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Employment

London School of Economics and Political Science, London, UK

Assistant Professor, Department of Government, *August 2021–Present*

Center for Local, State, and Urban Policy, Ann Arbor, MI

Policy Analyst, Renewable Energy Policy Initiative, *September 2018–June 2019*

Policy Analyst, Issues in Energy & Environmental Policy, *January 2014–May 2014*

Environmental Law Institute, Washington, DC

Research Associate, *August 2014–July 2016*

Independent Consultant, Washington, DC

Clients have included:

Integra LLC [for the United States Agency for International Development]

United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs

Environment Strategies International LLC

Education

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

Ph.D., Political Science and Public Policy, *2021*

“Does transnational advocacy catalyze environmental policy leadership?”

Committee: Charles Shipan, Rosina Bierbaum, Barry Rabe, Brian Min

**Winner, 2022 APSA Virginia Walsh Dissertation Award

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

B.A. (Honors), Political Science and French, *2014*

Minor in Earth and Environmental Sciences

Publications

Refereed Journal Articles

Lerner, Michael and Iain Osgood. *In press*. “Across the Boards: Explaining Firm Support for Climate Policy.” *British Journal of Political Science*.

Lerner, Michael. 2021. “Local power: Understanding the Adoption and design of County Wind Energy Regulation.” *Review of Policy Research*.

[Paper](#) | [Replication Materials](#)

Osgood, Iain, **Michael Lerner**, Jared Cory. 2021. “Supply Chain Linkages and the Extended Carbon Coalition.” *American Journal of Political Science*. 65(1):69–87.

[Paper](#) | [Replication Materials](#)

Guess, Andrew M., **Michael Lerner**, Benjamin Lyons, Jacob M. Montgomery, Brendan Nyhan, Jason Reifler, and Neelanjan Sircar. 2020. “A Digital Media Literacy Intervention Increases Discernment between Mainstream and False News in the United States and India.” *Proceedings of the National Academy of Science*. 117(27):15536–15545.

**Honorable Mention, APSA 2021 Walter Lippmann Best Published Article Award

[Paper](#) | [Replication Materials](#)

Lerner, Michael, Ryo Fujikura, Mikiyasu Nakayama, and Manami Fujikura. 2016. “The Influences of *Limits to Growth* and *Global 2000* on U.S. Environmental Governance.” *International Journal of Social Sciences* 4(8):52–63.

[Paper](#)

Working Papers

Gard-Murray, Alexander and **Michael Lerner**. “Fuzzy shocks.” *Under review*.

Lerner, Michael and Charles R. Shipan. “Political Institutions and the Durability of Environmental Policy.”

Public Reports and Briefing Papers

Harris, Theresa L., Jonathan Drake, Jessica M. Wyndham, Susan R. Wolfenbarger, Stephen D. Lott, and **Michael Lerner**. July 2018. “Geospatial Evidence in International Human Rights Litigation: Technical and Legal Considerations.” Scientific Responsibility, Human Rights and Law Program (SRHRL) of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS).

[Link to Report](#) | [Link to Case Studies](#)

Bruch, Carl, **Michael Lerner**, and Claudia D’Andrea. “Political Economy Analysis.” January/February 2017. *The Environmental Forum*. 32-36.

Also published as “Political Economy Analysis: Protecting Biodiversity and Reducing Unintended Consequences.” January 2017. Policy Brief No. 13. Environmental Law Institute. Washington, DC.

[Link to Article](#) | [Link to Policy Brief](#)

Joint UNEP/OCHA Environment Unit (JEU). June 2016. “Alternative Classification Schemes for Man-Made Hazards in the Context of the Implementation of the Sendai Framework.” Prepared on behalf of the Inter-Agency Coordination Group on Industrial and Chemical Accidents. Geneva, Switzerland.

[Link](#)

Lerner, Michael. October 2014. “Opportunity, Risk, and Public Acceptability: The Question of Shale Gas Exploitation in Québec.” *Issues in Energy and Environmental Policy*. Center for Local, State, and Urban Policy. Ann Arbor, MI.

[Link](#)

Book Reviews

Lerner, Michael. February 2019. Review of *Defending Giants: The Redwood Wars and the Transformation of American Environmental Politics* by Darren Frederick Speece. *National Political Science Review* 20(1):204–206.

[Link to Article](#)

Guest Editorials (Op-eds and blog posts)

Cory, Jared, **Michael Lerner**, and Iain Osgood. January 2022. “Coalitions on Climate Change.” *The Political Economist*.

[Link to Article](#)

Basile, Samantha, **Michael Lerner**, and Keyon Rostamnezhad. December 2018. “Boost University Voices at COP24 UN Climate Meeting.” *Nature* 564(7734):39–40.

[Link to Article](#)

Lerner, Michael. Summer 2013. “Companies Put Scientific Methods on Trial,” “Publication of Car Security Code Hack Under Gag Order in UK,” and “Restrictions on Human Embryo Research Relaxed in France.” *Professional Ethics Report*.

[Link](#)

Lerner, Michael. Spring 2013. “British Libel Reform a Welcome, If Partial, Success,” and “US Attorney: NYU Researchers Received Bribes, Concealed Affiliations.” *Professional Ethics Report*.

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Grants and Awards

Nomination, LSE Student Union Innovative Teaching Award, *2022*

Dow Sustainability Doctoral Fellowship, \$15,000, *2019*

University of Michigan Political Science Director of Graduate Studies Research Grant, \$1,500, *2017*

University of Michigan Political Science Summer Collaboration Grant (with Charles R. Shipan), \$1,500, *2017*

William Jennings Bryan Prize in Political Science, University of Michigan, *2014*

Teaching

London School of Economics and Political Science

Graduate courses

Comparative Public Policy Change (GV 477)
Michaelmas Term 2022 – 26 students

Law and Politics of Regulation (GV 488)
Lent Term 2021/Michaelmas Term 2022 – 21 students
[co-taught with Paolo Berladinelli, Martin Lodge and Veerle Heyvaert]

University of Michigan

Graduate courses

International Environmental Policy (EAS 563)
Spring Term 2021 – 20 students

Undergraduate courses

Comparative Environmental Politics and Policy (POLSCI 389)
Spring 2020 – 17 students

Service

London School of Economics and Political Science

Department Service

Research Committee, *2021–Present*

University of Michigan

University Service

University of Michigan Observer Delegation to the 23rd Conference of the Parties of the U.N. Framework Convention on Climate Change, Bonn, Germany. Delegate. *November 2017*

University of Michigan Provost's Task Team on Engaged Learning and Digital Instruction. Member. *January 2014*

Department Service

Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy Political Science Faculty Search Committee Member. *September 2019 – May 2020*

Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy Ph.D. Admission Committee. Member. *December 2018 – February 2019*

Disciplinary and Interdisciplinary Service

Peer Reviewer

Environmental Politics, World Politics, Policy Sciences

Conferences and Workshops

Michigan University-wide Sustainability and Environment Initiative, Ann Arbor, MI
Workshop Co-coordinator. *September 2019 – May 2020*

Conference Organizing Committee Co-chair. *May 2017 – April 2019*

Conference Organizing Committee Member. *June 2017 – February 2018*

Great Lakes Adaptation Forum, Ann Arbor, MI

Advisory Board and Program Committee Member. *February 2018 – September 2018*

Public Engagement

Advocating for Climate Change Policies: The Promise and Peril of Using Disruptive Protest Tactics. London School of Economics and Political Science, London UK. Organizer and panel chair *October 2021*.

“State and Local Policy Responses to the Expanding Reach of Wind Power in the United States” at *Renewable Energy Policy Initiative Workshop*. Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy and the National Conference of State Legislatures, Ann Arbor, MI. *May 2019*

“From the Streets to the Negotiating Table: The Relationship between Insider and Outsider NGOs at COP” at *Unshaken: Subnational Actors Step Up at UN Climate Talks*. Climate Blue, Ann Arbor, MI. *March 2018*

About Me

Languages

French (C2/Mastery); German (B2/Vantage)

Skills

L^AT_EX (Proficient), Python (Proficient), R (Proficient), Stata (Proficient), Adobe InDesign (Elementary), Drupal (Elementary)

Interests

Ultimate Frisbee, squash, chess, hiking, and baking