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Bio

BIO

Michael Tomz is the William Bennett Munro Professor in Political Science and Chair of the Department of Political Science at Stanford University. He is also a Senior Fellow at the Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research, a Senior Fellow at the Stanford Center on Global Poverty and Development, and the Landreth Family University Fellow in Undergraduate Education.

Tomz has published in the fields of international relations, American politics, comparative politics, and statistical methods. He is the author of *Reputation and International Cooperation: Sovereign Debt across Three Centuries* and numerous articles in political science and economics journals.

Tomz received the International Studies Association's Karl Deutsch Award, given to a scholar who, within 10 years of earning a Ph.D., has made the most significant contribution to the study of international relations. He has also won the Giovanni Sartori Award for the best book developing or applying qualitative methods; the Jack L. Walker Award for the best article on Political Organizations and Parties; the best paper award from the APSA section on Elections, Public Opinion and Voting Behavior; the best paper award from the APSA section on Experimental Research; and the Okidata Best Research Software Award. His research has been supported by the National Science Foundation.

Tomz has received numerous teaching awards, including the Dean's Award for Distinguished Teaching and the Cox Medal for Excellence in Fostering Undergraduate Research. In 2017 he received Stanford's highest teaching honor, the Walter J. Gores Award for Excellence in Teaching. He founded and continues to direct the Summer Research College program for undergraduates in political science.

Tomz holds a Ph.D. from Harvard University; a master's degree from the University of Oxford, where he was a Marshall Scholar; and an undergraduate degree from Georgetown University. He has been a visiting scholar at the Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences, the Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, the Hoover Institution, the Institute for Research in the Social Sciences, and the International Monetary Fund.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Professor, Political Science
- Senior Fellow, Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research (SIEPR)

PROGRAM AFFILIATIONS

- Program in International Relations

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- B.S.F.S., Georgetown University , International Relations (1992)
- M.Phil., University of Oxford , Politics (1994)
- Ph.D., Harvard University , Political Science (2001)

LINKS

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Teaching

STANFORD ADVISEES

Doctoral Dissertation Reader (AC)

Madison Dalton, Hanna Folsz, Matthew Merrigan, Saikun Shi, Phedias Theophanous

Doctoral Dissertation Advisor (AC)

Alicia Chen, Alexander Pumerantz

Doctoral (Program)

Mae MacDonald, Madeline Materna, Alexander Pumerantz, Simon Siskel, Johannes Stupperich

Publications

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 - **Human Rights and Public Support for War** *JOURNAL OF POLITICS*
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 - **Does Private Regulation Preempt Public Regulation?** *AMERICAN POLITICAL SCIENCE REVIEW*
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 - **Conditional Cooperation and Climate Change** *COMPARATIVE POLITICAL STUDIES*
Tingley, D., Tomz, M.
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 - **Public Opinion and the Democratic Peace** *AMERICAN POLITICAL SCIENCE REVIEW*
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 - **Empirical Research on Sovereign Debt and Default** *ANNUAL REVIEW OF ECONOMICS, VOL 5*
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 - **International Finance** *Handbook of International Relations*
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