULU-NATAL, SOUTH AFRICA**

B.A. (Honours), Linguistics <i>summa cum laude</i>	2008
B.A., Linguistics and Economics <i>cum laude</i>	2007

PUBLICATIONS [11] Wang, Chuyao, Daniel de Kadt, and Patrick Sturgis. *Conditionally accepted*. "AI labeling reduces the perceived accuracy of online content but has limited broader effects." *Telematics and Informatics*.

[10] de Kadt, Daniel. *Forthcoming*. "A comment on 'Instrumentally inclusive: The political psychology of homonationalism' (Turnbull-Dugarte and López Ortega (2024))." *American Political Science Review*.

[9] de Kadt, Daniel, Ada Johnson-Kanu, and Melissa Sands. 2024. "State violence, party formation, and electoral accountability: The political legacy of the Marikana massacre." *American Political Science Review*, vol 118, no. 2.

[8] Clayton, Amanda, Daniel de Kadt, and Natasha Dumas. 2023. "Daughters do not affect political beliefs in a new democracy." *Journal of Experimental Political Science*, vol 10, no. 1.

- [7] de Kadt, Daniel, Johan Fourie, Jan Greyling, Elie Murard, and Johannes Norling. 2021. "Correlates and consequences of the 1918 influenza in South Africa." *South African Journal of Economics*, vol 89, no. 2.
- Also available as Stellenbosch Working Paper No. WP12/2020
- [6] de Kadt, Daniel and Melissa Sands. 2021. "Segregation drives racial voting: New evidence from South Africa." *Political Behavior*, vol 43.
- [5] Sands, Melissa and Daniel de Kadt. 2020. "Local exposure to inequality raises support of people of low wealth for taxing the wealthy." *Nature*, vol 586.
- [4] de Kadt, Daniel and Evan S. Lieberman. 2020. "Nuanced accountability: Voter responses to basic service provision in southern Africa." *British Journal of Political Science*, vol 50, no. 1.
- Also available as Afrobarometer Working Paper No. 161
- [3] de Kadt, Daniel and Stephen B. Wittels. 2019. "Democratization and economic output in Sub-Saharan Africa." *Political Science Research & Methods*, vol 7, no. 1.
- [2] de Kadt, Daniel and Horacio A. Larreguy. 2018. "Agents of the regime? Traditional leaders and electoral politics in South Africa." *Journal of Politics*, vol 80, no. 2.
- ★ Winner of the Fiona McGillivray Award for the best paper in Political Economy at APSA 2014
- [1] de Kadt, Daniel. 2017. "Voting then, voting now: The long term consequences of participation in South Africa's first democratic election." *Journal of Politics*, vol 79, no. 2.
- Replicated in Rosenzweig, Steven C. 2021. "Age is measured with systematic measurement error in developing country surveys: A diagnosis and analysis of consequences." *Research & Politics*.

#### INVITED ESSAYS

- [3] de Kadt, Daniel. 2021. "Review of 'Political Leadership in Africa: Leaders and Development South of the Sahara,' by Giovanni Carbone and Alessandro Pellegata; 'Political Violence in Kenya: Land, Elections, and Claim-Making,' by Kathleen Klaus; 'Rural Democracy: Elections and Development in Africa,' by Robin Harding." *Perspectives on Politics*, vol 19, no. 3. (editor invited, editor reviewed)
- [2] de Kadt, Daniel. 2019. "Service delivery and political participation." *Annals of Comparative Democratization*, vol 17, no. 3. (editor invited, peer reviewed)
- [1] de Kadt, Daniel. 2019. "Review of 'Twentieth-Century South Africa: A Developmental History' by Bill Freund." *The Journal of Modern African Studies*, vol 57, no. 4. (editor invited, editor reviewed)

#### WORKING PAPERS

- [6] "The tools of racial disenfranchisement: Lessons from 135,457 individual voter records." (with Joachim Wehner). *Under review*.
- [5] "Good description." (with Anna Grzymala-Busse). *Under review*.
- [4] "Do citizens support greater transparency in political finance? Evidence from South Africa." (with Sarah Brierley).
- [3] "Does improving electoral access facilitate clientelism? A reassessment of theory and evidence." (with J. Andrew Harris).
- [2] "Distance in quantitative social science." (with Melissa Sands, Anton Strezhnev, and Maggie X. Wang).
- [1] "Bringing the polls to the people: How increasing electoral access encourages turnout but shapes political inequality." *Rewriting*.

IN PROGRESS	[3] "Bureaucratic discretion and racial bias in voter registration." (with Joachim Wehner).	
	[2] "Formation, fracture, and crisis: Electoral politics in post-Apartheid South Africa, 1994 to 2024."	
	[1] "Electoral access as distributive politics." (with J. Andrew Harris). <i>Book project in preparation, proposal available.</i>	
AWARDS/GRANTS	LSE Excellence in Education Award	2025
	LSE Research and Impact Support Fund (£19,966.00)	2024
	J-PAL Governance Initiative Grant (\$50,000)	2015
	Fiona McGillivray Award for the best paper in Political Economy at APSA 2014	2015
	J-PAL Governance Initiative Travel Grant (\$9,974)	2014
	MIT Ithiel de Sola Pool Fellow	2012
SELECTED CONFERENCES	Advances in Qualitative and Multi-Method Research	2025
	APSA, panel organizer, discussant, or presenter	2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2024
	West Coast WGAPE, presenter and participant	2020
	UC African Workshop, presenter and participant	2020
	ASSA (AEA), presenter	2015
	Boston WGAPE, presenter and participant	2014, 2015
	National WGAPE, presenter and participant	2014
SELECTED TALKS	Hertie School Seminar Series	2025
	NYU Abu Dhabi Political Science Seminar Series	2025
	University of Barcelona IPERG Seminar	2025
	University of Essex Department of Government Speaker Series	2024
	London School of Economics Political Behaviour Seminar	2023
	Northwestern University Comparative Politics Workshop	2022
	University of Washington Severyns Ravenholt Seminar	2022
	London School of Economics African Political Economy Group Seminar	2020
	University of Pennsylvania Comparative Politics Workshop	2020
	Stanford University Comparative Politics Workshop	2019
	UC Berkeley Comparative Politics Colloquium	2018
TEACHING	<u>London School of Economics:</u>	2023-
	MY457 Causal Inference for Observational and Experimental Studies - Graduate Level	
	MY470 Computer Programming – Graduate Level	
	MY472 Data for Data Scientists - Graduate Level	
	MY580 Data Visualisation - Graduate Level	
	MY560 Reproducible Pipelines for Social Scientific Research in R - Graduate Level	
	MY452 Applied Regression Analysis - Graduate Level	
	<u>University of California Merced:</u>	2017-2021
	POLI003 Introduction to Comparative Politics - Undergraduate Level	
	POLI219 Model-Based Inference - Graduate Level	
	POLI260 Comparative Political Behavior - Graduate Level	

GRADUATE  
ADVISING

PhD:

Asami Narita (PhD supervisor) Chuyao Wang (PhD committee member)  
Ada Johnson-Kanu (AP at University of Kentucky, PhD committee member)  
Eddie Lucero (AP at CSU Pueblo, PhD committee member)

Master's/undergraduate:

Seckin Ozberk (2025), Alyssa Padbidri (2025), Robert Spear (2025), Caroline Anne Wagner (2025), Josephine Zenger (2025), Raquel Lorenzo-Mesa (2024), William Scheffler (2024), Wong Wei Jin (2024), Joe Higton (2023), Nehal Jain (2023), Emilio Robledo-Sanchez (2023), Julissa Peña (2020), Stephanie Maldonado (2018).

SERVICE

Major departmental and university service:

LSE MSc Applied Social Data Science programme director	2024-
LSE Research Ethics Committee member	2024-
LSE AI in Research Working Group member	2024-
UC Merced SSHA Executive Committee untenured representative	2019-2021

External committee service:

Trinity College Dublin PGDip/MSc Applied Social Data Science external examiner	2025
Emerging Methodologists Workshop for QMM Explanatory Research faculty mentor	2025
European University Institute Computational Social Science Search external member	2023

External examiner:

University of Fort Hare (MA), University of the Witwatersrand (MA), Rhodes University (PhD)

Conference organizer:

LSE Computational Social Science Meets Qualitative Research Workshop, co-organizer	2025
LSE Workshop on Generative AI, co-organizer	2024
CaliWEPS ii, co-organizer	2019

Journal reviewer:

*American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, British Journal of Political Science, Comparative Political Studies, Democratization, Economics and Politics, Economic Journal, Electoral Studies, European Union Politics, Journal of Development Studies, Journal of Experimental Political Science, Journal of Politics, Journal of Public Economics, Political Behavior, Political Research Quarterly, Political Science Research & Methods, Politikon: South African Journal of Political Science, Public Opinion Quarterly, Quarterly Journal of Political Science, Research & Politics, Studies in Comparative International Development, World Politics.*

Press reviewer:

*Cambridge University Press.*