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## Education

### Harvard University

Ph.D., American Government, 2014

Dissertation: *"The Rational Non-Candidate: A Theory of (Uneven) Candidate Deterrence"*

Committee: J. Hochschild, C. Gay, J. Mansbridge, K. Schlozman

### Georgetown University

Ph.D. Candidate, American Government, 2004-2006

Minor field: Race, Gender & Public Policy

### Harvard College

B.A. with Honors, June 2001 (double major: Social Studies and Women's Studies)

## Publications

Shames, S. 2016. *The Rational Non-Candidate: Gender, Race, and Political Ambition* (working title). New York: NYU Press (forthcoming).

Shames, S. 2015. "American Women of Color and Rational Non-Candidacy: When Politics Looks Like Old White Men Shouting." *Citizenship Studies* 19(5); (N.P.; forthcoming).

Shames, S. 2014. "Making the Political Personal." *Politics & Gender Journal* 10(2); 287-292.

Schlozman, K.; Verba, S.; Brady, H.; and Shames, S. 2012. "What, if Anything, is to be Done?" In Schlozman, Verba, and Brady, *The Un-Heavenly Chorus: Unequal Political Voice in America*. Princeton: Princeton University Press.

Shames, S.; Kuo, D.; and Levine, K. 2011. "Culture War?: A Closer Look at the Role of Religion, Denomination, and Religiosity in U.S. Public Opinion on Multiple Sexualities." In Rayside, D. and Wilcox, C., eds. *Faith, Politics, and Sexual Diversity in Canada and the U.S.* Toronto: U. of BC Press.

Shames, S. 2010. "The Status of Women in Leadership in Political Science." In K. O'Connor, ed. *Gender and Women's Leadership: A Reference Handbook*. Washington, DC: Sage Press

Sapiro, V. and Shames, S. 2009. "The Gender Basis of Public Opinion." In Norrander, B. and Wilcox, C., eds. *Understanding Public Opinion, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition*. Washington, DC: CQ Press.

Shames, S. 2009. "At the Intersection of Inequalities." In King, G; Schlozman, K., and Nie, N., eds. *The Future of Political Science: 100 Perspectives*. New York: Routledge Taylor Frances Press.

Mansbridge, J. and Shames, S. 2008. "Toward a Theory of Backlash: Dynamic Resistance and the Central Role of Power." *Politics & Gender Journal* 4(4): 623-634. (Translated and reprinted in a special issue of *Recherches Feministes*, May 2012.)

Goss, K. and Shames, S. 2008. "Pathways to Child Care Policy." In Gelb, J and Palley, M.L., eds. *Women and Politics Around the World*. ABC-CLIO Press

Wilcox, C.; Brewer, P.; Lake, C., and Shames, S. 2007. "If I Bend This Far I Will Break?": Public Opinion on Same-Sex Marriage." In Wilcox, C. and Rimmerman, C., eds. *The Politics of Same-Sex Marriage*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press

Wilcox, C. and Shames, S. 2005. "Gender Politics in the United States: A Paradox." In *Gender Law and Policy Annual Review*: 111-132

Williams, J. and Shames, S. 2004. "Mother's Dreams: Abortion & the High Price of Motherhood." *University of Pennsylvania Law Review* 6 (4): 818-843

Shames, S. 2003. "The Un-Candidates: Gender & Outsider Signals in Women's Political Ads." *Women & Politics Journal* 25 (1/2): 115-146.

### Presentations/Conferences (selected)

"Gender Differences in Political Ambition among Elite Young People of Color." Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Pol. Science Assn. San Francisco, CA. September 2015.

"Barriers and Solutions to Increasing Women's Political Power." Paper presented at The Women Effect Symposium, sponsored by the Scholars Strategy Network and the Rockefeller and Wyss Foundations. Cambridge, MA. February 2015.

"Redefining the Stonewall: When and Why the Gay Rights Movement Adopted Marriage Equality as its Top Priority," with D. Manella. Paper presented at the New England Pol. Science Assn's annual meeting. Woodstock, VT. April 2014.

"Roots of Political Ambition: Race, Gender, and Eligibles' Expectations." Paper presented at the New England Political Science Assn's annual meeting. Portsmouth, NH. April 2012.

"Doubly Bound Revisited: Further Investigations into Race and Gender Effects of Descriptive Representation," with Cropper, P. Conference paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Assn's annual meeting. Chicago, IL. April 2008.

"Raising Money, Raising Hackles: Polarization of the Abortion Debate through Fundraising Techniques," with Weiner, G. Paper presented at the Southern Political Science Assn's annual meeting. Atlanta, GA. January 2006.

"The Gender Consciousness of Conservative Women," with Wilcox, C. and Robinson, C.L. Paper presented at American Political Science Assn's annual meeting. Washington, DC. August 2005.

### Papers in Progress

"Race and Candidate Ambition"

"Anticipating Hating Politics: Why Good Eligibles Won't Run"

"Democratization and the Troubling Case(s) of Women's Suffrage," with E. Saunders-Hastings.

"Sex Scandals as Windows of Opportunity for Women Candidates?," with D. Wittmer.

## Fellowships, Grants, and Awards

**Research Fellowship**, RAND Institute, Rutgers-Camden, research on South Jersey, 2015  
**Dissertation Fellowship**, Ash Center for Democratic Governance, Harvard Kennedy School, 2012-13  
**Dissertation Fellowship**, Center for American Political Studies at Harvard, 2011-12  
**Research Grant** for Data Collection, Institute for Quantitative Social Science at Harvard, 2010  
**Research Grant** for Data Collection, Taubman Center for State and Local Governance, Harvard Kennedy School of Government, 2010  
**Research Grant** for Data Collection, Center for American Political Studies at Harvard, 2010  
**Honored Nominee**, Starr Prize in Undergraduate Advising, Harvard University.  
**Hoopes Prize in Social Science**, Undergraduate Senior Thesis: “The Un-Candidates: Gender & Outsider Signals in Women’s Political Advertising.”

## Teaching

**Assistant Professor**, Rutgers University-Camden (NJ)

“Research Design,” PhD Level, (Spring 2016)  
“Quantitative Methodology” (Spring 2016 and Spring 2015)  
“The American Presidency” (Fall 2015)  
“Dystopian Government in Futuristic Fiction” (Fall 2015)  
“Introduction to American Politics” (Spring 2015)  
“Politics of Minority Groups” (Fall 2014)  
“Political Methodology” (Fall 2014)

**Instructor**, Harvard University (MA)

“Women in U.S. Politics” (Spring 2013)

**Instructor**, Berea College (KY)

“Introduction to Women’s Studies” (Fall 2009 and Spring 2010)  
“Riding the Waves of Feminism” (Fall 2009)  
“What Can Futuristic Fiction Teach Us about Ourselves, Now?” (Fall 2009)  
“In Their Own Words: Race, Class, Gender, and Appalachia” (Spring 2010)

**Teaching Fellow**, Harvard University (MA)

“Senior Thesis-Writers’ Tutorial” (Fall 2011, Spring 2012)  
“Democracy (Soph. Gov. Tutorial),” with E. Nelson and P. Singh (Spring 2011); with Nancy Rosenblum and T. Colton (Spring 2009)  
“Is the American Racial Order Being Transformed?,” with J. Hochschild (Fall 2010)

**Teaching Assistant**, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MA):

“Introduction to Public Policy,” with A. Campbell and G. McKissick (Fall 2008)

**Teaching Assistant**, Georgetown University (D.C.)

“Intro to American Government,” with: S. Wayne (Fall 2004); M. Rom (Spring 2005); M. Swers (Spring 2006); C. Wilcox (Fall 2005)  
“Women in Politics,” with D. Brazile (Fall 2005, Spring 2006)

**Teaching Training Certificate**, Bok Center for Teaching & Learning (Harvard, May 2012)

## Professional Activities & Service

**Book and Manuscript Reviewer**, 2005-present:

Berrett-Koehler Press, Oxford University Press, *Social Science Quarterly*, *Political Research Quarterly*,  
*Harvard Political Review*

**Coordinator**, American Politics Research Workshop, Harvard Dept. of Government, 2012-13

**Coordinator and Mentor**, “Mentoring in American Politics” Program for undergraduates, Center for  
American Political Studies at Harvard, 2010-2013

**Tutor in ESL**, Harvard BRIDGE Program, 2010-11

**Member**, American Political Science Assn (2005-present)

## Other Professional Experience

**Rapporteur**, Conferences in 2004, 2005, and 2007, Salzburg Global Seminar (Austria)

**Research Director**, 2001-2003, The White House Project (New York, NY)

**Executive Assistant to the President**, 2003-4, National Organization for Women, NOW (D.C.)

## Skills

**Language:** Spanish (conversational)

**Computer Programs:** Stata, SPSS, Atlas.ti, Microsoft Office, PageMaker

**Course Website Development Tools:** Blackboard, iSites, Moodle

**Amateur Playwright** (“Losing Ground,” NYC, 2003)