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Education University of Texas at Austin
Ph.D., 1993
University of Oregon, Eugene Oregon
B.S., 1985

Professional Employment 2012 -- Professor. University of Missouri
1999 -- 2012 Associate Professor. University of Missouri
1993 – 1999 Assistant Professor. University of Missouri
1992 – 1993 Visiting Instructor. University of Missouri

Teaching Introduction to American Government, American Political Thought
American Political Development, Political Parties, Voting and Elections,
Political Behavior, (graduate), Political Methodology (graduate).

Research American Government and Political Development
Voting and Elections
Political Science Methodology

Publications

Book: *Electing the House: The Adoption and Performance of the U.S. Single-Member District Electoral System* (University Press of Kansas, 2017)

Articles:

“Rethinking the First Party Era: Middle Atlantic US House Elections, 1796–1824” *American Political Thought*. 11 (2022) 525–549

“Congressional Nominations and Party Emergence, 1788-1808.” (with Aric Dale Gooch) *Social Science Quarterly*. 102 (2021) 2836-2848.

“Political Knowledge and Electoral Choice in the 1992-2004 United States Presidential Elections: Are More and Less Knowledgeable Citizens Distinguishable” *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion and Parties* 21(2011):381-406.

“Party-System Extremism in Majoritarian and Proportional Electoral Systems” *British Journal of Political Science* 41(2011):341-361.

“Gender Differences in Political Knowledge: Distinguishing Characteristics-Based and Returns-Based Differences” *Political Behavior* 31(2009):117-136.

“Does Democracy Suffer from Diversity? Issue Representation and Diversity in Senate Elections” (with Benjamin G. Bishin and James Adams), *Public Choice* 129(2006):201-215.

“The Political Consequences of Alienation-Based and Indifference-Based Voter Abstention: Applications to Presidential Elections” (with James Adams and Samuel Merrill III). *Political Behavior* 28 (2006):65-86.

“Representation in Congressional Elections: Evidence for Discounting/Directional Voting in U.S. Senate Elections” (with James Adams and Benjamin G. Bishin) *Journal of Politics* 66(2004):348-373.

“Multinomial Probit and Multinomial Logit: A Comparison of Choice Models for Voting Research” (with James W. Endersby). *Electoral Studies* 23(2004):107-122.

“On the Bias Against New Innovations in Health Care: Value Uncertainty and Willingness to Pay” (with Walton et al.) *Value in Health*. 5(2002):67-70

“A Comparative Spatial Analysis of Majoritarian and Proportional Elections” *Electoral Studies* 20(2001):109-125.

“Voter Choice in the 1995 French Presidential Election” *Political Behavior* 21(1999):305-324.

"A Spatial Analysis of Candidate Competition in Dual Member Districts" *Public Choice* 97(1998):451-474. Reprinted in Melvin J. Hinich and Michael C. Munger (eds.) *Empirical Studies in Comparative Politics*. (Dordrecht, Netherlands: Kluwer Academic Publishers, 1998)

"Directional and Proximity Models of Voter Choice in Recent United States Presidential Elections" *Public Choice* 96(1998):259-270.

"A Spatial Analysis of the 1989 Chilean Presidential Election" *Electoral Studies* 17(1998):61-76.

"The Industrial Structure of the California Assembly: Committee Assignments, Economic Interests, and Campaign Contributions" (with James W. Endersby and Charles E. Menifield) *Public Choice* 94(1998):67-83.

"The Use of Replication in Graduate Methodology Instruction" *The Political Methodologist* 7(1995):3-7.

"Campaign Contributions and Intercandidate Transfers in the California Assembly" *Social Science Quarterly* 75(1994):867-880.

"Campaign Contributions and Legislative Voting in the California Assembly" (with James W. Endersby). *American Politics Quarterly* 22(1994):334-353.

"Campaign Contributions in an Unregulated Setting: An Analysis of the 1984 and 1986 California Assembly Elections" (with Janet M. Box-Steffensmeier). *Western Political Quarterly* 45(1992):609-628.

"Public Choice in Political Science: We Don't Teach It But We Publish It" (with Michael C. Munger). *PS: Political Science and Politics* 23(1990):604-609.

Other Publications

"Gerrymandering and Gill in Constitutional Perspective" *Starting Points: A Journal of American Principles and American Practices*. December 11, 2017 (online @ <https://startingpointsjournal.com/gerrymandering-gill-constitutional-perspective>)

Crisis! When Political Parties Lose the Consent to Rule. 2019 Book Review *Perspectives on Politics*, 18(4), 1237-1238.

Work in Progress

The First Elections (Working Title). Book-length study of American House of Representatives elections in the first party era: 1796-1824. (anticipated completion – 2024)

"Proportional Representation and Racial Politics in Nineteenth Century America" working paper.

Service: Selective Listing of Department, College, University and Discipline Service

Tenure and Promotion Committee

Chair 2013-2014, 2015-2017 (Department), 2021-2023 (Member, College)

Executive Committee (Department)

Recruitment Committee (Department)

Tenure Probationary Extension Committee (University)

Journal and Book Manuscript Reviewer (Current Ongoing, Disciplinary)

Promotion Committee (MU Communications Department) Chair 2013-2014

Tenure Application Reviewer (Disciplinary – 2x University of California, Riverside)
Tenure Application Reviewer (Disciplinary – Portland State University)
Tenure Application Reviewer (Disciplinary – Northern Illinois University)
Graduate Studies Committee (Department)
Curriculum, Instruction and Advising Committee (College)
Graduate Faculty Senate (University)
Faculty Council (University – 2x)
 Executive Committee Member: Chair, Fiscal Affairs Committee
 NSEI History Committee
Chancellor’s Committee on Student Conduct (University)
Strategic Planning and Resource Allocation Committee (University)
Academic Resource Allocation and Generation Committee (University)
Residential Life Committee – Chair (University)
Grant Reviewer, National Science Foundation (Disciplinary)
Section Organizer, Midwest Political Science Association (Disciplinary)
Panel Chair and Discussant; American Political Science Association, Midwest Political Science Association (Disciplinary)

Grants and Fellowships

Kinder Institute Travel Awards 2016-2019
University Research Council, Development Award – 2017 (\$2000)
University Research Council Awarded Leave - 2014
University research Council Small Grant – 2014 (\$4520)
Jack Miller Center Summer Symposium Fellow 2012, 2013
Liberty Fund Colloquiums 2000-2016, 2018 (invited participant; multiple)
University Of Missouri Research Board: 2005 (co-investigator: \$13,000)
University of Missouri Research Council Awarded Leave, 2004.
University of Missouri Faculty Development Project (\$2,190)
University Of Missouri Research Board: 1999 (co-investigator: \$24,953)
University of Missouri Assistant Professor Travel Awards: 1997-1999
University of Texas at Austin Dissertation Fellowship 1991

Professional Associations

American Political Science Association
Midwest Political Science Association