

Ioanna Gkoutna

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Political Behaviour, Political Sociology, Gender & Politics, Quantitative & Mixed Methods

EDUCATION

University College London *2022 - 2026*

PhD Political Science

Supervisors: Prof. Adam Harris, Prof. Alexandra Hartman, Prof. Phillip Ayoub

University of Oxford (Nuffield College) *2020 - 2022*

MPhil Politics (Comparative Government)

Supervisor: Prof. Robin Harding

University of Warwick *2017 - 2020*

BA Philosophy, Politics & Economics

WORKING PAPERS

“Household Work and the Gendered Distribution of Power” (with Sigrid Weber).

“The Mental Load and Gendered Political Engagement: Descriptive Evidence from Zambia” (with Sigrid Weber). (*Under review*)

“Pulling for the Party: Electoral Campaign Strategies and Local Information in Zimbabwe” (with Adam Harris & Nicole Beardsworth). (*Under review*)

“Party Activists in Zambia and Zimbabwe: Formal and Informal Networks, Information, and Voter Behaviour” (with Adam Harris & Nicole Beardsworth). (*Chapter accepted in edited volume: Kroenke, M., Lockwood, S. & Paget, D. (eds.) The New Ground Wars: Changing Ground Campaigns in Africa*)

WORKS IN PROGRESS

“Family Composition and Gender Norms: Exploring Global Trends in Daughter and Sibling Effects”.

“Gender, Household Dynamics, and Political Priority Formation” (with Adam Harris).

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Senior Post-Graduate Teaching Assistant, University College London

- Quantitative Data Analysis *Fall 2025, Fall 2024*
- Principles of Social Science Research *Fall 2023*

Guest Lecturer, University College London

- Development in the Global Economy *Fall 2025*
- Identity Politics: Prejudice, Inclusion and Equal Rights *Fall 2024*

GRANTS

External

- Travel Grant, EuroWEPS (€500) *2025*
- SHS Fellowship, Next Economy Trust (£5,000) *2024*
- Research Training Support Grant, Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC) (£2,149) *2024*
- Overseas Fieldwork Funding, ESRC (£990) *2024*

Internal

- PhD Opportunity Award, UCL Politics Department (£4,484 total) *2026, 2025, 2024*
- Departmental Research Fund, UCL Politics Department (£5,312 total) *2025, 2024*
- Conference Grant, UCL Politics Department (£3,877 total) *2025, 2024, 2023*
- Octagon Small Grants Fund, UCL Institute for Advanced Studies (IAS) (£1,000) *2025*
- Departmental Research Fund, UCL Politics Department (with Prof Adam Harris) (£10,000) *2023*

SCHOLARSHIPS

- PhD Studentship, UCL Politics Department *2025 - 2026*
- PhD Studentship (Advanced Quantitative Methods stream), ESRC *2022 - 2025*
- MPhil Studentship, Nuffield College (University of Oxford) *2020 - 2022*

AWARDS

- PGTA Excellence in Student Feedback Award, UCL Politics Department (£800 total) *2025, 2024*
- Commendation Letter by the Examiners' Board, University of Warwick *2020, 2019*

PRESENTATIONS

- 2026:** EPSS, GLD Institute Annual Conference, Stanford EGEN Conference (poster) (all scheduled)
- 2025:** EPSA, EuroWEPS (EUI), UCL Gender & Politics Workshop, UCL CPEB Workshop, POGS Workshop
- 2024:** APSA, MPSA, PSA, POGS Workshop, UCL Conflict & Change PhD Workshop, Immigration Political Lab (Stanford University) (online), GLD Institute Work-in-Progress Series (online), Political Parties in Africa Virtual Conference (online)
- 2023:** EPSA
- 2022:** Toronto Political Behaviour Workshop (poster)

FIELDWORK

- Macedonia & Thrace, Greece *May 2026 (scheduled)*
- Lusaka, Zambia *March 2025, November 2024*
- Harare, Zimbabwe *September 2023*

SERVICE

Reviewer: *Comparative Political Studies; European Journal of Politics and Gender*

(Co-)Organiser: 2025 UCL Gender and Politics Workshop; 2023-2025 UCL Political Science PhD Research Seminar

Discussant: 2026 LSE PBE Workshop (scheduled); 2025 EPSA; 2024 Political Parties in Africa Virtual Conference

Validation Researcher: Local Governance Process Indicators (GLD Institute)

Abstract Committee Member: 2026 UCL Conflict & Change PhD Workshop

RESEARCH ASSISTANCE

Graduate Research Assistant, University of Oxford *2020 - 2022*
PI: Prof. Jane Gingrich (SCHOOLPOL, ERC-funded)

Graduate Research Assistant, University of Oxford *2021*
PI: Prof. Aaron Reeves (CHANGINGELITES, ERC-funded)

Undergraduate Research Assistant, University of Warwick *2019-2020*
PIs: Prof. Vincenzo Bove, Dr. Georgios Efthymoulou, and Dr. Harry Pickard

Undergraduate Research Assistant, University of Warwick *2018*
PI: Dr. Yannick Dupraz (CAGE Research Centre, Department of Economics)

SKILLS

Languages: Greek (Native), English (Fluent)

Software: R (Advanced)