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MA American Cultural Studies - 2012

Master's Research Project

Mitt Romney's Mormonism Not a Factor in the 2012 US Election: The Economy and Race Will Decide

Current Position

I am a doctoral candidate in the department of Political Science at Western, specializing in Local Government.

"Receiving my Master's Degree in American Cultural Studies has served as a key stepping stone to my standing as a PhD Candidate in Political Science at Western today. Since that time I have completed core PhD course work in the areas of Local Government, Comparative Politics, and Methodology. My research is focused on cities and the influence of public policy in the 'glocal' context.

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