
Curriculum Vitae

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Education

- 2006 **Ph.D., Political Science**, Rice University, Houston (TX)
 2003 **M.A., Political Science**, University of Illinois, Chicago (IL)
 1997 **M.P.H., Public Health**, University of Illinois, Chicago (IL)
 1994 **B.A., Philosophy**, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor (MI)

Academic Employment

- 2014 – . . . **Associate Professor**, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
 Political Science Department
 Milwaukee (WI)
 2011 – 2014 **Assistant Professor**, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
 Political Science Department
 Milwaukee (WI)
 2006 – 2011 **Assistant Professor**, Macalester College
 Political Science Department
 Saint Paul (MN)

Scholarship

- 2015 Shah, Paru. “Stepping Up: Black Political Ambition and Success.” *Politics, Groups and Identities*, forthcoming.
 2015 Juenke, Eric Gonzalez and Paru Shah. “Not the Usual Story: The Effect of Candidate Supply on Models of Latino Descriptive Representation.” *Politics, Groups and Identities*, forthcoming.
 2014 Shah, Paru. “It Takes a Black Candidate: A Supply-side Theory of Minority Representation.” *Political Research Quarterly*:67(2): 266-279.
 2013 Shah, Paru, Melissa Marschall and Anirudh Ruhil. “Are We There Yet? The Voting Rights Act and Black Representation on City Councils, 1981-2006.” *Journal of Politics*: 75(4): 933-1008.
 2012 Shah, Paru and Melissa Marschall. “The Centrality of Racial and Ethnic Politics in American Cities and Towns.” In Susan Clarke, Peter John and Karen Mossberger (eds.) *Oxford Handbook on Local Politics*. England: Oxford University Press.

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- 2012 Marschall, Melissa, Paru Shah and Katharine Donato. "Parent Involvement Policy in Established and New Immigrant Destinations." *Social Science Quarterly*, 93 (1): 130-151.
- 2011 Shah, Paru and Melissa Marschall. "The Latino Student-Teacher Gap in Immigrant Gateways: Structural Constraints and Policy Solutions." In David Leal and Kenneth Meier (eds.) *The Politics of Latino Education*. New York: Teachers College Press.
- 2011 Marschall, Melissa, Paru Shah and Anirudh Ruhil. "Symposium: The Study of Local Elections: A Looking Glass into the Future." *PS: Political Science and Politics*, January.
- 2010 Marschall, Melissa, Anirudh Ruhil and Paru Shah. "The New Racial Calculus: Electoral Institutions and Black Representation in Local Legislatures." *American Journal of Political Science*, 54 (January): 107-124.
- 2010 Shah, Paru. "Racing towards Representation: A Hurdle Model of Latinos and School Boards." *American Politics Research*, 38 (January): 84-109.
- 2009 Shah, Paru. "Motivating Participation: Estimating the Impact of Symbolic Representation on Latino Parent Involvement." *Social Science Quarterly*, 90 (1): 212-230.
- 2007 Marschall, Melissa and Paru Shah. "The Attitudinal Effects of Minority Incorporation: Examining the Racial Dimensions of Trust in Urban America." *Urban Affairs Review*, 42 (May): 629-658.
- 2005 Marschall, Melissa and Paru Shah. "Keeping Policy Churn off the Agenda: Urban Education and Civic Capacity." *Policy Studies Journal*, 33 (May): 161-180.

Scholarly Work Under Review

"The Intersection of Race and Partisanship: White Bias and Minority Representation in the States" (with Eric Gonzalez Juenke).

"Linking the Process and Outcomes of Parent Involvement Policy to the Parent Involvement Gap" (with Melissa Marschall).

"Black Candidates and Black Turnout: A Study of Mayoral Elections in the New South" (with Luke Keele and Ismail White).

Scholarly Work In Progress

"Neighborhood Disruptions and Resilience: The Foreclosure Crisis, Homeownership and Voter Turnout" (with Amber Wichowsky).

"Immigrant Political Ambition: New Americanas and the Quest for Political Office" (with Tyler Reny).

"Multiracial Places and Faces: Minority Representation in Changing Racial Contexts" (with Melissa Marschall and Jaehoo Park).

"Race and Guessing Games: Comparing Three Methods to Classify Race of Candidates" (with Nicholas Davis and Michael Tofias).

Invited Presentations

- 2009 “The Impact of Policies and Representation on Minority Parent Involvement,” (with Melissa Marschall). *Underrepresented Groups in Subnational Politics Conference*, Rice University, Houston, May.
- 2007 “Schools and Parental Involvement Policies in U.S. Immigrant Gateway Cities,” (with Melissa Marschall and Katharine Donato.) *Social Science Research Council, Second International Workshop: Immigrant Communities, Education, Civic and Cultural Inclusion*, New York, December.
- 2004 “The Latino Student-Teacher Gap in Immigrant Gateways: Structural Constraints and Policy Solutions” (with Melissa Marschall.) *Politics of Latino Education Conference*, Austin, TX, December.

Conference Participation

- 2014 “Are the Effects of Foreclosures Contagious? Estimating Individual-level Voter Turnout in Milwaukee” (with Amber Wichowsky). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the *American Political Science Association*, Washington, DC, August.
- 2014 “Race and Gender Gaps on the Ballot Explain Descriptive (Under) Representation ” (with Eric Gonzalez Juenke). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the *American Political Science Association*, Washington, DC, August.
- 2014 “Multiracial Places and Faces: Minority Representation in Changing Racial Contexts” (with Melissa Marschall and Jaehoo Park). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the *Midwest Political Science Association*, Chicago, Illinois, April.
- 2014 “Neighborhood Resilience in the Face of Foreclosure” (with Amber Wichowsky). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the *Midwest Political Science Association*, Chicago, Illinois, April.
- 2014 “Race and Guessing Games: Comparing Three Methods to Classify Race of Candidates” (with Nicholas Davis and Michael Tofias). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the *Midwest Political Science Association*, Chicago, Illinois, April.
- 2014 “Black Candidates and Black Turnout: A Study of Mayoral Elections in the New South” (with Luke Keele and Ismail White). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the *Midwest Political Science Association*, Seattle, Washington, April.
- 2014 “Immigrant Political Ambition: New Americans and the Quest for Political Office” (with Tyler Reny). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the *Western Political Science Association*, Seattle, Washington, April.
- 2014 “Race, Partisanship and Minority Representation in the States” (with Eric Gonzalez Juenke). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the *Western Political Science Association*, Seattle, Washington, April.
- 2013 “Neighborhoods Disrupted: The Foreclosure Crisis, Homeownership and Voter

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- Turnout” (with Amber Wichowsky). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the *American Political Science Association*, Chicago, Illinois, April.
- 2013 “Closing the Racial Gap: Estimating Black Political Ambition. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the *Midwest Political Science Association*, Chicago, Illinois, April.
- 2013 “Minority Candidate Emergence in the States: What Election Losers Can Teach Us about Representation” (with Eric Gonzalez Juenke). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the *Midwest Political Science Association*, Chicago, Illinois, April.
- 2013 “Black Candidates and Black Turnout: A Study of Mayoral Elections in Louisiana” (with Luke Keele and Ismail White). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the *Midwest Political Science Association*, Chicago, Illinois, April.
- 2012 “Institutional Progressivism and Interracial Coalition Formation in Urban School Districts” (with Rene Rocha). Paper presented at the September 2012 PRIEC/Politics, Groups and Identities Workshop, Purdue University, IN.
- 2012 “Linking Descriptive to Substantive Representation: The Logic of Interracial Policy Coalitions” (with Rene Rocha). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the *Midwest Political Science Association*, Chicago, Illinois, April.
- 2012 “The Supply Side of Minority Representation: When and Where do Minority Candidates Run and Win?” (with Melissa Marschall and Nick Davis). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the *Midwest Political Science Association*, Chicago, Illinois, April.
- 2011 “The Supply Side of Minority Representation: When and Where do Minority Candidates Run?” (with Melissa Marschall). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the *American Political Science Association*, Seattle, Washington, September.
- 2011 “Multiracial Contexts and Representation: The Impact of Racial/Ethnic Demographic Shifts on Black and Latino Descriptive Representation” (with Melissa Marschall). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the *Southwest Political Science Association*, Las Vegas, Nevada, March.
- 2010 “Ghosts of Disenfranchisement Past: The Voting Rights Act, Electoral Institutions and Minority Representation in Local Legislatures” (with Melissa Marschall and Anirudh Ruhil). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the *Midwest Political Science Association*, Chicago, Illinois, April.
- 2009 “Minority City Representation: New Directions in Models and Data” (with Melissa Marschall and Anirudh Ruhil). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the *Midwest Political Science Association*, Chicago, Illinois, April. Nominated for the Lucius Barker Award for best paper on a topic investigating race or ethnicity and politics.
- 2007 “Schools and Parental Involvement Policy: A Macro-Level Analysis of Immigrant Gateway Districts” (with Melissa Marschall and Katharine Donato). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the *American Political Science Association*, Chicago, Illinois, August.
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- “I Got Here First: Black Representation on City Councils and Boards” (with Melissa Marschall and Anirudh Ruhil). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the *Midwest Political Science Association*, Chicago, Illinois, April.
- “Motivating Participation: Estimating the Impact of Symbolic Representation on Latino Parent Involvement.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the *Southern Political Science Association*, New Orleans, Louisiana, January.
- 2006 “Parental Involvement and Educational Outcomes for Minority Students” (with Melissa Marschall and Renita Miller). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the *Southern Political Science Association*, New Orleans, January.
- 2005 “Representation and Educational Opportunities for Latinos” (with Melissa Marschall). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the *Midwest Political Science Association*, Chicago, Illinois, April.
- “The Attitudinal Effects of Minority Incorporation: Examining the Racial Dimensions of Trust in Urban America” (with Melissa Marschall). Paper presented at the *Southwestern Political Science Association*, New Orleans, Louisiana, March.
- 2004 “Building Virtuous Circles: The Case of Empowerment Zones.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the *Midwest Political Science Association*, Chicago, Illinois, April.
- 2003 “Revisiting the Question of Civic Capacity and Urban School Reform,” (with Melissa Marschall). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the *American Political Science Association*, Philadelphia, PA, August.
- “The Institutional and Social Context of Urban School Reform,” (with Melissa Marschall). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the *Canadian Political Science Association*, Halifax, Nova Scotia, May.

Professional Awards/Recognition

- 2008 Best Paper Award: “Schools and Parental Involvement Policy: A Macro-Level Analysis of Immigrant Gateway Districts”(with Melissa Marschall and Katharine Donato). American Political Science Association, Urban Politics Section.
- 2007 Best Dissertation Award. American Political Science Association, Urban Politics Section.
- 2006 Allen Saxe Best Paper Award: “The Attitudinal Effects of Minority Incorporation: Examining the Racial Dimensions of Trust in Urban America” (with Melissa Marschall). Southwestern Social Science Association.

Grants

- 2013–2014 Research Growth Initiative (\$125,000). University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Graduate School.
- 2012–present Support for Undergraduate Research Fellows (\$25,000). University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Office of Undergraduate Research.

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- 2010–2013 Collaborative Research: Local Elections in America Project (LEAP) (\$639,410; \$48,000 supplement). National Science Foundation, Political Science and Office of Cyberinfrastructure CF21 Venture Fund. Co-PI: Melissa Marschall (Rice University, TX).
- 2010–2011 Local Elections in America Project (LEAP)(\$25,085). Enriching Rice through Information Technology (ERIT) Innovation Funding Program. Co-PI: Melissa Marschall (Rice University, TX).
- 2009 Local Elections in America Project (LEAP) Workshop (\$50,000). National Science Foundation, SES - Political Science. Co-PIs: Anirudh Ruhil (Ohio University, OH) and Melissa Marschall (Rice University, TX).
- Mellon Curricular Pathways Grant (\$1,975). Macalester College.
- 2007 Bush Intersections Grant (\$5,000). Macalester College.
- 2005–2006 Bryan Jackson Dissertation Research Support Award (\$2000). American Political Science Association, Urban Politics Section.
- 2003–2005 Dissertation in Political Science Research Grant (\$12,000). National Science Foundation.

Professional Service

Journal and Proposal Referee: American Journal of Politics, American Politics Research, National Science Foundation, Social Science Quarterly, Political Research Quarterly, Political Behavior, Urban Studies

Professional Affiliations: American Political Science Association, Midwest Political Science Association, Southern Political Science Association

University Service

Member, LACUSL Steering Committee

Member, Urban Studies Faculty

Member. Asian Faculty and Staff Steering Committee

Community Service

Member, Scholars Strategy Network

Elected School Board Member, Shorewood School District, WI