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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Political scientist specializing in American politics with expertise in public opinion, gender and politics, political psychology, and partisan identity. Extensive research on parenthood's impact on political attitudes, social issue polarization (abortion, marijuana policy), and mass political behavior during crises (COVID-19). Author of *The Politics of Parenthood* (SUNY Press) and 30+ peer-reviewed articles, including recent publications in *Science Advances* and *Political Research Quarterly*. Leading scholar on gender gaps in policy attitudes and the intersection of family structure with political ideology. Expert in survey research and experimental methods with frequent contributions to public discourse through major media outlets.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

North Carolina State University

- Professor, Department of Political Science (2013 – present)
- Associate Professor (2006-2013)
- Assistant Professor (2002-2006)

Previous Appointments

- Assistant Professor, Texas Tech University (2000-2002)
 - Visiting Assistant Professor, Oberlin College (1999-2000)
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EDUCATION

- **Ph.D. Political Science**, The Ohio State University, 1999
 - **M.A. Political Science**, The Ohio State University, 1997
 - **B.A. Political Science and History** (double major), Duke University, 1994
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MAJOR PUBLICATIONS

Books

Elder, Laurel, and Steven Greene. 2012. *The Politics of Parenthood: Causes and Consequences of the Politicization and Polarization of the American Family*. SUNY-Press, Albany, NY.

Selected Recent Publications (2021-2026)

Hawkins, Darren, Christopher F. Karpowitz, Steven Greene, Jay Goodliffe, Logan Graham, and Ashlyn Bodily. 2026. "The Poverty of Moral Foundation Messaging." *Political Communication*. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10584609.2026.2612739>

Elder, Laurel, Steven Greene, and Mary-Kate Lizotte. 2025. "Pregnancy Knowledge and Abortion Attitudes." *American Politics Research*. <https://doi.org/10.1177/1532673X251343036>

Deckman, Melissa, Laurel Elder, Steven Greene, and Mary-Kate Lizotte. 2024. "Deceptively Stable? How the Stability of Aggregate Abortion Attitudes Conceals Partisan Induced Shifts" *Political Research Quarterly*. 77(2), 500-517. <https://doi.org/10.1177/10659129231222883>

Larsen, Bradley, Timothy Ryan, Steven Greene, Marc Hetherington, Rahsaan Maxwell, and Steve Tadelis. 2023. "Counter-stereotypical messaging and partisan cues: Moving the needle on vaccines in a polarized United States" *Science Advances* 9(29) <https://doi.org/10.1126/sciadv.adg9434>

Greene, Steven, Marc Hetherington, Rahsaan Maxwell, and Timothy Ryan, 2021. "Public Service Announcements and Promoting Face Masks During the COVID-19 Pandemic." *PS: Political Science & Politics*, 1-6. doi:10.1017/S1049096521001086.

Elder, Laurel, and Steven Greene. 2021. "A Recipe for Madness: Parenthood in the Era of Covid-19" *Social Science Quarterly*. <https://doi.org/10.1111/ssqu.12959>.

Deckman, Melissa, Laurel Elder, Steven Greene, and Mary-Kate Lizotte. 2021. "Do moms demand action on guns? Parenthood and gun policy attitudes." *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion, and Political Parties*. <https://doi.org/10.1080/17457289.2020.1862130>

Peer-reviewed Publications:

Elder, Laurel, Steven Greene, and Mary-Kate Lizotte. 2025. "A survey experiment on post-Dobbs abortion bans." *Research & Politics*. <https://doi.org/10.1177/20531680251351916>

Deckman, Melissa, Laurel Elder, Steven Greene, and Mary-Kate Lizotte. 2023. "Abortion, religion, and racial resentment: Unpacking the underpinnings of contemporary abortion attitudes." *Social Science Quarterly*, 104(2):140-152. <https://doi.org/10.1111/ssqu.13237>

Christiani, Leah, Christopher Clark, Steven Greene, Marc Hetherington, and Emily Wager. 2021. "Masks and racial stereotypes in a pandemic: The case for surgical masks." *Journal of Race, Ethnicity, and Politics*. <https://doi.org/10.1017/rep.2021.9>

Elder, Laurel and Steven Greene. 2019. "Gender and the Politics of Marijuana." *Social Science Quarterly*, 100(1):109-122. <https://doi.org/10.1111/ssqu.12558>

Elder, Laurel, Steven Greene, and Mary-Kate Lizotte. 2018. "The Gender Gap on Public Opinion towards Genetically Modified Foods." *Social Science Journal* 55(4):500-509.

Elder, Laurel and Steven Greene, 2016. "Motherhood, Fatherhood and Political Attitudes in the 2012 Election," *Journal of Women, Politics & Policy* 37(4): 369-393.

Susan Banducci, Laurel Elder, Steven Greene, and Daniel Stevens. 2016. "Parenthood and the Polarization of Political Attitudes in Europe." *European Journal of Political Research*. 55: 745–766.

Elder, Laurel and Steven Greene. 2016. "Red Parents, Blue Parents: The Politics of Modern Parenthood." *The Forum* 14(2): 143–167.

Nyhan, Brendan, Eric McGgee, John Sides, Seth Masket, and Steven Greene. 2012. "One Vote out of Step? The Effects of Salient Roll Call Votes in the 2010 Election." *American Politics Research*.

Elder, Laurel and Steven Greene. 2012. "The Politics of Parenthood: Parenthood Effects on Issue Attitudes and Candidate Evaluations in 2008." *American Politics Research* 40(3): 418-448.

Heberlig, Eric, John Francia, and Steven Greene. 2009. "The Conditional Party Teams of the 2008 North Carolina Federal Elections." In David B. Magleby, ed. 2009. *The Change Election: Money, Mobilization, and Persuasion in the 2008 Federal Elections*. Provo, UT: Center for the Study of Elections and Democracy.

Elder, Laurel and Steven Greene. 2008. "Parenthood and the Gender Gap." in *Voting the Gender Gap*. Ed. Lois Duke-Whitaker. University of Illinois Press.

Elder, Laurel, and Steven Greene. 2007. "The Myth of 'Security Moms' and 'NASCAR Dads': Parenthood, Political Stereotypes, and the 2004 Election." *Social Science Quarterly* 88(1):1-19.

Elder, Laurel, and Steven Greene. 2006. "The 'Children Gap' and The Politicization of American Parents, 1984-2000." *Politics and Gender* 2(4):451-472

Greene, Steven, and Eric Heberlig. 2007. "BCRA and the 2004 North Carolina Senate Election." *Dancing without Partners*. Eds. David Magleby, J. Quin Monson, and Kelly Patterson. Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield.

"The Structure of Partisan Attitudes: Reexamining Partisan Dimensionality and Ambivalence." 2005. *Political Psychology*, 26(5):809-822.

Greene, Steven. 2004. "The Psychological Perspective: 1950's to the Present." In *Public Opinion and Polling Around the World: A Historical Encyclopedia*. Ed. John Geer. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-Clio.

Brians, Craig Leonard, and Steven Greene. 2004. "Voters' (Mis)Perceptions of Presidential Candidates' Abortion Views in 2000." *Presidential Studies Quarterly* 34(2):412-419.

"Social Identity Theory and Party Identification." 2004. *Social Science Quarterly* 85:136-153.

Elder, Laurel, and Steven Greene. 2003. "Political Information, Gender and the Vote: The Differential Impact of Organizations, Personal Discussion, and the Media on the Electoral Decisions of Women and Men." *Social Science Journal* 40:385-399.

Weisberg, Herbert F., and Steven Greene. 2003. "The Political Psychology of Party Identification." In *Electoral Democracy*. eds. Michael MacKuen and George Rabinowitz. Ann Arbor, MI: University of Michigan Press.

"The Social-Psychological Measurement of Partisanship." 2002. *Political Behavior* 24:171-197.

Beck, Paul, Russell Dalton, Steven Greene, and Robert Huckfeldt. 2002. "The Social Calculus of Voting." *American Political Science Review* 96:57-74.

Greene, Steven, and Eric Heberlig. 2002. "Finding the Weak Link: The Choice of Institutional Venues by Interest Groups." *American Review of Politics*. 23:19-38.

Greene, Steven, and Laurel Elder. 2001. "Gender and the Psychology of Partisanship." *Women and Politics* 22:63-84.

"The Role of Character Assessment in Presidential Approval." 2001. *American Politics Research* 29:196-210.

"The Psychological Sources of Partisan-Leaning Independence." 2000. *American Politics Quarterly* 28:511-537.

Burden, Barry C., and Steven Greene. 2000. "Party Attachments and State Election Laws." *Political Research Quarterly* 53:57-70.

"Understanding Party Identification: A Social Identity Approach." 1999. *Political Psychology* 20:393-403.

"Changes in Presidential Popularity: A Motivational Approach" 1994. *Eruditio: The Duke University Journal of Social Science*.

Public writing

Elder, Laurel, and Steven Greene. 2024. "'Childless cat ladies' is a political catchphrase that doesn't match reality – Democrats and Republicans have similar demographics and experiences when it comes to parenthood." *The Conversation*. 15 October.

<https://theconversation.com/childless-cat-ladies-is-a-political-catchphrase-that-doesnt-match-reality-democrats-and-republicans-have-similar-demographics-and-experiences-when-it-comes-to-parenthood-238960>

Elder, Laurel, Steven Greene, and Mary-Kate Lizotte. 2024. "Confusion over how pregnancy dates are measured is widespread – and makes for uninformed debate over abortion limits" *The*

Conversation. 17 May. <https://theconversation.com/confusion-over-how-pregnancy-dates-are-measured-is-widespread-and-makes-for-uninformed-debate-over-abortion-limits-229167>

Elder, Laurel, and Steven Greene. 2021. "You're not imagining it – 3 ways COVID-19 has been extra hard on American parents." *The Conversation*. 16 April 2021. <https://theconversation.com/youre-not-imagining-it-3-ways-covid-19-has-been-extra-hard-on-american-parents-157968>

Elder, Laurel, and Steven Greene. 2019. "Marijuana legalization – a rare issue where women are more conservative than men," 16 April 2019. <https://theconversation.com/marijuana-legalization-a-rare-issue-where-women-are-more-conservative-than-men-110404>

Elder, Laurel, and Steven Greene. 2018. "Why men support marijuana legalization more than women do." *Washingtonpost.com*. 21 December 2018. <https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/monkey-cage/wp/2018/12/21/why-men-support-marijuana-legalization-more-than-women-do/>

Elder, Laurel, and Steven Greene. 2016. "Republican dads think they're great fathers. Democrats don't." *Washingtonpost.com*. 16 June 2016. https://www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/politicians-love-to-talk-about-family-but-maybe-not-yours/2012/09/07/0be2edea-f218-11e1-adc6-87dfa8eff430_story.html

Elder, Laurel, and Steven Greene. 2012. "Politicians love to talk about family. But maybe not yours." *Washingtonpost.com*. 7 September 2012. https://www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/politicians-love-to-talk-about-family-but-maybe-not-yours/2012/09/07/0be2edea-f218-11e1-adc6-87dfa8eff430_story.html

Recent Conference Presentations (2023-2025)

Greene, Steven and Andrew Taylor. 2025. "Just Words? 'Woke' Language Exposure and Political Attitudes." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.

Elder, Laurel, Steven Greene, Jeff Gulati, and Mary-Kate Lizotte, 2025. "The Politics of Taylor Swift: Partisanship, Gender, and Sexism." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association.

Elder, Laurel, Steven Greene, and Mary-Kate Lizotte. 2024. "Abortion Attitudes in Post-Roe America: The Role of Racial Resentment, Sexism, and Evangelicalism." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association.

Elder, Laurel, Steven Greene, and Mary-Kate Lizotte, 2024. "Abortion Attitudes and Personal Reproductive Experiences." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.

Elder, Laurel, Steven Greene, and Mary-Kate Lizotte, 2024. "Public Opinion on Abortion in Post-Roe America." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association.

Laurel Elder, Steven Greene, and Mary-Kate Lizotte, 2023. "Abortion, Mobilization, and Vote Choice in Post-Roe America." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association.

Bishin, Benjamin, and Steven Greene. 2023. "Behind the Mask: Public Attitudes and The Politicization of Scientific Information during the COVID Pandemic." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.

Laurel Elder, Steven Greene, and Mary-Kate Lizotte, 2023. "Abortion Attitudes and Cross-Pressured Partisans." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.

Additional Research in Progress

Book manuscript: ***Not Going Back: Public Opinion on Abortion in Post-Dobbs America***. Completed manuscript in production at Temple University Press.

TEACHING AND MENTORING

NCSU Courses

Introduction to American Government, Gender & Politics, Campaigns & Elections, Political Parties, American Public Policy, Criminal Justice Policy, Public Opinion & Media

Teaching/Advising Honors

NCSU Outstanding Teacher award, 2009-10 (1 of 4 recipients to receive cash award)

CHASS Outstanding Teacher award, 2009-10

Nominee, NCSU Outstanding Faculty Adviser, 2006-07

NCSU Panhellenic Association Outstanding Educator Award, Spring 2005

Student Mentoring Director of Undergraduate Programs, Department of Political Science

Research Supervision

- 24 Senior Honors Theses supervised (2010-2024), 13 with student research awards
- 8 Independent Study projects (PS 490)
- 4 additional undergraduate research projects with OUR/SPIA/Pope Grant funding
- Director of SPIA Summer Undergraduate Research Experience program

Park Scholars Program

- Park Faculty Scholar, 2018-2022 (mentor to entire class of 35 scholars)
 - Regular mentoring throughout 4-year program focusing on academics, leadership, service, and character development
- Individual Park Scholar mentor to 19 students (2004-2025)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND ACTIVITIES

Civil and Political Engagement

Member, U.S. Civil Rights Commission, North Carolina Advisory Committee, 2008-present

Expert witness, Montana Republican Party, et al. v. Linda McCulloch, et al, 2015.

Expert witness, Libertarian Party of North Carolina vs. State of North Carolina, 2007.

"Official Political Scientist," Sarah Crawford for NC State Senate 18, 2014, 2020.

"World's Greatest Dad" awarded by David, Alex, Evan, and Sarah Greene, June 15, 2014

College and University Service

School of Public and International Affairs, Director of Undergraduate Programs, 2006 – present

College of Humanities and Social Science, Undergraduate Committee, 2006 – present

College of Humanities and Social Science, RTP Committee, 2014-2015

Media and Public Engagement

Frequent contributor on electoral politics, public opinion, and public policy to *Raleigh News & Observer*, WRAL, WNCN, WTVD and WUNC (local NPR). National media appearances in *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *Politico*, *National Journal*, McClatchy Newspapers, Reuters, CNN, NBC, NPR's *All Things Considered*.

Reviewer:

National Science Foundation

American Political Science Review

American Journal of Political Science

Journal of Politics

American Politics Research

Political Behavior

Women and Politics

European Journal of Social Psychology

Political Psychology