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Bio

BIO

Simone Paci is a quantitative social scientist whose research and teaching spans political economy topics across public policy domains. His main three areas of research include taxation, AI, and gender politics.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Lecturer, Political Science

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- PhD, Columbia University , Political Science (2023)
- BA, Yale University , Economics and Political Science (2017)

LINKS

- Personal Website: https://simonepaci.com/

Teaching

COURSES

2026-27

- AI & Politics: POLISCI 158, POLISCI 358G, PUBLPOL 158 (Aut)
- Capstone Project - Autumn: POLISCI 290A (Aut)
- Capstone Project - Spring: POLISCI 290C (Spr)
- Capstone Project - Winter: POLISCI 290B (Win)
- Politics of AI: POLISCI 157 (Sum)
- The Science of Politics: POLISCI 1 (Aut, Win, Sum)

2025-26

- Capstone Project - Autumn: POLISCI 290A (Aut)
- Capstone Project - Spring: POLISCI 290C (Spr)
- Capstone Project - Winter: POLISCI 290B (Win)
- Politics of AI: POLISCI 157 (Sum)
- The Science of Politics: POLISCI 1 (Aut, Sum)

2024-25

- Capstone Project - Autumn: POLISCI 290A (Aut)
- Capstone Project - Spring: POLISCI 290C (Spr)
- Capstone Project - Winter: POLISCI 290B (Win)
- The Political Economy of Tax Evasion: POLISCI 249R, PUBLPOL 149 (Spr)

Publications

PUBLICATIONS

- **Is Research Safe in the AI Revolution? LLMs Fall Short of Expert Benchmarks in Scientific Evidence Evaluation** *CHINESE POLITICAL SCIENCE REVIEW*
  Paci, S.
  2026
- **Filling the tax gap: How private donations compensate a faltering fiscal contract** *AMERICAN JOURNAL OF POLITICAL SCIENCE*
  Paci, S.
  2025
- **Applications of GPT in Political Science Research: Extracting Information from Unstructured Text** *PS: Political Science & Politics*
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