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Bio

BIO

Michael Allen is an Assistant Professor of Political Science at Stanford University. His research interests span international political economy, international institutions, and law, with a focus on the politics of global capitalism. He studies how the growth of private authority influences domestic legal development and the power of countries to regulate foreign commerce. He also has ongoing research projects in related areas including special economic zones, transnational anti-corruption efforts and global competition law.

Prior to joining Stanford, he earned a PhD in Government from Cornell University and held postdoctoral positions at Yale University and Harvard University.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Assistant Professor, Political Science

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- PhD, Cornell University , Government
- BA, University of Iowa , Political Science and Chinese

LINKS

- My Website: https://www.modallen.com

Teaching

COURSES

2026-27

- International Relations Theory, Part III: POLISCI 410C (Spr)
- The Politics of International Law: INTNLREL 110E, POLISCI 110E (Spr)
- Workshop in International Relations: POLISCI 411C (Spr)

2025-26

- International Relations Theory, Part III: POLISCI 410C (Spr)
- The Politics of International Law: INTNLREL 110E, POLISCI 110E (Spr)
- Workshop in International Relations: POLISCI 411B (Win)
- Workshop in International Relations: POLISCI 411C (Spr)

2024-25

- International Relations Theory, Part III: POLISCI 410C (Spr)
- The Politics of International Law: POLISCI 211 (Aut)

STANFORD ADVISEES

Doctoral Dissertation Advisor (AC)

Kazumi Hoshino-Macdonald

Postdoctoral Research Mentor

Rikio Inouye

Doctoral (Program)

Zihan Xie

Publications

PUBLICATIONS

- **Democracy, Inequality, and Antitrust** *JOURNAL OF POLITICS*
  Allen, M. O., Scheve, K., Stasavage, D.
  2026
- **Thinking locally, acting globally: the domestic legitimacy of the US Federal Reserve as a global governor** *REVIEW OF INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS*
  O. Allen, M., Sahasrabuddhe, A.
  2025
- **Transnational Legal Spillover? A Re-Appraisal of the OECD Anti-Bribery Convention** *INTERNATIONAL STUDIES QUARTERLY*
  Acorn, E., Allen, M. O.
  2024; 68 (2)
- **Unbundling the State: Legal Development in an Era of Global, Private Governance** *INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION*
  Allen, M. O.
  2023; 77 (4): 754-788
- **Sustaining Capitalism and Democracy: Lessons from Global Competition Policy** *INTERNATIONAL STUDIES REVIEW*
  Allen, M. O., Scheve, K.
  2022; 24 (2)