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## CURRICULUM VITAE

### *Academic and Research Positions*

#### *Current*

**Clark University**, Worcester, MA. Professor of Political Science, September 2016-  
Chair, Department of Political Science, 2018-2022.  
Associate Professor, 2010–2016; Assistant Professor, 2005-2010.  
Courses include political parties, interest groups, political participation, and political theory.  
**National Institute for Civil Discourse, University of Arizona**, Tucson, AZ. Research Director,  
July 2016-

#### *Past*

**The Campaign Finance Institute**, Washington, DC. Research Fellow. 2002 – 2004.  
Investigator, Interest Groups and Campaign Finance Reform Project; Investigator, Project on  
Political Contribution Tax Credits. Also conducted research on the effects of free television time  
for candidates and on other campaign finance reform proposals.  
**Swarthmore College**, Swarthmore, PA. Assistant Professor of Political Science. 2000 - 2002.  
Taught introductory American politics courses and advanced courses on Congress, political  
parties, interest groups, political participation, and rational choice theory.  
**American Political Science Association Congressional Fellow**, Washington, DC. 1999 - 2000.  
Office of Representative David Price (D-NC). Conducted research on telecommunications and  
campaign finance issues; assisted with work on Appropriations and Budget Committees.  
**The American Judicature Society**, Chicago, IL. Research Associate. 1997 - 1999.  
Directed national survey of citizen attitudes regarding jury duty; researched jury reform and jury  
deliberation issues.

### *Education*

**The University of Chicago**. Department of Political Science. Ph.D., 1999; M.A. 1994.  
Primary Subfield: American politics (elections, political parties, interest groups, Congress)  
Secondary Subfield: political theory  
*Dissertation*: “Invisible Politics: The Ideological Strategies of Congressional Challengers”  
*Qualifying Paper*: “Losing Strategies: A Rational Actor Approach to 'Extremist' Presidential  
Campaigns”  
*Master's Thesis*: “Hegel's Philosophy of Politics, Hegel's Politics of Philosophy”  
**Carleton College**. B.A. *Cum Laude*, 1992.  
Major with distinction in political science, concentration in American political economy.

### **Research Publications**

#### **Books**

2019. *Trumping Politics as Usual: Masculinity, Misogyny, and the 2016 Election*. With Valerie Sperling. New York: Oxford University Press.
2019. *A Crisis of Civility?: Political Discourse and its Discontents* (editor, with Sarah Sobieraj, Dannagal Goldthwaite Young, and Timothy J. Shaffer). New York: Routledge.
2018. *Handbook of Primary Elections* (editor). New York: Routledge.
2016. *The Deregulatory Moment? A Comparative Perspective on Changing Campaign Finance Laws* (editor). Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press.
2014. *Congressional Primary Elections*. New York: Routledge.
2013. *Getting Primaried: The Changing Politics of Congressional Primary Challenges*. Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press.
2011. *Interest Groups and Campaign Finance Reform in the United States and Canada*. Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press.
2011. *Campaign Finance: The Problems and Consequences of Reform* (editor). New York: Open Society Institute/IDEA.
2004. *Expressive Politics: The Issue Strategies of Congressional Challengers*. Columbus, OH: Ohio State University Press.

#### **Refereed Articles**

2021. "Factional Conflict and Independent Expenditures in the 2018 Democratic House Primaries." With Zachary Albert. *Congress and the Presidency* 48 (1): 50-77.
2020. "Primary Election Timing and Voter Turnout." With Vincent G Moscardelli and Clifford Vickrey. *Election Law Journal* 19 (4): 472-485.
2019. "Retrenchment or Reform? Changes in Primary Election Laws, 1928-1970." *Polity* 51 (1): 126-160.
2017. "The Mob Came Wielding Pitchforks, but they had a Good Story to Tell." *Spazio Filosofico* 19: 73-91.
2016. "Independent Expenditures in Congressional Primaries after *Citizens United*: Implications for Interest Groups, Incumbents, and Political Parties." With Michael J. Malbin and Brendan Glavin. *Interest Groups and Advocacy* 5 (2): 119-140.
2016. "The Poverty of 'Corruption': On Reframing the Debate on Money in Politics." With Molly Brigid Flynn. *Albany Government Law Review* 9 (2): 341-383.
2013. "Teaching Redistricting to Undergraduates: Letting the People Draw the Lines for the People's House." With Nicholas Giner and James Gomes. *PS: Political Science & Politics* 46 (2): 387-394.
2012. "The End of the Reform Era? Campaign Finance Retrenchment in the United States and Canada." *The Forum* 10 (2).
2011. "The Place of Quebec in Canadian Interest Group Politics." *American Review of Canadian Studies* 41 (1): 2-19.
2009. "Cross-Border Interest Group Learning in Canada and the United States." *American Review of Canadian Studies* 43 (4): 418-437.
2009. "Interest Group Adaptations to Campaign Finance Reform in Canada and the United States." *Canadian Journal of Political Science* 42 (1): 17-43.
2008. "Who are the Spatial Voting Violators?" *Electoral Studies* 27 (1): 116-125.
2007. "Situating the New 527 Groups in Interest Group Theory." *The Forum* 5 (2).

**Refereed Articles (continued)**

2006. "Does Publicizing A Tax Credit for Political Contributions Increase Its Use? Results from a Randomized Field Experiment." With Donald P. Green and Michael J. Malbin. *American Politics Research* 34 (4): 563-82.
2005. "Can I Win Next Time? Strategic Repeat Challengers in House Races." With Andrew J. Taylor. *Political Research Quarterly* 58 (4): 609-617.
2005. "Political Contribution Tax Credits and Citizen Participation." With Michael J. Malbin. *American Politics Research*.33 (6): 787-817.
2004. "Static Ambition: Legislators' Preparations for Redistricting." *State Politics and Policy Quarterly* 4 (4): 436-54.
2003. "Biennial Budgeting Debates in Congress, 1977-2000." *Journal of Public Budgeting, Accounting, and Financial Management* 15 (2): 275-308.
2002. "Life Cycle Factors, Status, and Civic Engagement: Issues of Age and Attitudes Toward Jury Service." With Susan Carol Losh. *Justice System Journal* 23 (2): 221-34.
2001. "Generational Differences in Attitudes Towards Jury Service." *Behavioral Sciences and the Law* 19 (3): 285-304.
1999. "Methodological Issues in the Study of Judicial Selection." With Kevin M. Esterling. *Research on Judicial Selection* 1: 73-110.
1999. "Assisting Jurors With Their Deliberations." With Beth Murphy. *Judicature* 83 (2): 52-58.
1999. "How Judges Can Help Deliberating Juries." With Beth Murphy. *Court Review* 36 (2): 38-45.
1999. "Why Citizens Don't Respond to Jury Summonses and What Courts Can Do About It." *Judicature* 82 (4): 156-65.

**Book Chapters**

- Forthcoming (2022). "Political and Policy Implications following the 2020 Election." In *Financing the 2020 Election*, ed. John C. Green and Molly Reynolds. Washington, DC: Brookings Institution.
- Forthcoming (2022). "Congressional Primary Challenges and the Health of the Parties." In *The State of the Parties*, 9<sup>th</sup> edition, ed. John C. Green. Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield.
- Forthcoming (2022). "What do the 2020 Congressional Primaries Tell us About the Direction of the Democratic and Republican Parties?" In *Polarization and Political Party Factions in the 2020 Election*, ed. Jennifer Lucas, Chris Galdieri, and Tauna Sisco. Lanham, MD: Lexington Books.
- Forthcoming (2022). "Three Arguments for Incivility." In *Education, Inclusion, and Justice*, ed. Mark Navin and Joan McGregor. AMINTAPHIL: The Philosophic Foundations of Law and Justice 10. New York: Springer.
2021. "Encouraging Civility in State Legislatures: How to Train Legislators, and how to Measure Results." In *Outside Looking In: Lobbyists' View on Civil Discourse in U.S. State Legislatures*, ed. Nicholas P. Lovrich, Francis A. Benjamin, John C Pierce, and William D. Schreckhise. Pullman: Washington State University Press, pp. 227-254.
2021. "Who Pays for Populism?" In *Populism and Corruption: The Other Side of the Coin*, ed. Jonathan Mendilow and Eric Phelippeau. Boston, MA: Edward Elgar, pp. 242-267.
2020. "Fundraising: the New Rules." In *Campaigns on the Cutting Edge*, 4<sup>th</sup> ed., ed. Richard Semiatin. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage/Congressional Quarterly, pp. 11-27.
2020. "Populist Corruption Talk." In *Mapping Populism: A Guide to Understanding and Studying Populism*, ed. Majia Nadesan and Amit Ron. New York: Routledge, pp. 176-184.
2020. "Corruption, Populism, and Sloth." With Molly Brigid McGrath. In *Democracy, Populism, and Truth*, ed. Mark C. Navin and Richard Nunan. AMINTAPHIL: The Philosophic Foundations of Law and Justice 9. New York: Springer.

***Book Chapters (continued)***

2019. "What we Talk about When we Talk about Corruption." With Molly Brigid McGrath. In *Political Corruption in a World in Transition*, ed. Jonathan Mendilow and Eric Phelippeau. Wilmington, DE: Vernon Press, pp. 299-324.
2019. "A Crisis of Civility?" In *A Crisis of Civility?: Political Discourse and its Discontents*, ed. Robert G. Boatright, Sarah Sobieraj, Dannagal Goldthwaite Young, and Timothy J. Shaffer. New York: Routledge, pp. 1-6.
2018. "On the Frequency of Elections." In *Icelandic Federalist Papers*, ed. David Carrillo. Berkeley, CA: Berkeley Public Policy Press, pp. 21-26.
2018. "Is There a Link Between Primary Election Competition and General Election Results?" With Vincent G. Moscardelli. In *Handbook of Primary Elections*, ed. Robert G. Boatright. New York: Routledge, pp. 188-212.
2018. "Party Funding in the United States." In *Handbook of Party Funding*, ed. Jonathan Mendilow and Eric Phelippeau. London: Edward Elgar, pp. 227-248.
2017. "The Broken Pieces of Yesterday's Life: The Ethics of the Posthumous Hendrix Catalog." With Molly Brigid Flynn. In *Jimi Hendrix and Philosophy*, ed. Ted Ammon. Chicago: Open Court Press, pp. 141-155.
2017. "The Trump Effect and Gender Norms in the 2016 Senate Elections." With Valerie Sperling and Sean Tatar. In *Conventional Wisdom, Parties, and Broken Barriers in the 2016 Election*, ed. Tauna Sisco, Christopher Galdieri, and Jennifer Lucas. Lanham, MD: Lexington Books, pp. 203-225.
2017. "Damage Control: The Trump Effect on Senate General Election Campaigns." In *The 2016 Presidential Election: The Causes and Consequences of a Political Earthquake*, ed. Amnon Cavari, Kenneth Mayer, and Richard Powell. Lanham, MD: Lexington Books, pp. 59-76.
2017. "The Nationalization of Congressional Primaries." In *The American Election 2014: Contexts and Consequences*, ed. Tauna Sisco, Christopher Galdieri, and Jennifer Lucas. Akron, OH: University of Akron Press, pp. 3-19.
2016. "The Poverty of 'Corruption': Confusions and Disagreements about the Rotten in Politics." With Molly Brigid Flynn. In *Corruption and Governmental Legitimacy: A Twenty-First Century Perspective*, ed. Jonathan Mendilow and Ilan Peleg. Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield, pp. 287-308.
2016. "Fundraising: Continuity and Change." In *Campaigns on the Cutting Edge*, 3<sup>rd</sup> ed., ed. Richard J. Semiatin. Washington, DC: Congressional Quarterly Press.
2016. "Changes in U.S. Campaign Finance Law." In *The Praeger Handbook of Political Campaigning in the United States*, ed. William Benoit. Santa Barbara, CA: Praeger Publishing.
2016. "Campaign Finance Law and Functional Differentiation among Nonparty Groups in the United States." In *The Deregulatory Moment? Comparative Perspectives on Changing Campaign Finance Laws*, ed. Robert G. Boatright. Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press, pp. 71-104.
2015. "Interest Group Activity in Congressional Primaries." In *Interest Group Politics*, 9<sup>th</sup> ed., ed. Alan J. Cigler and Burdett A. Loomis. Washington, DC: Congressional Quarterly Press, pp. 176-206.
2014. "Can Public Funding and *Citizens United* Coexist?" In *Corruption in the Contemporary World: Theory, Practice, and Hotspots*, ed. Jonathan Mendilow and Ilan Peleg. Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield, pp. 69-98.
2014. "Casualties of the Ground War: Personal Contacting and its Discontents." In *The American Election of 2012: Contexts and Consequences*, ed. R. Ward Holder and Peter B. Josephson. New York: Palgrave Macmillan, pp. 99-114.

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2013. "Financing the 2012 Elections." In *The Election of 2012*, ed. Steven E. Schier and Janet Box-Steffensmeier. New York: Routledge, pp. 145-171.
2012. "Campaign Finance Reform and the Democratic Deficit in the United States." In *Imperfect Democracies: The Democratic Deficit in Canada and the United States*, ed. Richard Simeon and Patti Lenard. Vancouver, BC: University of British Columbia Press, pp. 161-180.
2012. "The Chamber of Commerce and the *Citizens United* Decision." In *Interest Groups Unleashed*, ed. Chris Deering, Paul Herrnson, and Clyde Wilcox. Washington, DC: Congressional Quarterly Press, pp. 23-48.
2012. "Fundraising: Present and Future." In *Campaigns on the Cutting Edge*, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., ed. Richard Semiatin. Washington, DC: Congressional Quarterly Press, pp. 11-27.
2011. "Regulating and Reforming Group-Based Electioneering." In *Congressional Quarterly Guide to Interest Groups and Lobbying in the United States*, ed. Burdett Loomis. Washington, DC: Congressional Quarterly.
2011. "Lessons for Canada from the American Campaign Finance Reform Experience." In *Party and Election Finance: Consequences for Democracy*, ed. Lisa Young and Harold Jansen. Vancouver, BC: University of British Columbia Press, pp. 173-97.
2009. "Financing the 2008 Elections." In *The Election of 2008*, ed. Steven E. Schier and Janet Box-Steffensmeier. Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield, pp. 137-160.
2008. "Fundraising: Present and Future." In *Campaigns on the Cutting Edge*, ed. Richard Semiatin. Washington, DC: Congressional Quarterly Press, pp. 10-26.
2008. "The Politics of Jury Reform." In *Rethinking U.S. Judicial Politics*, ed. Mark Miller. New York: Oxford University Press.
2006. "Adaptations and Alliances: Strategic Decisionmaking by Ongoing Interest Groups and Advocacy Organizations." With Michael J. Malbin, Mark J. Rozell, and Clyde Wilcox. In *The Election After Reform*, ed. Michael J. Malbin. Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield, pp. 112-138.
2005. "Jury Summit 2001." With Elissa Krauss. In *Judicial Politics: Readings from Judicature*, 3<sup>rd</sup> edition, ed. Elliot E. Slotnick. Washington, DC: Congressional Quarterly Press, pp. 227-35.
2004. "The Media and the Public." In *A Handbook for Judges*, ed. Kathleen M. Sampson. Chicago, IL: American Judicature Society, pp. 133-42.
2003. "BCRA's Impact on Interest Groups and Advocacy Organizations." With Michael J. Malbin, Mark J. Rozell, Richard Skinner, and Clyde Wilcox. In *Life After Reform: When the Bipartisan Campaign Reform Act Meets Politics*, ed. Michael J. Malbin. Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield, pp. 43-60.
1999. "'You Don't Know Me, But Here I Am': Congressional Candidates and Party Strength." In *The State of the Parties*, 3<sup>rd</sup> ed., John C. Green and Daniel M. Shea, eds. Lanham, MD: Rowman and Littlefield, pp. 320-36.

**Other Publications**

**Monographs and Reports**

2020. Amicus Brief, *Lieu v. Federal Election Commission*, with Anne Baker and Steve Weissman. Online, [https://www.supremecourt.gov/DocketPDF/19/19-1398/148404/20200722140445391\\_19-1398%20-%20AmicusMD.pdf](https://www.supremecourt.gov/DocketPDF/19/19-1398/148404/20200722140445391_19-1398%20-%20AmicusMD.pdf).
2019. *The State of Political Discourse in America 2019*. Tucson, AZ: National Institute for Civil Discourse.

**Monographs and Reports (continued)**

2018. *Campaign Finance in the United States: Assessing an Era of Fundamental Change* (contributor). Stanford/NYU Law School Task Force on Campaign Finance. On line, <https://bipartisanpolicy.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/01/BPC-Democracy-Campaign-Finance-in-the-United-States.pdf>
2017. *Campaign Finance in the Era of Super PACs*. New York: Oxford Bibliographies. On line, <http://www.oxfordbibliographies.com/view/document/obo-9780199756223/obo-9780199756223-0229.xml>.
2014. *The 2014 Primaries in Context*. Washington, DC: Campaign Finance Institute.
2014. *Do Primary Elections Promote Extremism in American Politics?* Cambridge, MA: Scholars Strategy Network.
2014. *Every Picture Tells a Story: The 2010 Round of Congressional Redistricting in New England* (editor, with James R. Gomes). Worcester, MA: Mosakowski Institute for Public Enterprise.
2014. "Redistricting Massachusetts 2012: A More Open Process, a More Rational Map, and no Indictments." With James R. Gomes and Nicholas P. Giner. In *Every Picture Tells a Story: The 2010 Round of Congressional Redistricting in New England*, ed. James R. Gomes and Robert G. Boatright. Worcester, MA: Mosakowski Institute for Public Enterprise, pp. 13-20.
2008. "The Future of American Political Parties: A View from the Classroom." *Vox Pop: Newsletter of the Political Organizations and Parties Section of the APSA* 27 (1): 1-5.
2005. *Political Advertising Vouchers for Congressional Candidates: What Difference Could They Make?* Washington, DC: The Campaign Finance Institute.
2003. "Gender Bias in Jury Selection." With Marguerite Walsh, Andrew A. Chirls, Julia Hoke, and Flora Wolf. In *Final Report of the Pennsylvania Supreme Court Committee on Racial and Gender Bias in the Justice System*. Harrisburg, PA: Pennsylvania Supreme Court, pp. 103-124.
2002. "Jury Summit 2001." With Elissa Krauss. *Judicature* 86 (3): 144-51.
2001. "Whose Campaign is it?: Campaign Consultants and Nonincumbent Candidates." Center for Congressional and Presidential Studies, American University.
2000. "The Twenty-First Century American Jury." *Judicature* 83 (6): 288-97.
2000. *Generations, Age Groups, and Jury Service: Does Age Matter?* Chicago, IL: American Judicature Society.
1999. *Behind Closed Doors: A Resource Manual to Improve Jury Deliberations*. With Beth Murphy. Chicago, IL: American Judicature Society.
1998. *Improving Citizen Response to Jury Summonses*. Chicago, IL: American Judicature Society.

**Editorials**

2020. "Joe Kennedy III Challenges Ed Markey in 2020's Weirdest Primary Race." *The Conversation*, August 28.
2020. "Delaying Primaries Helps Protect Incumbents as well as Voters." *The Conversation*, May 14.
2020. "More than the Presidency: Making Sense of the Other Choices on the Ballot." *American Political Science Association Raise the Vote Series*, February 27.
2020. "Our Last in the Nation Primary? Let it be." *Commonwealth*, January 25.
2020. "Bring on the Brokered Convention." *The Hill*, January 17.
2019. "Is Joe Biden the Democrats' Mitt Romney of 2020?" *The Hill*, December 19.
2019. "A Book can Explain why Elizabeth Warren's Ideas Bother Billionaires so much." *The Hill*, November 13.
2019. "Sizing up Trump's Primary Opponents." *The Hill*, September 26.
2019. "It's Legal to Tweet the Names of Trump's Donors, but it's Probably not a Good Idea." *The Hill*, August 28.

***Editorials (continued)***

2019. "The Two Debate Format hasn't Worked." *The Hill*, August 6.
2019. "Despite Cries to Scrap the Electoral College, it may not be so bad for Dems." *The Hill*, April 4.
2019. "The Democrats are Leading off with a Bill to 'Restore Democracy.'" *The Hill*, January 8.
2018. "The Politics of not Talking about Trump." *The Hill*, September 28.
2018. "Why Political Scientists aren't Writing about Russian Hackers." *The Hill*, August 13.
2018. "Mark Sanford's Troubles did not Begin with Trump." *The Hill*, June 18.
2018. "Here's what we've Learned from the 2018 Congressional Primaries so far." *Washington Post* (Monkey Cage blog), June 5.
2018. "Could too many Candidates be a Problem for Democrats?" *The Hill*, May 17.
2018. "How much Collateral Damage will there be in the 2018 Congressional Primaries?" *The Hill*, April 4.
2018. "If the Narrative about the 2018 Election Starts to Change, Blame the Phantom Public." *The Hill*, February 9.
2018. "Time to Change the Way City Council is Elected." *Worcester Magazine*, January 25.
2017. "Roy Moore Made a Lousy Cowboy." *The Hill*, December 20.
2017. "A Cautious Defense of Trump's New Census Director." *The Hill*, November 28.
2017. "Conservatives can no Longer Make the Compromises Necessary to Govern us." *The Hill*, October 30.
2017. "Whatever You Think the Alabama Special Election Means, You're Probably Wrong." *The Hill*, October 2.
2017. "Boy Scouts and the Loss of Faith in American Institutions." *The Hill*, August 4.
2017. "Is the Census Doomed under the Trump Administration?" *The Hill*, May 31.
2017. "What's With Trump's Spelling Mistakes?" *The Hill*, April 23.
2017. "One Reason the Travel Ban Provoked Outrage? The Victims' Stories." *The Hill*, February 9.
2017. "McCain isn't Worried about Reelection (and that's a Good Thing)." *The Hill*, January 12.
2016. "How Liberal Groups should Respond to Trump's Cabinet Picks." *The Hill*, December 27.
2016. "Bridging the Political Divide Regardless of who your Relatives Voted for." *The Hill*, Nov. 23.
2016. "Why Everyone (Including your Grandma) is Writing about the Election." *The Hill*, November 22.
2016. "What it means when Trump Talks about 'Corruption.'" *The Hill*, November 2.
2016. "What do we really think about Debate Lies and Insults?" *The Hill*, October 19.
2016. "Did Donald Trump Kill the Tea Party?" *The Conversation*, June 16.
2016. "Further Down the Ballot: How the 2016 Presidential Primaries may Influence Congressional Primary Voting." *University of Virginia Center for Politics Crystal Ball*, January 28.
2014. "Does it Matter that No One Showed up for the Primary?" *WGBH blogs*, October 29.
2014. "Debates Shed Minimal Light." *USA Today*, October 5.
2014. "Who Won the Republican Civil War?" *Washington Post* (Monkey Cage blog), August 13.
2014. "Cantor's Defeat Isn't a Big Deal – Unless the Republicans Make it one." *Talking Points Memo*, July 5.
2014. "Sorry, the Tea Party Surge Isn't Driving Polarization." *Talking Points Memo*, June 24.
2014. "An Expert on Congressional Primaries Weighs in on Cantor's Defeat." *Washington Post* (Monkey Cage blog), June 12.
2014. "No, Primaries Aren't Destroying Politics." *Politico*, February 18.
2008. "Thinking About a Palin Presidency." *Providence Journal*, October 11.

**Book Reviews**

2019. Book Review of Aaron S. King, *Unfolding Ambition in Senate Primary Elections*. *Perspective on Politics* 17 (4): 1198-99.
2019. Book Review of Hans Hassell, *The Party's Primary*. *Congress and the Presidency* 45 (3): 333-35.
2018. Book review of Danielle Thomsen, *Opting out of Congress*. *Political Science Quarterly* 133 (2): 374-375.
2017. Book review of Stephen A. Jessee, *Ideology and Spatial Voting in American Elections*. *American Review of Politics* 36 (1) 118-119.
2016. Book review of William A. Crotty, *Polarized Politics*. *New England Journal of Political Science* 9 (2): 284-290.
2016. Book review of Jane Mayer, *Dark Money*. *The Forum* 14 (3): 345-350.
2015. Book review of Robert Mutch, *Buying the Vote*. *Political Science Quarterly* 130 (3): 552-53.
2015. Book review of James Farney and David Rayside, eds., *Conservatism in Canada*. *Party Politics* 21 (5): 833-34
2014. Book review of James Farney, *Social Conservatives and Party Politics in Canada and the United States*. *Party Politics* 20 (3): 481-82.
2012. Book review of Zoltan L. Hajnal, *America's Uneven Democracy: Race, Turnout, and Representation in City Politics*, and Brian E. Adams, *Campaign Finance in Local Elections: Buying the Grassroots*. *Urban Affairs Review* 48 (4): 601-605.
2009. Book review of Christopher Manfredi and Mark Rush, *Judging Democracy*. *American Review of Canadian Studies* 39 (1): 52-54.
2005. Book review of E. Scott Adler, *Why Congressional Reforms Fail*, and Glenn R. Parker, *Self-Policing in Politics*. *Journal of Politics* 67 (3): 946-50.
2004. Book review of Hiroshi Fukurai and Richard Krooth, *Race in the Jury Box*. *Justice System Journal* 24 (3): 340-46.

**Encyclopedia Entries**

2017. "American Crossroads," "Club for Growth," "MoveOn.org," "Nonpartisan League," "U.S. Chamber of Commerce." In *Political Groups, Parties, and Organizations that Shaped America: An Encyclopedia and Document Collection*, ed. Scott Ainsworth and Brian Harward. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO.
2016. "Campaign Finance Laws," "Issue Ads," "Lobbying," and "Soft Money." In *Encyclopedia of Business Ethics and Society*, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., ed. Robert W. Kolb. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publishing.
2013. "Campaign Finance Laws" and "*Citizens United v. Federal Election Commission*." In *Encyclopedia of American Campaigns and Elections*, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., eds. Larry J. Sabato and Howard R. Ernst. New York: Facts on File.
2010. "Campaign Finance Reform." In *Encyclopedia of United States Political History*, Vol. 7, ed. Richard Valelly. Washington, DC: Congressional Quarterly Press, pp. 51-55.
2007. "Campaign Finance Laws." In *Encyclopedia of Business Ethics and Society*, ed. Robert W. Kolb. New York: Sage Publishing, pp. 251-252.
2006. "Campaign Contributions," "Campaign Finance Laws," and "Matching Funds." In *Encyclopedia of American Campaigns and Elections*, eds. Larry Sabato and Howard R. Ernst. New York: Facts on File.



*Research Presentations*

*Invited Presentations*

2021. Keynote Speech: "Understanding the Contemporary Pushback Against Civility." Society for Professionals in Management Annual Conference, on line, April 8.
2021. "What do the 2020 Congressional Primaries Tell us About the Direction of the Democratic and Republican Parties?" Presented at the 2021 New Hampshire Institute of Politics Conference, St. Anselm College, on line, and the 2021 State of the Parties Conference, the Ray C. Bliss Center, University of Akron, on line, November 4.
2020. "Perspectives on the 2020 Election." Higgins Center for the Humanities, Clark University, November 9.
2020. "The 2020 Elections and the Future of American Political Parties." Clark Alumni Affairs Lecture, October 25.
2020. "Civil Discourse in American Politics Today." Rutgers University, October 20.
2020. "Understanding the Contemporary Pushback Against Civility." Institute for Humane Studies, Conference on Building Trust through Freedom of Expression, October 10.
2020. "Ranked Choice Voting." Presented at the 2020 Massachusetts Policy Priorities Symposium, Scholars Strategy Network. Suffolk University, Boston, MA, March 2.
2019. "Masculinity, Misogyny, and U.S. Elections in the Trump Era." With Valerie Sperling. Department of Political Science, Williams College, November 12.
2019. "The Right to Social Media?" Foundation for Individual Rights in Education Annual Conference, Boston, MA, November 1.
2019. "Civil Discourse: How can we Achieve that Today?" Keynote Lecture, New York League of Women Voters State Convention, Albany, NY. June 8.
2019. "Single Issue Politics?" Constitutional Crisis Series, Vermont League of Women Voters. Montpelier, VT, May 8.
2019. "Circling the Wagons: Coordinating Independent Expenditures in the 2018 Congressional Primaries." Presented at the American Elections Academic Symposium, St. Anselm College, Manchester, NH, March 30-31.
2018. "Populist Corruption Talk and Some Alternatives." With Molly Brigid McGrath. Presented at the Arizona State University Populism Workshop, March 15-17, Arizona State University, Phoenix.
2017. "Primary Challenges to Incumbent Members of Congress." Presented at the Workshop on Primaries and Party Discipline, Yale University, December 8-9.
2017. "How the Presidential Race Shaped the 2016 Congressional Primaries." Presented at the State of the Parties Conference, the Ray C. Bliss Institute, University of Akron.
2017. "The Trump Effect and Gender Norms in the 2016 Senate General Election Campaigns." With Valerie Sperling and Sean Tatar. American Elections Academic Symposium, St. Anselm College, Manchester, NH, March 17-18.
2017. "Damage Control: The Trump Effect on Senate General Election Campaigns." US Presidential Election 2016 Conference, IDC Herzliya, Israel, January 8-10.
2016. "The Trump Effect in the 2016 Congressional Elections." 2016 Distinguished Lectureship in the Liberal Arts, Quinsigamond Community College, Worcester, MA, November 14.
2016. "Campaign Finance Reform in the United States: Ways to Fix a Broken Electoral System?" Blouin Creative Leadership Summit, New York, September 19-20.
2016. "Image Crafting and the Role of the Media in Presidential Campaigns in the U.S. and Russia." With Valerie Sperling. Harriman Center, Columbia University, April 21.
2016. "The Influence of Wealth and Lobbying on Elections." Northeastern University Law Journal Annual Symposium, Northeastern University, Boston, MA, March 11.

***Invited Presentations (continued)***

2016. "The Ambiguity of Corruption in Early Modern Thought." With Molly Brigid Flynn. Early Modernists Unite Group, Clark University, February 25.
2015. "The Nationalization of Congressional Primaries." The American Election 2014: Contexts and Consequences Conference, St. Anselm College, Manchester, NH, March 14.
2014. "Retrenchment or Reform? Changes in Primary Election Laws, 1928-1970." University of Connecticut, Storrs. October 22.
2014. "The 2014 Congressional Primaries in Context." Brookings Institution, Washington, DC, September 30.
2014. "Are Primary Elections Harming Democracy?" Mosakowski Institute, Clark University, March 20.
2013. "The 2014 Midterm Election, One Year Out." Brookings Institution, Washington, DC, November 5.
2013. "Campaign Finance Law and Functional Differentiation among Nonparty Organizations in the United States." Presented at "The Deregulatory Moment in Campaign Finance?" Conference, the Henry J. Leir Center, Remich, Luxembourg.
2013. "Casualties of the Ground War: Personal Contacting in 2012 and its Discontents." Presented at "The American Election 2012: Contexts and Consequences" Conference, St. Anselm College, Manchester, NH.
2012. "Interest Groups, Then and Now." Presented at the Wesleyan Media Project Conference on the 2012 Election, Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT.
2010. "Consequences of the *Citizens United v. FEC* Decision." College of the Holy Cross, Worcester, MA, April 8.
- 2008/2009. "Getting Primaried: A New Fear for Incumbents, or a New Name for an Old Fear?" Presented at the "Going to Extremes" Conference, Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH. Revisions presented at the State of the Parties Conference, the Ray C. Bliss Institute, University of Akron.
2008. "The Presidential Candidates and Climate Change." Mosakowski Institute, Clark University, Worcester, MA, October 7.
2007. "The Art and Science of Student Response Systems: Small Classroom Success at the Push of a Button." With Michael Krikonis. Northeast Regional Computing Program Workshop, College of the Holy Cross, Worcester, MA, December 4.
2006. "What Canada can learn from the American Campaign Finance Reform Experience." Presented at the Institute for Advanced Policy Research Conference on Party and Election Finance, the University of Calgary, Calgary, AB.
2001. "Static Ambition in a Changing World: Legislators' Preparations for Redistricting." Presented at the 2001 State of the Parties Conference, the Ray C. Bliss Institute, the University of Akron.
2001. "Partisan Politics and Judicial Independence." Presented at the Brennan Center Conference on Judicial Independence Research, the University of Pennsylvania Law School, Philadelphia, PA.
1997. "Candidate Perceptions of Party and Party Strength: A Study of Nonincumbent 1996 House of Representatives Candidates." Presented at the State of the Parties Conference, the Ray C. Bliss Institute, the University of Akron.

***Conference Presentations***

2021. "Theories of Change in Southern Direct Primary Laws" Presented at the Annual Congress and History Meeting, Washington University, on line.
2021. "Gender, Germs, and Governors: Political Masculinity and Leadership in the U.S. during the COVID-19 Pandemic." With Valerie Sperling. Presented at the Political Masculinities as an Analytical Category Workshop, Universität Koblenz-Landau, online, and at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Seattle, WA.

***Conference Presentations (continued)***

2021. "Bad Laws: Using Contemporary Electoral Engineering Literature to Understand Changes in American Direct Primary Rules." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the New England Political Science Association, on line.
2020. "Making Space for Incivility." Presented at the Biennial Meeting of the American Section of the International Association for Philosophy of Law and Social Philosophy, on line.
2019. "The Direct Primary and the Decline of the Progressive Movement." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the New England Political Science Association, Portland, ME.
2018. "Political Corruption and the Politics of Despair in Rousseau's Political Philosophy." With Molly Brigid McGrath. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Northeastern Political Science Association, Montreal, QC.
2018. "Corruption and Sloth." With Molly Brigid McGrath. Presented at the Biennial Meeting of the American Section of the International Association for Philosophy of Law and Social Philosophy, Boston, MA.
2018. "What do People Think about when they Think about Corruption?" Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
2018. "Teaching to Promote Free and Civil Campus Discourse." With Kristen Williams. Presented at the APSA Teaching and Learning Conference, Baltimore, MD.
2017. "Presidential Corruption Talk." Presented at the International Political Science Association Research Committee on Political Finance and Political Corruption (RC 20) Biennial Meeting, Valencia, Spain.
2017. "The Consequences of Primary Election Timing." With Vincent G. Moscardelli. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
2016. "Corruption and Corruption Talk among Montesquieu and the Moderns." With Molly Brigid Flynn. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Northeastern Political Science Association, Boston, MA.
2016. "The Trump Effect in the 2016 Congressional Primaries." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA.
2016. "Partisan Competition and Primary Law Legislation, 2000-2014." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the New England Political Science Association, Newport, RI.
2016. "The Logical Structure of Corruption: *Korematsu v US* as Historical Exemplar." With Molly Brigid Flynn. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the New England Political Science Association, Newport, RI.
2016. "Primaries and Partisan Advantage." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, San Juan, PR.
2015. "Corruption and its Objects: On Resolving the McConnell Paradox." With Molly Brigid Flynn. Presented at the International Political Science Association Research Committee on Political Finance and Political Corruption (RC 20) Biennial Meeting, Aix-en-Provence, France.
2015. "Hostile Takeover: On the Vulnerability of Primaries to Nonparty Group Capture." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the New England Political Science Association, New Haven, CT.
2015. "Independent Expenditures in Congressional Primaries." With Michael J. Malbin and Brendan Glavin. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
2015. "Are Primary Voters Extremists? A State-by-State Analysis." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

***Conference Presentations (continued)***

2014. "Is there a Link Between Primary Competition and General Election Results?" With Vincent G. Moscardelli. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Northeastern Political Science Association, Boston, MA.
2014. "Retrenchment or Reform: Changes in Primary Election Laws, 1928-1970." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the New England Political Science Association, Woodstock, VT.
2013. "Can Public Financing and *Citizens United* Coexist?" Presented at the International Political Science Association Research Committee on Political Finance and Political Corruption (RC 20) Biennial Meeting, Paris, France.
2013. "Campaign Finance in the 2012 Election." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
2013. "Competition in Congressional Open Seat Primaries." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Orlando, FL.
2012. "Primary Elections and the 'Democratic Experiment.'" Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Northeastern Political Science Association, Boston, MA.
2012. "Redistricting Massachusetts 2012: A More Open Process, a More Rational Map, and No Indictments." With James Gomes and Nicholas Giner. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the New England Political Science Association, Portsmouth, NH.
2011. "Campaign Finance Reform in the United States and Canada: An Evaluation Following the 2010 and 2011 Elections." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the European Political Science Association, Dublin, Ireland.
2011. "Interest Group Niches and Congressional Primary Challenges." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, San Antonio, TX.
2010. "The Consequences of Primary Challenges to Incumbents, 1970-2008." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
2009. "Campaign Finance Reform as a Natural Experiment." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the New England Political Science Association, Portland, ME.
2009. "Financing the 2008 Elections." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- 2009/2008. "The Place of Quebec in Canadian Interest Groups' Campaign Strategies." Presented at the Biennial Meeting of the American Council for Quebec Studies, Quebec City, QC; Revisions presented at the 2009 Biennial Meeting of the Association for Canadian Studies in the United States, San Diego, CA.
2008. "Primary Dollars: Fundraising by Primary Challengers to Incumbents, 1980-2006." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, MA.
2008. "Cross-Border Interest Group Learning in Canada and the United States." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the New England Political Science Association, Providence, RI.
2008. "Campaign Finance in Municipal Elections: The 2007 Worcester City Council Candidates." Presented at the State of New England Conference, Stonehill College, Easton, MA.
2008. "What Americans can Learn from Canadian Party Finance Reform." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA.
2007. "Taking Notes Across Borders: American and Canadian Interest Group Adaptations to Campaign Finance Reform." Presented at the Biennial Meeting of the Association for Canadian Studies in the United States, Toronto, ON.
2006. "Situating 527 Groups in Interest Group Theory." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Northeastern Political Science Association, Boston, MA.

***Conference Presentations (continued)***

2006. "Who are the Spatial Voting Violators?" Presented at the Annual Meeting of the New England Political Science Association, Portsmouth, NH.
- 2005/2004/2003. "The Effect of the BCRA on Interest Groups and Advocacy Organizations." With Michael J. Malbin, Mark J. Rozell, and Clyde Wilcox. Presented at the 2005 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC.; the 2004 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL; and the 2003 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
2003. "Political Contribution Tax Credits and Political Participation." With Michael Malbin. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA.
- 2002/2001. "Same Candidates, Different Year: Repeat Match-ups in U.S. House Elections." With Andrew J. Taylor. Presented at the 2002 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, and the 2001 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA.
2001. "Generational Differences in Attitudes Towards Jury Service." With Susan Carol Losh. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Association for Public Opinion Research, Montreal, QC.
2000. "Static Ambition in a Changing World: Legislators' Preparations for Redistricting." Presented at the 2000 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC.
1999. "The Median Voter: Fact or Fiction? The History of a Theoretical Concept." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Seattle, WA.
1998. "When Do Congressional Candidates Act Like Ladies and Gentlemen?" With Lynn M. Sanders. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, MA.
1998. "What Plays in Peoria: Candidate Assessments of Public Opinion." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
1997. "Invisible Politics: Theorizing Candidate Issue Positions in the 1996 Congressional Elections." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC and at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
1996. "Losing Strategies: A Rational Actor Approach to 'Extremist' Presidential Campaigns." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

### *Teaching Experience*

#### **Clark University** (2005-present)

*American Politics*: Introduction to American Politics, Interest Groups in American Politics, Campaigns and Elections, Political Participation, American Political Parties, Money and Politics, First-year Seminar: Public Opinion and American Democracy, The American Jury System, Legislative Redistricting: The Geography of Politics, Capstone Seminar: Money and Politics, Capstone Seminar: Political Ideology, Capstone Seminar: Fixing U.S. Democracy, American Political Thought and Behavior, Political Discourse on Today's College Campus.

*Political Theory*: Roots of Political Theory, 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> Century Political Theory, Political Theorists and Their Theories: Plato, Political Representation and Deliberation

**University of Massachusetts, US Institute on Political Thought** Summer Program (2011-19): Interest Groups in American Politics.

**Georgetown University** (2002): Interest Groups in American Politics.

**Swarthmore College** (2000-2002): Interest Groups in American Politics; Political Participation; Introduction to American Politics; Political Representation; Congressional Committees and Legislative Procedure; American Political Parties; Social Choice, Game Theory, and Politics.

**University of Chicago** (1994-1999): Political Theory and American Political Parties (Instructor); Social Sciences Core: Power and Wealth (Instructor); Policy Analysis and Social Choice (Teaching Assistant); Social Sciences Core: Power and Inequality (Teaching Assistant); Voting Behavior (Teaching Assistant).

### *Fellowships, Grants, and Honors*

#### **External**

- 2019-2021. University of Arizona Foundation Grant: American Corruption Talk (\$25,000)  
2016-2019. William and Hewlett Foundation, Madison Initiative Research Grant: The Timing of Primary Elections (\$75,000).  
2013-2014. Everett C. Dirksen Congressional Research Grant (\$2,500).  
2007-2008. Foreign Affairs Canada Research Grant (\$6,000).  
2001. New York Jury Summit 2001 Faculty.  
2000. State Justice Institute Research Grant (\$7,500).  
1999-2000. American Political Science Association Congressional Fellowship.

*Fellowships, Grants, and Honors*

*Internal*

- 2017-2018. Higgins School of the Humanities Faculty Fellowship (\$750).  
2013-2014. Higgins School of the Humanities Faculty Fellowship (\$1,000).  
2013. Henry J. Leir Luxembourg Program, Clark University, Conference Planning Grant (\$13,000).  
2012. Arthur Vining Davis Foundation Course Planning Grant (\$1,000).  
2011. Clark University Faculty Development Grant (\$1,500).  
2011. Clark University, Mosakowski Institute Summer Research Stipend.  
2006. Plischke Award for Faculty Scholarship, Clark University.  
2001-2002. Swarthmore College Faculty Development Research Grant (\$2,000).  
1998. Grodzins Prize Lectureship, The University of Chicago.  
1995-1996. Mellon Pre-Dissertation Fellowship, The University of Chicago.  
1992-1994. Earhart Fellowship, The University of Chicago.

*Clark University Professional Service*

- Chair, Political Science Department, 2018-2022.  
COVID-19 Response Committee on Publicity, 2020-21.  
Admission Committee, 2020-23.  
Committee on Personnel, 2019-20.  
President's Commission on Free Speech, 2018-19  
Mosakowski Institute for Public Policy, Faculty Steering Committee, 2015-2019.  
Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning Steering Committee, 2014-2016.  
Library Committee, 2010-2011 (Faculty chair), 2014-2016.  
College Board, 2008-2011.  
Student Affairs Committee of the Board of Trustees, 2005-2008.  
First-year Student Advisor, 2006-2007, 2009-2010.  
Organized Political Science Department Harrington Lecture, 2006, 2008, 2014, 2016, 2021.  
Political Science Department Honors Program Chair, 2014-16  
Political Science Department Library Liaison, 2006-2020.  
Political Science Department Honors Thesis Committee Chair/Reader, 2005-2008, 2012-2013.

*Professional Memberships and Activities*

*Advisory Boards*

- APSA Political Organizations and Parties Executive Committee, 2021-23.  
Bipartisan Policy Center Campus Free Expression and COVID-19 Working Group, 2020-  
Bipartisan Policy Center / Stanford University Campaign Finance Task Force, 2015-2017.  
Campaign Finance Institute Academic Advisory Board, 2014-  
National Institute for Civil Discourse Research Network, 2014-  
Jack L. Walker Outstanding Article Committee, American Political Science Association 2011-2012 (chair),  
2015-16.  
American Judicature Society National Jury Center Advisory Board, 2000-2014.

***Professional Memberships***

American Political Science Association  
    APSA Political Organizations and Parties Section, State Politics Section, Civic Engagement  
    Section, Canadian Politics Section; APSA Campaign Finance Working Group  
Association for Canadian Studies in the United States  
Canadian Political Science Association  
Midwest Political Science Association  
Southern Political Science Association  
International Political Science Association  
    Research Committee 20: Political Finance and Political Corruption  
American Judicature Society  
Scholars Strategy Network

***Book and Article Manuscript Reviews***

*American Journal of Political Science*, *American Political Science Review*, *American Politics Research*,  
*British Journal of Political Science*, Brookings Institution Press, *Canadian Journal of Political Science*,  
*Electoral Studies*, *Governance*, *Interest Groups and Advocacy*, *Journal of Elections*, *Political  
Organizations, and Parties*, *Journal of Politics*, *Judicature*, *Justice Quarterly*, *Legislative Studies  
Quarterly*, *New England Journal of Political Science*, Oxford University Press, *Party Politics*,  
*Perspectives on Politics*, *Political Behavior*, *Political Research Quarterly*, *Polity*, *PS: Political Science  
& Politics*, *Social Science Quarterly*, Routledge Publishers, University of British Columbia Press,  
University of Michigan Press, University Press of Kansas, *Urban Affairs Review*, Westview Press.

***Other Research Experience***

2001-2002. Supreme Court of Pennsylvania Task Force on Racial and Gender Bias in the Jury System.  
    Developed and analyzed a survey regarding the effect of Pennsylvania jury policies on women.  
2001. Consultant, Center for Congressional and Presidential Studies, American University.  
    Developed roundtables for academics, political candidates, and campaign consultants on  
    ethical issues in political campaigns; produced written work on roundtable discussions.  
1996-1999. Research assistant to Professor Lynn M. Sanders, Department of Political Science, The  
    University of Chicago.  
1995. Research assistant to Professor Norman Nie, Department of Political Science, The University of  
    Chicago.

***Research in Preparation or Under Review***

*American Corruption Talk: A Political Etymology*. Book manuscript, with Molly Brigid McGrath.  
    Under Contract, Temple University Press.  
*The Middle Years: American Primary Elections, 1928-1970*. Book manuscript, expected completion  
    2023.  
“Donor Networks and Ranked Choice Voting in Massachusetts Municipal Elections.” With Ray La Raja  
    and Meredith Rolfe.  
Worcester Campaign Finance Project. Website, series of monographs; available at  
    [http://wordpress.clarku.edu/rboatright/worcester-campaign-finance/worcester-campaign-finance-  
project/](http://wordpress.clarku.edu/rboatright/worcester-campaign-finance/worcester-campaign-finance-project/)