

## SAMUEL B. SCHMITT

### EDUCATION

Ph.D., Political Science, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill (expected spring 2024)

M.A., Political Science, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill (2018-2020)

M.A., Philosophy, Bowling Green State University (2016-2018)

B.A., Political Science, Bowling Green State University (2009-2013)

### DISSERTATION

*Market Society, Open Society? Contemporary Protestant and Catholic Critiques of Market-Oriented Liberalism.*

Committee: Jeff Spinner-Halev (Chair), Susan Bickford, Alexandra Oprea, Luke Bretherton (Duke Divinity), and Luc Bovens (UNC Philosophy).

This project uses Protestant and Catholic criticisms to identify weaknesses in the liberal defense of market society as an open society. Liberal theory has analyzed religious objections to *state* power but has overlooked many recent religious objections to the liberal *market*. Looking closely at these objections grants us insight on toleration, association (e.g. churches), the formation of oneself, and the justification of the social order, all of which are liberal goals.

### PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Schmitt, S., Mehlhaff, I., & Ommundsen, E. (2023). Integrating Classroom and Community with Undergraduate Civically Engaged Research. *PS: Political Science & Politics*, 1-6. doi:10.1017/S1049096523000392

Schmitt, S. (2023). The problem of low expectations and the principled politician. *Economics & Philosophy*, 39(2), 177-198. doi:10.1017/S0266267122000037

### INVITED PUBLICATIONS

“The Form of the Farm: Wendell Berry and F.A. Hayek” (Forthcoming) in the edited volume *Political Economy & Social Philosophy of F.A. Hayek*. Rowman & Littlefield.

### IN PREPARATION

“Market Society, Open Society: Open for Business and Not Much Else?”

“The Church in the Market Society”

“The Farm in Market Society”

“The Problem of Civil Society: Catholic Social Teaching and the Market Society”

## RELEVANT HONORS AND AWARDS

Organization *italicized*.

### Research

1. Dissertation Fellowship and Research Grant, *Mercatus Center's Program on Pluralism and Civil Exchange*, 2023 & 2024
2. Junior Fellowship, *Institute for Humane Studies*, Summer 2022 & 23
3. Institute for Civically Engaged Research, *American Pol. Sci. Assoc*, 2022
4. Seminar Invitee, *Duke Center for the History of Political Economy*, 2019
5. Vocation Project Scholarship, *Consortium of Christian Study Centers*, 2019
6. Adam Smith Fellowship, *Mercatus Center*, 2018-19 & 22

### Teaching

1. Tanner Award for Teaching by Grad Assistants, *UNC-CH*, 2022
2. Hagan Award for Best Teaching Fellow, *UNC-CH Political Science*, 2021

### Leadership/Service

1. Lead Organizer, Graduate Teaching Workshop, *UNC-CH Political Science*, 2023-24
2. Lead Organizer, Lecture by Peter Levine, *UNC Phil, Pol, & Econ*, 2022

## RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

1. *Graduate Instructor/Instructor of Record–Political Science, Everyday Political Theory*, Spring 2022
  - Piloted experimental course in political theory focusing on civically engaged student research and community problem solving
  - See publication above in *PS* for details.
2. *Graduate Instructor/Instructor of Record–Political Science, Modern Political Thought*, Fall 2020, Spring 2021, & Summer 2021
3. *Graduate Teaching Assistant–Political Science, Ethics of Peace, War & Defense*, Spring 2023
3. *Graduate Teaching Assistant–Political Science, Modern Political Thought* Spring 2020 & Fall 2022
4. *Graduate Teaching Assistant–Political Science, American Government in Changing Times*, Fall 2019

## PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Political Science Association  
Philosophy, Politics, and Economics Society  
The Association for Political Theory