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RESEARCH INTERESTS

American politics, interest group politics, campaigns and elections, subnational politics Latin American politics.

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Political Science, May 2015, Rice University, Houston, TX. Major: American Politics. Minor: Subnational Politics, Comparative Politics.

Master of Public Affairs, May 1999. Lyndon Baines Johnson School of Public Affairs, The University of Texas at Austin. Major: Public Policy and Public Administration.

Master of Arts in Latin American Studies, May 1999. Teresa Lozano Long Institute of Latin American Studies, The University of Texas at Austin. Major field: Government. Minor field: Economics, History.

Bachelors of Arts, cum laude, May 1995. Albion College, Albion, MI. Religious Studies, Spanish, and Political Science.

EMPLOYMENT

PROFESSOR & CHAIR, GENERAL EDUCATION
College of Biblical Studies-Houston

2011-CURRENT

- Supervise coursework, operations, and 13 faculty in an academic department.
- Conduct annual, departmental assessment of student performance.
- Lead the strategic planning and research efforts of the College.
- Assist in grant solicitation from U.S. Department of Education
- Teach courses on American, Texas, and Latin American politics.
- Continue my research agenda on interest groups, elections, and public policy.

INSTRUCTOR/TEACHING ASSISTANT

2013-2015

Political Science Dept & Jones School of Business, Rice University

- Taught two sections each of Intro to American Politics and Intro to Statistics.
- Graded/tutored students in two sections of Business-Government Relations course.
- Made choropleth maps of Harris County political patterns using ArcGIS and STATA.

RESEARCH GRANT ADMINISTRATOR (LEFT TO PURSUE PH.D 2007-2011) 2006-2007
Vice-President of Research, University of Houston

- Assisted faculty in compiling information for grant submissions.
- Ensured that proposals are in accordance with granting agency requirements.
- Reviewed grant and contract awards for restrictions and special conditions

INSTRUCTOR/PROGRAM ANALYST 2002-2006
Faith-Based Community Development Center, College of Biblical Studies–Houston

- Coordinated set-up and implementation of Center projects and programs.
- Drafted grant applications to government agencies and other funding sources.
- Assisted in enhancement of curriculum for Center courses.
- Instructed students in doing community development from a faith-based perspective.

TREASURER/BOOKKEEPER 1998-2001
Gospel Missionary Union, Panama, Central America

- Handled all financial and bookkeeping functions of a non-profit organization.
- Possessed signature authority over a \$20,000 bank account.

ASSISTANT RESIDENCE HALL COORDINATOR 1997-1998
University of Texas at Austin

- Supervised 15 resident assistants in residence halls of up to 400 students.
- Designed and coordinated the operations and eight-person staff of a hall desk.
- Organized and conducted the hiring and training process for 160 resident assistants.

DATA ANALYST & INTERN SUMMER 1997
Community Colleges Division, Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board

- Produced performance reports on the licensure programs for the Texas Legislature.
- Assembled a special analytical report on the TASP program for Rep. Irma Rangel.

PUBLICATIONS

“Interest Groups” in *Voting and Political Representation in America: Issues and Trends*. Edited by Mark D. Jones. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO. Forthcoming February 2020.

“Evangelicals and Social Action.” in *Evangelical America: An Encyclopedia of Contemporary American Religious Culture*. Edited by Timothy Demy and Paul R. Shockley. Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, 2017

Win the Battleground to Win the Battle: Essays on Punctuated Equilibrium Theory and Interest Group Venue Shopping. Rice University 2015 (Doctoral Dissertation).

Toward the '60s : Building an Institution for the Movimento Negro Brazil. University of Texas at Austin, 1999. (Master’s Thesis)

Building a Workforce Development System for Texas: A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to Reform. Eds. Christopher T. King and Robert E. McPherson, University of Texas at Austin, 1997.