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EDUCATION

- University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky, Ph.D., Political Science, May 1997.
- University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky, M.A., Political Science, December 1996.
- Baldwin-Wallace College, Berea, Ohio, B.A., Political Science, June 1992.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Associate Professor, Northern Kentucky University, Highland Heights, KY, Fall 2006 – present.
- Assistant Professor, Northern Kentucky University, Highland Heights, KY, Fall 2001 – Spring 2006.
- Assistant Professor, University of Evansville, Evansville IN, Fall 1997 - Spring 2001.
- Instructor, Lake Superior State University, Sault Ste. Marie, MI, Fall 1996 - Spring 1997.
- Instructor, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY, Fall 1994 - Spring 1996.

PUBLICATIONS

- “Peer Evaluation in the Political Science Classroom” (with Kimberly Weir). *PS: Political Science & Politics* Volume 44, Issue 4 (October 2011).
- “Power and Politics in the Classroom: The Effect of Student Roles in Simulations.” (with Kimberly Weir). *Journal of Political Science Education* Volume 6, Issue 3 (July 2010).
- “Simulating History to Understand the International System.” (with Kimberly Weir). *Simulation & Gaming* (October 2008).
- “Governors and the Bureaucracy: Executive Resources and the Determinants of Administrative Influence” (with Neal Woods). *International Journal of Public Administration* Volume 30, Issue 11 (September 2007).
- “Legislative Professionalism and Influence on State Agencies: The Divergent Effects of Resources and Careerism” (with Neal Woods). *Legislative Studies Quarterly* Volume 31, Number 4 (November 2006).
- “Influence over State Agency Activities: A Test of Two Survey-Based Measures.” (with Donald Gross). *State Politics and Policy Quarterly* Volume 6, Number 2 (Summer 2006).

- “Single Session Simulations: The Effectiveness of Short Congressional Simulations in Introductory American Government Classes.” *Journal of Political Science Education*. Volume 2, Number 1 (January – April 2006).
- “Legislative Professionalism and Influence on State Agencies” *Politics & Policy*, Volume 29, Number 1 (March, 2001).

CONFERENCE PAPERS AND SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES

- Book: *Navigating the News: A Political Media User’s Guide*. Under contract with Praeger Publishers. Publication expected Spring, 2013.
- “Simulations and Student Understanding of the Budget Process”. Paper presented at the 2011 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. Seattle, WA, August 31 – September 4, 2011.
- Reviewer for *Journal of Political Science Education*. 2004, 2005, 2007, 2010, 2011.
- Reviewer for *Commonwealth*. 2010.
- Developed sabbatical proposal for project to write a political science media literacy manual, September, 2009. (Sabbatical granted for Fall 2010 Semester)
- “Peer Evaluation in the Political Science Classroom” (with Kimberly Weir). Paper presented at the 2009 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. Toronto, ON, Canada, September 3-6, 2009.
- Reviewer for *Legislative Studies Quarterly*. 2009.
- Reviewer for *International Studies Perspectives*. 2009.
- Reviewer for *State Politics & Policy Quarterly*. 2009.
- “Simulating Global Energy Policy in Introductory International Relations and American Politics Classes” (with Kimberly Weir). Paper presented at the 2008 Annual Convention of the International Studies Association. San Francisco, CA, March 26-29, 2008.
- “Power and Politics in the Classroom: One-Session Legislative Simulations in Introductory American Government Classes” (with Kimberly Weir). Paper presented at the 2006 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. Philadelphia, PA, August 31 – September 4, 2006.
- “Teaching International Relations Using Computer Simulations: Using *Civilization III* in the Classroom” (with Kimberly Weir). Paper presented at the 2005 Annual Convention of the International Studies Association. Honolulu, Hawaii, March 1-5, 2005.
- Manuscript reviewer for *Introducing Public Policy* (A.B. Longman). 2004.
- Reviewer for *Journal of Politics*. 2003.
- Manuscript reviewer for *Understanding Statistics in the Social Sciences*. (Roxbury Publishing). Spring 2003.
- “Autonomy and Influence in State Administrative Agencies” (with Neal Woods). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 2002.

- "The Supreme Court and Partisan Realignment, Redux" (with C. Scott Peters). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 1999.
- "Gubernatorial, Legislative, Judicial, and Bureaucratic Influence Over State Agency Activities: A Test of Competing Measures of Influence" (with Donald Gross). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Atlanta, GA, October 1998.
- "Interest Group Influence in State Agencies." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Norfolk, VA, November 1997.
- "Legislative Professionalism and Legislative Influence in the Bureaucracy: Are More Professional Legislatures More Influential?" Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Atlanta, GA, November 1996.
- "The Formal Powers of the Governor: A Brief Investigation." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Tampa, Florida, November 1995.
- "A Context of No Context: "Reality Television" and Public Opinion." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Northeast Political Science Association, Providence, RI, November 1994.
- "A Comparative Analysis of Rural Party Organizations in North Carolina and Kentucky" (with Donald Jonas). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 1994.

SERVICE

- Faculty Senate. Fall 2006 – present.
- Faculty Senate Professional Concerns Committee (PCC). Fall 2006 – present.
- Political Science Program Coordinator. Fall 2005 – Fall 2008, Spring 2011 – Spring 2012.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

- American Political Science Association.
 - Undergraduate Education Section.
 - Information Technology & Politics Section.