

Thomas Lindstrom

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EDUCATION

University of Chicago — *Master of Arts in Social Science (in progress)*

Chicago, IL | Expected June 2026

John Carroll University — *Bachelor of Arts*

University Heights, OH | May 2023

Majors: Political Science, Data Science

Minor: History

GPA: 3.97 | Dean's List all 8 semesters

Awards: Political Science Department Scholastic Achievement Award, Society of Professional Journalists Finalist for Best Online Opinion and Commentary, Ohio Association of Economists and Political Scientists Best Paper Award

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Summer Research Fellow

Policy Research in Missouri Education (PRiME) Center, Saint Louis University

Summer 2025

- Conducted quantitative and policy research on education-related issues in Missouri, with a focus on school discipline and charter school attitudes.
- Analyzed large-scale administrative and polling datasets; developed visualizations and policy briefs for dissemination to state stakeholders.

Undergraduate Research Fellow

John Carroll University

Summer 2021

- Co-authored a published study on partisan realignment in Ohio with Political Science faculty.
- Collected, cleaned, and analyzed two decades of Ohio electoral and demographic data.

Capstone Research Project

John Carroll University

2022–2023

- Wrote a senior thesis titled *Free Agents of the Senate: Legislative Behavior and Accountability of Appointed U.S. Senators, 1919–1993*.

- Utilized roll call vote analysis and historical records to examine whether appointed U.S. senators from 1919 to 1993 exhibited less accountability to constituents than elected senators, finding that appointed senators consistently voted more conservatively even after controlling for party affiliation and historical context.
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PUBLICATIONS

Swearingen, Colin D. and **Lindstrom, Thomas** (2021). "A Battleground No More: Cosmopolitanism, the Culture Wars, and the Urban-Rural Divide in Ohio Elections, 2004–2020." *The Journal of Economics and Politics*, 26(1), Article 4.

Lindstrom, Thomas. *Free Agents of the Senate: Legislative Behavior and Accountability of Appointed U.S. Senators, 1919–1993*. Manuscript in preparation.

TEACHING & PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Corps Member

Teach For America, Cleveland, OH
Summer 2023 – Spring 2025

- Taught 8th grade science in a Cleveland public school, leading the 8th grade academic team for my last semester
- Selected from 30,000+ applicants to teach in under-resourced public schools.
- Completed intensive training in instructional design, trauma-informed teaching, and DEI pedagogy.

Intern

U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, Cleveland, OH
Summer 2022

- Conducted intake interviews and drafted Charges of Discrimination.
- Advised complainants on the EEOC process and relevant anti-discrimination laws (Title VII, ADA, Equal Pay Act).

Editor-in-Chief

The Carroll News, John Carroll University
August 2021 – May 2022

- Managed a team of 30+ student editors and contributors.
 - Led weekly publication process from pitch to publication.
 - Drafted organizational budget and liaised with university administration.
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COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Data Coordinator

JCU Honduras Public Health Immersion

November 2021 – June 2022

- Led data collection and analysis to improve future operations of medical clinics in rural Honduras.

Core Member

The Labre Project, Cleveland, OH

June 2022 – May 2023

- Coordinated weekly outreach trips providing food, clothing, and companionship to people experiencing homelessness.
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TECHNICAL & PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

- **Programming:** R, Python, SQL
 - **Data Visualization:** ggplot2, Tableau
 - **GIS Tools:** QGIS, GeoDa
 - **Writing Formats:** AP, APA, MLA, Chicago Style
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