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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2025–present Associate Professor of Political Science, University of California, Berkeley
Vice-Chair and Director of Undergraduate Studies
Center for Effective Global Action (CEGA) Faculty Affiliate
- 2023–2025 Assistant Professor of Political Science, UC Berkeley
- 2015–2023 Assistant Professor of Political Science, Vanderbilt University
- 2014–2015 Postdoctoral Fellow, Harvard Kennedy School (WAPPP) and Freie Universität Berlin
- 2019–2020 Visiting Research Fellow, Uppsala University, Sweden

EDUCATION

- 2014 Ph.D. Political Science, University of Washington (Chair: Margaret Levi)
- 2007 B.A. Economics, University of Redlands

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Articles

23. Chojnacki, Lauren, and Amanda Clayton. 2026. "When the Personal Becomes Political: Sexual Assault and Women's Political Engagement." *Journal of Politics*. Ahead of print.
22. Clayton, Amanda, Diana O'Brien, and Jennifer Piscopo. 2026. "Electoral Gender Quotas and Democratic Legitimacy." *American Political Science Review*. 120(1), 123-140.
21. Clayton, Amanda, Boniface Dulani, Katrina Kosec, and Amanda Robinson. 2026. "Representation Increases Women's Influence in Climate Deliberations: Evidence from Community-Managed Forests in Malawi." *American Journal of Political Science*. 70(3), 1077-1096.
20. Clayton, Amanda, Diana O'Brien, and Jennifer Piscopo. 2024. "Founding Narratives and Men's Political Ambition: Experimental Evidence from U.S. Civics Lessons." *British Journal of Political Science*. 54(1), 129-151.
19. Clayton, Amanda, Diana O'Brien, and Jennifer Piscopo. 2023. "Women Grab Back: Exclusion, Policy Threat, and Women's Political Ambition." *American Political Science Review*. 117(4), 1465-1485.
18. Bush, Sarah, and Amanda Clayton. 2023. "Facing Change: Gender and Climate Change Attitudes Worldwide." *American Political Science Review*. 117(2), 591-608.
17. Clayton, Amanda, Daniel de Kadt, and Nicolas Dumas. 2023. "Daughters Do Not Affect Political Beliefs in a New Democracy." *Journal of Experimental Political Science*. 10(1), 137-147.
16. Clayton, Amanda, Diana O'Brien, and Jennifer Piscopo. 2023. "Exclusion by Design." *Politics & Gender*. 19(4), 1251-1255.
15. Clayton, Amanda, and Pär Zetterberg. 2021. "Gender and Party Discipline: Evidence from Africa's Emerging Party Systems." *American Political Science Review*. 115(3), 869-884.
14. Clayton, Amanda. 2021. "How Do Electoral Gender Quotas Affect Policy?" *Annual Review of Political Science*. 24, 235-252.
13. Anderson-Nilsson, Georgia, and Amanda Clayton. 2021. "Gender and Policy Persuasion." *Political Science Research and Methods*. 9(4), 818-831.
12. Clayton, Amanda, Amanda Robinson, Martha Johnson, and Ragnhild Muriaas. 2020. "(How) Do Voters Discriminate Against Women Candidates? Experimental and Qualitative Evidence from Malawi."

Comparative Political Studies. 53(3-4), 601-630.

11. Clayton, Amanda, Diana O'Brien, and Jennifer Piscopo. 2019. "All Male Panels? Representation and Democratic Legitimacy." *American Journal of Political Science*. 63(1), 113-129.
Winner, 2017 MPSA Breckinridge Award.
10. Clayton, Amanda, Cecilia Josefsson, Robert Mattes, and Shaheen Mozaffar. 2019. "In Whose Interest? Gender and Mass-Elite Priority Congruence in Sub-Saharan Africa." *Comparative Political Studies*. 52(1), 69-101.
9. Hughes, Melanie, Pamela Paxton, Amanda Clayton, and Pär Zetterberg. 2019. "Global Gender Quota Adoption, Implementation, and Reform." *Comparative Politics*. 51(2), 219-238.
QAROT dataset winner, 2022 APSA Best Dataset Prize.
8. Clayton, Amanda, and Belinda Tang. 2018. "How Women's Incumbency Affects Future Elections: Evidence from a Policy Experiment in Lesotho." *World Development*. 110, 385-393.
7. Clayton, Amanda. 2018. "Do Electoral Gender Quotas Really Reduce Bias? Evidence from a Policy Experiment in Southern Africa." *Journal of Experimental Political Science*. 5(3), 182-194.
6. Clayton, Amanda, and Pär Zetterberg. 2018. "Quota Shocks: Electoral Gender Quotas and Government Spending Priorities Worldwide." *Journal of Politics*. 80(3), 916-932.
5. Clayton, Amanda, Cecilia Josefsson, and Vibeke Wang. 2017. "Quotas and Women's Substantive Representation: Evidence from a Content Analysis of Ugandan Plenary Debates." *Politics & Gender*. 13(2), 276-304.
4. Clayton, Amanda. 2015. "Women's Political Engagement Under Quota-Mandated Female Representation: Evidence From a Randomized Policy Experiment." *Comparative Political Studies*. 48(3), 333-369.
3. Clayton, Amanda. 2014. "Electoral Gender Quotas and Attitudes toward Traditional Leaders: A Policy Experiment in Lesotho." *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*. 33(1), 1007-1026.
2. Clayton, Amanda, Cecilia Josefsson, and Vibeke Wang. 2014. "Present without Presence? Gender, Quotas, and Debate Recognition in the Ugandan Parliament." *Representation*. 50(3), 379-392.
1. Ahlquist, John S., Amanda B. Clayton, and Margaret Levi. 2014. "Provoking Preferences: Unionization, Trade Policy, and the ILWU Puzzle." *International Organization*. 68(1), 33-75.

Book Chapters

5. Clayton, Amanda, and Georgia Anderson-Nilsson. 2021. "Gender Experiments in Comparative Politics." In *Advances in Experimental Political Science*, ed. Donald Green and James Druckman. Cambridge University Press.
4. Clayton, Amanda. 2021. "Electoral Systems and Substantive Representation." In *Women and Power in Africa*, ed. Leonardo Arriola, Martha Johnson, and Melanie Phillips. Oxford University Press.
3. Johnson, Martha, Ragnhild Muriaas, Amanda Clayton, and Amanda Robinson. 2021. "Deeper Decentralization, Fewer Women?" In *Women and Power in Africa*, ed. Leonardo Arriola, Martha Johnson, and Melanie Phillips. Oxford University Press.
2. Ahlquist, John S., Margaret Levi, and Amanda B. Clayton. 2013. "Political Attitudes and Behavior among ILWU Members." In *In the Interest of Others*. Princeton University Press.
1. Levi, Margaret, Jon Agnone, and Amanda Clayton. 2012. "Trade Unions." In *The Oxford Companion to American Politics*. Oxford University Press.

Reviews

- Clayton, Amanda. 2024. Review of *Making Gender Salient* by Ana Catalano Weeks. *Politics & Gender*. 20(2), 522-524.

Peer-Reviewed Working Papers

- Clayton, Amanda, Jennifer Noveck, and Margaret Levi. 2015. “When Elites Meet: Decentralization, Power-sharing, and Public Goods Provision in Post-Conflict Sierra Leone.” Policy Research Working Paper No. 7335. World Bank.

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

- **Book project:** *The Climate Gender Gap: Where and Why Men and Women Think Differently about Climate Change*
With Sarah Bush. *Manuscript drafted.*
- When Crises Entrench Gendered Power: Male Elite Adaptation in the Ugandan Parliament
With Alyssa Heinze, Cecilia Josefsson, and Pär Zetterberg. *Manuscript resubmitted.*
- Women’s Group Empowerment Can Increase Political Participation: Evidence from Five Coordinated Field Experiments
EGAP Metaketa V. *Manuscript under review.*
- Kinship and Women’s Collective Action: Evidence from Patrilineal and Matrilineal Malawi
With Amanda Robinson, Boniface Dulani, and Asiyati Chiweza. *Manuscript under review.*
- Gender-Balanced Institutions Increase Public Trust in Post-Conflict Democracies
With Diana O’Brien, Jennifer Piscopo, Luis Camacho, and Zoe Slowinski.
- Gender and Resistance to Decarbonization in the Arabian Gulf
With Sarah Bush.
- Gender Quotas Change How Legislators Speak: Evidence from Namibia
With Cecilia Josefsson and Pär Zetterberg.

FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS, AND GRANTS

Funding \$1.8 million total, from the National Science Foundation, Swedish Research Council, USAID, EGAP, CGIAR, IFPRI, Balzan Prize for International Relations, and AAUW, among others
2021–2022 Early Career Award, Midwest Women’s Caucus for Political Science

SELECTED INVITED TALKS

Keynote addresses

2026 “Women in Leadership: Accelerating Development Outcomes,” World Bank Gender Department, Gates Foundation, and LSE Hub for Equal Representation in the Economy (LSE, London)
2026 Australian Society for Quantitative Political Science (Sydney)

Departmental and invited talks

2026 UCLA; UCSB; UW–Madison; Aarhus (Denmark)
2025 Yale; Columbia; Washington University; UC San Diego; European University Institute
2024 Stanford; University of Chicago; University of Washington; BYU; Korea University; WZB (Berlin)
2023 Princeton; USAID; Toronto Metropolitan University; National Academy of Sciences
2022 Stanford GSB/Doerr School of Sustainability; UCLA; Rochester; USAID DRG Forum
2021 Columbia; Syracuse; Royal Holloway (UK); University of Washington; World Bank
2020 Cornell; CASBS–Stanford; UCLA; UC Berkeley; USAID
2019 Oxford; LSE; CASBS–Stanford; University of Bergen (Norway); Rice; Texas A&M
2018 Harvard Kennedy School; Washington University
Pre-2018 Yale; NYU Abu Dhabi; ASU; Duke; Center for Global Development; Uppsala (Sweden)

SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

EGEN	2016-2021, 2023-2026 (including as host)
EGAP	2017-2019, 2023, 2024
APSA	2014–2017, 2019–2025
MPSA	2014, 2017
EPSA/EPSS	2015, 2019, 2026
ECPG	2013, 2015, 2019, 2024, 2026

SELECTED CONSULTING ROLES

USAID	Democracy, Human Rights, and Governance (DRG) programs (2020–2024)
OECD	Public Governance Directorate (2021)
World Bank	Poverty Reduction and Governance programs (2014-2015)

SELECTED SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

Department	Vice-Chair and Director of Undergraduate Studies, UC Berkeley (2025–present)
Discipline	Co-Director and Co-Founder, Empirical Study of Gender (EGEN) Research Network
Editorial	Associate editor, <i>Political Behavior</i> ; guest editor, <i>PNAS</i> ; editorial boards, <i>Comparative Political Studies</i> and <i>European Journal of Politics and Gender</i> ; over 200 peer reviews for journals and funding agencies

COURSES TAUGHT

Undergraduate	Political Economy of Gender; Introduction to Comparative Politics; Women in the Political Pipeline (WIPP) Initiative
Graduate	Politics of Climate Change; Politics of Gender; Comparative Political Economy; African Politics; Research and Writing (PS 290)

SELECTED MEDIA REFERENCES

Research covered by	The Economist , The New York Times , The Los Angeles Times , The Washington Post , FiveThirtyEight , Teen Vogue , and Foreign Policy , among others
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