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EDUCATION

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

Ph.D. Government, 2027 (Anticipated)

Committee: Stephen Ansolabehere (Co-Chair), Ryan D. Enos (Co-Chair), Jon A. Krosnick

Stanford University, Stanford, CA

B.A.H. Political Science, Departmental Honors and University Distinction, 2021

Minor in History and Law

Pine Crest School, High School Diploma, Fort Lauderdale, FL, 2017

University of Chicago, Biotechnology Certificate, Chicago, IL, 2013

PAPERS

[1] **Dardet, Matthew E.**, and Jon A. Krosnick. "Eliciting Informed Public Judgments: What Contingent Valuation Can Contribute to Political Psychology." *Advances in Political Psychology*. Invited submission; proposal approved; manuscript in preparation.

[2] **Dardet, Matthew E.**, Jennifer L. Hochschild, and Elizabeth Suhay. Accepted. "Support for Autonomy and Scientific Expertise in American Public Opinion." *The ANNALS of the American Academy of Political and Social Science*.

[3] Carpenter, Daniel, **Matthew E. Dardet**, Anushka Bhaskar, Leah Z. Rand, William B. Feldman, and Aaron S. Kesselheim. 2025. "Does Policy Uncertainty Boost Vaccine Hesitancy? Political Controversy, the FDA, and COVID-19 Vaccine Hesitancy in Fall 2020." *Journal of Health Politics, Policy and Law* 50 (3): 397–437.

BOOK MANUSCRIPTS

[1] **Dardet, Matthew E.**, Matthew K. Berent, and Jon A. Krosnick. *Question Splicing: Optimizing the Design of Questions in Longitudinal Surveys.* Quantitative Applications in the Social Sciences (QASS) Book Series. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications. Invited submission; proposal in preparation.

[2] **Dardet, Matthew E.**, Jon A. Krosnick, Richard C. Bishop, Kevin J. Boyle, Richard T. Carson, David J. Chapman, Michael B. Conaway, Matthew DeBell, W. Michael Hanemann, Barbara J. Kanninen, Raymond J. Kopp, John A. List, Kerry M. Martin, Norman F. Meade, Robert C. Mitchell, Stanley Presser, V. Kerry Smith, and Jeffrey M. Wooldridge. *Valuing Public Goods*. Under review by six publishers.

WORKING PAPERS

[1] **Dardet, Matthew E.** "Risk and Ideology in America." Job Market Paper.

[2] **Dardet, Matthew E.**, and Shun Yamaya. "How Campaign Advertising Shapes Political Talk." Working paper.

[3] **Dardet, Matthew E.**, Emily Ekins, and Ryan D. Enos. "Resentment Toward Whom? Ideology, Target Groups, and the Measurement of Racial Resentment." Working paper.

[4] **Dardet, Matthew E.**, and Arjun Vishwanath. "Why You Should Measure Spatial Ideology with a Spatial Question." Working paper.

Papers In Progress

[1] **Dardet, Matthew E.** "Personality, Survey Response, and Sample Representativeness."

[2] **Dardet, Matthew E.**, and Arjun Vishwanath. "Do Issue Stances Derive from Belief Systems? Comparing the Roles of Left-Right Ideology and Values."

Grants & Fellowships

1. Dissertation Completion Fellowship, Harvard University (2026)
2. Harvard Center for American Politics Graduate Seed Grant (2025)
3. George and Patricia White Graduate Fellowship, Harvard University (2025)
4. William Yandell Elliott Fellowship, Harvard Department of Government (2021)
5. Presidential Scholarship, Harvard Graduate School of Arts and Sciences (2021)

Awards for Research & Scholarship

1. Audience Choice Award, Harvard Government 13th Annual Poster Session (2024)
2. Award for Distinguished Honors Thesis, Stanford Department of Political Science (2021)
3. Regeneron Science Talent Search (STS) Semifinalist (2017)
4. Siemens Competition Regional Finalist (2017)
5. Miami Herald Silver Knight Award, Science Category (2017)
6. Sigma Xi Research Competition, First Place (2016)

Awards for Teaching

1. Derek Bok Center for Teaching and Learning Teaching Certificate (2025)
2. Harvard Undergraduate Association Teaching Award (2023)

Other Awards

1. Pi Sigma Alpha Honor Society (2020)

Talks

1. "Risk and Ideology in America," American Political Science Association (APSA) Annual Meeting 2026, Boston, MA, September 5, 2026

2. "How Campaign Advertising Shapes Political Conversation," APSA Preconference in Political Communication and Politics and Computational Social Science (PaCSS), Boston University, Boston, MA, September 2, 2026 (Paper with Shun Yamaya)

3. "Risk and Ideology in America," Job Market Papers Workshop, Institute for Humane Studies, Boston, MA, September 1–2, 2026

4. "Can Surveys Measure Informed Public Preferences Regarding Government Policies? An Evaluation of the Contingent Valuation Method," International Society of Political Psychology (ISPP) Annual Meeting 2026, Newcastle-Upon-Tyne, UK

5. "Political Risk Aversion and Partisan Sorting in the American Electorate," CSAP American Politics Conference, Yale University, New Haven, CT, May 28, 2026

6. "Do Political Campaigns Stimulate Interest and Conversation?," 4th Annual Elections, Public Opinion, and Voting Behavior (EPOVB) Conference, Washington University in St. Louis, MO, May 21, 2026 (Poster with Shun Yamaya)

7. "Why You Should Measure Ideology on a 100-Point Scale," 83rd Annual Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Conference, Chicago, IL, April 23, 2026 (Paper with Arjun Vishwanath)

8. "Voter Reasoning Under Uncertainty: Retrospective and Prospective Risk Evaluations in Electoral Decision-Making" 82nd Annual Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Conference, Chicago, IL, April 5, 2025

9. *Modern Approaches to Contingent Valuation*, Political Economy of Public Opinion Panel, 82nd Annual Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Conference, Chicago, IL, April 5, 2025 (Book with Jon A. Krosnick and colleagues)

10. "The Expansion of the Internet and Campaign Donations in the U.S.," 82nd Annual Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Conference, Chicago, IL, April 5, 2025 (Paper with Shun Yamaya)

11. "Do Issue Stances Derive from Belief Systems? Comparing the Roles of Left-Right Ideology and Values," 81st Annual Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Conference, Chicago, IL, April 5, 2024 (Paper with Arjun Vishwanath)

12. "Broadband Internet and Campaign Donations," Society for Political Methodology (PolMeth) Conference XL, Stanford University, July 10, 2023 (Poster with Shun Yamaya)

13. "Celebrating Robert Mitchell: The Legacy of Contingent Valuation Survey Methodology," AAPOR Annual Conference, Philadelphia, PA, May 11, 2023 (Panel with Stanley Presser, Richard T. Carson, W. Michael Hanemann, and Jon A. Krosnick)

14. "Internet Expansion and Patterns of Campaign Finance," American Politics Research Workshop, Harvard University, February 21, 2023

15. "Measuring the American Voter: Experimental Evidence from the 2008 ANES on Improving Survey Data Quality," Political Psychology Research Group Spring Colloquium, Stanford University, May 24, 2021

TEACHING

Political Psychology (GOV 1372), Head Teaching Fellow, Fall 2025
Overall Rating: 4.9 out of 5.0
The Mysteries of Public Opinion (GOV 97), Instructor (Designed Course), Spring 2025
Overall Rating: 4.9 out of 5.0
Election Data Analytics (GOV 1347), Sole Teaching Fellow, Fall 2024
Overall Rating: 5.0 out of 5.0
Survey Research Methods (GOV 1010), Sole Teaching Fellow, Spring 2024.
Overall Rating: 5.0 out of 5.0
American Government: A New Perspective (GOV 30), Teaching Fellow, Fall 2023.
Overall Rating: 4.8 out of 5.0

Undergraduate Thesis Supervision
Jaden Bharara, Harvard University, 2025. Awarded *magna cum laude*.

MEDIA

Interview with *Yahoo News* for Mather (2024): "Do 1 in 5 adults under 30 really believe the Holocaust didn't happen? Not so fast. How some online polling practices are fueling misinformation."

WORK EXPERIENCE

Harvard Digital Lab for the Social Sciences (DLABSS), Cambridge, MA

Lab Manager & Survey Methodologist — **Winter 2022 to Present**

Political Psychology Research Group, Stanford, CA

Research Assistant — **Fall 2019 to Summer 2021**

Stanford University School of Medicine, Stanford, CA

Research Assistant — **Winter 2017 to Summer 2019**

Max Planck Florida Institute for Neuroscience, Jupiter, FL

Data Scientist, Intern **Summer 2017**

Professional Service

Co-President, Harvard Government Department Graduate Students Association, 2025–2026

Coordinator, New England Political Psychology Conference (NEAPP), 2025

Coordinator, Harvard Working Group in Political Psychology (WOGPOP), 2024–2025

Webmaster, Harvard Government Graduate Students Association, 2021–2025

Professional Memberships

American Association for Public Opinion Research (AAPOR), Member, 2020–Present

American Political Science Association (APSA), Member, 2021–Present

American Economic Association (AEA), Member, 2021–Present

Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA), Member, 2024-Present

Society for Political Methodology (SPM), Member, 2021–Present

Languages, Technologies, and Statistical Models

- Python, Java, C, C++, MATLAB, LaTeX, R, Stata, SPSS, Qualtrics
- TensorFlow, Keras, Git
- Survey Statistics and Methodology, Contingent Valuation, Causal Inference, Regression Models, Instrumental Variables, RDDs, Bootstrapping, Machine Learning, Deep Learning (CNN, GAN), LLMs, Text-as-Data