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EDUCATION

Ph.D., University of California, Berkeley, Political Science, December 2005

Fields: American Politics; Public Organization, Administration, and Policy; and Methodology

Dissertation: "Styles of Oversight: How Congress Oversees the Executive Branch"

Nominated for 2007 APSA Leonard D. White Award for best dissertation in public administration

M.A., University of California, Berkeley, Political Science, December 2000

Thesis: "Political Parties and Committees in Distributive Politics"

M.P.M., University of Maryland School of Public Affairs, 1999

Specialization: Social Policy

B.A., Pepperdine University, 1997, *summa cum laude*

Member, Golden Key National Honor Society, Alpha Chi National Honor Society, and Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Associate Professor of Political Science, University of the Pacific, 2014-present

Assistant Professor of Political Science, University of the Pacific, 2008–2014

Visiting Assistant Professor of Political Science, University of Oregon, 2007–2008

Postdoctoral Teaching Fellow, University of California, Davis, 2005–2007

Acting Instructor, University of California, Berkeley, Summer 2005 and Summer 2004

Visiting Instructor, University of San Francisco, Spring 2004

Visiting Instructor, Mills College (Oakland, CA), Summer 2002

RESEARCH INTERESTS

The impact of electoral reform, esp. California's Proposition 14

Elections administration, including vote by mail and internet voting

Minor party politics

Party building efforts

Congressional-bureaucratic relationships

Welfare and low-income housing policy

PUBLICATIONS

Reviewed Articles and Chapters

- “Early and Weekend Voting.” In *Why Don't Americans Vote? Causes and Consequences*, Bridget King, ed. (ABC-CLIO). With Dari Sylvester Tran.
- “Is It the Message or the Person? Lessons from a Field Experiment about Who Converts to Permanent Vote by Mail.” 2013. *Election Law Journal* 12:243–60. With Dari Sylvester. DOI: 10.1089/elj.2012.0183.
- “Proposition 14 and California’s Minor Parties: A Case Study of Electoral Reform and Party Response.” 2013. *California Journal of Politics and Policy*. DOI: 10.1515/cjpp-2012-0043.
- “Why Just Two Parties? A Voting Game to Illustrate Duverger’s Law.” 2012. *PS: Political Science & Politics* 45:759–64. DOI: 10.1017/S1049096512000765.
- “California’s HAVA Odyssey.” 2012. In *More Votes that Count: A Case Study in Voter Mobilization*. Robert Benedetti, ed. Berkeley: IGS Press.
- “Congressional Use of Authorization and Oversight.” 2010. *Congress & the Presidency* 37:45–63. DOI: 10.1080/07343460903390703.

Encyclopedia Entries

- “Government Accountability Office.” 2008. *Encyclopedia of American Government and Civics*, Michael A. Genovese and Lori Cox Han, eds. New York: Facts on File.
- “Informal Organizations.” 2006. *Encyclopedia of Governance*, Mark Bevir, ed. Thousand Oaks: Sage Publications.
- “Hybrid Organizations.” 2006. *Encyclopedia of Governance*, Mark Bevir, ed. Thousand Oaks: Sage Publications.
- “Organizational Learning.” 2006. *Encyclopedia of Governance*, Mark Bevir, ed. Thousand Oaks: Sage Publications.

Other Materials

2010. Supplementary Teaching Materials for James E. Anderson, *Public Policymaking*, 6th ed. New York: Wadsworth.

Opinion-Editorials

- “How Prop. 14 Weakened Democracy.” *Los Angeles Times*, October 24, 2012.
- “Who’s Afraid of the Big Bad Superdelegate?” *The Oregonian*, February 12, 2008.
- “A Look at ... The New Retirement: Getting Old Ain’t What It Used to Be.” *The Washington Post*, August 1, 1999, B03. With Douglas J. Besharov.

WORK IN PROGRESS

"The Effects of Majoring in Political Science on Political Efficacy." Revise and resubmit at *The Journal of Political Science Education*. With Casey Dominguez and Mike Williams.

"Administrative Control of Bureaucracy." For the *Global Encyclopedia of Public Administration, Public Policy, and Governance*, Christopher L. Atkinson and Ali Farazmand eds. Springer Media.

"The Peril of Punctuations: Budget Authority, Policy Change, and the Case of Low-Income Housing Policy." (working paper)

"The Growth of House Oversight, 1947-2010." (working paper)

AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND GRANTS

Thomas J. Long Fellowship for Teaching Excellence in the General Education Program, 2014 (\$2,500)

Pacific Fund Grant, for PACS 1 Arts Experience, 2013 (\$11,500)

Pacific Fund Grant, for field experiment on vote by mail, 2012 (\$4,000) with Dari Sylvester

Research Seed Grant, for field experiment on vote by mail, 2012 (\$6,000) with Dari Sylvester

Technology in Education Grant: Stata Site License, University of the Pacific, 2011 (\$13,350)

Eberhardt Summer Fellowship, University of the Pacific, 2010 (\$2,990).

Dissertation nominated for 2007 APSA Leonard D. White Award for best dissertation in public administration.

Postdoctoral Teaching Fellowship, University of California, Davis, 2005–2006

Congressional Research Grant, Dirksen Congressional Center, 2003 (\$3,500)

Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award, University of California, Berkeley, 2003

Dean's Normative Time Fellowship, University of California, Berkeley, 2002

Presidential Management Fellowship (*formerly Internship*), 1999 (declined)

Governor Blair Lee III Fellow, University of Maryland School of Public Affairs, 1998

Applied/not awarded: California Association of Clerks and Elections Officials, for studying statewide elections costs (\$185,000)

RECENT CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION (2005 – PRESENT)

"Electoral Reform and Party Response." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 11-14, 2013.

"Can Voters Be Educated about Voting?" Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 12-15, 2012. With Dari Sylvester.

"The Choice to Vote by Mail Revisited." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 12-15, 2012. With Dari Sylvester.

"The Choice to Vote by Mail: A Field Experiment." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, March 31-April 3, 2011. With Dari Sylvester.

"Politics versus Policy: Partisan Conflict, Policy Disagreement, and House Oversight of Executive Branch Agencies." Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, April 8-11, 2010, San Francisco, CA.

RECENT CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION (2005 – PRESENT), CONTINUED

“Measuring Punctuations: Budget Authority and Low-Income Housing Policy.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, August 28-31, 2008, Boston, MA.

“The Perils of Punctuation: The Case of Low-Income Housing Policy.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 3-6, 2008, Chicago, IL.

“Delegating Oversight: Congress and the Government Accountability Office.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 3-6, 2008, Chicago, IL.

“Authorization v. Oversight: Committee Use of Ex Ante and Ex Post Legislative Control.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 20–23, 2006, Chicago, IL.

“The Federal Budget and Low-Income Housing.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, April 7–10, 2005, Chicago, IL.

“Pork vs. Product: Legislative Activity and the Transportation Authorization Bills.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, March 17–19, 2005, Oakland, CA. With Matthew Jarvis.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS/WORKSHOPS

Shanghai Urban Planning and Land Resources Administration Bureau Training, 2011

American Heritage Scholarship Series, sponsored by the Stanislaus County Office of Education, 2012

Pacific-Tongji University Research Methodology Workshop, 2013

TEACHING INTERESTS

American politics: American political institutions, Congress and legislative politics, the federal executive/bureaucracy, the American presidency, campaigns and elections, and political parties and interest groups

Public policy and administration: Public administration, the policy-making process, social welfare policy (emphasis on poverty and welfare programs), public budgeting, and organization theory

Methods: Introductory qualitative and quantitative research methods, program evaluation and policy analysis

Courses Taught (by most recent institution)

University of the Pacific

California Politics

Campaigns and Elections

Congress and the Presidency

Introduction to Public Administration

Pacific Seminar I: What Is a Good Society? (freshman seminar)

Pacific Seminar II: Making Elections Better (freshman seminar)

Pacific Seminar II: Picking the President in 2012 (freshman seminar)

Pacific Seminar II: Public Problems, Public Policies (freshman seminar)

Pacific Seminar III: What Is an Ethical Life?

Political Science Capstone

Political Science Research (Methods)

U.S Government and Politics

University of Oregon

American Political Parties

Bureaucracy and Democracy (joint undergraduate-graduate course)

U.S. Congress, The (joint undergraduate-graduate course)

University of California, Davis

American Presidency, The

Problems in the American Political System

Public Policy and the Governmental Process

Mills College

Organization Theory

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Interim Associate Dean, College of the Pacific (2016-present)

Member, McGeorge School of Law Curriculum Committee (2015-present)

Member, General Education Committee (2014-present)

Program Review Subcommittee (2015-present)

Member, Courses and Curriculum Committee (2014-present)

Member, University Assessment Working Group for Quantitative Reasoning (2013-present)

Chair, Pacific Seminar 1 Planning Committee (2012-present)

Member, College of the Pacific Information Technology Committee (2011-2014)

Designated Representative for Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (2009-present)

Department of Political Science, College of the Pacific, WASC pilot project member (2009-present)

Faculty advisor (2009-present)

Faculty sponsor, Pacific Political Science Association (2012-present), College Democrats (2008-2010), and College Republicans (2009-2010)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Manuscript reviewer: *PS: Political Science & Politics*, *American Politics Review*, Taylor & Francis Press, CQ Press, Houghton Mifflin, SAGE Publications, and the University of Oklahoma Press

Panel chair/discussant: WPSA (2011, 2010, 2004), MPSA (2013, 2012, 2011, 2007, 2008), SPSA (2010)

RECENT MEDIA

Newspapers/websites: NBC Universal, *Lodi News Sentinel*, *Sacramento Bee*, *Stockton Record*, *Tracy Press*

Radio: Capitol Public Radio and Valley Public Radio

TV: Al Jazeera America and KCRA