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Employment

Government Affairs Institute at Georgetown University, Washington, DC

Senior Fellow, 2017-present. Provides comprehensive training on congressional procedures and practices. Writes and speaks on issues related to congressional process, policy, and politics.

Claremont McKenna College Washington Internship Program, Washington, DC

Visiting Assistant Professor, 2018-present. Courses taught: *Issues in Public Policy*.

Congressional Research Service, Washington, DC

Analyst on the Congress, 2007-2017. Issue areas included: congressional procedure and operations, budget and appropriations, separation of powers, congressional history..

United States House of Representatives, Committee on Appropriations, Washington, DC

Detaillee to Legislative Branch Subcommittee, 2009-10. Worked with Members of subcommittee and full committee to prepare FY2010 and FY2011 bills; staffed chair in hearings, markups, and floor action; conducted oversight of legislative branch agencies.

Education

Yale University, New Haven, CT

Ph.D., Political Science, May 2007
M.Phil., Political Science, May 2004
M.A., Political Science, May 2001

Hamilton College, Clinton, NY

B.A., *magna cum laude*, Government (with thesis honors), May 2000

Academic Publications

Books

Jacob Straus and Matthew Glassman, eds. 2016. *Party and Procedure in the United States Congress, 2nd edition*. Rowan and Littlefield.

Matthew Glassman and Stephen Skowronek, eds. 2007. *Formative Acts: American Politics in the Making*. University of Pennsylvania Press.

Articles and Chapters

Matthew Glassman, 2023. "The Speakership Contest in the 118th Congress: A Procedural Review." *The Forum*, Vol. 21, No. 2 (Spring 2023), pp. 193-212.

Matthew Glassman. 2016. "Congressional Social Media Communications: Evaluating Senate Twitter Usage," *Online Information Review*, Vol. 40, No. 5 (September 2016), pp. 643-659. (with Raymond T. Williams, Colleen J. Shogan, and Jacob Straus).

Matthew Glassman 2016. "Navigating Congress in the Age of Partisanship." In *Party and Procedure in the United States Congress, 2nd edition*, pp. 1-16. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield. (with Jacob Straus).

Matthew Glassman. 2014. "Tweet Your Congressman: The Rise of Electronic Communications in Congress." In *The Evolving Congress*, United State Senate Committee on Rules and Administration, Committee Print, S.Prt.113-30. (Washington: GPO).

Matthew Glassman. 2012. "Communicating in 140 Characters or Less: Congressional Adoption of Twitter in the 111th Congress." *PS: Political Science & Politics*. (with Jacob Straus, Colleen Shogan, and Susan Smelcer).

Matthew Glassman. 2012. "Congressional Leadership: A Resource Perspective," In Straus, Jacob, ed., *Navigating Congress: Party and Procedure in the House and Senate*. Roman and Littlefield.

Matthew Glassman. 2011. "Beyond the Balance Rule: Congress, Statehood, and Slavery, 1850-1859," In Paul Finkelman and Donald Kennon, eds., *Congress and the Crisis of the 1850's*. Ohio State University Press.

Matthew Glassman. 2007. "Political Action and Political Change: Agents, Leaders, and Entrepreneurs in American Political Development." In *Formative Acts: American Politics in the Making*, Matthew Glassman and Stephen Skowronek, eds. University of Pennsylvania Press. (with Stephen Skowronek).

Recent Popular Writing and Media (Selected)

"Political Dynamics of the Second Session of the 118th Congress." *Revise and Extend*, February 2024.

<https://gai.georgetown.edu/political-dynamics-of-the-second-session-of-the-118th-congress/>

"The Game Theory of the Republican Speakership Crisis." *The Silver Bulletin*. October 2023.

<https://www.natesilver.net/p/the-game-theory-of-the-republican>

"Back to the Future for Appropriations Procedures in the 118th Congress?" *Revise and Extend*. March 2003.

<https://gai.georgetown.edu/back-to-the-future-for-appropriations-procedures-in-the-118th-congress/>

"Student Loan Debt Relief is a Big Deal – For Congress." *Revise and Extend*. September 2022.

<https://gai.georgetown.edu/student-loan-debt-relief-is-a-big-deal-for-congress/>

“Appropriations Update and Continuing Resolutions.” Revise and Extend. March 2002.

<https://gai.georgetown.edu/appropriations-update-and-continuing-resolutions/>

“Democrats in Disarray? The surprisingly normal politics of infrastructure negotiations.” Revise and Extend, September 2021.

<https://gai.georgetown.edu/democrats-in-disarray-the-surprisingly-normal-politics-of-infrastructure-re-negotiations/>

“Politics After Trump,” (With Casey Burgat), National Affairs, Winter 2021.

<https://www.nationalaffairs.com/publications/detail/politics-after-trump>

“Procedural Aspects of the Trump Impeachment.” Extensions: A Journal of the Carl Albert Congressional Research and Studies Center, Spring 2020.

<https://extensioncac.com/news/procedural-aspects-of-the-trump-impeachment/>

“My Meeting with the King of Jordan, or the Inevitability of Legislative Diplomacy.”

Legbranch.com, November 25, 2019.

<https://www.legbranch.org/matt-glassman-my-meeting-with-the-king-of-jordan-or-the-inevitability-of-legislative-diplomacy/>

“How Republicans Erased Trumpism.” New York Times, February 1, 2019.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2019/02/01/opinion/how-republicans-erased-trumpism.html>

“Republicans in Wisconsin and Michigan want to weaken incoming Democratic governors. Here’s what’s the usual partisan politics—and what isn’t.” The Monkey Cage, Washington Post, December 11, 2018.

https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/monkey-cage/wp/2018/12/11/wisconsins-and-michigans-legislatures-are-trying-to-weaken-incoming-governors-should-you-be-worried/?utm_term=.5903e66a1f18

“How Congressional Republicans Have Neutered the Trump Agenda.” National Review Online, April 25, 2018.

<https://www.nationalreview.com/2018/04/trump-agenda-neutered-by-republican-congress/>

“The Root of White House Chaos.” New York Times, March 1, 2018.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2018/03/01/opinion/trump-hicks-kushner.html>

“Why Congress Doesn’t Always Do the Right Thing.” New York Times, February 7, 2018.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2018/02/07/opinion/congress-incentives-public-good.html>

“Donald Trump is a dangerously weak president.” Vox.com, December 4, 2017.

<https://www.vox.com/the-big-idea/2017/12/4/16733450/donald-trump-weak-president-neustadt>

“What’s wrong with Congress? What’s right?” Video interview, Legbranch.com, November 28, 2017.

<http://www.legbranch.com/theblog/2017/11/27/bugat-and-glassman-whats-wrong-with-congress-whats-right>

“To Modernize Congress, Strengthen its Ability to Deliberate.” The Ripon Forum, 51:5. November 2017.

<http://www.riponsociety.org/article/to-modernize-congress-strengthen-its-ability-to-deliberate/>

“No, congressional Republicans are not carrying Trump’s water.” Legbranch.com, November 2, 2017.

<http://www.legbranch.com/theblog/2017/11/2/no-congressional-republicans-are-not-carrying-trumps-water>

“Congress’s Death is Greatly Exaggerated.” Legbranch.com, September 20, 2017.

<http://www.legbranch.com/theblog/2017/9/20/if-you-better-understood-congress-you-d-like-it-more>

“The Perils of Potent Congressional Leadership.” Legbranch.com, August 28, 2017.

<http://www.legbranch.com/theblog/2017/8/25/the-perils-of-potent-congressional-leadership>

Blogs, Newsletters, and Other Writing

Notice and Comment, blog, <https://www.yalejreg.com/nc/>

Government Affairs Institute, blog, <https://gai.georgetown.edu/resources-publications/blog/>

Five Points Newsletter, <http://newsletter.mattglassman.com/>

Legislative Procedures, blog, <https://www.legislativeprocedure.com/>

Congressional Research Service Reports (Selected)

“Social Media in Congress: The Impact of Electronic Media on Member Communications.”

“Separation of Powers: An Overview.”

“A Parliamentary-Style Question Period: Proposals and Issues for Congress.”

“Congressional Commissions: Overview, Structure, and Legislative Considerations.”

“Congressional Careers: Service Tenure and Patterns of Member Service, 1789-2014.”

Congressional Research Service Seminars (Selected)

“Social Media in Congress: Evolution and Impact of Electronic Communications.”

“Powers of Congress: Origins, Design, and Development of Article I”

“Separation of Powers: History, Operation, and Contemporary Issues”

“Introduction to Legislative Process”

Testimony

Congress and the Frank: Bringing Congressional Mailing Standards Into the 21st Century, Select Committee on the Modernization of Congress, October 31, 2019.

<http://docs.house.gov/meetings/MH/MH00/20191031/110168/HHRG-116-MH00-Wstate-GlassmanM-20191031-U1.pdf>

Recent Invited Talks (Selected)

Why Separation of Powers Matters, St. Rose, November 2, 2023.

Prolegis, Budget Reconciliation Roundtable, September 24, 2021.

National Journal, Roundtable on the Future of the Filibuster, June 3, 2021

Stennis Center, Roundtable on Congressional Communication, February 22, 2020

Hamilton College Government Department, Departmental Review, January 27-29, 2020

Open World Leadership Center, Roundtable on Legislative Diplomacy, November 22, 2019

American Political Science Association, Trump and the Constitution, August 29, 2019

Midwest Political Science Association, Roundtable on Congress's Constitution. April 6, 2018.

Federalist Society Restoring Article I Conference, Senate Reform Panel. March 22, 2018.

Courses Taught

Claremont-McKenna College, Washington Program

GOVT 126(B), "Issues in Public Policy," 2018-2024

University of Southern California, Washington Program

POSC 423, "Presidents and the Presidency," 2016-2018

Catholic University, CPOL graduate program

CPOL 671, "The Modern Congress," 2008, 2010, 2011, 2013, 2015, 2016

CPOL 675, "Interest Groups and Congressional Lobbying," 2009

CPOL 632, "Parties and Leaders in the US Congress," 2013, 2014
