

# Tonya Kenny Dodez

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## Academic Appointments

### United States Institute of Peace

Minerva Peace and Security Scholar (Predoctoral), September 2022–June 2023

## Education

**Indiana University-Bloomington**, PhD in Political Science (May 2023, expected)

*Dissertation title:* Fight or Flight? Explaining Citizen Reactions to Violence in African Elections

*Committee:* Lauren M. Maclean, Timothy Hellwig, Jennifer Brass, and Jacob Belasiak

*Subfields:* Comparative Politics and Political Methodology, minor in African Studies

### Louisiana State University

MA in Political Science (May 2016)

BA in Political Science, Louisiana State University (May 2011), Cum Laude

## Research and Teaching Interests

Electoral Violence, Democracy and Governance, Human Rights, State Repression, Political Corruption, Comparative Political Behavior, Electoral Institutions, and Elections in Sub-Saharan Africa

## Publications

1. Dodez, Tonya K. (September 2021). "The Anxieties of Disrupted Fieldwork: Reconciling Practicality and Passion in Redesigning a Research Plan" *Digital Fieldwork: Reflections*

## Working and Conference Papers

1. Dodez, Tonya K. "Don't Rock the Boat: Economic Voting and Opposition Viability in African Elections" soon to be submitted to *Comparative Political Studies*, Presented at the 2019 meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association
2. Dodez, Tonya K. "Reconceptualizing Electoral Violence and Intimidation: The importance of targeting in Senegal" Presented at the Ostrom Research Series on February 9th 2022.
3. Dodez, Tonya K. "Voting Against Violence: the Role of Civic Engagement in African Elections" Presented at the 2022 meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association and previously presented at the Ostrom Workshop Research Series in November 2020
4. Dodez, Tonya K. "Assessing the Cross-National Determinants of Electoral Fraud." Presented at the 2017 meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association
5. Dodez, Tonya K. "Assessing the Electoral Consequences of Repressive Actions against non-violent protests." working paper
6. Dodez, Tonya K. "Pre-empting Electoral Threats: Legislative Representation, Insecurity, and Repression" working paper
7. Hellwig, Timothy and Dodez, Tonya K. "Choosing Challengers: Economic Performance, the Cost of Ruling, and Retrospective Voting." Presented at the 2019 meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association and previously presented at the 2018 meeting of the American Political Science Association

## Awards and Honors

The College of Arts and Sciences Dissertation Completion Fellowship at Indiana University, Bloomington – *Academic Year 2022-2023; Awarded but Declined*

Ostrom Fellow at Indiana University, Bloomington – *Academic Year 2021-2022*

Outstanding Associate Instructor Award – *Academic Year 2020-2021*

Ostrom Research Award – *Academic Year 2020-2021*  
(\$3,500)

Graduate and Professional Student Government Research Award – *Spring 2020*  
(\$1,000)

Bentley Dissertation Field Research Fellowship – *Academic Year 2020-2021*  
(\$3,000)

Conference Travel Award from the Walter Laves Memorial Fellowship – *Spring 2019*  
(\$600)

Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship in Indiana University's African Studies department – *Academic Year 2018-2019*

Katharine Greenough Fellowship Award – *Fall 2018*  
(\$1,000)

Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship in Indiana University's African Studies department – *Summer 2018*

Bentley Chair Fellowship for Pre-dissertation Fieldwork – *Summer 2018*  
(\$2,000)

Graduate Fellowship Grant in Indiana University's Political Science department  
– *August-December 2016*

RA assistantship in Louisiana State University's Political Science department  
– *August 2015 - May 2016*

## Graduate School Coursework

Introduction to Research Design in Political Science  
Introduction to Statistical Methodology  
Linear Regression Models  
Categorical Regression Models  
Advanced Workshop in Publishing Empirical Research  
Qualitative Methods: Research Design, Data Collection and Analysis  
Time Series Data Analysis  
Maximum Likelihood Estimation

Proseminar in Comparative Politics  
Approaches and Issues in Comparative Politics  
Special Topics Seminar in Comparative Elections  
Special Topics Seminar in Comparative Political Economy of Development  
Special Topics Seminar in Post-Communist Politics  
Special Topics Seminar in Contentious Politics  
Special Topics Seminar in Comparative Political Behavior

Proseminar in International Relations  
Special Topics Seminar in Human Rights

Independent Readings in History of Decolonization in West Africa  
Approaches to Development  
Interdisciplinary Research Methods in African Studies

## Teaching Experience

Instructor of Record: The Anxieties of Elections Across the Globe; Summer 2021  
Department of Political Science at Indiana University

Instructor of Record: Human Rights and State Repression; Summer 2019, Spring 2020  
Department of Political Science at Indiana University

Associate Instructor; January 2017–December 2018, Fall 2019, August 2020 – May 2021  
Department of Political Science at Indiana University

Graduate Teaching Assistant; August 2014–May 2015  
Department of Psychology at Louisiana State University

High School English Teaching Assistant; October 2011–May 2012  
Lycee Joliot Curie; Rennes, France

## Additional Professional Experience

Country Expert Coder for Mali; July 2017–December 2017  
Global Leadership Project at University of Texas

Graduate Research Assistant for Joshua D. Potter; August 2015–May 2016  
Department of Political Science at Louisiana State University

## Foreign Language and Computational Skills

Advanced proficiency in French

Intermediate proficiency in Wolof

Proficient in R, STATA and LaTeX

## Fieldwork and Travel Experience

Senegal – Summer 2018 (pre-dissertation field research), August 2022 (dissertation field research)

## References

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