

Melissa K. Miller

Academic Degrees

Northwestern University / PhD in Political Science
Harvard University / Master of Public Policy
Cornell University / Bachelor of Arts (Government)

Evanston, IL
Cambridge, MA
Ithaca, NY

Academic Positions

Bowling Green State University

Bowling Green, OH

2020-present Professor, Department of Political Science
Affiliated Faculty, Department of Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies

2011-2020 Associate Professor, Department of Political Science
Affiliated Faculty, Department of Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies

2005-2011 Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science
Affiliated Faculty, Department of Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies

Select Publications

Melissa K. Miller, Director, Executive Producer, and Principal Investigator. 2023. "Trailblazing Women in Ohio Politics." WBGU-PBS documentary for public television, available for streaming at pbs.org, (<https://www.pbs.org/video/trailblazing-women-in-ohio-politics-iouz8a/>); website (www.bgsu.edu/trailblazers); and oral history collection (<https://digitalgallery.bgsu.edu/collections/show/161>).

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Neil A. Englehart and **Melissa K. Miller**. 2019. "Women's Rights in International Law: Critical Actors, Structuration and the Institutionalization of Norms." *Politics & Gender* 16: 363-387.

Melissa K. Miller. 2019. "Who Knows More About Politics? A Dual Explanation for the Gender Gap." *American Politics Research*.

Melissa K. Miller. 2019. "Women Know More About Politics Than You Think." USAPP, United States Centre, London School of Economics, March 8, 2019.

Neil A. Englehart and **Melissa K. Miller**. 2019. "Content Analysis with Undergraduate Researchers: A Practical Guide to Undergraduate Research Collaboration on Reports Submitted to the UN's Women's Rights Treaty Body." SAGE Research Methods Cases.

Melissa K. Miller. 2017. "Mothers and the Media on the Campaign Trail." In *Mothers and Others: The Impact of Family Life on Politics*. M. Thomas, A. Bittner, J. Giles and L.A. Lambert, eds., University of British Columbia Press.

Melissa K. Miller and Sam Nelson. 2016. "Matt Lauer Proved the Debates Would Be Better Without a Moderator." CNN, (September 13), <http://www.cnn.com/2016/09/12/opinions/debates-dont-need-a-moderator-opinion/>.

Melissa K. Miller and Sam Nelson. 2015. “The Enduring Myth of TV Presidential Debates.” CNN, (December 13), <http://www.cnn.com/2015/12/13/opinions/miller-nelson-tv-presidential-debates/index.html>.

Neil A. Englehart and **Melissa K. Miller**. 2014. “The CEDAW Effect: International Law’s Impact on Women’s Rights,” *Journal of Human Rights*, Vol 13, 22-47.

Melissa K. Miller and Jeffrey S. Peake. 2013. “Press Effects, Public Opinion, and Gender: Coverage of Sarah Palin’s Vice-Presidential Campaign,” *International Journal of Press/Politics*, Vol. 18 (October): 482-507.

Candace C. Archer and **Melissa K. Miller**. 2011. “Prioritizing Active Learning: An Exploration of Gateway Courses in Political Science.” *PS: Political Science & Politics* 44: 429-34

Melissa K. Miller, Jeffrey S. Peake, and B. Boulton. 2010. “Testing the Saturday Night Live Hypothesis: Newspaper Coverage of Hillary Clinton’s 2008 Presidential Campaign,” *Politics & Gender*, Vol. 6, (June): 169-98.

Melissa K. Miller. 2010. “Membership Has Its Privileges: How Voluntary Groups Exacerbate the Participatory Bias,” *Political Research Quarterly*, Vol. 63 (June): 356-72.

Melissa K. Miller and Candace C. Archer. 2010. “Making the Case for Case Studies.” In *Teaching Matters: Strategy and Tactics to Engage Students in the Study of American Politics*, ed. Daniel M. Shea. New York: Pearson Education.

Melissa K. Miller. 2009. “Debating Group Structure: How Local, Translocal, and National Voluntary Organizations Promote Democracy,” *The Social Science Journal*, Vol. 46, (March): 47-69.

Melissa K. Miller and Shannon K. Orr. 2008. “Experimenting With a ‘Third Way’ in Political Knowledge Estimation,” *Public Opinion Quarterly*, Vol. 72 (Winter): 768-80.

Work in Progress

Detecting the Undetectable in Women’s Press Coverage

Project employing text as data to detect subtle differences in press coverage of women versus men on the primary campaign trail. While women rarely face the dearth of coverage their predecessors did on the campaign trail, the press continues to subtly relegate women to “afterthought status” in ways that are now detectable through innovations using text as data.

Moms on the Run: Maternal Stereotypes on the Campaign Trail

Qualitative study of women who are mothers of young children running for elective office in 2018. Incorporates in-depth interviews, participant observation on the campaign trail, and content analysis of campaign materials and media coverage in order to identify challenges faced, strategies employed, and stereotypes invoked.

Select Grants, Honors and Awards

2022 Grant, Ohio History Fund
Project: *Trailblazing Women in Ohio Politics*

- 2021 Media Planning Grant, Ohio Humanities Council
Project: *Trailblazing Women in Ohio Politics*
- 2019 Research Fellow, Institute for the Study of Culture & Society, Bowling Green State University
Project: *Moms on the Run: Maternal Stereotypes on the Campaign Trail*
- 2018 Faculty Senate Award for Community Involvement, Bowling Green State University
- 2017 Distinguished Faculty Lecturer, College of Arts and Sciences, Bowling Green State University
Project: *Battle of the Sexes: Who Knows More About Politics?*
- 2016 Featured Political Scientist, American Political Science Association
Description: Inaugural subject for *Spotlight on Public Engagement* featured at apsanet.org
- 2016 Master Teacher (highest teaching award on campus), Bowling Green State University
- 2013 Outstanding Alumnus of the Year, Cornell Forensics Society, Cornell University
- 2009 Research Grant with Jeffrey Peake, American Political Science Association
Project: *Overt Message/Covert Meaning: Race & Gender in Press Coverage of the 2008 Presidential Campaign*
- 2008 Research Grant with Jeffrey Peake, Center for Research Libraries
Project: *Press Coverage of the 2008 General Election*

Select Media Interviews

International

ABC (Australia)
 Agence France-Presse (France)
 Al Jazeera (Qatar)
 BBC (United Kingdom)
Correia Braziliense, (Brazil)
International Business Times (New York)
L'Obs (France)
 Nikkei (Japan)
 Radio New Zealand
 Schweizer Radio und Fernsehen (Switzerland)
Segno (Italy)
 Sky News (United Kingdom)
Straits Times (Singapore)
Sunday Express (Lesotho)
 Television New Zealand (New Zealand)
The Guardian (London)
Zing (Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam)

National

ABC News
 ABC News Radio
 Associated Press
 Bloomberg Radio
 CNBC
 CNN
El Mundo
 Fox News
 NBC News
New York Review of Books
The Hill
The Indian Panorama
The New York Times
USA Today
Wall Street Journal
Washington Examiner
 Wisconsin Public Radio