

### Academic Appointments

- Assistant Professor (Lecturer) of Government, University of Essex, UK 2020-Present
- Lecturer (Associate Instructor) of Political Science, UC-Davis, USA Fall 2019

### Education

- PhD, Political Science, University of California, Davis, Spring 2019  
Dissertation title: *The Empty Center Phenomenon Revisited: Ideology, Valence, and the Electoral Failures of Centrist Parties*  
Dissertation Committee: James F. Adams, Matthew S. Shugart, Christopher D. Hare
- Empirical Implications of Theoretical Models (EITM) Summer Institute at the University of Houston, June 2017
- M.A., Political Science, Program for outstanding students, Tel Aviv University, 2011
- B.A., Political Science, Tel Aviv University, 2010

### Peer-Reviewed Publications

- Zur, Roi. 2021. "[The Multidimensional Disadvantages of Centrist Parties in Western Europe](#)" *Political Behavior*, 1–23.  
DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11109-020-09671-w>
- Zur, Roi. 2019. "[Stuck in the Middle; Ideology, Valence, and the Electoral Failures of Centrist Parties](#)" *British Journal of Political Science*, 1–18.  
DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1017/S0007123419000231>
- Zur, Roi. 2019. "[Party Survival in Parliament: Explaining Party Durability in Lower-House Parliaments](#)". *European Journal of Political Research*, 58: 960-980.  
DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1111/1475-6765.12320>.
- Zur, Roi. 2017. "[When Valence Crushes: Explaining the Electoral Failure of the German FDP in the 2013 Election](#)". *German Politics* 26 (3):380-97.  
DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1080/09644008.2016.1257612>

### Book Chapters

- Adams, James, Samuel Merrill III, and Roi Zur. 2020. "The Spatial-Voting Model". In *The Handbook of Research Methods in Political Science & International Relations*, Luigi Curini and Robert J. Franzese, Jr., editors. London: Sage Publications (available upon request).

## Curriculum Vitae - Roi Zur

- Zur, Roi. 2015. "[Impact of the political instability in Israel on the construction of sports facilities](#)" (Hebrew). In *The Vision of the Israeli Governance*, ed., Assaf Meydani. The Citizens' Empowerment Center in Israel (CECI) Press. 225-260.

### Teaching

- University of Essex  
GV121: Institutions of Democracy  
GV303: Electoral Behaviour  
GV525: Introduction to Israeli Politics
- Associate Instructor at UC Davis  
POL 140B: 'Comparative Political Parties', Fall 2019 [[Syllabus](#)]  
POL 147A: 'West European Politics', Summer 2018 [[Syllabus](#)]  
POL 147D: 'German Politics', Summer 2017 [[Syllabus](#)]; Fall 2019 [[Syllabus](#)]  
POL 02: 'Introduction to Comparative Politics', Spring 2017 [[Syllabus](#)]

### Grants and Awards

- UC Davis Political Science Department Dissertation Year Fellowship, 2018-2019
- EITM Summer Institute (University of Houston), 2017
- Merk Family Distinguished Prospectus Award, 2017
- Bret Hewitt Distinguished QE Award, 2016
- Charles Hardin Emeriti Travel Award, 2015
- UC Davis Political Science Department, Summer Research Award, 2014; 2015
- UC Davis Political Science Department Travel Grants: EITM 2017, MPSA 2019; 2018; 2017; 2016; 2015, APSA 2014
- UC Davis Political Science Department Fellowship, 2012
- Bacon Family Fellowship, 2012
- The Citizens' Empowerment Center in Israel (CECI) Research Grant, 2011
- The Konrad Adenauer program for Jewish-Arab Cooperation Research Prize, 2011
- Department of Political Science Fellowship, Tel Aviv University, 2010