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Education

Ph.D. in Political Science, *University of Iowa*, 1995

Dissertation: "Presidential Policy Initiation and Passing Legislation in the House and Senate"

B.A. in Political Science and B.A. in History, *Iowa State University*, 1989

Phi Beta Kappa

Academic Appointments

Professor, Political Science, *DePaul University*, 2008-

Associate Professor, Political Science, *DePaul University*, 2001-2008

Assistant Professor, Political Science, *DePaul University*, 1996-2001

Visiting Assistant Professor, Political Science, *Marquette University*, 1995-1996

Instructor, Political Science, *Iowa State University*, 1994-1995

Adjunct Instructor, Political Science, *University of Iowa*, 1994

Research and Teaching Assistant, Political Science, *University of Iowa*, 1989-1993

Courses Taught

First year courses/seminars: American Political System, Representatives and Representation in Chicago (first year seminar), Politics in Film & Reality (first year seminar)

Intermediate courses: Parties and Elections, Presidential Nominations, 2016 Presidential Election, Campaigns and Elections (experiential learning), American Presidency, Congress & the Legislative Process, Trump's First 100 Days, Political Inquiry, States Markets and Society (Honors Seminar), American Foreign Policy

Advanced courses/seminars: Political Analysis & Research Methods, Statistics Lab, Economic Theory and Practice in Federal Budgeting, Economics, Ideology & Policy, Models of Individual & Public Choice, Agenda-Setting & Public Policy, Senior Capstone (film & politics)

Special courses: supervised 122 internships, 74 independent studies, 14 senior theses

Awards and Recognition

Honors Distinguished Faculty, 2017-

Nominated six times for the Excellence in Teaching Award, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
Who's Who Among America's Teachers, 2000

Honorary faculty inductee, Golden Key Honor Society, DePaul University, 1999

Laurence Fairall Scholarship, University of Iowa, 1990, 1991

Phi Beta Kappa, Iowa State University, 1990
Graduated with Distinction, Iowa State University, 1989
Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society, Iowa State University, 1989
Pi Sigma Alpha Honor Society, Iowa State University, 1988
Phi Kappa Tau Foundation Scholarship, Iowa State University, 1987

Books & Edited Volumes

Political Parties and Presidential Nominations: Conditional Arbiters of Democracy, under contract with Routledge Press. (anticipated, 2024)

Resurgence of American Populism: Socio-Economic Change and Political Discontent, (under contract with Routledge Press).

A Citizen's Guide to Presidential Nominations: the Competition for Leadership, 2015, Routledge Press.

American Review of Politics, Vol. 28. 2008. Co-editor with Andrew Dowdle, special edition on the 2008 presidential nominations.

Campaigns and Political Marketing, 2006. Lead co-editor, with Sean Q Kelly and J. Mark Wrighton (eds.), Routledge Press.

Journal of Political Marketing, Assoc. Editor, 2001 – 2008

- Managed review and editorial decisions for submissions in political communication, political psychology, and political science; editor on 42 published articles.
- Submissions from N. America, Europe, Australia, Asia, and S. America.

Articles in Peer-Reviewed Journals & Blind-Reviewed Volumes

Fundamentals Matter: Forecasting the 2020 Democratic Presidential Nomination, with Andrew Dowdle, Karen Sebold, Randall Adkins, *PS: Political Science & Politics*, 2021, 54 (1): 41-46.

Conditional Arbiters: The Limits of Political Party Influence in Presidential Nominations, *PS: Political Science & Politics*, 2016, 49 (4): 709-715.

Two Paradigms of Presidential Nominations, *Presidential Studies Quarterly*, 2013, 43 (2): 377-387.

The Viability Primary: Modeling Candidate Support Before the Primaries? (with Randall Adkins and Andrew Dowdle), *Political Research Quarterly*, 2009, 62 (1): 77-91.

Playing Defense in the Illinois 10th: Surviving Obama-mania in the Shadow of Chicago, *American Review of Politics*, 2009, 30 (2): 137-154.

- How did the Primary Vote Forecasts Fare in the 2008 Nominations? *Presidential Studies Quarterly*, 2009, 39 (1): 141-154.
- Inter-Party Differences in Elite Support for Presidential Nomination Candidates, *American Politics Research*, 2008, 36 (1): 724-49.
- Party Elite Support for Candidates in the 2008 Presidential Nomination, *American Review of Politics*, 2008, 28: 293-318.
- Forecasting the presidential primary vote: viability, ideology and momentum, *International Journal of Forecasting*, 2008, 24 (2): 193-208.
- Who Wins Nominations and Why? An Updated Forecast of the Presidential Primary Vote, *Political Research Quarterly*, 2007, 60 (1): 91-99.
- Stepping Stone to the White House or Tombstone on Presidential Ambition? Why senators usually fail when they run for the White House, *American Review of Politics*. 2006, 27 (1): 45-70.
- The President's Legislative Program: an Issue of Sincere vs. Strategic Behavior, *Politics & Policy*, 2005, 33 (2): 312-29.
- The New Hampshire Effect in Presidential Nominations (with Randall Adkins and Andrew Dowdle), *Political Research Quarterly*, 2004, 57 (3): 375-390.
- Presidential Renomination Challenges in the 20th Century. *Presidential Studies Quarterly*, 2003, 33 (4): 827-852.
- A Quarter Century of Network News Coverage of Candidates in Presidential Nomination Campaigns, *Journal of Political Marketing*, 2002, 1 (1): 91-116
- Candidate Competition and Attrition in Presidential Primaries, 1912-2000. (primary author with John Hickman and Ken Yohn), *American Politics Research*, 2002, 30 (5): 528-554.
- Campaign Momentum, Front-Loading, and Press Coverage of the 1996 Presidential Nominating Campaign, *Illinois Political Science Review*, 2001, 7 (1): 21-40.
- Do Primary Voters Draw From a Stacked Deck? Presidential Nominations in an Era of Candidate-Centered Campaigns, *Presidential Studies Quarterly*, 2000, 30 (4): 727-753.
- The Occurrence and Consequences of Electoral Mandates in Historical Context, *Congress & the Presidency*, 2000, 27 (2): 121-147.

Comparing News and Commentary Coverage of the 1996 Presidential Nominating Campaign, *Presidential Studies Quarterly*, 1999, 29 (2): 40-64.

Presidential Policy Initiation and the Politics of Agenda Control, *Congress & the Presidency*, 1997, 24 (1): 17-36.

The Two Presidencies Thesis: Directions for Future Research, (with James M. Lindsay), *Congress & the Presidency*, 1993, 20(2): 103-117.

The Determinants of Presidential Foreign Policy Choice, (with James M. Lindsay and Lois W. Sayrs), *American Political Quarterly*, 1992, 20 (1): 3-25.

Articles and Chapters in Edited Volumes (invited / editor reviewed)

The Trump Brand of Right-Wing Populism, *Unorthodox Presidency of Donald J Trump*, Paul Rutledge and Chapman Rackaway, (eds.), University of Kansas Press, 2021.

Conditional Arbiters: the Limits of Political The Trump Brand of Right-Wing Populism, *Unorthodox Presidency of Donald J Trump*, Paul Rutledge and Chapman Rackaway, (eds.), University of Kansas Press, 2021.

The presidential primary: a populist error? (with Justin Vaughn), *Die USA - eine scheiternde Demokratie?"* (The US - a failing democracy?). Patrick Horst (ed.), Campus Verlag New York, ETA October 2018.

Populist Waves in the 2016 Presidential Nominations: a Limit to the Party Decides Thesis. *The State of the Parties 2018*. John C. Green, (ed.). 8th edition, Roman & Littlefield, 2018, pp. 150-168.

Citizen Choice in Presidential Primaries, *Routledge Handbook of Primary Elections*, Robert G. Boatright, (ed.), Routledge, 2018, pp. 273-89.

Populist challenges in the 2016 presidential nominations, *The 2016 Presidential Elections: The Causes and Consequences of a Political Earthquake*, Amnon Cavari, Richard Powell, and Kenneth R. Mayer, (eds.), Lexington, 2017, pp. 23-42.

The Republican Primaries, in *Campaigning for President 2016: Strategy and Tactics*, Dennis Johnson and Lara Brown (eds.), Routledge, 2017, pp. 64-79.

A Transformational Political Campaign: Marketing and Candidate Messaging in 2012, *Winning the Presidency, 2012*, William Crotty (ed.), Routledge, 2013. pp. 74- 89.

Dwight D. Eisenhower, 34th President of the United States, *Chronology of the U.S. Presidency*, Matthew Manweller (ed.), Greenwood Press, 2012, pp. 1065-1116.

Why are Presidential Nominations so Difficult to Forecast? (with Randy Adkins and Andrew Dowdle), *The Making of the Presidential Candidates 2012*, William G. Mayer and Jonathan Bernstein (eds.), Roman & Littlefield. 2011, pp. 1-22.

Replacing a President: Scandal and Competition for Barak Obama's Illinois Senate Seat, *Cases in Congressional Campaigns: Riding the Wave 2010*, David Dulio and Randall Adkins, (eds.), Routledge, 2011, pp. 117-138.

Running Scared from the Hill and at Home, in *Cases in Congressional Campaigns: Incumbents Playing Defense in 2008*, Randall Adkins and Dave Dulio, (eds.), Roman & Littlefield, 2010, pp. 60-74.

Following the Leader: the impact of endorsements on presidential nomination contests," *Voting in America: What influences the American Voter: Interest Groups, Issues, and the Media*. Morgan E. Felchner (ed.), Westport, CT: Greenwood Press, 2008, Vol. 2, pp. 183-208.

The 2008 Presidential Nominations, (with Andrew Dowdle), *American Review of Politics*, 2008, 28: 291-293.

Campaigns and Political Marketing in Political Science Context, (with Sean Q. Kelly and J. Mark Wrighton), *Journal of Political Marketing*, 2006, 5 (1/2): 1-10.

- Reprinted in *Campaigns and Political Marketing*, Haworth Press. 2006.

The Permanent Campaign: Marketing as a Governing Tool, *Handbook of Political Marketing*, Bruce I. Newman, (ed.), Sage Publications, 1999, pp. 661-684

Encyclopedia Entries & Trade Publication Essays (editor reviewed)

Fiscal Conservatism: Ideology or Pursuit of Power, *Presidents & Executive Politics Report*, 2014. 36 (2): 9-10

Asymmetric Party Governance in an Era of Polarized Parties, *Presidents & Executive Politics Report*, 2013. 35 (2): 15-16

Presidential Campaigns, in the *Encyclopedia of Campaigns, Elections, and Electoral Behavior*, Kenneth F. Warren (ed.), Thousand Oaks, CA. Sage Publications, 2008, Vol. 1: 87-92

Presidential Nomination Process, in the *Encyclopedia of Campaigns, Elections, and Electoral Behavior*, Kenneth F. Warren (ed.), Thousand Oaks, CA. Sage Publications, 2008, Vol. 2: 456-457

Endorsements in Campaigns, in the *Encyclopedia of Campaigns, Elections, and Electoral Behavior*, Kenneth F. Warren (ed.), Thousand Oaks, CA. Sage Publications, 2008, Vol. 1: 217-218

Candidate Image, in the *Encyclopedia of Campaigns, Elections, and Electoral Behavior*, Kenneth F. Warren (ed.), Thousand Oaks, CA. Sage Publications, 2008, Vol. 1: 108-110

Voter Expectations, in the *Encyclopedia of Campaigns, Elections, and Electoral Behavior*, Kenneth F. Warren (ed.), Thousand Oaks, CA. Sage Publications, 2008, Vol. 2: 832-833

Party Image, in the *Encyclopedia of Campaigns, Elections, and Electoral Behavior*, Kenneth F. Warren (ed.), Thousand Oaks, CA. Sage Publications, 2008, Vol. 2: 485-86

The Upside of an Unfair Presidential Primary Schedule, *Presidency Research Group Report*, 2007, 30 (1): 8-9

An Evolutionary Epistemological Perspective on Presidency Research, *Presidency Research Group Report* 1998. 21 (1): 13-18

Public Editorials and Essays:

- [While a 2020 Republican primary challenge for Trump is likely to fail, it would tell us a great deal about his chances for reelection.](#) LSE- American Politics and Policy (sponsored by London School of Economics; rated 2nd most influential university sponsored blog by a University of Pennsylvania study; over 400,000 visitors per month), August, 2019
- <https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/monkey-cage/wp/2015/05/29/the-invisible-primaries-of-2016/> The Invisible Primaries of 2016: a Tale of Two Presidential Nomination Races. *The Monkey Cage* (a *Washington Post* sponsored blog). 2015.
- Tax hike will bring spending cuts, *Chicago Sun Times*, February 8, 2011
- The challenge of cleaning up Illinois politics, *Chicago Tribune*, Sept. 10, 2010
- Fixing the Illinois government mess, *Chicago Tribune*, June 23, 2009
- Is a bailout a good idea? *Chicago Tribune*, October, 2008

Book Reviews

George C. Edwards, III, 2020, *Changing Their Minds: Donald Trump and Presidential Leadership*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, in *Perspectives on Politics*, 2021, 19(4):

John Pitney, Jr. 2019. *After Reagan: Bush, Dukakis, and the 1988 Election*. Lawrence: University Press of Kansas, in *Congress & the Presidency*. 2020. 47(2): 268-269

Jay Wendland, 2017, *Campaigns that Matter: the importance of campaign visits in presidential nominating contests*, in *Perspectives on Politics*, 2020, 18(2): 635-36.

Cohen, Marty, David Karol, Hans Noel, and John Zaller. 2008. *The Party Decides: Presidential Nominations Before and After Reform*. Chicago: University of Chicago Press, in *Congress & the Presidency*. 2009, 36 (2): 212-14.

- Thomas Gangale. 2008. *From the Primaries to the Polls: How to Repair America's Broken Presidential Nomination Process*, Praeger, in *Presidential Studies Quarterly*, 2009, 39 (4): 941-42.
- Emmett H. Buell, Jr. and William G. Mayer (eds.). 2004. *Enduring Controversies in Presidential Nominating Politics*. Pittsburgh University Press, in *Presidential Studies Quarterly*. 2006. 36 (3): 327-28.
- James P. Pfiffner. 2004. *The Character Factor: How We Judge America's Presidents*. College Station: Texas A & M University Press, in *Political Science Quarterly*. 2005. 119 (3): 528-29
- Mel Laracey. 2003. *Presidents and the People: The Partisan Story of Going Public*, College Station: Texas A & M University Press, in *Congress and the Presidency*. 2003. 30 (1): 105-107
- James E. Campbell. 2000. *The American Campaign: U.S. Presidential Campaigns and the National Vote*. (Texas A&M University Press), in *Presidential Studies Quarterly*. 2001. 30 (4): 813-15
- Dan Palazzolo. 1999. *Done Deal: The Politics of the 1997 Budget Agreement*. Chatham House Publishers, in *Congress & the Presidency*. 2000. 26 (2): 240-42

Research in progress

Comparing Effects in Multi-Stage Forecasts of the Primary Vote in Open Presidential Nominations, (with Randall Adkins Andrew Dowdle, and Karen Sebold)

The Party Decides when there is an Obvious Choice

Progressive Ambition, Opportunism, and the Presidency, 1972-2016, (with Randall Adkins Andrew Dowdle, and Greg Petrow

Debt Ceiling Politics: Ideology, Power, and Hypocrisy – government by hypocrites

- Shows that most legislators of both parties adopt fiscal conservative positions when they are in the minority, while supporting expanded deficits when they control government. The result is hypocrisy in position taking, which is driven by political party competition for institutional control more than ideology.

Dynamics of Fiscal Policy: Theories and Evidence

- Demonstrates a fundamental shift in fiscal policy largely beginning with the Reagan years that has resulted in long-term structural deficits. I argue this results from: 1) the adoption of supply-side economic philosophy by Republicans, 2) cumulative changes in the tax code that shift revenues from a reliance on income and corporate taxes to payroll taxes, 3) growing economic inequality, and 4) a change in the effects of recessions on federal expenditures and revenues.

Conference Papers and Presentations

C-span coverage of conference panels

<http://www.c-span.org/video/?316105-2/political-party-nominations-scandals>

<http://www.c-span.org/video/?289480-1/2008-presidential-nomination-process>

79. Comparing Effects in Multiple Forecasts of the Presidential Primary Vote in Open Nominations: 1980 to 2020, first author with Andrew Dowdle, Karen Sebold, Randall Adkins, American PSA, Sept. 2020.
78. Presidential Nominations with a Crowded Field, (with Andrew Dowdle, Karen Sebold, Randall Adkins), Western PSA, April, 2020. Conference cancelled but paper uploaded.
77. An Alternate Theory of the Populist Resurgence: economic & cultural transformation and political discontent, Southern PSA, Jan. 2020.
76. Populist attitudes in the Sanders and Trump nomination campaigns, Midwest PSA, April 2019.
75. Populist Waves in the 2016 Presidential Nominations: Another Limit to the Party Decides Thesis, Midwest, PSA, April 2018.
74. When (Who and Why) Presidential Super-PACs Attack: Patterns of Super PAC Spending during the 2012 and 2016 Presidential Nomination Process (with Andrew Dowdle, Karen Sebold) Midwest PSA, April 2018.
73. The presidential primary: a populist error? (with Justin Vaughn), Midwest PSA, April 2018
72. American Populism: Socio-Economic transformation and political discontent, Southern PSA, January 2018
71. Populist Challenges to the Party Establishments in the 2016 presidential nominations, Southern PSA, January 2018
70. Populism buoyed Donald Trump and put Hillary Clinton under water, State of the Parties Conference, Akron, OH October 2017
69. The 2016 Republican Nomination: the opportunistic outsider and the populist revolt. Midwest PSA 2017.
68. Populist Challenges and the 2016 Presidential Nominations. Presidential Election of 2016 and the Obama Presidency Conference, Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya, Herzliya, Israel, 2017.

67. The Republican Nomination Race, Midwest PSA 2016
66. The Invisible Primaries of 2016: a Tale of Two Paradigms, Conference on the Iowa Political Caucus, University of Iowa, 2016
65. Debt and Hypocrisy: Reconciling Ideology and the Quest for Institutional Control, Southern PSA, 2016
64. The Party Decides--When it Has a Sure Thing, Southern PSA, 2016
63. Ambition, Opportunism, and the Presidency, 1972-2012, with Randall Adkins, Gregory Petrow, and Andrew Dowdle, Midwest PSA, Chicago, 2015
62. Debt Ceiling Politics: Hypocrisy, Ideology, and Power, Southern PSA, New Orleans 2015.
61. Federal Revenues and Expenditures: Process, Politics and Economics, Southern PSA, New Orleans, Jan. 2014.
- 60 previous paper presentations:
 - American Political Science Association: 1990, 1995, 1998, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2010, 2011, 2013, 2014
 - Midwest Political Science Association: 1992, 1993, 1994, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001 2003, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2006, 2006, 2010, 2011, 2013
 - Southern Political Science Association: 2000, 2001, 2001, 2002, 2005, 2006, 2012, 2013, 2013. 2014,
 - State of the Parties Conference: 2005, 2009, 2013
 - International Forecasting Symposium: 2007
 - Western Political Science Association: 2002
 - Midwest Association of Public Opinion Research: 2001, 1999
 - International Studies Association: 1997
 - International Studies Association-Midwest: 1999, 1990
 - Illinois Political Science Association: 2007
 - Iowa Political Science Association: 1990

Other Professional Activities

External reviewer for Academic Program Review

Political Science Department, University of Wisconsin, Eau Claire

Manuscript reviewer for refereed journals: (at least one review per year listed)

American Journal of Political Science 1995, 1996, 2005, 2009, 2014

American Politics Research (American Politics Quarterly) 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018

American Political Science Review 2009, 2021

American Review of Politics 2006, 2007, 2008
British Journal of Politics, 2008
Congress & the Presidency 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000
Electoral Studies, 2011
Frontiers in Communication, 2021
Politics and Gender, 2005
Illinois Political Science Review 2001, 2005
International Journal of Public Opinion Research 2010
International Journal of Press & Politics 2013
International Studies Quarterly 1995, 1996, 1998, 2001, 2010
Journal of Conflict Resolution 1994
Journal of Elections, Public Opinion, and Parties, 2009
Journal of Experimental Politics 2013
Journal of Illinois History 2009
Journal of Politics 2004, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2014, 2015, 2016,
Journal of Political Science 2014, 2015
Journal of Political Marketing 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009,
 2010, 2011, 2012, 2016, 2018
Perspectives on Politics, 2019, 2021
Policy Studies Journal 1996, 1998
Political Behavior 2008, 2009, 2011, 2014, 2015
Political Communication 2005, 2006, 2010
Political Research Quarterly 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2008, 2009, 2010,
 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2020, 2021
Politics & Policy, 2016
Presidential Studies Quarterly 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2007,
 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017
PS: Political Science & Politics, 2017, 2019, 2020, 2021
Public Choice 2013, 2014
Public Opinion Quarterly 2013
Social Science & Humanities, 2020, 2021
Social Science Quarterly 2008, 2016, 2017

Membership in Professional Organizations

American PSA, since 1989

Presidency Research Group; Legislative Studies Section,

Midwest PSA, since 1992

Southern PSA, since 1994

Midwest Association for Public Opinion Research, 1999-2001

International Institute of Forecasters, 2007-2008

Presidency Research Group (section of APSA)

- Executive Board, 2008-
- Ad hoc committee on governance, 2010-11
- Best Dissertation Committee, 2007-09