

ALEXIS PALMER

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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Dartmouth College

2024-2026

Neukom Fellow

Government and Computer Science Departments

EDUCATION

New York University

2019-2024

Ph.D Politics

Northeastern University

2013-2018

BS Mathematics, *Magna cum laude*

BA International Affairs, *Magna cum laude*

RESEARCH

PUBLICATIONS

- Palmer, Alexis. (2024) "[Reform and Community Level Participation: The Overturn of Stop, Question, and Frisk \(SQF\) in New York City.](#)" *Urban Affairs Review*.
- Palmer, Alexis and Arthur Spirling. (2024) "[Large Language Models Can Argue in Convincing and Novel Ways About Politics: Evidence from Experiments and Human Judgement.](#)" *Political Science*, 1–11.

WORKING PAPERS

- "Stories of Success: Narrative Propaganda in Kenya"
- "Books vs Bullets: Measuring Rebel-Provided Services"
- "Why Are Citizens So Cynical? And About What?" *with Gwyneth McClendon*

WORKS IN PROGRESS

- "How to Use Masked Language Models to Classify Narrative Structure in Political Texts"
- "Replication for Language Models: Problems, Principles, and Best Practice for Political Science" *with Arthur Spirling and Christopher Barrie*
- "Cynicism and Corruption in Kenya" *with Gwyneth McClendon*

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- Palmer, Alexis, Noah Smith, and Arthur Spirling. "[Using Proprietary Language Models in Academic Research Requires Explicit Justification.](#)" *Nature Computational Science*. 4, 2–3 (2024)

TEACHING AND WORK EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant, NYU

Comparative Politics (undergraduate) for Prof. Gwyneth McClendon	S2024
Introduction to Research Methods (undergraduate) for Prof. Patrick Egan (Head TA)	F2023
Politics of Climate Change (undergraduate) for Prof. Eric Dickson	S2023
Introduction to Research Methods (undergraduate) for Prof. Hye Young You	F2022
Power and Politics in American (undergraduate) for Prof. Chris Dawes	S2022
Data Science for Everyone (undergraduate) for Prof. Arthur Spirling and Prof. Andrea Jones Rooy (Head TA)	F2021
International Politics (undergraduate) for Prof. Nicole Simonelli	F2020

Research Assistant

Research Assistant for Mashail Malik (Harvard)	2023
Research Assistant for Arthur Spirling (NYU)	2022
Research Assistant for Gwyneth McClendon (NYU)	2021
Research Assistant for Amanda Kennard (NYU)	2020

Global Resilience Institute, Boston

Project Manager	2017-2019
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INTERPOL Washington, Counterterrorism Division

Intern	2015
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CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED TALKS

• APSA	2023, 2024
• Meta's CSS Seminar (invited)	2023
• MPSA	2023, 2024
• New Directions in Analyzing Text as Data (TADA)	2023
• Rebecca B. Morton Conference on Experimental Political Science	2024
• Northeast Workshop in Empirical Political Science (NEWEPS)	2024
• Visions in Methodology (VIM)	2024
• Oxford LLM Workshop 2024 (invited)	2024
• Text-as-Data Speaker Series (invited)	2024

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

• MacCracken Fellowship	2019-2024
• George Downs Grant	2023
• GSAS Pre-doctoral Fellowship	2023
• Bradley Fellowship	2023
• Institute for Humane Studies Fellowship	2024

SERVICE

Reviewer

International Peacekeeping (2022)

American Political Science Review (2024)

Urban Affairs Review (2024)

Convener

Graduate Political Economy Workshop (2022)

(Co-)Organizer

CAPERS: Contemporary Africa Political Economy Research Seminar (2023)

NYU Politics Department Women's Informal Network (2023-2024)

Conflict Reading Group (2022)

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- **Software:** R, Python, ArcGIS, LaTeX