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Research Interests

Migration, national identity, religion, political psychology and behavior, party politics, European and U.S. politics

Academic Appointments

Lecturer, Washington University in St. Louis 2023-
Department of Political Science, MO, USA

Visiting Assistant Professor, American University of Sharjah 2022-2023
Department of International Studies, United Arab Emirates

Education

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Chapel Hill, NC, USA
Ph.D., Political Science 2022

Dissertation: “Heaven Is a Place on Earth: Religion and the Politics of Territorial Belonging”

Committee: Dr. Gary Marks (Chair), Dr. Pamela Johnston Conover, Dr. Jacqueline Hagan, Dr. Liesbet Hooghe, Dr. Milada Vachudova

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill Chapel Hill, NC, USA
M.A., Political Science 2018

Thesis: “Divided We Blur: Internal Party Dynamics and Position Clarity”

Committee: Dr. Gary Marks (Chair), Dr. Liesbet Hooghe, Dr. Rahsaan Maxwell
James W. Prothro Award for Outstanding Masters Research (dept. award)

Texas Christian University Fort Worth, TX, USA
B.S., Political Science, and B.A., Spanish and Hispanic Studies 2016
Minors: Economics, French
Summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa (2015), John V. Roach Honors College

La Universidad Pablo de Olavide Seville, Spain
TCU in Seville Semester Study Abroad Program 2015

Publications

Peer-reviewed articles

Division on the Christian Right: Conservative Pastors and the Use of Force. 2024

Stephanie N. Shady, Liesbet Hooghe, and Gary Marks.
Politics and Religion, 17(3): 367-388.

Religion Policy and Subnational Identity Construction in Alsace-Moselle, France, and Catalonia, Spain. 2023

Stephanie N. Shady. *Journal of European Public Policy*, 30(10): 2191-2227.

Territory and the Divine: The Intersection of Religion and National Identity. 2022

Stephanie N. Shady. *West European Politics*, 45(4): 744-766.

A Pimp's Game: A Rational Choice Approach to Understanding the Decisions of Sex Traffickers. 2017
Vanessa Bouché and Stephanie Shady. *Women and Criminal Justice*, 27(2): 91-108.

Reviews

The Radical Mind: The Origins of Right-Wing Catholic and Protestant Coalition Building by Chelsea Ebin. 2025.
Stephanie N. Shady. *Political Science Quarterly*, 140(3): 654-655.

Educational materials

Comprehensive Immigration Reform, an Abandoned Goal in Favor of Enforcement Focus. In press 2026
Stephanie N. Shady. *Contemporary Cases in US Foreign Policy: From National Security to Human Security* (ed. Ralph Carter). 7th ed. Rowman and Littlefield.

Conflict and Natural Resources. 2023
Stephanie N. Shady. *National Model United Nations 2023 Background Guide, General Assembly First Committee, Washington D.C., with Tobias Willms.*

Comprehensive Immigration Reform, with Piecemeal Policymaking in the Meantime. 2021
Stephanie N. Shady. *Contemporary Cases in US Foreign Policy: From National Security to Human Security* (ed. Ralph Carter). 6th ed. Rowman and Littlefield.

Committee Overview. 2019
Stephanie N. Shady. *National Model United Nations 2020 Background Guide, UN Population Fund, New York, with Alexis Evans and Melissa Salgado.*

Strengthening the Capacity of Refugee Resettlement Countries. 2018
Stephanie N. Shady. *National Model United Nations 2019 Background Guide, UN High Commissioner for Refugees, New York, with Alejandro Borja, Claire Molk, and Melissa Salgado.*

Committee Overview. 2017
Stephanie N. Shady. *National Model United Nations 2018 Background Guide, Economic and Social Council, New York, with Michael Oyakojo, Aiskell Roman, and Zachery Stuebs.*

Addressing the Issue of Migration in Libya. 2017
Diego Padillo Mata and Stephanie N. Shady. *National Model United Nations 2018 Background Guide, UN High Commissioner for Refugees, New York, with Marilyn Obesaki, Yannick Stiller, and Michael Valdivieso.*

Women's Economic Empowerment in a Changing World of Work. 2017
Stephanie N. Shady. *National Model United Nations 2017 Background Guide Update, Commission for the Status of Women, New York, with Kiki Bouwmans, Adrian Hassler, and Lidia Marseglia.*

Research experience and training

- Enhancing Women’s Role in Peace Processing and Political Transition.** 2016
Stephanie N. Shady. *National Model United Nations 2017 Background Guide*, Commission for the Status of Women, New York, with Kiki Bouwmans, Adrian Hassler, and Lidia Marseglia.
- The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill**
Co-Investigator, with Drs. Liesbet Hooghe and Gary Marks 2021-2022
Moral Underpinnings of Political Change
European Research Council Grant 885026
- Research Assistant, Drs. Liesbet Hooghe and Gary Marks 2019-2020
[Chapel Hill Expert Survey \(CHES\)](#)
- Research Assistant, Dr. Stephen Gent 2016-2017
Collected qualitative data on the geopolitics of natural resources in the North and Black Seas
- Syracuse University**
The Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research 2021
- Queen’s University Belfast**
Visiting Research Associate 2019
Department of Irish Studies
- Texas Christian University**
Research Assistant, Dr. Emily Farris 2016
[Coded media sources to study the use of images in immigration coverage](#)
- Research Assistant, Dr. Vanessa Bouché 2014-2016
[Survey on the Use of Technology to Recruit, Groom, and Sell Domestic Minor Trafficking Victims](#)
- Washington University in St. Louis**
L32 4046: Forced Displacement and the Politics of Seeking Refuge
Spring 2024 (also 5046 for graduate students), Spring 2025, Spring 2026
L32 4228: Comparative Political Identities and Behavior
Spring 2024, Spring 2025, Spring 2026
L32 3075 International Organizational Research
(travel to [National Model UN conference in New York](#))
Spring 2025 (represented Sudan; 2 position paper awards),
Spring 2026 (representing Jordan)
IA 5000: Process and Design of Research
Fall 2025 (asynchronous online course in continuing education program)
L32 3074 United Nations Institutions and Processes
Fall 2024, Fall 2025
L32 4905 Research Design and Methods
Fall 2024, Fall 2025
L32 2102: Introduction to Migration Policy and Politics
Fall 2023, Spring 2024, Fall 2024, Fall 2025

Teaching experience

U32: Introduction to Migration Policy and Politics

Summer 2025 (asynchronous online course in continuing education program)

L32 4100: Fascism and the Far Right in Europe

Fall 2023

L32 4060: Senior Seminar: Religion, Politics, and Community

Fall 2023

L32 299: Internship in Political Science (faculty advisor)

Fall 2024 (Noor Huda, ACLU Missouri), Fall 2025 (Moises Delgado, Rep. Eric Sorensen, IL-17)

L32 413: Directed Research in Political Science

- Spring 2024: Layla Zonouzy, interest groups and abortion policy framing strategies; Cela Lopez, youth political socialization
- Fall 2024: Cela Lopez, youth political socialization
- Fall 2025: Ian Gomez, Syrian refugee communities in Türkiye; Yoana Zamora Miranda, U.S. immigration policy memo writing
- Spring 2026: Matías Adroque and Alejandro Ballesteros, Mexico immigration policy data collection assistance; Yoana Zamora Miranda, co-authoring research on anti-ICE protests

American University of Sharjah

INS 340: Fascism and the Populist Radical Right in Europe

Spring 2023

POL 201: Introduction to Political Studies

Spring 2023, Fall 2022

The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

POL 239: Introduction to European Politics (online, instructor)

Spring 2021, Fall 2020

POL 255: International Migration and Citizenship Today (instructor)

Spring 2020, Fall 2019, Spring 2019, Fall 2018, Summer 2018

POL 788: Statistics and Data Analysis (grader and tutor)

Fall 2018

POL 130: Introduction to Comparative Politics (teaching assistant)

Spring 2018

POL 150: Introduction to World Politics (teaching assistant)

Fall 2017

Texas Christian University

Model United Nations Head Delegate, 2013, 2016

Peer Tutor, Department of Modern Languages, French and Italian, 2014

Washington University in St. Louis

CEILE (Community for Exploration and Innovation in Learning Environments)

Fall 2025-Spring 2026

Association for Teaching, Research, and Practice Faculty (ATRAP) Reading Community: *Polished* on first generation and low-income students

Fall 2025

Course Design Institute and Continuing and Professional Studies (CAPS)

**Teaching
training**

Foundations courses
 Spring 2025
 Inclusive Writing and Reading Pedagogies Community of Practice of Faculty
 Fall 2024 - Spring 2025
Grading for Growth Reading Group
 Spring 2024
 Center for Teaching and Learning (CTL) Early Career Seminar
 Fall 2023
 CTL Teaching Triangles
 Fall 2023, Spring 2024
 CTL Workshop: Collaborative Learning
 17 August 2023
 Engage Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion 1: Community Commitments
 14 August 2023
 CTL: Course Design Institute, May 2023

American University of Sharjah

Certificate in Teaching and Learning Excellence, Fall 2022

Professional experience

National Model United Nations

Director, General Assembly First Committee, Washington, D.C.	2022-2023
Director, UN Population Fund, New York (cancelled due to COVID)	2019-2020
Director, UN High Commissioner for Refugees, New York	2018-2019
Director, Economic and Social Council, New York	2017-2018
Assistant Director, Commission on the Status of Women, New York	2016-2017

Orange County Board of Elections, North Carolina

Precinct Official Assistant, municipal election	2021
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Center for European Studies, UNC-Chapel Hill

Program Assistant	2018-2019
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Grants and fellowships

CEILE (Community for Exploration and Innovation in Learning Environments), WashU, 2000 USD for teaching purposes	2025-2026
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Summer Graduate Support Program	2022
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Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, UNC-Chapel Hill, 5000 USD + summer tuition

Uhlman Top-Up Award	2016-2021
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Department of Political Science, UNC-Chapel Hill, 25,000 USD

Jean Monnet Center of Excellence EU Summer Research Award	2019
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Center for European Studies, UNC-Chapel Hill, 3000 USD

NSF Research Experience for Undergraduates	2015
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Department of Political Science, University of North Texas, 4000 USD

Herman Brown Undergraduate Research Fellowship	2014
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Department of Political Science, TCU, 500 USD

Conferences

Defending “A Nation of Immigrants,” Defending Democracy: Explaining Anti-ICE Protests in the Second Trump Administration.	2026
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Stephanie N. Shady and Yoana Zamora Miranda. The Migration Conference. Bratislava, Slovakia.

- Migrant Inclusion Initiatives: Strategies and Consequences at the Regional Level.** 2025
Stephanie N. Shady. European Union Studies Association, Philadelphia, PA.
- Re-centering Humans in Quantitative Social Sciences.** 2024
Stephanie N. Shady. STL Political Science Pedagogy Conference, Washington University in St. Louis, MO.
- Christian Nationalism and Resistance to Humanitarianism: The Case of Refugee Resettlement. and Strategic Political Talk in Religious Contexts.** 2022
Stephanie N. Shady. Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Baltimore, MD.
- Mensheviks, Bolsheviks, and the Divide on the Religious Right: Conservative Pastors and the Use of Force.** 2022
Liesbet Hooghe, Gary Marks, and Stephanie N. Shady. Lessons of Post-Functionalism Conference, Robert Schuman Center, European University Institute, Fiesole, Italy.
- Religion Policy and Subnational Identity Construction: A Comparison of Catalonia, Spain, and Alsace-Moselle, France.** 2022
Stephanie N. Shady. European Union Studies Association, Miami, FL.
- Religion Policy and Subnational Identity Construction: A Comparison of Catalonia, Spain, and Alsace-Moselle, France.** 2022
Stephanie N. Shady. Europe: Consider It All! Conference, Center for European Studies, UNC-Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC.
- Foreign Policy Analysis Distinguished Scholar Panel Honoring James M. Scott.** 2022
James M. Scott, Jeff Pickering, Ralph G. Carter, A. Cooper Drury, Sara McLaughlin Mitchell, Yasemin Akbaba, Charles Rowling, and Stephanie N. Shady. International Studies Association, Nashville, TN.
- Territory and the Divine: The Intersection of Religion and National Identity.** 2019
Stephanie N. Shady. Inaugural Thomas M. Carsey Graduate Student Symposium, UNC-Chapel Hill, NC.
- Research Mentoring for Undergraduate and MA Students.** 2018
Ralph G. Carter, Clayton Thyne, James M. Scott, A. Cooper Drury, Sara McLaughlin Mitchell, Laron Williams, Charles Rowling, Pearce Edwards, Stephanie Shady, and Molly Brennan. International Studies Association-Midwest, St. Louis, MO.
- Divided We Blur: Internal Party Dynamics and Position Clarity.** 2018
Stephanie N. Shady. Duke Workshop on Radical Party Challenges and Realignment in Advanced Democracies, Durham, NC.

Invited talks

- Europeanization and Tolerance of Immigrants.** 2016
Stephanie N. Shady. Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- A Pimp's Game: A Rational Choice Approach to Understanding the Decisions of Sex Traffickers.** 2016
Vanessa Bouché and Stephanie Shady.
Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- Church-State Relations and the Integration of Muslim Immigrants in Western Europe.** 2016
Stephanie Shady. AddRan Festival of Scholarship and Creativity, TCU, Fort Worth, TX.
- From Service to Solidarity: The Evolution of Immigrant Advocacy and Nonprofit Work** 18 November 2025
RAISE: Response in Action: Students for Immigrant Justice, and Pi Sigma Alpha, Washington University in St. Louis, MO.
With Gabby Eissner, MICA Project.
- Understanding Immigration in 2025.** 23 September 2025
RAISE: Response in Action: Students for Immigrant Justice, Washington University in St. Louis, MO.
- Teaching and Learning in an Age of Precarious Student Visas.** 30 April 2025
Center for Teaching and Learning, Washington University in St. Louis, MO. With Katie Meyer, School of Law, and Margot Moinester, Sociology.
- Policy and Politics of Refugee Resettlement in Europe and the United States.** 17 October 2024
Global Population on the Move: Language and Resettlement with Law, Healthcare, and Education (taught by Katherine Kerschen), German and Applied Linguistics Dept., Washington University in St. Louis, MO.
- College Dems Immigration Panel.** 7 November 2023
Washington University in St. Louis, MO.
- Radical Right Parties in Europe.** 5 April 2023
Introduction to Political Studies (taught by Sammy Badran), American University of Sharjah, Sharjah, UAE.
- Religion Policy and (Sub)national Identity in Europe.** 24 November 2022
Comparative Politics (taught by Bethany Shockley), American University of Sharjah, Sharjah, UAE.

- Religion, Multiculturalism, and (Sub)national Identity in Comparative Context.** 29 September 2022
Dept. of International Studies Research Colloquium, American University of Sharjah, Sharjah, UAE.
- Religion, Multiculturalism, and (Sub)national Identity in Europe.** 20 April 2022
Introduction to Comparative Politics (taught by Claire Greenstein), The University of Alabama at Birmingham (virtual).
- Religion, Multiculturalism, and (Sub)national Identity in Europe.** 10 March 2022
Minorities in Social Science, Rice University (virtual).
- Heaven Is a Place on Earth: Religion and the Politics of Territorial Belonging.** 1 June 2021
EuroPOW (Politics Online Workshop), hosted by Seth Jolly (Syracuse University) and Catherine E. De Vries (Bocconi University).
- Territory and the Divine: The Intersection of Religion and National Identity.** 7 April 2021
TCU Political Science Distinction Program, Fort Worth, TX (virtual).
- Territory and the Divine: The Intersection of Religion and National Identity.** 19 February 2021
Uhlman Seminar, UNC-Chapel Hill Dept. of Political Science, Chapel Hill, NC.
- Pints and Politics: Brexit and the EU, What's Happening?** 2019
Panel with Dominic Nyhuis and Lucas Fernandez. UNC Center for European Studies and Carolina Public Humanities, Chapel Hill, NC.
- Who is European Analyzing European Identity in Subnational Contexts.** 2019
Stephanie N. Shady, Santiago Giron Gesteira, and Amaia Valparis. UNC Center for European Studies Graduate Panel, Chapel Hill, NC.
- Service to the Discipline**
Journal referee: *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies*, *Journal of Race and Ethnic Politics*, *Children and Society*, *Journal of Political Science Education*, *Religion and Politics*, *Journal of European Public Policy*, *Party Politics*
- Washington University in St.Louis**
Faculty Advisor 2024-
WashU International Relations Council (Model United Nations club)
Associate Director of Graduate Studies 2023-
Department of Political Science
Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship Advisor 2025-2027
Ariel Chavez (Salvadoran migration and identity beyond war through the lens of the pupusería)

Academic service

Senior Thesis Advisor in Political Science (graduation year in parentheses)

1. Noor Huda (2026, comparative gender and democratic backsliding)
2. Emma Nitsun (2026, book bans in the United States)
3. Nalay Soto-Prazos (2026, Cuban-American congressional responses to U.S. foreign policy)
4. Emma Feldmeier (2027, pro-democracy protests in the United States)
5. Rohan Patel (2027, Hindu nationalist rhetoric in cricket)
6. James Surnamer (2027, identity-based misinformation and democratic backsliding)
7. Emily Updike (2027, bureaucratic biases and asylum outcomes)

Senior Thesis Advisor in Global Studies (graduation year in parentheses)

1. Nicole Ambar de Santos (2026, migration across North American borders)
2. Maggie Chen (2027, immigrant transmission of native language to children)
3. Ian Gomez (2027, community network construction among Syrian refugees in Türkiye)

Second Reader for Senior Thesis in Political Science 2024-

American University of Sharjah

Faculty Co-Advisor, AUS Model United Nations 2022-2023

Research Colloquium Committee 2022-2023

Department of International Studies

UNC-Chapel Hill

Graduate Field Representative, Comparative Politics Spring 2019

Conference Student Organizer and Discussant 2019

Partisan Divides in Western Democracies Workshop

Conference Student Organizer and Discussant 2017-2018

[Radical Party Challenges and Realignment in Advanced](#)

Democracies, Department of Political Science, Duke University

Texas Christian University

Student Co-Chair, Political Science Distinction Program 2015-2016

Conference Assistant, Southwest Asian Conference 2015

Skills

Programming

R, STATA, Qualtrics, L^AT_EX

Languages

English (native), Spanish (highly proficient), French (proficient),

Arabic (intermediate in Modern Standard and Levantine),

Italian (conversational), Portuguese (beginner)

Honors and awards

Leaders in Political Science Education (LEAPS) Award 2024

Kappa Chapter at WashU of Pi Sigma Alpha

People's Choice Award, 3-Minute Thesis 2020

UNC Department of Political Science Uhlman Seminar

James W. Prothro Award for Outstanding Masters Research 2019

UNC Department of Political Science (best 2018 MA thesis)

James W. Riddlesperger, Jr. Award for Senior Scholar in 2016

Political Science

TCU Department of Political Science

Faculty Choice Award for Excellence in Spanish
TCU Department of Spanish and Hispanic Studies
Phi Sigma Iota, Foreign Language Honor Society
Pi Delta Phi, French Honor Society
Pi Sigma Alpha, Political Science Honor Society
Sigma Delta Pi, Spanish Honor Society

**Professional
memberships**

American Political Science Association
Sections: Migration and Citizenship, Religion and Politics
Affiliated groups: Women's Caucus, LGBTQ Caucus
European Union Studies Association