



Lauren Davenport

Professor of Political Science

 Curriculum Vitae available Online

Bio

BIO

Lauren Davenport is a Professor of Political Science. At Stanford, she is also affiliated with the Center for American Democracy; Comparative Studies in Race and Ethnicity; and Feminist, Gender, and Sexuality Studies. Her general research interests include American politics, public opinion, and race and ethnicity. In particular, her work centers around how racial and ethnic minorities in the U.S. develop their identities and political attachments. Her research has appeared in journals including the American Political Science Review, American Sociological Review, American Journal of Political Science, and Journal of Politics, and has been featured in national media outlets including The Wall Street Journal, CNN, Time magazine, NBC News, and National Public Radio. Her book, *Politics Beyond Black and White* (Cambridge University Press), assesses how social, historical, and economic processes help construct multiracial Americans' identities and political outlooks.

She has received several awards for her research and teaching, including the International Society of Political Psychology's David Sears Best Book Award, the Emerging Scholar Award from the Elections, Public Opinion and Voting Behavior section of the American Political Science Association (given to "the top scholar in the field who is within ten years of receiving her or his Ph.D."), the Phi Beta Kappa Excellence in Teaching Award, and the Stanford University Dean's Award for Distinguished Teaching.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Professor, Political Science

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

- Professor, Political Science, (2025- present)
- Associate Professor, Political Science, (2018-2025)
- Affiliated Faculty, Comparative Studies in Race and Ethnicity, Stanford University, (2012- present)
- Assistant Professor, Political Science, Stanford University, (2012-2018)

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Excellence in Teaching Award, Phi Beta Kappa (2024)
- Faculty Recognition Award, for outstanding service to students as a teacher, advisor, and mentor, Center for Comparative Studies of Race and Ethnicity, Stanford University (2024)
- Best Paper Award, American Political Science Association, Race and Ethnic Politics Section (2022)
- Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences, Fellow, Stanford University (2021-2022)
- Dean's Award for Distinguished Teaching, Stanford University, College of Humanities and Sciences (2021)

- Emerging Scholar Award, for the "top scholar in the field within 10 years of her or his Ph.D.", American Political Science Association, Elections, Public Opinion, and Voting Behavior section (2021)
- David Sears Best Book Award, International Society of Political Psychology (2019)
- Comparative Studies in Race and Ethnicity, Faculty Fellow, Stanford University (2018-2019)
- Clayman Institute for Gender Research, Faculty Fellow, Stanford University (2013 - 2014)
- Institute for Research in the Social Sciences, Faculty Fellow, Stanford University (2013 - 2014)
- Fellowship of Woodrow Wilson Scholars, Princeton University (2010 - 2011)
- University President's Fellowship, Princeton University (2006 - 2011)

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- Ph.D., Princeton University , Politics
- M.A., Princeton University , Politics
- B.A., University of Michigan , Political Science, French and Francophone Studies

LINKS

- My Website: <https://people.stanford.edu/ldd/>

Teaching

COURSES

2025-26

- Racial Formation in Comparative Perspective: South Africa and the United States: OSPCPTWN 89 (Aut)
- The Science of Politics: POLISCI 1 (Win)

2024-25

- The Science of Politics: POLISCI 1 (Win)
- Topics in American Political Behavior: POLISCI 420B (Win)

2023-24

- Racial-Ethnic Politics in US: POLISCI 121L, PUBLPOL 121L (Aut)
- The Science of Politics: POLISCI 1 (Spr)

2022-23

- Racial-Ethnic Politics in US: POLISCI 121L, PUBLPOL 121L (Aut)
- The Laboratory of the Study of American Values: POLISCI 423A, SOC 364A (Win)
- Topics in American Political Behavior: POLISCI 420B (Aut)

STANFORD ADVISEES

Doctoral Dissertation Reader (AC)

Sierra Davis, Emerald Fikejs, Jennifer Wu

Doctoral Dissertation Advisor (AC)

Chris Flores, Alena Smith, Miryea Sturdivant

Doctoral Dissertation Co-Advisor (AC)

Paige Hill

Doctoral (Program)

Emerald Fikejs, Chris Flores, Morgan Gillespie, Miryrea Sturdivant, Kesley Townsend, Brian Wu

Publications

PUBLICATIONS

- **Multiracial Identity and Political Preferences** *JOURNAL OF POLITICS*
Davenport, L., Franco, A., Iyengar, S.
2022
- **Racial Identity, Group Consciousness, and Attitudes: A Framework for Assessing Multiracial Self-Classification** *AMERICAN JOURNAL OF POLITICAL SCIENCE*
Davenport, L. D., Iyengar, S., Westwood, S. J.
2021
- **The Fluidity of Racial Classifications** *ANNUAL REVIEW OF POLITICAL SCIENCE, VOL 23*
Davenport, L.
edited by Levi, M., Rosenblum, N. L.
2020; 23: 221–40
- **Beyond Black and White: Biracial Attitudes in Contemporary US Politics** *AMERICAN POLITICAL SCIENCE REVIEW*
Davenport, L. D.
2016; 110 (1): 52-67
- **The Role of Gender, Class, and Religion in Biracial Americans' Racial Labeling Decisions** *AMERICAN SOCIOLOGICAL REVIEW*
Davenport, L. D.
2016; 81 (1): 57-84
- **ETHNIC CUEING ACROSS MINORITIES A SURVEY EXPERIMENT ON CANDIDATE EVALUATION IN THE UNITED STATES** *PUBLIC OPINION QUARTERLY*
Adida, C. L., Davenport, L. D., McClendon, G.
2016; 80 (4): 815-836