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Personal Information

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Education

- Ph.D. Political Science. University of Missouri. Granted December 2002.

Fields: Primary - American Politics
Secondary - Public Policy and Administration
Tertiary - Comparative Politics
Outside – Marketing

Dissertation: National Political Party Congressional Campaign Committee Targeting in the 2000 Congressional Elections.

- Master of Arts. Political Science. University of Missouri. Granted May 1995
 - Bachelor of Arts. Political Science. Minor in German. Millikin University. Granted May 1993.
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Higher Education Administrative Experience

Chair and Professor, Department of Political Science. University of West Georgia.

July 2017-Present.

Duties:

- Supervise academic department of sixteen faculty members with four hundred in-person and online students
- Oversee academic programs
 - In-person Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science degrees in Political Science, and three undergraduate certificate programs
 - Fully-online Organizational Leadership undergraduate and Master's of Public Administration programs
- Schedule courses in accordance with departmental needs
- Lead recruitment, persistence, and graduation efforts for students
- Administer \$1,750,000 annual budget

Highlights:

- Led student enrollment and persistence growth among all in-person and online programs
- Revised recruitment materials through departmental web and social media presences
- Improved communication through comprehensive departmental faculty resource handbook

Interim Dean, The Graduate School. Fort Hays State University

June 2016-June 2017.

Duties:

- Supervise staff of two degree analysts and one administrative specialist
- Recruit, assign, and review adjunct faculty teaching in the interdisciplinary graduate core of courses
- Schedule interdisciplinary graduate core courses

Highlights:

- Implemented enterprise resource planning system Workday for graduate application and review
- Developed a university-wide orientation for graduate assistants
- Developed a new recruitment system including traditional print, web, and social media elements

Chair, Department of Political Science. Fort Hays State University

June 2015-June 2016

Duties:

- Supervise academic department of seven faculty members with fifty in-person and two hundred online students
- Schedule courses in accordance with departmental needs

Highlights:

- Primary writer of Closing the Loop Award winning application using internship analysis data to improve course preparation and materials
- Revision of recruitment plan and materials for department
- Directed curricular map creation and reviewed existing departmental assessment system

Director of Liberal Education. Fort Hays State University

August 2015-June 2016

Duties:

- Supervised 25-person committee Liberal Education Committee
- Review and revise FHSU legacy General Education program
- Develop Liberal Education Strategic Plan in alignment with FHSU strategic initiatives
- Implemented in-person and social media-based outreach plan to solicit and utilize stakeholder input for development of new Liberal Education program

Highlights:

- Created two-year/three-phase implementation plan

- Successfully completed first phase (approval of proposed learning objectives and goals by Faculty Senate) within one academic year

Graduate Studies Director, Department of Political Science. Fort Hays State University
August 2009-June 2016.

Duties:

- Recruit and advise graduate students in three graduate concentrations
- Development of a new professional politics graduate concentration
- Chair all Master's committees for graduate students in department

Highlights:

- Revised assessment materials for comprehensive exams and developed new exam assessment system
- Created new student information system with supplemental Google Site
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Director of Internships and Assessment, Department of Political Science. Fort Hays State University.

August 2007-Fall 2014.

Duties:

- Supervise students in required internship for all baccalaureate students
- Coordinate supervision of interns with supervising individuals

Highlights:

- Created workbook for internship students to prepare them for transition into working environments
- Improved overall assessments of intern performance by 0.2 (5-point scale) between 2010 and 2013.

Higher Education Accreditation Experience

AQIP Site Visit Coordinator. Fort Hays State University
December 2014

AQIP Systems Portfolio Lead Writer. Fort Hays State University
April-September 2014.

Peer Reviewer. Higher Learning Commission.

- Served once as Team Lead for accreditation site visit
- Served three times as Team Lead for accreditation portfolio reviews
- Served three times as Team Member for accreditation portfolio reviews

Scholarship

Books

- *The Unorthodox Presidency of Donald Trump*. (ed. with Paul Rutledge) Under contract with University Press of Kansas, Manuscript Due March 1 2020.
- *Weakened Linkages: The American Direct Primary and its Effects*. (with Joseph Romance). Manuscript due to University Press of Kansas September 2019.
- *No Ballot for You! Restrictive Ballot Laws and the 2016 Elections*. (edited with Michael Smith). Manuscript under review with University of Missouri Press.
- *Reform and Reaction: The Arc of Modern Kansas Politics*. (With Burdett Loomis, H. Edward Flentje, Michael Smith, and Mark Peterson) Manuscript in pre-production with University of Kansas Press.
- *American Government: Political Culture in an Online World*. Seventh Edition. Kendall Hunt Publishers. 2018.
- *American Political Parties Under Pressure: Parties and Strategy in the 2016 Elections*. (Edited with Laurie Rice). August 2017. Palgrave MacMillan.
- *Operator Error: Civic Failure and its Threat to Citizen Democracy*. December 2016. Lexington Press.
- *State Voting Laws in America: Historical Statutes and their Modern Implications*. With Michael Smith and Kevin Anderson. Palgrave MacMillan. January 2015.
- *Communicating Politics Online*. Palgrave MacMillan, October 2014.
- *American Government: Political Culture in an Online World*. Sixth Edition. Kendall Hunt Publishers. 2013.
- *Communicating Politics*. Soomo Publishing, 2012.
- *American Government: Politics and Political Culture*. Fifth Edition. With William Lyons and John M. Scheb II. Kendall Hunt Publishers, 2010.
- Sidebar and Supplemental Material Author. *American Government: Politics and Political Culture* by William Lyons and John Scheb. November 2004.

Book Chapters

- “Decision Making”; “Party Polarization”, and “Minor Parties.” In *Sage/CQ Guide to U.S. Elections*. 2016. Sage/CQ Press.
- “Showing How the Magician Does a Trick.” In *Political Science for the Curious*. Edited by Kishor Vaidya. Curious Academic Publishing, 2015.
- “Democratizing Information: Web 2.0 Tools in Civic Engagement” (With Carolyn Campbell, FHSU Undergrad) In *Civic Engagement for Southern Universities*. Edited by Charles Rogers. Lexington Press, 2015.
- “The Medium is the Messenger: Web 2.0 Tools in the Political Science Classroom.” Chapter in *Teaching Politics Beyond the Book*. Edited by Robert Glover and Daniel Tagliarini. Continuum, 2012.
- “Soccer Moms, Hockey Moms, and National Security Moms: Reality versus Fiction in the Female Voter.” Chapter in *Women and the White House*. edited volume by Lilly Goren and Justin Vaughn. University of Kentucky Press. 2012.

- “The Eulogy Effect: The Impact of a Candidate’s Death on Media Coverage During Campaigns.” (With Michael A. Smith, Kevin Anderson, and Ryan Sisson). In *Politics and Popular Culture* Edited by Leah Murray. Cambridge Scholars Press, 2010.
- “Predictors of Success in State Legislative Campaigning.” In *Predictive Models in Presidential Campaigns*. Edited by Chandrasekhar Putcha. Edwin Mellen Press, 2010.
- “Campaign” In *21st Century Political Science: A Reference Handbook*. Edited by John Ishiyama and Mairjke Bruening. Sage Publications, 2010.
- “The 5P Rule.” In *Inside Political Campaigns: Chronicles—and Lessons—from the Trenches*. Edited By James Bowers and Steven Daniels. Lynne Rienner Publishers, 2009.
- “Trickle-Down Technology?: The Use of Computing Technology in State Legislative Campaigns” Edited by Costas Panagopoulos. In *Politicking Online*. Rutgers University Press, 2009.

Articles

- “Breaking the Banks and Filling the Troughs” (with Donald M. Gooch) *The Midsouth Political Science Review*, 15:2 (19-58) (2014)
- “Utilization of an Open Feedback Process Model to Develop a University Mission Statement” (2013) With C.B. Crawford. *Teaching and Learning*. July 7 2014.
- “The Path to Informed Citizenship: Curricular and Co-Curricular Media Literacy Efforts in American State Colleges and Universities.” *eJournal of Public Affairs*. Vol. 2, Number 2 (August 30 2013). <http://ejournal.missouristate.edu/>
- “Video Killed the Textbook Star.” *Journal of Political Science Education*, Volume 8, Number 2 (April-June 2012) Pages 189-200.
- “Debating the Future: A Social Security and Political Leadership Simulation.” With Brent J. Goertzen. *Journal of Political Science Education*. Volume 4, Number 3 (July-September 2008) Pages 330-340.
- “Social Security: A Pending Crisis. A Politics and Leadership Debate.” With Brent J. Goertzen. *Journal of Leadership Education*. Winter 2007. Pages 226-236.
- “Trickle-Down Technology? The Use of Computing Technology in State Legislative Campaigns. *Social Science Computer Review* Winter 2007. Pages 466-483.
- "In the Robes of the Supreme Court Justices: A Supreme Court Decision-Making Simulation." With Richard J. Hardy and Laurie Sonnier *PS: Political Science and Politics*. Volume 38, Number 3 (July 2005), pages 411-415.
- “Closeness Counts in Canada: Voter Participation in the 1993 and 1997 Federal Elections.” With James W. Endersby (University of Missouri) and Steven E. Galatas (Southwest Georgia State University). *The Journal of Politics*, Volume 62, Number 2 (May 2002), pages 610-631.

Recent Conference Papers

- “Do Proof-of-Citizenship and Photo ID Laws Suppress Turnout? Early Evidence.” Poster presented to the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting April 14-17 2015.
- “Backlash! Do Restrictive Voting Laws Mobilize Their Opponents.” (With Michael A. Smith and Kevin Anderson). Paper presented to the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting April 14-17 2015.

- “Kansas, The Three Party State: A Test of Evidence.” (With Michael A. Smith). Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting. April 3-6, 2014. Chicago, IL.
- “Look Away from the Battleground: The Impact of Restrictive New Voting Laws on Turnout Change, 2008-2012.” (With Michael A. Smith and Kevin Anderson) Presentation given at the Midwest Political Science Association Meeting. April 3-6, 2014. Chicago, IL.
- “Is Virtual Service Learning Feasible?” (With Lorie Cook-Benjamin). American Democracy Project Annual Meeting. June 6-9 2013. Denver, CO.
- “Oops! Voter Suppression Laws in the American States, 2008-2012.” (With Michael A. Smith and Kevin Anderson). Midwest Political Science Association Meeting. April 9-12 2013. Chicago, IL.
- “Developing a University Mission Statement through the Utilization of an Open Feedback Process Model.” (With Christopher Crawford). Presented to the Higher Learning Commission AQIP Colloquium. April 5-7 2013. Chicago, IL.

Academic Rank Attainment

- Professor of Political Science. University of West Georgia. Carrollton, GA. July 1, 2017 to Present. Tenured August 1 2019.
- Professor of Political Science. Fort Hays State University. Hays, KS. August 2013 – June 2017.
- Associate Professor of Political Science. Fort Hays State University. Hays, KS. August 18, 2008 to August 14 2013.
- Assistant Professor of Political Science. Fort Hays State University. Hays, KS. August 18, 2003 to August 17, 2008.

Awards and Honors

- FHSU President’s Distinguished Scholar, 205-2016 Academic Year
 - FHSU’s highest award for scholarly productivity
- Master’s II Faculty Status
 - Awarded 2010
 - Status granted to highly-productive scholars by the Graduate School
- Pilot Award finalist
 - FHSU’s highest award for teaching
 - 2013
 - 2012
 - 2010
 - 2007

