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I. Educational/Academic Background

Ph.D., Political Science, University of California at Irvine, 2008
M.A., Political Science, University of California at Irvine, 2004
B.A., Political Science, California State University Chico, 1995

Academic Experience

2009- Asst. Professor of Political Science, California Poly. State University
2007-2008 Lecturer in Political Science, California Poly. State University
2006-2007 Teaching Fellow, University of Southern California
2005-2007 Graduate Student Lecturer, University of California, Irvine

II. Teaching

Cal Poly Courses (2007-2009)

POLS 112 American and California Government
POLS 317 Campaigns and Elections
POLS 375 California Politics
POLS 316 Political Participation
POLS 470 Political Ecology
POLS 560 Quantitative Methods

Courses at other institutions

Metropolitan Inequality (USC)
California Politics (UCI)
The American Political System (UCI)

New Course Proposals at Cal Poly (2007-2009)

Voting Rights and Representation
Political Ecology

Curriculum Development

2009-2010 Academic Year

Book manuscript for POLS 112, articles on constitutional reform in California

III. Professional Development

Peer-Reviewed Publications

(with Anthony McGann) "Geographical Representation Under Proportional Representation: The Cases of Israel and The Netherlands," *Electoral Studies*, September 2005

"Aggregating Conflict: The Impact of Municipal Boundaries on Electoral Politics" (June 6, 2005). *Center for the Study of Democracy. Symposium: Democracy and Its Development.* Paper G05-05. http://repositories.cdlib.org/csd/symposium_dd/G05-05

(with Anthony McGann) "Consensus Without Veto-Players: Testing Theories of Consensual Democracy" *Center for the Study of Democracy.* Paper 06-03. <http://repositories.cdlib.org/csd/06-03>

Articles Under Review/To Be Submitted

(with Kyle Roach) "What if California had Proportional Representation?" under review at *Political Research Quarterly*

(with Anthony McGann) "Rethinking *Patterns of Democracy*: Consensus Democracy Without Veto-Players" under review at *British Journal of Political Science*

Conference Presentations

"What if California had Proportional Representation?" to be presented at the 2010 Western Political Science Association, San Francisco, California

(with Mike Jensen) "Cradles of Democracy? Cities as Fora for Citizen Participaiton" presented at the 2009 Western Political Science Association, Vancouver, BC, Canada

"Urban Form and Participatory Inequality" presented at American Political Science Association, Chicago, September 2007

(with Anthony McGann) "The Calculus of Consensual Democracy" presented at American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, September 2006

(with Jefferey Sellers) "Place and Electoral Patterns in American Metropolitan Areas: An Interim Report" presented at American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, September 2006

(with Jefferey Sellers) "Place and Electoral Patterns in American Metropolitan Areas: An Interim Report" presented at International Political Science Association, World Congress, Fukuoka, Japan, July 2006

(with Anthony McGann) “Consensus Democracy without Veto Players” presented at American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., September 2005

(with Jefferey Sellers) “Place and Electoral Patterns in American Metropolitan Areas” presented at International Metropolitan Observatory Project, Bordeaux Conference, May 2005

“No Place Like Home: Political Science’s Search for Democratic Community” paper presented at 2005 meeting of the Midwestern Political Science Association, Chicago, IL; panel on Epistemology and Political Science

“Aggregating Conflict: The Impact of Municipal Boundaries on Local Politics” paper presented at 2005 meeting of the Midwestern Political Science Association, Chicago, IL; panel on Spatial Analysis of Politics

“Density, Diversity, and the Ecology of Community Trust” paper presented at 2003 meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Denver, CO.

“Applying Election Systems Models in Local Politics” paper presented at 2003 meeting of the Midwestern Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

(with Michael Jensen) “Science as Rhetoric” presented at 2003 meeting of the International Studies Association

Conference Organizational Activity

Panel Chair at “Cities and the Future of Democracy” 2009 Western Political Science Association, Vancouver, Canada

Reviewer for “Plurality and Multi-Round Electoral Systems” Symposium sponsored by Center for the Study of Democracy, UC Irvine, The Canadian Embassy, UCI Academic Senate, February 18-19, 2006

Organizer for “The Impact of Direct Democracy” Sponsored by Center for the Study of Democracy, UC Irvine, USC-Caltech Center for the Study of Law and Politics, Initiative and Referendum Institute, University of Southern California, and Southern California Law Review, January 14-15, 2005

Awards and Fellowships

2003 U.C. Regents Pre-Dissertation Fellowship

2003 Summer research award, School of Social Sciences

2001 Summer research fellowship for ICPSR

2000-01 William Podlich Fellow, Center for the Study of Democracy, U.C. Irvine

1995 Charles McCall Award, California State University Social Science Research Council

Grant Applications and Awards

2009 State Faculty Support Grant-Awarded

2009 Social Science Research Instructional Council-Rejected

2008 State Faculty Support Grant-Rejected

IV. Service

Cal Poly

Advisor: Political Science Club, 2009

Member: Dept Assessment committee, 2008-

Member: Dept. Alumni Advisory Board 2007-

Member: Dept. hiring committee for position in Public Law (2007-2008)

Member: Dept. Guest Speaker Committee (2007-

Member: CLA Women's Studies Association

Community

President, Spokesperson, Vision Atascadero <http://www.visionatascadero.com/>

2009 Campaign Regulations Committee, City of San Luis Obispo

Frequent contributor to local television and newspaper political coverage

Professional Membership

International Political Science Association

American Political Science Association

Western Political Science Association

Previous Service and Professional Work

UCI Associated Graduate Students Constitutional Reform Committee, 2003-2004

UCI Vice President External Affairs, Associated Graduate Students, 2001-2002

Supervisor and Project Manager, Field Research Corporation and Field Institute, 1995-2000