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RESEARCH INTERESTS / EXPERTISE

Political Behaviour, Political Representation, Public Opinion, Comparative Politics, European Union Politics, Quantitative Research Methods, Text Analysis, Survey Experiments.

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Lecturer (Assistant Professor) in Quantitative Politics April 2020 - now
School of Politics and IR & Q-Step Centre, *University of Kent*
• Affiliations: Global Europe Centre, Q-Step Centre, Political Psychology Lab

Visiting Fellow in European Politics May 2020 - now
European Institute, *London School of Economics*
• Affiliations: LSE Political Behaviour Research Group

LSE Fellow in European Politics Sept 2017 - March 2020
European Institute, *London School of Economics*
• Affiliations: LSE Political Behaviour Research Group

Lecturer in Comparative Politics Sept 2016 - Aug 2017
Dept. of Political and Cultural Studies, *Swansea University*
• Affiliations: Political Analysis and Governance (PAG) Research Group

Adjunct Lecturer Sept 2015 - Aug 2016
Centre for European Studies - *Trinity College Dublin*
• Co-convener of the interdisciplinary module on the European Union

EDUCATION

PhD in Political Science Sept 2012 - Apr 2017
Department of Political Science, *Trinity College Dublin*

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

Committee: Prof. Gail McElroy (Supervisor); Prof. Simon Hix (External Examiner); Prof. William Phelan (Internal Examiner)

MPhil in European Studies Sept 2010 - Dec 2011
Centre for European Studies, *Trinity College Dublin*
Distinction

BA Linguistics and Journalism Sept 2007 - Jul 2010
Facoltà di Lingue e Letterature Straniere, *Università degli Studi di Cagliari*
110/110 cum laude

- Visiting Erasmus Student 2009-2010 *University College Dublin*

PUBLICATIONS

1. Sorace, M. (2018). The European Union democratic deficit: Substantive representation in the European Parliament at the input stage. *European Union Politics*, 19(1), 3-24.
2. Sorace, M. (2018) Legislative Participation in the EU: An analysis of questions, speeches, motions and declarations in the 7th European Parliament. *European Union Politics*, 19(2), 299-320.
3. Sorace, M., Hobolt S. B. (*forthcoming*)“A Tale of Two Peoples: Motivated Reasoning in the aftermath of the Brexit Vote” *Political Science Research and Methods*
4. Sorace, M. (*forthcoming*) “ The Politics of Debate in the European Parliament” book chapter in: Back, H. et al. *Politics of Debate in Democracies* - Oxford University Press

UNDER REVIEW

1. “First- or Second-Order? Retrospective Voting in the EP2019 Elections” - review and resubmit
2. “Competing and Competitive Legislatures and the Policy-Opinion Link” - under review

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

1. Archibugi, M. and Sorace, M. “Is Brexit a contest between low-earning Leavers and high-earning Remainers?” *LSE Brexit Blog* 18th March 2019
2. Sorace, M. “Topic-modelling the 2019 European Parliament elections: The long awaited battle over the ‘soul of Europe’?” *LSE European Politics and Policy Blog* 14th February 2019
3. Sorace, M. and Hobolt, S. B “Distorted perceptions: how Leavers and Remainers view the economy – and with what consequences” *LSE British Politics and Policy Blog* 14th August 2018
4. Sorace, M. “The European Parliament is more representative of European citizens than we give it credit for” *LSE European Politics and Policy Blog* 8th January 2018
5. Sorace, M. “Taking back control, actually: reforming the European Parliament elections” *LSE European Politics and Policy Blog* 19th June 2017

GRANTS

<i>RIIF Fund 2019/2020</i>	£11,440
LSE	
<i>Research Seed Fund 2019/2020</i>	£2,000
LSE European Institute	
<i>Research Seed Fund 2018/2019</i>	£1,920
LSE European Institute	
<i>Warren E. Miller Scholarship 2015</i>	\$4,000 (ca. £3,300)
University of Michigan (ICPSR)	
<i>GoI Postgraduate Scholarship 2014-16</i>	€47,600 (ca. £43,300)
Irish Research Council	
<i>TCD Studentship Award</i>	€36,000 (ca. £32,700)
Trinity College Dublin	

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS **EPOP** 2018; **EPSA** 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020; **APSA** 2016 (Poster), 2020; **ECPR** 2015

PUBLIC TALKS

1. “Brexit and Public Opinion: How to Reconcile the Divide?” *LSE Civil Service Lecture Series*, 20/03/2019
2. “Can the EU Regain Democratic Legitimacy?” *King’s College London European Society*, 21/01/2019
3. “The Five Star Movement” *Politics.co.uk* Podcast with Ian Dunt 18/05/2018
4. “Analysis of the Italian Election” *Chatham House Webinar* 05/03/2018
5. “What do the Italian Elections mean for Europe?” *London School of Economics Public Events* 31/01/2018
6. “Taking Back Control: Fact or Fiction? Parties’ responsiveness to voters in the European Parliament” Brexit Public Event, *Department of Political and Cultural Studies, Swansea University* 10/05/2017
7. “Voter and party-level explanations of the changes within the Republican Party” Public event US Elections 2016: Alternative Perspectives *Department of Political and Cultural Studies, Swansea University* 20/10/2016.

WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

1. “Competing and Competitive Legislatures and the Policy-Opinion Link” - *ECR Seminar Series*, 29 July 2020
2. “Retrospective Voting in the 2019 European Parliament Elections” , The European Elections 2019 Workshop, *ACES, University of Amsterdam*, 30 January 2020
3. “20 Years of Legislative Debate in the EP” , The Politics of Legislative Debate Workshop, *University of Mannheim*, 23-25 October 2019
4. “Gendered political agendas in the Irish Dáil” , Political Campaigning, Messaging, and Rhetoric workshop, *University College London*, 5 September 2019
5. “The EU and Political Representation: Controversies, Open Puzzles and Novel Empirical Strategies” , EU Decision-Making Workshop, *University of Cologne*, 21-22 November 2018
6. “R Crash Course” , VAM Workshop Series, *European Institute, London School of Economics and Political Science*, 05 March 2018

TEACHING*Graduate*

2020-2021	Qualitative Methods in Politics
2019-2020	Evidence and Analysis in Policy-Making (Research Methods Course)
2019-2020	Policy Incubator (Capstone-style Policy Project)
2019-2020	The Politics and Policies of Brexit
2018-2020	Europeanisation: The EU's impact on policy, politics and politics
2017-2020	Dissertation Supervision (26)
2017-2020	Policy-making in the European Union
2017-2019	History and Theory of European Integration
2016-2017	European Union Politics
2015-2016	Research Methods for Political Science (TA)

Undergraduate

2020-2021	Making Your Own Data: Web Scraping & Text Mining
2020-2021	Making Sense of Politics
2017-2018	People, Politics and Institutions in Europe
2016-2017	Dissertation Supervision (9)
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	Introduction to Politics and IR
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)

TEACHING AWARDS

LSE Class Teacher Awards 2019 - Winner - LSE
LSE Class Teacher Awards 2018 - Highly Commended (Inspiring Teaching) - LSE
Derмот McAleese Award for Teaching Excellence 2015 - Winner - TCD
Teaching Award for Postgraduate Students 2015 - School Nominee - TCD

TEACHING CERT.

Certificate in Academic Teaching 2012
 Centre for Academic Practice (CAP), Trinity College Dublin

METHODS TRAINING

Postgraduate Certificate in Statistics 2015
 School of Computer Science and Statistics, Trinity College Dublin
 Distinction

EITM Certificate in Multivariate Analysis 2015
 ICPSR, University of Michigan
 Grade: A+

EITM Certificate in Maximum Likelihood Estimation 2015
 ICPSR, University of Michigan
 Grade: A

Quantitative Text Analysis 2014
 PhD module, Trinity College Dublin
 Grade: A

	Quantitative Analysis II	2013
	PhD module, Trinity College Dublin Grade: A	
	Quantitative Analysis I	2012
	PhD module, Trinity College Dublin Grade: B+	
SOFTWARES	Stata, R, SPSS, WordStat/QDA Miner, QGIS, L ^A T _E X	
RESEARCH ASSISTANCE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project: <i>MEPs' Professional Backgrounds</i> (2013) Principal Investigator: Prof. Gail McElroy Trinity College Dublin • Project: <i>Psychological Traits of Irish Election Candidates</i> (2013) Principal Investigator: Prof. Gail McElroy Trinity College Dublin 	
PROFESSIONAL SERVICE	Reviewer Comparative Political Studies European Union Politics Journal of Elections, Public Opinion & Parties; West European Politics; European Journal of International Relations; Politique Européenne	
	Cumberland Lodge Conference Coordinator	2019-2020
	European Institute - London School of Economics	
	Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Committee Member	2019-2020
	European Institute - London School of Economics	
	Editor - LEQS Discussion Paper Series	2018-2020
	European Institute - London School of Economics	
	Research Stream Coordinator	2017-2020
	Stream: Governance and Democracy in the EU European Institute - London School of Economics	
	Personal Tutor/Academic Advisor	2016-Present
	Swansea University - London School of Economics	
	Committee Member - BA Politics Curriculum Review	2016-2017
	Department of Political and Cultural Studies - Swansea University	
	PhD Representative and Research Seminar Convener	2015-2016
	Trinity Research In Social Science (TRISS) - Trinity College Dublin	
	Academic and Legal Staff	2013
	Irish Constitutional Convention	