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Curriculum Vitae

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Education

Ph.D, Political Science, University of Kentucky, 2005.

Major Field: Public Policy

Minor Field: American Institutions

15 Hours, Methodology

Dissertation Title: "Examining Policy Variation On The County Level In Temporary Assistance To Needy Families"

MA, Political Science, Marshall University, 1997.

Major Field: Comparative Politics

Minor Fields: State and Local Government, International Relations

12 credit hours, Gerontology Program, West Virginia State College, 1994-5

B.A, Political Science, West Virginia State College, 1989

Academic Employment

Full Time

Associate Dean, College of Liberal Arts, Marshall University, Summer 2007 -

Associate Professor of Political Science, Marshall University, Summer 2007 -

Assistant Professor of Political Science, Marshall University, Spring 2005- Spring 2007.

Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Marshall University, 2004

Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Marshall University, 2000-2002.

Part Time

Adjunct Professor, Department of Political Science, Marshall University, 2002-2003.

Adjunct Professor, Department of Political Science and Department of Sociology,
West Virginia State College, 2003

Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science, University of Kentucky, 1999 -2000

Research Intern, Appalachian Regional Commission, Summer, 1999.

Adjunct Professor, Marshall University Extended Education Program, 1997-1998.

Adjunct Professor, Department of Sociology, West Virginia State College, 1997-98.

Walter Rollins Scholar, West Virginia Legislature, Spring, 1996.

Nonacademic Employment

Nutrition Program Coordinator, Putnam County Aging Program, 1989 – 1995. Coordinated Senior Citizens Nutrition Programs for 30 senior centers in Boone, Clay, Fayette, Kanawha and Putnam Counties

Publications

- “Fiscal Policy,” *Encyclopedia of American Government and Civics*, Owen Lancer, Ed. (New York: Facts on File, forthcoming 2008).
- “Great Society,” *Encyclopedia of American Government and Civics*, Owen Lancer, Ed. (New York: Facts on File, forthcoming 2008).
- “New Deal,” *Encyclopedia of American Government and Civics*, Owen Lancer, Ed. (New York: Facts on File, forthcoming 2008).
- “Public Assistance,” *Encyclopedia of American Government and Civics*, Owen Lancer, Ed. (New York: Facts on File, forthcoming 2008).
- “State Representative,” *Encyclopedia of American Government and Civics*, Owen Lancer, Ed. (New York: Facts on File, forthcoming 2008).

Grants

City of Huntington Study, \$30,000, funded by the Huntington Area Chamber of Commerce, 2006, to Marshall University. Research team member and sole researcher for the 11-city benchmarking study.

Conference Presentations

- “It’s All in the Process: Understanding Administrative Deadlines as a Key to Diversion Assistance Program Effectiveness.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the National Association of Welfare Research and Statistics, Charleston, WV, August, 2007.
- “Rubrics as an Empowerment Tool for Students: Eliminating the Perception of Arbitrary Grading.” Presented at the Pedagogy Poster Session of the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA, September 1, 2006.
- “A Conservative Wave Unrealized: Examining Second Order Devolution in County Welfare Policies.” Presented at the annual meeting of the Southwestern Political Science Association, San Antonio, TX, April 12, 2006.
- “State Level Explanations Do Not Apply: Diversity of County Policy Adoptions under Temporary Assistance to Needy Families.” Presented at the annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Albuquerque, NM, March 18, 2006.
- “Second Order Devolution: Ohio Counties Move to Conserve Resources.” Presented at the annual meeting of the West Virginia Political Science Association, Charleston, WV, October, 2005.
- “Determinants of Welfare Policy Adoption on a County Level: A Case Study of Colorado.” Presented at the annual meeting of the West Virginia Political Science Association, Huntington, WV, October 11, 2002.

"Sifting Political Realities: Understanding the Ideological Impact of State to State Policy Differences under Temporary Aid to Needy Families." Presented at the annual meeting of the Southern Political Science Association in Savannah, November 3-6, 1999.
An earlier version of this paper was presented at the annual meeting of the West Virginia Political Science Association, Huntington, October 8-9, 1999.

Invited Presentations

"The Rise of the Left in Latin America." Speaker. Panel Series on Latin America, Dr. Chris White, Marshall University History Department, Coordinator, November, 2006.

"Understanding Poverty in Africa." Speaker. League of Women Voters Forum, "Building a Safer World: Can America and the UN Work Together?" October 13, 2005, at Marshall University.

"Does Devolution Produce More Conservative Policies?" Keynote Speaker, West Virginia State University Pi Sigma Alpha Awards Banquet, Institute, WV, April, 2005.

"The Unintended Consequences of Integration." Speaker. College of Liberal Arts *Brown v. Board of Education* Panel. Marshall University, September, 2004.

"Women's Political Activism in Appalachia," Speaker
Women and Politics Seminar at University of Kentucky, October, 2000.

Welfare Reform in Appalachia, Panel Discussion.
Sociology of Appalachian seminar at Marshall University, October 5, 1999,
Lynda Ann Ewen, Professor and panel organizer

"An Interdependency of Needs: Reassessing the Appalachian Regional Commission's Approach to Project Funding." Presented at the policy meeting of the Appalachian Regional Commission, Washington, D.C., July, 1999, with participants from the Seminar on Appalachian Development at the University of Kentucky, Ron Eller, Professor

"Ending the Isolation: A Call for Transportation in the Distressed Counties of Appalachia."
Printed, bound, and distributed to the Policy Meeting of the Appalachian Regional Commission, Washington, D.C., July, 1999, with other essays from the Seminar on Appalachian Development, Ron Eller, Professor.

Awards

- Pickens-Queen Outstanding Teacher Award, Marshall University, 2005-06.
- The "A" Award for Service to the People of Appalachia, Appalachian Regional Commission, 1999.
- Teaching Assistantship, Department of Political Science at the University of Kentucky, 1999-2000.
- Walter Rollins Scholar, West Virginia Legislature, 1996 Session.

Professional Activities

- Program Chair, West Virginia Political Science Association, 2007
- West Virginia Advisor to Project Vote Smart's State Key Votes Program, 2007 –
- Director of Graduate Internship Programs, West Virginia Legislature, 2006 -
- Director, International Affairs Program, Marshall University, 2006 -
- Member, Executive Committee, West Virginia Political Science Association, 2005-
- Representative of College of Liberal Arts, Marshall University Faculty Senate, 2005-2007.
- Writing Across the Curriculum (WAC) Certified Instructor, November, 2002.
(Recertified, June, 2004)
- Department Legislative Internship Coordinator, 2005 -
- Member, Executive Committee, WV Political Science Association, 2006 –
- Thesis Director, Elizabeth Ongao, 2006 -
- Examining Committee Member for Master's Degree Candidates, 2002, 2004-
- Undergraduate Advisor, Department of Political Science, Marshall University,
2001-2002; 2004 – 2006.
- Panel Discussant, "Examining Hurricane Katrina." Annual Meeting of the West Virginia Political Science Association, Charleston, WV, October, 2005.
- Panel Chair and Discussant, "West Virginia Government and View from the State Capitol." Annual Meeting of the West Virginia Political Science Association, Buckhannon, WV, October, 2001.
- President, University of Kentucky Political Science Graduate Student Association, Spring, 2000.

Courses Taught

Undergraduate:

American National Government and Politics
American State and Local Politics
Fundamentals of Politics
Latin American Politics
International Relations
Politics and Welfare
Scope and Methods in Political Science

Graduate:

Seminar in Comparative Politics
Latin American Politics
Data Analysis
Middle East Politics
Research Design
Politics and Welfare
Seminar in State Legislative Process