

## Melanie L. Phillips

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University of California, Berkeley  
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- EDUCATION **University of California, Berkeley**, Berkeley, California **2014 - Expected: May 2021**  
PhD Candidate, Political Science *Subfields: Comparative Politics and Political Behavior*
- University of California, Berkeley**, Berkeley, California **2016**  
M.A., Political Science.
- University of California, San Diego**, La Jolla, California **2014**  
B.A., International Studies; Political Science *with Honors*
- RESEARCH INTERESTS
- Party Politics
  - Women in Politics
  - Candidate Selection
  - Field Experiments
  - Elite Interviews
  - Survey Experiments
- BOOK PROJECTS L. Arriola, M. Johnson, M. Phillips (Nd). *Women and Power in Africa: Aspiring, Campaigning, and Governing in New Democracies*. Forthcoming from Oxford University Press.
- PUBLICATIONS M. Johnson, M. Phillips (2019). Gender Politics. In Gabrielle Lynch and Peter VonDoepp (Eds.), *Routledge Handbook of Democratization in Africa*. London: Routledge Press. (with M. Johnson)
- L. Arriola, L. Rakner, and M. Phillips (Nd). Same Rules, Higher Costs: Womens Pathways to Candidacy in Zambia. In L. Arriola, M. Johnson, M. Phillips (Eds.), *Women and Power in Africa: Aspiring, Campaigning, and Governing in New Democracies*. Forthcoming from Oxford University Press
- UNDER REVIEW Paying to Party: Candidate Resources and Party Switching in New Democracies (with Arriola, Choi, Davis, and Rakner) R & R with *Party Politics*
- OTHER WORKS Phillips, (2020). Partnership Lessons 5: Malawi Taxes for Public Services with the Institute for Public Opinion and Research. EGAP Featured Resources
- WORK IN PROGRESS
- Family Matters: Gendered Candidate Selection by Party Gatekeepers
- The Recommendations of Gatekeepers
- Women's Household Bargaining Power and Abortion Policy Preferences: Evidence from Zambian Politicians with L. Arriola, J. Davis, D. Choi, and L. Rakner
- Partisanship, Gender, and the Structure of Politician Networks in Zambia with L. Arriola, J. Davis, D. Choi, and L. Rakner

FELLOWSHIPS	NSF Political Science Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant (\$23,000)	2019
	John L. Simpson Memorial Research Fellowship (\$15,000)	2019
	Smart Fellowship (\$5,000)	2018
	Rocca Fellowship (\$6,000)	2017, 2018
	Boren Fellowship (Declined)	2017
	Regents Fellowship - University of California, Berkeley	2014, 2015
	Department of Political Science Fellowship	2014, 2015
	Florence Staiger Lonn; Education Grant	2014
McNair Summer Fellowship	2013	
HONORS AND AWARDS	Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor	Fall 2016
	University of California, San Diego: Honors in International Studies; Political Science.	June, 2014
INVITED PRESENTATIONS	“Survey and Experimental Methods.” Bergen Exchanges on Law & Social Transformation	2019
	“Party Building and Politician Defection.” Bergen Exchanges on Law & Social Transformation	2019
CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS	American Political Science Association Annual Meeting	2016; 2017; 2019; 2020
	African Studies Association Annual Meeting	2016; 2019
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	<b>Instructor</b> African Politics	Spring 2021
	<b>Instructor</b> Women and Politics in Comparative Perspective	Summer 2019; Spring 2020; Summer 2020; Fall 2020
	<b>Graduate Student Instructor</b> Gender and International Human Rights	Spring 2018
	<b>Graduate Student Instructor</b> Introduction to Comparative Politics	Spring 2017
	<b>Graduate Student Instructor</b> Gender and International Human Rights	Fall 2016
	<b>Mentor</b> Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship Program	Spring 2019
	<b>Mentor</b> Smart Mentor Program	2018
	<b>Mentor</b> The Undergraduate Research Apprentice Program	2018-2020
RESEARCH EXPERIENCE	<b>Research Assistant</b>	
	Program on Security Institutions and Violent Instability (Minerva)	2016 - 2020
	Enhancing African Studies Curriculum Project	2016 - 2017
	Political Accountability in Patronage Democracies by Jennifer Bussell	2016 - 2017
TECHNOLOGICAL SKILLS	Computer Programming: Python; R; STATA Applications: QGIS; ArcMap; Qualtrics; L <sup>A</sup> T <sub>E</sub> X; NVivo; Weebly (Website Builder); Windows	

SERVICE

**Editorial Assistant** Africa Spectrum **2019 - present**  
**Graduate Student Representative** Admissions Committee **2017-2018**  
**Coordinator** Women in Political Science, UC Berkeley, **2016-2017**  
**Member** Pi Sigma Alpha; American Political Science Association; African Politics Conference  
Group; African Studies Association; Women in Politics