

# Abigail G. Jorgensen

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## EDUCATION

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- 2016-present     **UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME**     Notre Dame, IN  
*Ph.D. in Sociology, minor in Gender Studies*  
*M.A. in Sociology*
- Advisor: Mary Ellen Konieczny
  - Thesis committee: Mary Ellen Konieczny, Elizabeth McClintock, and Jessica Collett
- 2012-2016     **UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME**     Notre Dame, IN  
*B.A., double major in Political Science and Gender Studies, minor in Theology*
- Senior thesis: “My Strategy Brings All the Boys to the Yard: An analysis of the gender gap and its impact on the swing vote in United States presidential elections”
    - Genevieve D. Willis Senior Thesis Prize, 2016, *University of Notre Dame*, \$150

## PUBLICATIONS AND MANUSCRIPTS

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### Published

Bartels (nee), Abigail. 2016. “Variance in Quotas and Women in Legislatures.” *Through Gendered Lenses: 67-89*. Phillip L. Quinn Essay Prize, 2016, *University of Notre Dame*, \$100

### In Progress

“Do Political Institutions Improve Health?: A Cross-National Analysis of Democracy, State Health Spending, and Weberian Bureaucracy” (with Erin McDonnell, University of Notre Dame), *under review*

“Becoming the Mommy Politic,” Master’s thesis, *in progress*

“To Boldly Make What No Man Has Made Before: Self, society, and stuff,” journal article, *in progress*

“All’s Fair in Academia and War: Besiegement theory and Women’s and Gender Studies departments,” journal article, *in progress*

“Left Behind: The unseen cultural impacts of gender quota implementation,” journal article, *in progress*

“Traditions Are What Bring Us Together Today: The U.S. Wedding Project” (with Libby Trudeau, University of Notre Dame), set of journal articles, *in data collection*

## HONORS AND AWARDS

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- Outstanding Graduate Student Teacher Award, *Kaneb Center for Teaching and Learning* and *University of Notre Dame Graduate School*, 2016-2017. \$100.
- Recipient, Striving for Excellence in Teaching Certificate, *Kaneb Center for Teaching and Learning*, 2017.
- Richard and Peggy Notebaert Premier Fellow, *University of Notre Dame*, 2016 – 2022. \$30,000 annually.
- Sorin Fellow, *Center for Ethics and Culture*, 2016 – 2017.
- Undergraduate Fellow, *Center for the Study of Religion and Society*, 2014 – 2015. \$1200.
- Honors Fellow, *Intercollegiate Studies Institute*, 2014 – 2015.
- Debate Scholarship Recipient, *University of Notre Dame*, 2012 – 2016. Total of \$27,280.

## GRANTS

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- **Conference Presentation Grant**, *Notebaert Professional Development Fund*, for a presentation of “All’s Fair in War and Academia” at the 17<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Gender in Warsaw, Poland; July 1, 2017. \$1,792.79.
- **Comprehensive Summer Grant** for project entitled “Proportional Representation’s Effect on Women,” *Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program*, Summer 2015. \$1,900.

- **Break Travel and Research Grant** for project entitled “Danish and Catholic: An overview of politics and Catholicism in the world’s least religious country,” *Nanovic Institute*, Winter 2014. \$1,215.
- **Research and Materials Grant** for project entitled “Morality on Posters: The impact of moral issues on the Danish elections for the European Union,” *Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program*, Summer 2014. \$550.
- **Break Travel and Research Grant** for project entitled “Morality and Political Leadership: the Danish party view of campaigning on moral issues,” *Nanovic Institute*, Winter 2013
- **Conference Presentation Grant**, *Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program*, for a presentation of “Danish and Catholic: An overview of politics and Catholicism in the world’s least religious country” at the National Conference on Undergraduate Research, April 16-18, 2015 in Spokane, Washington. \$1,467.
- **Conference Presentation Grant**, *Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program*, for a presentation of “The Gender Gap: Women, Religion, and U.S. Politics” at Conversations in Feminism, Law, & Religion Conference in St. Paul, Minnesota; March 20-21, 2014. \$500.

## RELEVANT WORK EXPERIENCE

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- 2016-present      **UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME DEPARTMENT OF SOCIOLOGY**      Notre Dame, IN  
*Teaching Assistant for Dr. Mary Ellen Konieczny’s Introduction to Sociological Theory, Fall 2017*
- Attends lectures and takes attendance
  - Manages assignments and submissions on the class website
  - Holds office hours
  - Assists with grading of papers
  - Will lecture on Weber’s Bureaucracy
- Research Assistant for Dr. Erin McDonnell, Kellogg Associate Professor*
- Completed literature synthesis for Dr. McDonnell’s book
  - Managed a data collection project with an undergraduate assistant
  - Coauthors articles on development and health (specifically, government and child mortality)
- 2016-present      **UNIVERSITY WRITING CENTER**      Notre Dame, IN  
*Project Lead and Co-Founder, University Presenter Center*
- Trains, schedules, and manages four to six tutors a semester for the Presenter Center
  - Completes all administrative tasks of the Presenter Center
  - Acts as liaison to the Hesburgh Library System, which houses the Presenter Center
  - Provides individual and group presentation consultations for faculty, staff, students, and community members
- Graduate Tutor*
- Provides one-on-one writing consultations for faculty, staff, students, and community members
  - Worked as the Writing Center representative for Fall and Spring Break Dissertation Campus (hosted by the Hesburgh Libraries) 2016-2017
    - Presented two goal-setting sessions daily throughout the five day camp
    - Gave half-hour presentations on dissertation logs at each camp
    - Provided Writing Center consultations to campers
- 2013-2016      *Undergraduate Tutor*
- Provided one-on-one writing and presenting consultations for faculty, staff, and students
  - Worked as the Administrator of the Presenter Center in its first year
    - Scheduled and trained tutors
    - Assisted with advertising the Presenter Center across campus

## PRESENTATIONS

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- “To Boldly Make What No Man Has Made Before: Self, Society, and Stuff,” *roundtable presentation*  
Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association; Montreal, Quebec; August 12-15, 2017
- “Variance in Quotas and Women in Legislatures: The Impact of Factors Affecting Quota Implementation on Quota Success,” *panel presentation*  
17<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Diversity in Organizations, Communities, and Nations; Toronto Conference Center; July 26-28, 2017

- “All’s Fair in Academia and War: Siege theory and the academic study of gender”, *paper presentation*  
17<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Gender Studies; Warsaw, Poland; July 1, 2017
- “Becoming the Mommy Politic: A staircase theory of the motherhood shift in voting behavior,” *workshop presentation*  
Gender Studies Research Workshop, University of Notre Dame; March 30, 2017
- “Marginalizing the Marginalized: Besiegement theory, ‘those other’ feminists, and Women’s and Gender Studies departments,” *panel presentation*  
Intersectional Inquiries & Collaborative Action Conference; University of Notre Dame; March 2, 2017
- “Oral Presentations at the Writing Center,” *panel presentation*  
East Central Writing Centers Association Conference 2016; University of Mount Union; March 5, 2016
- “30 Minutes, Go! Preparing for the Writing Section of the GRE,” *workshop*  
University Writing Center Workshops; University of Notre Dame; September 21, 2015, and February 23, 2016
- “Danish and Catholic: A crisis of identity,” *panel presentation*  
Undergraduate Scholars Conference; University of Notre Dame; May 1, 2015
- “Danish and Catholic: An overview of politics and Catholicism in the world’s least religious country,” *panel presentation*  
National Conference on Undergraduate Research; Eastern Washington University; April 18, 2015
- “The Well-Child Syndrome,” *panel presentation*  
Irish State of Mind Student Panel; University of Notre Dame; October 7, 2014
- “The Gender Gap and Resulting Swing Vote as Consequences of Party Strategy,” *panel presentation*  
Undergraduate Scholars Conference; University of Notre Dame; May 2, 2014
- “The Republican Southern Strategy and Its Effect on Women,” *panel presentation*  
Bursting Gender’s Bubble Conference; University of Notre Dame; April 4, 2014
- “The Gender Gap: Women, Religion, and U.S. Politics,” *panel presentation*  
Conversations in Feminism, Law & Religion Conference; University of St. Thomas; March 20, 2014

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## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- 2017 – present Member of the Organization for Research on Women and Communication
- 2017 – present Member of the American Sociological Association
- Member of the Section on Family, 2017 – present
  - Member of the Section on Social Psychology, 2017 – present
  - Member of the Section on Political Sociology, 2017 – present
- 2017 – present Member of Sociologists for Women in Society
- 2015 – 2016 Member of Alpha Phi Chapter, Iota Iota Iota Gender Studies Honors Society

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## LANGUAGES AND PROGRAMMING

- English (fluent)
- Spanish (basic)
- Danish (basic)
- Stata (proficient)
- Qualtrics Survey Design and Administration (fluent)

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## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- Elected Graduate Student Representative, *Gender Studies Steering Committee*, University of Notre Dame, 2017-2018
- Reviewer, *National Women’s Studies Association*, 2017 Conference
- Member, *Graduate Student Advisory Panel*, Hesburgh Libraries, August 2016 – present
- Panel presider, *East Central Writing Center Association’s* annual conference, “Conversations and Encounters: Exploring Ethics in the Writing Center,” April 11, 2015

## COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

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- Nominated Member, Graduate Opportunities Leadership Development, University of Notre Dame's Graduate School, September 2016 – present
- Conference Faculty, Leadership Institute, based in Arlington, Virginia, May 2013 – present
  - 11 conference locations, including Ottawa, Canada
- Speaker, Ryan Hall Real Talk Series, University of Notre Dame, August 31, 2016
  - Topic: “Life Transitions: Excitements and Challenges”
- Resident Assistant, Badin Hall, University of Notre Dame, August 2015 – May 2016
- Captain, Parliamentary Debate Team, University of Notre Dame, August 2015 – May 2016
- Co-Founder, Presenter Center, University of Notre Dame, January 2015 – present
- Debater, Parliamentary Debate Team, University of Notre Dame, August 2012 – May 2016
- Liturgical Commission Chair, Badin Hall, University of Notre Dame, August 2013 – May 2015

## REFERENCES

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- **Mary Ellen Konieczny, Ph.D.**  
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- **Matthew Capdevielle, Ph.D.**  
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