

# CURRICULUM VITAE

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## **Employment:**

Professor, Department of Politics and International Relations, Messiah College, 2013-current

Chair, Department of Political Science, 2009- 2012, 2021-present

Associate Dean of General Education, Common Learning and Advising, 2017-2019

Assistant Dean of General Education and Common Learning, 2011-2017 (Advising beginning 2014)

Associate Professor, Department of Politics, Messiah College, 2007-2013

Director of Academic Advising, 2009-2011

Assistant Professor, Department of Politics, Messiah College, 2002-2007

Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of History and Political Science, Mansfield University, Spring 2002

Instructor, Department of Government and Political Affairs, Millersville University, Fall 2000 - Spring 2001

Instructor, Department of Political Science, Shippensburg University, Fall 1998 - Spring 2000, Spring 2001

Instructor, Department of Political Science, SUNY Buffalo, Summer 1996

Survey administrator, Focused Marketing, Williamsville, NY, March 1996 - July 1996

## **Education:**

Certificate (2019-present), United Lutheran Seminar, Gettysburg, PA – Theological Studies

Ph.D. (Feb. 2001), SUNY Buffalo, Buffalo, NY - Political Science (American Politics: Institutions,

Micro-behavior; Comparative Politics: West Europe, Latin America, Political Parties, Political Change)

M.A. (1995), SUNY Buffalo, Buffalo, NY - American Politics

B.A. (1993), SUNY Buffalo, Buffalo, NY - Political Science (summa cum laude)

**Languages:**

French – Intermediate  
Spanish – Intermediate  
Latin – Intermediate  
Polish – Early Intermediate  
Spoken Japanese – Beginner

**Academic Awards and Honors:**

Member, Phi Beta Kappa  
Messiah College President's Award, 2017  
Research sabbatical, Fall 2008  
Dr. Robert and Marilyn Smith Outstanding Teacher Award, 2007  
Messiah College Internal Scholarship Grant 2004, 2007, 2008  
Boyer Scholar Mentor, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2010  
Messiah College Smith Scholar Intern Grant Supervisor, 2006-7, 2012-13  
Messiah College Workload Reallocation Recipient (2004-2008, 2008-2012, 2012-16)  
Who's Who Among America's Teachers, 2004, 2005  
Brethren Colleges Abroad Fellowship, 2003  
Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities , 1993 and 1995  
Teaching and Research Assistantship, SUNY Buffalo, 1993-1996  
Presidential Fellowship, SUNY Buffalo, 1993-1996  
Outstanding Student, SUNY Buffalo, 1989, 1991, 1993  
Member, Pi Sigma Alpha  
Member, Golden Key National Honor Society

**Additional Coursework:**

Polish Language and Culture Summer Program, Jagiellonian University, Krakow, Poland. July 2018, 2020, 2021

Program Scholar, "Structural Equation Models and Latent Variables: An Introduction." Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research Summer Program in Quantitative Methods. Ann Arbor, MI. July 23-27, 2007. (Graduate methods course)

Program Scholar, "Categorical Data Analysis: Models for Binary, Ordinal, Nominal, and Count Outcomes." Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research Summer Program in Quantitative Methods. Ann Arbor, MI. August 2-6, 2004. (Graduate methods course)

**Seminars/ Workshops:**

Participant, Crossroads Anti-Racism Training, Messiah College, August 10-12, 2010.

Institutional Team Representative, "Greater Expectations Institute," Association of American Colleges and Universities, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN, June 15-19, 2010.

Participant, "Advancing the Department," Workshop for Division and Department Chairs, Council of Independent Colleges, Albany, NY, June 3-5, 2010.

Participant, "Learning in a Time of Politics," Gaede Institute, Westmont College, Santa Barbara, CA, February 2008.

Participant, "A Methodology for Studying Congressional Elections" Short course at the American Political Science Association Conference, Philadelphia Convention Center, Philadelphia, PA, August 28-31, 2003.

"Strasbourg: Crossroads of Europe," Brethren Colleges Abroad Faculty Seminar. Strasbourg, France. June 9-17, 2003.

### **Publications:**

Review, The United States and the Rebirth of Poland, 1914-1918 by M.B.B. Biskupski, *ROCZNIK PRZEMYSKI*, 2019 (Vol. 23, Issue 3), pp. 201-206.

Book, *Constituent Perspectives of Political Representation: How Citizens Evaluate Their Representatives*, 2014, New York: Palgrave MacMillan.

Op-Ed, "Partisans Make Poor Citizens," *Philadelphia Inquirer*, (November 6, 2012); also published on FoxNews.com as "Now it's up to you -- your vote comes with much responsibility."

Review, "Direct Democracy Worldwide," by David Altman, *Comparative Political Studies*, 2012 (Vol. 45, Issue 6), pp.812-16.

Review, "The Politics of Exclusion: The Failure of Race-Neutral Policies in Urban America," by Leland Saito, *Journal of American Ethnic History*, Summer 2011 (Vol. 30, Issue 4), pp. 110-112.

Review, "Politics for Christians: Statecraft as Soulcraft," by Francis J. Beckwith, *Christian Scholars' Review*, Spring 2011 (Vol. XL, No. 3), pp. 336-9.

Article, "The Shape of Representation: Viewing Representative Behavior through the Lens of Social and Political Identity" *Commonwealth: A Journal of Political Science*, September 2009 (Vol 15, No. 2), pp. 65-88.

### **Other Scholarly References:**

Media consultant (Associated Press, WBAL, Gannett, WHP-TV, York Daily Record, Christian Science Monitor, Pittsburgh Post-Gazette, Patriot News), 2008-current.

Presentation, "What's the Issue?: Inside the 2012 Elections," Simpson Library, Mechanicsburg, PA, October 10, 2012

Presentation, "2012 Elections," International House, Harrisburg, PA, October 11, 2012

Panelist, Common Reading Convocation, *Mountains beyond Mountains*, Messiah College, Grantham, PA, September 2010.

Lecture (recorded) "The Political and Historical Context of Haiti," for Common Reading program *Mountains beyond Mountains*, Messiah College, 2009-10.

Media spokesperson for Messiah College, Compassion Forum, Grantham, PA, April 13, 2008.

Guest Lecturer, International Justice Mission Alternate Chapel on the Peruvian Political History, Messiah College, Grantham, PA, April 2004

**Conference presentations:**

"Using Project Scaffolding and Journals to Promote Metacognition and Critical Citizen," Presented at Lancaster Learns Teaching and Learning Conference, Lancaster PA February 26, 2021.

"Taming the General Education Hydra," Presented at the Annual Conference on Teaching and Learning Assessment, Drexel University September 12-14, 2018.

"Using Distributed Leadership to Advance Assessment: Leveraging Expertise, Position, and Influence," Association of the Assessment of Learning in Higher Education, Lexington, KY June 1-3, 2015.

"*Buffy the Vampire Slayer*: Slaying Stereotypes and Engendering Efficacy" Paper presented at the Northeast Political Science Association, Crowne Plaza, Philadelphia, PA November 17-19, 2011.

Coordinator/ Participant - *Cautiva*, Messiah College Humanities Symposium, February 2011.

Coordinator/ Participant - Remembering Montgomery, Messiah College Humanities Symposium, February 2010.

Participant: Plenary Session on Faith in the Public Square, Messiah College Humanities Symposium, February 2009.

"*Buffy the Vampire Slayer*: Slaying Stereotypes and Engendering Efficacy" Paper presented at the New York State Political Science Association Conference, Rockefeller College of Public Affairs, Albany, NY, April 25-6, 2008.

"Muddy Waters and Perception of Representative Issue Positions: Constituent Ignorance, Delusion, or Rationality?" Paper presented at the Pennsylvania Political Science Association, State Capitol, Harrisburg, PA, March 28-29, 2008.

"Finding our Civic Voice" Presentation for *Aging Doing Aging: From Practice to Implementation Forum*, The Center for Aging and Policy, December 5, 2007.

"Representational Reality? Perceptions of Policy Responsiveness in the Constituency" Paper presented at the New York State Political Science Association, Marist College, Poughkeepsie, NY, April 20-21, 2007.

Coordinator/ Participant - Economic Globalization of Free Trade: the Zapatista Response from Chiapas. 2007 Messiah College Humanities Symposium, February 2007.

“The Shape of Representation: Viewing Representative Behavior through the Lens of Social and Political Identity” Paper presented at the New York State Political Science Association, John Jay College, New York, New York, April 21-22, 2006.

“Gender Roles and *Buffy the Vampire Slayer*: It’s All About Power”, Presentation with Rachael Ewud, Politics Major at the Messiah College Humanities Symposium, February 2006.

"Who Prefers What? The Impact of Identity on Constituent Evaluations" Paper presented at the annual meeting of the The Midwest Political Science Association, Palmer House Hilton, Chicago, Illinois, April 7-10, 2005.

"The Constituent Perspective of Representation: The Dynamic Role of National and Local Factors Affecting Perceptions of Member Responsiveness" Paper presented at the annual meeting of the The Midwest Political Science Association, Palmer House Hilton, Chicago, Illinois, April 7-10, 2005.

Participant: Roundtable Discussion of *Culture War? The Myth of a Polarized America*. 2005 Messiah College Humanities Symposium, February 2005.

“Filling the Gap: Political Parties, Social Mobilization, and Political Instability in Latin America” Midwest Political Science Association. Palmer House Hilton, Chicago, IL. April 15-18, 2004; Pennsylvania Political Science Association. Wilkes University, Scranton, PA. April 2-3, 2004.

“Representative Responsiveness: An Investigation of the Dynamic Impact of Local Factors in National Congressional Elections.” New York State Political Science Association Conference, Niagara Falls, NY April 19-20, 2002.

“Thinking about Health Care.” Paper presented at the American Political Science Association Conference, New York, New York, September 1-4, 1994. (with Frank P. Zinni).

### **Panel Leadership:**

Chair/ Discussant, Deliberation and Democratic Potential. Northeast Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA, November 7-9, 2019.

Chair/ Discussant: Researching New York Politics and Environmental Policy. New York State Political Science Association, Syracuse University, NY, April 19-20, 2013

Chair/ Discussant: The Politics of New York State. New York State Political Science Association, Wagner College, NY, April 20-21, 2012.

Chair/ Discussant: The Impacts of the Three Branches of Government. New York State Political Science Association, Wagner College, NY, April 20-21, 2012.

Chair/ Discussant: Local Government, Collaboration and Reform. New York State Political Science Association, Niagara University, Lewiston, NY, April 8-9, 2011.

Chair/ Discussant: Political Culture and Perspectives. New York State Political Science Association, Empire State College, Saratoga Springs, NY, April 16-17, 2010.

Chair/Discussant: Identity, Networks, and the Development of Social Capital. New York State Political Science Association, John Jay College, New York City, NY. April 24-5, 2009.

Chair/ Discussant: Undergraduate Panel: Problematic Politics and Policy Responses. New York State Political Science Association, John Jay College, New York City, NY. April 24-5, 2009.

Chair/ Discussant: When the Voters go to the Polls...or Just Sometimes Stay Home. New York State Political Science Association, John Jay College, New York City, NY. April 24-5, 2009.

Chair/ Discussant: Policy Feedback and Mass Politics. New York State Political Science Association, Rockefeller College of Public Affairs, Albany, NY, April 25-6, 2008.

Discussant: Bush Administration Policies and the Welfare State. Northeast Political Science Association, Crowne Plaza Hotel, Philadelphia, PA, November 15-17, 2007.

Chair/ Discussant: Citizen Participation and Influence in the Policy Process. New York State Political Science Association, Marist College, Poughkeepsie, NY, April 20-21, 2007.

Chair/ Discussant: Public and Private Economic Policy. New York State Political Science Association, John Jay College, New York, New York, April 21-22, 2006.

Discussant: Pennsylvania Politics, Public Opinion and Policy. Pennsylvania Political Science Association Conference. Villanova University, Philadelphia, PA April 4-5, 2003.

Discussant: Undergraduate Research Panel on American Politics. Pennsylvania Political Science Association Conference. Villanova University, Philadelphia, PA April 4-5, 2003.

Discussant: Pennsylvania Politics, Public Opinion and Policy. Pennsylvania Political Science Association Conference, Harrisburg, PA April 5-6, 2002.

### **Other Research in Progress:**

“Ongoing Reform of the Church: Matching Rhetoric with Concrete Action” – archival research of Lutheran synod stances on civil rights in the 1960s

Citizenship and information literacy

Stability of democratic transitions in formerly authoritarian nations

### **Teaching Experience (Undergraduate-level):**

Introduction to American Government; Political Parties/ Parties and Elections; Introduction to Political Science; Classics in Political Theory; First Year Seminar- Democracy in America; Public Opinion and Political Socialization; Research Methods in Politics; Congress; Politics in Latin America; Congress; Public Policy; Gender, Family, and Politics; Created and Called for Community; France Cross-Cultural Course; US-Latin American Relations; Culture and Civil Society in Ecuador; Comparative Politics

## **Other Related Experience**

Reviewer, *Political Research Quarterly*, 2013-2015

Member, Pennsylvania Policy Forum, 2011-present

Treasurer, New York State Political Science Association Conference, 2010-2014.

Representative, Small Colleges and University Commission Steering Committee, National Association of Academic Advising, 2010-2011.

Reviewer, G. Pyrcz, *The Study of Politics: A Short Survey of Core Approaches*, Toronto, ON, University of Toronto Press.

American Government Section Chair, New York State Political Science Association Conference, 2008-2010.

Reviewer, J. Johnson and H. T. Reynolds (2007) *Political Science Research Methods* 6<sup>th</sup> ed. and companion workbook. Washington, D.C. CQ Press.

Reviewer, M. Kraft and J. Furlong (2006) *Public Policy: Politics, Analysis, and Alternatives* 2<sup>nd</sup> ed. Washington DC, CQ Press.

Reviewer, *Political Science Research Methods* preliminary draft workbook for Johnson, J. and H. T. Reynolds (2005) *Political Science Research Methods* 5<sup>th</sup> ed. Washington, D.C. CQ Press.

Extensive use of SPSS-PASW for Windows, Stata, Corel Office, MS Office, familiarity with SAS.

Assistant for research and editing of Stephen Halpern's On the Limits of the Law: The Ironic Legacy of Title VI of the 1964 Civil Rights Act, 1991-2

Teaching Assistant: Introduction to American Government (3 sessions), Voting and Public Opinion (2 sessions), Political Socialization (2 sessions), Social Science Statistics (2 sessions), Research Methods, Election Year Politics. Duties included some lecturing, writing test questions and grading, 1993-1995.

## **Departmental/ Institutional Service:**

### *Committees/ Task Forces/ Working Groups*

Member Executive Committee, Center for Public Humanities, 2020-present

Parliamentarian, Ranked Faculty Meeting 2020-2021

Student Success Task Force, 2018

Mental Wellness Strategic Planning Group, 2018

Guiding Educational Assumption Task Force, 2017-2018

Assessment of Student Learning Committee, 2013-2019

Global and Intercultural Engagement Committee, 2014-2018

Writing Across the Curriculum Committee, 2011-2018

International Risk Management Committee, 2011-2019

First Year Experience Committee, 2009-2019

Retention Task Force/ Team, 2009-2019

Service Learning Committee, 2011-2016

Upper Class Experience Committee, 2011-2016

Sustainability Studies Task Force/ Sustainability Studies Committee, 2009-2015

Team member, Council of Independent Colleges Engaging Evidence Consortium, 2012-2013

Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE) Steering Committee and working group on Education, 2012-2013

Middle States Commission on Higher Education (MSCHE) working group on Student Admission/Retention and Student Support Services, 2011-2013

Educational Programming Task Force for the Diversity Strategic Plan, 2011-2013

Chair, Educational Technology Plan Task Force for the Advising Process, Spring 2011

Campus Liaison, Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research, 2003-2013

New Faculty Mentor, 2006-2007, 2010-2011

International Student Advisory Committee 2009-2011

Acting Chair, Ranked Faculty, Spring 2009

Engle Center Mental Health Task Force, Spring 2007

Departmental Representative - Center for Public Humanities Executive Committee, Fall 2006 – Spring 2008, Fall 2020-current

Boyer Scholarship Selection Committee, 2004, 2007

Community of Educators' Steering Committee – 2004-2006, 2007-2008

Community of Educators' Senator – 2003-2008



Community of Educators' Senate Secretary, 2005-2006

Contributor to NEH Challenge grant application, Fall 2005, 2006

Designed senior survey for departmental assessment, 2005

Developed Politics Department Plagiarism Statement, 2004

Departmental Representative: Humanities Roundtable Advisory Board, Messiah College 2002-2004

Advisory Editor, Proteus Fall 2001 (Shippensburg University).

Clustered Learning Program Spring 1999, 2000, (Shippensburg University)

Faculty Advisor to Political Science Club, 1999-2000 (Shippensburg University).

Member of Textbook Committee for Department's American Government text (Shippensburg University).

Political Science Graduate Student Association President, 1994-1995 (SUNY Buffalo).

Graduate Student Association Senator for Political Science Graduate Student Association, 1993-1994 (SUNY Buffalo).

#### *Initiatives and Program Development*

Departmental blog writer and editor – Civic Mind (writer/ editor), Tocqueville Capital (writer/editor) and From the Field (editor) series, Fall 2019 – current

Developed parameters and piloted travel-embedded course, 2019-2020

Site visit and sponsor for Living and Learning International semester program in Quito, Ecuador, 2018

General Education and Common Learning Program Review, 2017 – 2019

Developed and implemented new advising evaluation instrument and reporting process, 2015-2018

Co-lead development and implementation of Experiential Learning Initiative, 2013-2019

Led and implemented general education branding initiative, 2012 – 2019

Developed new tool to implement General Education assessment plan and analyze data, Spring 2012

Advising Program Review 2010-11

Collaboratively developed and implemented midterm grade pilot program, Fall 2010

Led development of pre-law program proposal, 2009-10

Collaboratively developed new Sustainability Studies Major, Fall 2010

Assisted in further development of Career Center *Pre-Law Advising* program, 2007

Collaboratively developed the Environmental Studies Public Policy/ Law interdisciplinary major, 2005

*Campus-based and student events*

Departmental Honors Thesis Advisor – Elise Robinson (2021), Andrew Ausel (2015) Solveig Parsons (2013), Sharon Hoeck (2012), Jennifer Reed (2012), Rebekah Crossman (2010), Steven Spicer (2010), Liz Poulin (2010), Vanessa Brubaker (2010), Nadia Schafer (2009), Elizabeth Monachello (2008). Jill Seibert (2006), Jessica Rivera (2005), Nathaniel Cushman (2005), Steven Damerell (2003)

Coordinator, Humanities Symposium Panel on “The Road to Freedom is Fraught with Struggle” incorporating student research from Gender, Family and Politics course, Center for Public Humanities, March 2021

Coordinator, Humanities Symposium Panel on "Vulnerability as a Prelude to Partisan Realignment" incorporating student research from Parties and Elections course, Center for Public Humanities, February 2020

Participant, Roundtable on the Green New Deal, Office of Sustainability, April 2019

Presenter, Teaching Tuesday: Teaching with Podcasts, February 2019

Coordinator, Alumni career panel: Career Conversations in Politics: Nongovernmental Organizations (2007); Government Employment (2008); Law (2009); MPA and MPP programs, March 2010; International Relations (2011)

Coordinator, Civil Dialogue Focus Week Political Debate, Fall 2008

Co-Presenter, Teaching Workshop: Writing the Thesis-Driven Research Paper, May 2008

Instructor, “Teaching Politics through Film.” Center for Public Humanities “Teachers as Scholars” program, May 2008, June 2013

Civil Dialogue Focus Week Steering Committee/ Programming Subcommittee, 2008

Reconciliation House Advisory Board, 2008

Presenter, Integrating Vocational Development into Advising and the Curriculum: School of the Humanities Meeting, March 2008

Campus Coordinator, *Iron Jawed Angels*, March 2008

Presenter, Teaching Workshop: Plagiarism, Documentation, and Effective Use of Sources, March 2007

Coordinator/ Participant - Women’s History Month Chapel - *Running in High Heels*, March 2007

Coordinator/ Participant - Women's History Month Chapel - *It's All About Power: Buffy the Vampire Slayer and Gender Roles*, March 2007

Coordinator/ Participant - Black History Month Chapel, *Chisholm '72: Unbossed and Unbought*, February 2007  
Trustees' Scholarship/ Honors Program interviewer, 2007- current

Presenter, Teaching Workshop: Professional Development Week Writing, Spring 2005

Moderator, College Democrats and College Republicans Election Debate, November 2004

Coordinator and panelist - Gender and Voting Chapel, November 2004

Panelist, Roundtable discussion of James McBride's *The Color of Water*, September 2004

Participant, Alternate Chapel, "Partisanship and Faith", November 2003

#### **Dissertation:**

"Evaluations of Responsiveness: The Constituent Perspective of Representation."

Supervisor: D. Munroe Eagles

Committee: Jim Twombly, Franco Mattei

Outside Reader: Laurie Rhodebeck

#### **Professional Associations:**

Member, New York Political Science Association.

Member, Northeast Political Science Association.

#### **Community/ Church service:**

Volunteer, Family Promise

Mentor to Sara Watkins through Big Brothers Big Sisters, 2001-2009

Council Member, Epiphany Lutheran Church, 2002-2006, 2020-present

Council Secretary, Epiphany Lutheran Church, 2003-2006

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