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PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

2024-present Faculty Director, Online MPA Program, Ford School, University of Michigan
2012-present Jack L. Walker Jr. Collegiate Professor of Public Policy, University of Michigan
2021-present Faculty Affiliate, Center for Local, State & Urban Policy, University of Michigan
2009-present Professor of Political Science, University of Michigan (by courtesy)
2008-present Research Associate, Center for Political Studies, University of Michigan
2021-2023 Faculty Innovator in Residence, Center for Academic Innovation, Univ of Michigan
2018-2023 Director, Program in Practical Policy Engagement, University of Michigan
2016-2020 Associate Dean for Research and Policy Engagement, University of Michigan
2001-2012 Professor of Public Policy, University of Michigan
2001-2006 Director, Center for Local, State and Urban Policy, University of Michigan
1999-2000 Visiting Fellow, Center for Advanced Study in Behavioral Sciences, Stanford
1998-2001 Associate Professor of Political Science, University of California, San Diego
1995-2002 Adjunct Fellow, Public Policy Institute of California, San Francisco
1993-1998 Assistant Professor of Political Science, University of California, San Diego
1991-1993 Assistant Professor of Political Science, California Institute of Technology

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Political Science, University of Michigan, 1991
M.A., Political Science, University of Michigan, 1989
B.A., Political Science and Economics, University of Michigan, 1986, With High Honors and High Distinction

BOOKS

Michigan at the Millennium, co-edited with Charles L. Ballard, Paul N. Courant, Douglas C. Drake, and Ronald C. Fisher. 2003. East Lansing, MI: Michigan State University Press.

Voting at the Political Fault Line: California's Experiment with the Blanket Primary, co-edited with Bruce E. Cain. 2002. Berkeley: University of California Press.

Stealing the Initiative: How State Government Responds to Direct Democracy, with Arthur Lupia, Mathew McCubbins, and D. Roderick Kiewiet. 2000. New York: Prentice-Hall.

The Populist Paradox: Interest Group Influence and the Promise of Direct Legislation. 1999. Princeton: Princeton University Press.

RESEARCH ARTICLES

- "Investing in the Future of Mobility: The Role of US Local Governments in Building EV Infrastructure," with Bruce Cain, Nathan Lee, and Susan Miller. Forthcoming. *Energy Policy*.
- "Rates of Delayed Care among Detroit Residents during the COVID-19 Pandemic," with Nora Becker, Sribharat Koripella, Monita Karmakar, Mick P. Couper, Jeff Morenoff and John Ayanian. 2022. *Journal of General and Internal Medicine*. 37: 2611–2613.
- "What Parcel Tax Records Tell Us About Homeownership Measurement in Surveys," with Shiyu Zhang, James Wagner and Jeffrey D. Morenoff. 2022. *Survey Research Methods*. 16(2): 133–145.
- "The Role of Human and Social Capital in Earthquake Recovery in Nepal," with Wenman Liu, Suhyun Jung, and Arun Agrawal. 2021. *Nature Sustainability*. <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41893-021-00805-4>
- "Detroit Area Studies (DAS)," with Robert Marans and Jeffrey Morenoff. 2024. In *Encyclopedia of Quality-of-Life and Well-being Research*, 2nd ed., Filomena Maggino, ed. Springer, 1764–1769.
- "Getting Bipartisan Support for Sea Level Rise Adaptation Policies," with Bruce E. Cain and Iris Hui. 2020. *Ocean and Coastal Management*. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ocecoaman.2020.105298>
- "Public Perceptions of Collaborative Governance in Transportation Policy," with Bruce E. Cain and Iris Hui. 2020. *Political Research Quarterly*. <https://doi.org/10.1177/1065912920943954>
- "The Challenge of Externally Generated Collaborative Governance: California's Attempt at Regional Water Management," with Bruce E. Cain and Iris Hui. 2020. *American Review of Public Administration* 1-10.
- "The Promise and Challenge of Integrating Multidisciplinary and Civically Engaged Learning," with Richard K. Norton, Paul Fontaine, Gail Hohner, and Patricia D. Koman. 2022. *Journal of Planning Education and Research*. 42:1, 102-117.
- "Motivational Crowding in Sustainable Development Interventions," with Arun Agrawal and Ashwini Chhatre. 2015. *American Political Science Review* 109:3, 470-487.
- "Spatial Dynamics of Vertical and Horizontal Intergovernmental Collaboration," with Carolyn Loh. 2015. *Journal of Urban Affairs* 37:3, 270-288.
- "Political Homophily and Collaboration in Regional Planning Networks," with Adam Henry and Mark Lubell. 2013. *American Journal of Political Science* 57:3, 598-610.

- "Partisanship and Local Climate Policy." Spring 2013. *Cityscape* 15:1, 107-124.
- "When Mayors Matter: Estimating the Impact of Mayoral Partisanship on City Policy," with Daniel Hopkins. 2011. *American Journal of Political Science*. 55:2, 326-339.
- "Prospects for Expanding Regional Planning Efforts," with Carolyn Loh. 2011. *Urban Studies* 48:11, 2303-2319.
- "Balancing Regionalism and Localism: How Institutions and Incentives Shape American Transportation Policy," with Clark C. Gibson. 2009. *American Journal of Political Science* 53:3, 633-48.
- "Explaining Horizontal and Vertical Cooperation in Michigan," with Jered B. Carr and Eric Luper. 2009. In *Sustaining Michigan*. Richard W. Jelier and Gary Sands, editors. East Lansing, MI: Michigan State University Press. 207-36.
- "Cooperative Municipal Service Provision: A Political-Economy Framework for Understanding Intergovernmental Cooperation," with Clark C. Gibson. In *Resource Sharing in Urban Areas*, Jered Carr, ed. Washington, DC: Georgetown University Press.
- "Evaluating the Effects of Direct Democracy on Public Policy: California's Urban Growth Boundaries," with Justin H. Phillips. 2005. *American Politics Research* 33:2, 310-330.
- "Beyond the Median: Voter Preferences, District Heterogeneity, and Representation," with Jeffrey B. Lewis. 2004. *Journal of Political Economy* 112:6, 1364-1383.
- "Authority Migration: Defining an Emerging Research Agenda," with Kenneth Kollman. 2004. *PS: Political Science and Politics* 37:3, 397-401.
- "When Does Government Limit the Impact of Voter Initiatives: The Politics of Implementation and Enforcement," with Arthur Lupia and Mathew McCubbins. 2004. *Journal of Politics* 66:1, 43-68. Reprinted in Japanese in *The Law Review of Kansai University*, Sept 2004.
- "Direct Democracy and Land Use Policy: Exchanging Public Goods for Development Rights," with Justin H. Phillips. 2004. *Urban Studies* 41:2, 463-479.
- "Minority Rights in Direct Democracy," with Zoltan Hajnal. 2004. In *Principles and Practice of American Politics*, 2nd ed. S. Kernell and S. S. Smith, eds. Washington, DC: CQ Press.
- "Development Propositions, Interest Group Endorsements, and the Political Geography of Growth Preferences," with Justin H. Phillips. 2003. *American Journal of Political Science* 47:4, 625-639.
- "Tyranny of the Majority? Racial and Ethnic Minorities in Direct Democracy," with Zoltan L. Hajnal and Hugh Louch. 2006. In *Diversity in Democracy*, G. Segura and S. Bowler, eds.

Charlottesville: University of Virginia Press.

“Michigan in the 21st Century,” with Charles Ballard, Paul Courant, Doug Drake, and Ron Fisher.” 2003. Introductory chapter for *Michigan at the Millennium*. C. Ballard, P. N. Courant, D. C. Drake, R. Fisher, and E. R. Gerber, eds. East Lansing: Michigan State University Press.

“An Empirical Approach to Understanding the Dynamics of Cabinet Government,” with Torbjorn Bergman and Scott Kastner. 2000. In *Coalition Governance in Western Europe*. K. Strom, W. Muller, and T. Bergman, eds. London: Oxford University Press.

“Minorities and Direct Legislation: Evidence from California Ballot Proposition Elections,” with Zoltan L. Hajnal and Hugh Louch. 2002. *Journal of Politics* 64:1, 154-177.

“Direct Democracy in American States and Localities.” 2002. In *Developments in American Politics*, 4th edition. G. Peele, C. J. Bailey, and B. E. Cain, eds. New York: St. Martin’s Press.

“California’s Blanket Primary Experiment,” with Bruce E. Cain. 2002. Introductory chapter for *Voting at the Political Fault Line*. B. E. Cain and E. R. Gerber, eds. Berkeley: University of California Press, 3-11.

“Strategic Voting and Candidate Policy Positions in a Blanket Primary.” 2002. In *Voting at the Political Fault Line*. B. E. Cain and E. R. Gerber, eds. Berkeley: University of California Press, 192-213.

“The Logic of Reform: Assessing Initiative Reform Strategies.” 2001. In *Dangerous Democracy*. L. Sabato, H. Ernst, and B. Larson, eds. Boulder, CO: Rowman & Littlefield, 143-172.

“Money in the Initiative and Referendum Process: Evidence of its Effects and Prospects for Reform,” with Elizabeth Garrett. 2001. In *The Battle over Citizen Lawmaking*. M. D. Waters, ed. Durham, NC: Carolina Academic Press, 73-95.

“California’s Experience with the Blanket Primary.” Forthcoming. In *Congressional Primaries and the Politics of Representation*. P.F. Galderisi, M. Ezra, and M. Lyons, eds. Lanham, MD: Rowman & Littlefield, 143-160.

“Legislative Responses to Referendum,” with Simon Hug. 2001. In *Referendum Democracy: Citizens, Elites, and Deliberation in Referendum Campaigns*. M. Mendelsohn and A. Parkin, eds. Toronto: MacMillan/St. Martin’s Press, 191-210.

“Voter Competence in Direct Legislation Elections,” with Arthur Lupia. 1999. In *Citizen Competence*. S. Elkins and K. Soltan, editors. University Park, PA: Penn State University Press, 147-160.

“Minority Representation in Multi-member Districts” with Rebecca B. Morton and Thomas A. Rietz. 1998. *American Political Science Review* 92:1, 127-144.

- “Primary Election Systems and Representation” with Rebecca B. Morton. 1998. *Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization* 14:2, 304-324.
- “Pressuring Legislatures Through the Use of Initiatives.” 1998. In *Citizens as Legislators: Direct Democracy in the United States*, S. Bowler, T. Donovan, and C. Tolbert, eds. Columbus: Ohio State University Press, 191-208.
- “Legislative Response to the Threat of Popular Initiatives.” 1996. *American Journal of Political Science* 40:1, 99-128.
- “Legislatures, Initiatives, and Representation: The Effects of State Legislative Institutions on Policy.” 1996. *Political Research Quarterly* 49:2, 263-286.
- “Term Limits, Responsiveness and the Failures of Increased Competition,” with Arthur Lupia. In *Legislative Term Limits: Public Choice Perspectives*, B. Grofman, ed. Boston: Kluwer Academic Publishers, 87-99.
- “Campaign Competition and Policy Responsiveness in Direct Legislation Elections,” with Arthur Lupia. 1995. *Political Behavior* 17:3, 287-306.
- “Reforming the California Initiative Process: A Proposal to Increase Flexibility and Legislative Accountability.” 1995. In *Constitutional Revision in California*. B. E. Cain and R. Noll, eds. Berkeley: University of California Press, 291-312.
- “Coalitional Prospects in a Multi-Racial Society: African-American Attitudes Towards Other Minority Groups,” with Bruce E. Cain and Byran O. Jackson. 1994. *Political Research Quarterly* 47: 277-294.
- “Endogenous Preferences and the Study of Institutions,” with John E. Jackson. 1993. *American Political Science Review* 87:3, 639-656.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

- “Economic Impact of Refugee Resettlement in Southeast Michigan.” 2017. Ford School/Global Detroit Report, Detroit, Michigan. <http://www.globaldetroit.com>.
- “Regional Governance in Michigan.” 2005. CLOSUP/ Ann Arbor Area Chamber of Commerce Policy Report, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. www.umich.edu/~closup.
- “Authority Migration.” 2004. *PS Research Symposium*, edited with Kenneth Kollman, in *PS: Political Science and Politics*. 37:3, 397-431.
- “Growth Management Policy in California Communities.” 2003. CLOSUP Policy Report, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. www.umich.edu/~closup.

“Privatization: Issues of State and Local Infrastructure.” 2003. CLOSUP/OTPR Policy Report, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. www.umich.edu/~closup.

“Linking Science, Planning, and Policy-Making for Sustainable Development In the Great Lakes Basin” with Richard K. Norton, Robert Marans, Guy Meadows, and John O’Shea. 2002. Prepared for the University of Michigan Great Lakes Initiative.

“Ballot Initiatives and the Politics of Implementation: Assessing Prospects for Reform.” 2000. Policy Paper, Public Policy Institute of California, San Francisco.

“States Respond with Initiative Reform.” 2001. In *Proceedings of the Committee on the Future of Western State Legislatures*. M. L. Cooper, ed. San Francisco: Council of State Governments - West.

“Interest Group Influence in the California Initiative Process.” 1998. Background Paper, Public Policy Institute of California, San Francisco.

“The Consequences of Primary Election Laws in the American States.” 1997. Expert Report, *California Democratic Party v. Bill Jones*. United States District Court for the Eastern District of California. No. CIV-S-96-2038 DFL PAN.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Lower division undergraduate courses: Political Inquiry

Upper division undergraduate courses: Interest Group Politics, Understanding Direct Legislation, State and Local Politics, Political Representation, Senior Colloquium

Graduate courses: American Politics, Advanced Statistical Analysis, State and Local Policy, Integrated Policy Exercise, Community and Economic Development, Ph.D. Policy Seminar, Applied Policy Seminar, Strategic Public Policy Consulting, Program Evaluation, Project Skills Workshop

Open courses: “People, Technology and the Future of Mobility”

GRANTS, AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

AECT Design and Development Outstanding Practice Award, 2023

National Science Foundation Grant, I-Corps Teams, 2020

Provost’s Teaching Innovation Prize, 2019

Gates Foundation grant, 2018-21

Knight Foundation grant, 2017-20

Kresge Foundation grant, 2016-17

APSA Science, Technology and Environmental Politics Section Best Paper Award, 2016

Distinguished Faculty Fellow in Sustainability, 2015-2017

Teaching and Learning for the Third Century Award, 2015

Provost’s Teaching Innovation Prize, 2015

Ford School Diversity Center Award, 2014

Academic Leadership Program, CIC, 2013-2014

American Academy of Arts & Sciences, Elected 2012
Ford School Diversity Center Award, 2011
Graham Institute Award, "Great Lakes Climate Change Integrated Assessment," 2010-2013
National Science Foundation Grant, SES-0961868, "Local Resource Management Institutions and the Malleability of Conservation Beliefs and Actions," 2010-2012
National Science Foundation MMS Mid-Career Fellowship, 2009-2010
Rackham Spring/Summer Research Grant, 2008
Michigan State University Center for Community and Economic Development Grant, 2007
National Science Foundation Grant, SES-0648205, "EITM Summer Training Institute," 2007-2010
National Science Foundation Grant, SES-0452281, "Balancing Competing Interests in American Regional Governance," 2005-2007
National Science Foundation Grant, SES-0001866, "The New Politics of Land Use," 2000-2001
Center for Advanced Study in the Behavioral Sciences, Fellow, 1999-2000
Public Policy Institute of California Grant, 1998-2000
John M. Olin Foundation Faculty Fellow, 1995-1996
Hellman Faculty Fellowship, UCSD, 1995
Heinz Eulau Award for best paper in the *American Political Science Review*, 1993
CQ Award for best paper presented in legislative studies at the meeting of the APSA, August 1992
Gerald R. Ford Dissertation Fellowship, University of Michigan, 1990-1991
Rackham Dissertation Fellowship, University of Michigan, 1989-1990
University Fellowship, University of Michigan, 1987-1988

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Member, Ann Arbor Area Transportation Authority Board of Directors, 2023
ICPSR Summer Program Advisory Committee, 2017-18
Past President: Midwest Political Science Association, 2019
President: Midwest Political Science Association, 2018
President-elect: Midwest Political Science Association, 2017
Member: Hubert Humphrey Award Committee, APSA, 2014-15
Member: Annual Meetings Committee, APSA, 2013-2014
Member: American Academy of Arts and Sciences Membership Panel, 2013-2014
Member: Southeast Michigan Regional Transit Authority Board, 2013-2018
Representative: APSA representative to COSSA, 2013-2014
Chair: Urban Politics Nomination Committee, APSA, 2012-2013
Chair: Gladys M. Kammerer Award Committee, APSA, 2012-2013
Member: State Politics Career Award Committee, APSA, 2012-2013
Vice President: Midwest Political Science Association, 2010-2014
Treasurer: Midwest Political Science Association, 2011-2018
Associate editor: *American Journal of Political Science*, 2010-2014
Co-editor: *American Political Science Review*, 2008
Co-chair: American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2007
Member: Political Methodology Career Award Committee, American Political Science Assn, 2006-2007
Co-chair: Political Economy Section, American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2006

Member: Pi Sigma Alpha Award Committee, Midwest Political Science Association, 2005-2006
Chair: James Madison Award Committee, American Political Science Association, 2004-2005
Member: Midwest Political Science Association Nominations Committee, 2004-2005
Member: Political Science Advisory Panel, National Science Foundation, 2002-2003
Member: Executive Council, Midwest Political Science Association, 2000-2003
Member: Governing Council, Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research, 2002-2004
Member, National Advisory Board, Initiative & Referendum Institute, 2002-2006
Chair: Political Economy Section, American Political Science Association, 2000-2002
Member: American Political Science Assn, Midwest Political Science Assn, Public Choice Society Member:
Editorial Board, *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, 1995-2002; *Political Research Quarterly*,
1996-1999; *Political Behavior*, 1997-2000; *Political Analysis* 1998-2000, 2004-2006; *State
Politics and Policy Quarterly*, 2000-2004, 2014-2016; *Journal of Politics* 2001-2004, 2012-2014;
2014-2016; *Journal of Theoretical Politics* 2002-2005, 2010-2014; *American Politics Review* 2004-
2006; *American Political Science Review* 2007-2009, 2012-2014; *California Journal of Politics and
Policy* 2008-2012; *State and Local Government Review* 2014-2016
Member: Political Organizations and Parties Award Committee, 2000
Officer: Secretary/Treasurer, Political Economy Section, APSA, 1996-2000
Expert witness: *California Democratic Party v. Bill Jones*. USDC Eastern District of California No. CIV-S-96-
2038. 1997
Chair: Gosnell Award Committee, American Political Science Association, 1997
Chair, Political Methodology Section, American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 1996
Chair: CQ Prize Committee, 1994
Officer: Member-At-Large, Legislative Studies Section, APSA, 1993-95
Referee: *American Political Science Review*, *Political Behavior*, *American Journal of Political Science*, *Political
Analysis*, *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, *Political Research Quarterly*, *Social Science Quarterly*,
Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization, *American Economic Review*, *State Politics and Policy
Quarterly*, *Journal of Politics*, *Election Law Journal*

THESES

“Legislative Politics and the Direct Ballot: Comparing Policy Outcomes Across Institutional Arrangements.” Submitted in partial fulfillment of the requirement for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Political Science) in the University of Michigan, 1991.

“Interest Group Effectiveness: A Research Proposal for Measurement and Estimation.” Submitted in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the degree of Master of Arts (Political Science) in the University of Michigan, 1989.

“Industrial Conflict in the British Coal Industry: The National Strike of 1984-1985.” Senior Honors Thesis, submitted in partial fulfillment for the degree of Bachelor of Arts (Economics and Political Science) in the University of Michigan, 1986.