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RESEARCH INTERESTS & EXPERTISE

Comparative Politics, European Union Politics, Political Behaviour, Political
Representation, Quantitative and Qualitative Content Analysis, Ideological
Scaling, Public Opinion, Survey Analysis, Quantitative Methods.

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Lecturer **Swansea University**
September 2016 – now
Lecturer in Comparative Politics

Sessional **Trinity College Dublin**
Lecturer October 2015 – September 2016
Part-time lecturer for the social science course on European Union
Politics in the department of European Studies

EDUCATION

PhD **Trinity College Dublin**
Political Science, 2012-2017

“Input Democracy in the European Union: Political Representation in
Inputs to EU Executives”

Prof. Gail McElroy (supervisor)
Prof. Simon Hix (external examiner)
Prof. William Phelan (internal examiner)

MPhil **Trinity College Dublin**
European Studies, 2010-2011
Distinction

“Halved Rulers: Media Systems and Political Culture in Italy and
Romania”

BA **Università degli Studi di Cagliari**
Linguistics and Journalism, 2007-2010
110/110 cum laude

University College Dublin
Visiting Erasmus Student, 2009-10

PROJECTS

“The Policy, Oversight and Vote-seeking Functions of Written Parliamentary Questions in the European Parliament: a Mixed-Methods Approach” – invited to revise and resubmit at *European Union Politics*

“The EU Democratic Deficit: Representation Inequalities in the European Parliament” – invited to revise and resubmit at *European Union Politics*

**CONFERENCES
and
TALKS**

EPSA General Conference 2017

APSA Annual Meeting 2016 (poster)

EPSA General Conference 2016

ECPR General Conference 2015

**GRANT, AWARDS
and HONOURS**

Warren E. Miller Scholarship 2015 - *University of Michigan, ICPSR*

Dermot McAleese Award for Teaching Excellence 2015 - *Trinity College Dublin, School of Philosophy and Social Sciences*

Government of Ireland Postgraduate Scholarship 2014-2016 - *Irish Research Council*, PhD research proposal quality scored at 94/100.

Trinity College Dublin Studentship Award 2012-2014 - *Trinity College Dublin*

Best University Graduate Award 2010 – *Università degli Studi di Cagliari*
Campus-wide award to the 13 best students on the basis of grades and time of completion.

Best Foreign Languages Graduate Award 2010 - *Università degli Studi di Cagliari, School of Foreign Languages*
School-wide award to the 3 best students on the basis of grades and time of completion.

Undergraduate Study Grants, 2008-2010 - *Autonomous Region of Sardinia*
Awarded on the basis of merit

High School Excellence Award 2007 - *Ministry for Education, Italian Government*
Nation-wide award to the top 0.6% of Italian High School Graduates.

**TEACHING
EXPERIENCE**

Undergraduate

2016-2017 *Introduction to Politics and IR*
2016-2017 *Politics and the People*
2016-2017 *The State and Political Institutions*
2016-2017 *Researching Politics: Political Representation*
2016-2017 *Parliamentary Studies*
2016-2017 *Dissertation Supervision*
2015-2016 *European Union Politics*
2015-2016 *Research Methods for Political Science (TA)*
2013-2015 *Comparative Politics (TA)*
2012-2013 *Introduction to Political Science (TA)*

Graduate

2016-2017 *European Union Politics*
2015-2016 *Research Methods for Political Science (TA)*

**PROFESSIONAL
TRAINING**

EITM Certificate in Multivariate Analysis

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, 2015
Grade: A+

EITM Certificate in Maximum Likelihood Estimation

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, 2015
Grade: A

Postgraduate Certificate in Statistics

Trinity College Dublin, School of Computer Science and Statistics, 2014-2015
Grade: Distinction

Certificate in Academic Teaching

Trinity College Dublin, Centre for Academic Practice, 2012

**STATISTICAL
SOFTWARES/
PROGRAMMING**

Stata
R
SPSS
Python
Wordstat/QDA Miner

**RESEARCH
ASSISTANCE**

Project: Professional Backgrounds of Members of the European Parliament (2013)

Principal Investigator: Prof. Gail McElroy
Trinity College Dublin

Project: Psychological Traits of Prospective Election Candidates (2013)

Principal Investigator: Prof. Gail McElroy
Trinity College Dublin

**SERVICE /
PROFESSIONAL
EXPERIENCE**

Personal Tutor (2016-2017)
Swansea University

PhD Representative and Postgraduate Seminar Convener (2015-2016)
Trinity Research In Social Science (TRISS)
Trinity College Dublin

Academic and Legal Staff (2013)
Irish Constitutional Convention

Education and Conferences Trainee (2011)
Public Affairs Ireland
