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Academic Appointments:

Associate Professor, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, 2008-present
Director of Graduate Studies, 2009-present

Assistant Professor, 2002-2008

Education:

University of Washington

Ph.D., Political Science, 2002

Dissertation: "Rethinking Responsiveness: Campaign Themes, Legislative Agendas, and the Politics of Issue Uptake"

M.A., Political Science, 1999

Western Washington University

B.A., Political Science, *magna cum laude*, 1997

Book:

Issue Politics in Congress. 2005. New York: Cambridge University Press.

Refereed Articles:

"Redistricting, Responsiveness, and Issue Attention" with Matthew Hayes and Matthew Hibbing. Forthcoming 2010. *Legislative Studies Quarterly*.

"Campaign Appeals and Legislative Action." 2009. *Journal of Politics*. 71(3): 1093-1108.

"Is There Truth in Advertising? Campaign Ad Images as Signals about Legislative Behavior" with Nathaniel Swigger. 2008. *Journal of Politics*. 70(1): 232-244.

"Congressional Candidates' Issue Agendas On- and Off-Line" with Cortney Moriarty and Veronica Hefner. 2007. *Harvard International Journal of Press/Politics*. 12(2): 63-79.

"Dynamics of Diffusion: Aggregate Patterns in Congressional Campaign Agendas" with Jillian Evans. 2006. *American Politics Research*. 34(4): 505-534.

"Policy Punctuations in American Political Institutions" with Bryan Jones and Heather Larsen. 2003. *American Political Science Review*. 97(1): 151-169.

"Discussion's Impact on Political Allocations: An Experimental Approach" with Adam Simon. 2002. *Political Analysis*. 10(4): 402-411.

"Explaining Campaign Intensity." 2001. *American Politics Research*. 29(6): 608-624.

"Habermas in the Lab: An Experimental Investigation of the Effects of Deliberation" with Adam Simon. 2001. *Political Psychology*. 22(4): 809-826.

Book Chapter:

"Promises Made and Promises Kept." 2009. In *Congress Reconsidered*, 9th edition, eds. Lawrence Dodd and Bruce Oppenheimer. Washington, DC: CQ Press.

Work in Progress:

Promises to Keep: The Legislative Legacy of Congressional Campaigns (book project)
Advance contract, Cambridge University Press.

"Congressional Campaigns." Invited Chapter for *Oxford Handbook of Congress* (eds. Frances Lee and Eric Schickler)

"Cosponsorship and Coalition-Building" with William Bernhard.

Research Honors and Grants:

External:

2006 Richard F. Fenno, Jr. Prize for the best book in legislative studies published in 2005.
Awarded by the American Political Science Association Legislative Studies Section for *Issue Politics in Congress*.

2006 Alan Rosenthal Prize for the best book or article in legislative studies published in 2005
by a junior scholar that has potential value to legislative practitioners. Awarded by the
American Political Science Association Legislative Studies Section for *Issue Politics in
Congress*.

2005 CQ Press Award for the best paper in legislative studies presented at the 2004
American Political Science Association Annual Meeting. Awarded by the Legislative
Studies Section for "Legislative Responsiveness to Campaign Challenges."

2003 E.E. Schattschneider Award for the best dissertation in American politics completed in 2001 or 2002. Awarded by the American Political Science Association.

Dirksen Congressional Center Congressional Research Award (2001-2002)

National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship (1998-2001)

Internal:

University of Illinois Academy for Entrepreneurial Leadership, Scholars in Creativity, Innovation, and Research Fund (with William Bernhard, 2008-2009)

Research Fellow, UIUC Center for the Study of Democratic Governance (2006-2007)

University of Illinois, Campus Research Board Grant (2006)

University of Illinois Campus Research Board, Arnold O. Beckman Award (2005)

University of Illinois Campus Research Board, Arnold O. Beckman Award (2003-2004)

University of Washington Department of Political Science—Distinction on qualifying exams in American politics, public policy processes, and methodology (2000)

Western Washington University, Outstanding Graduate in Department of Political Science and University Honors Program (1997)

Teaching Honors:

Department of Political Science Award for Excellence in Graduate Education, 2009. Selected by the Political Science Graduate Student Association.

Department of Political Science Clarence Berdahl Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching. Awarded by Pi Sigma Alpha in 2005.

List of Teachers Rated as Excellent by Their Students. Awarded if student ratings for "Course Quality" and "Instructor Effectiveness" are both in the top 30% of university rankings.

Spring 2009, Political Science 519: Campaigns & Elections Graduate Seminar

Spring 2009, Communication 496: Communication and Governance

Fall 2008, Political Science 319: Campaigns and Elections

Spring 2008, Political Science 499: Campaigns and Elections

Spring 2008, Communication 496: Communication and Governance

Fall 2007, Political Science 502: Democratic Political Institutions

Spring 2005, Communication 496: Communication and Governance

Fall 2004, Political Science 519: Campaigns and Elections Graduate Seminar

Spring 2004, Political Science 328: Introduction to Political Behavior

Invited Talks and Conferences:

Harvard University, Center for American Political Studies, spring 2010 (scheduled)
University of Wisconsin, American Politics Workshop, October 2008
Georgetown University, American Government Speaker Series, October 2008
University of North Carolina, American Politics Workshop, April 2008
University of Chicago, Harris School, American Politics Workshop, February 2008
University of Minnesota, Seminar Series on the U.S. Congress, November 2007
Texas A&M Conference on Congressional Elections, September 2007
University of Rochester, Riker Seminar Series, May 2007
University of Washington, Center for American Politics and Public Policy, May 2007
University of Michigan, Center for Political Studies, March 2007
Pennsylvania State University, Departmental Colloquium Series, March 2006
Dirksen Congressional Center "Congress in the Classroom," August 2006
Northwestern University, American Politics Workshop, May 2004

Conference Presentations:

2009. "Cosponsorship and Coalition Building in the U.S. House" with William Bernhard. Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Toronto, ON.
2009. "Cosponsorship and Commitment" with William Bernhard. Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.
2008. "Redistricting, Responsiveness, and Issue Attention" with Matthew Hayes and Matthew Hibbing. Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Boston, MA.
2007. Roundtable on the 110th Congress. American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.
2007. "Campaign Promises and Legislative Action." Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.
2007. "Congressional Campaign Rhetoric and Legislative Agendas." Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.
2006. "Do Quality Challengers Run Better Campaigns? The Impact of Experience on Campaign Discourse" with Elizabeth Popp. Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.
2006. "Is a Picture Worth a Dozen Roll Calls? Campaign Ad Images and Interest Group Voting Scores" with Nathaniel Swigger. Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.

2006. "Campaign Ad Images as Signals about Legislative Voting Behavior" with Nathaniel Swigger. Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.
2005. "Shoring Up the Base or Broadening Appeal?: Comparing Candidates' Campaign Agendas Across Websites and Television Ads" with Cortney Moriarty and Veronica Hefner. Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC.
2004. "Legislative Responsiveness to Campaign Challenges." Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.
2004. "Explaining Scope and Variation in Congressional Campaign Agendas" with Jillian Evans. Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.
2003. "The Distribution of Campaign Themes in Congressional Races, 1988-1996." Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA.
2003. "Punctuations in Political Institutions" with Bryan Jones and Heather Larsen. Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.
2002. "Issue Uptake and Responsiveness in the U.S. Congress." Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.
2001. "Campaigns, Issue Uptake, and Representation in the U.S. Senate." Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.
2001. "Legislators' Responsiveness to Campaign Themes: Toward an Agenda-Based Model of Representation." Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.
2001. "A Comparison of Side Payment and Position-Taking Models of Congressional Roll-Call Voting" with John Wilkerson. Presented at the Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Las Vegas, NV.
2000. "Incumbents, Challengers, and Campaign Intensity." Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.
2000. "Integrating Game Theory and Psychology" with Adam Simon. Presented at the International Society for Political Psychology Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA.
1999. "Habermas in the Lab: Experimental Evidence on Signaling in the Ultimatum Game" with Adam Simon. Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Atlanta, GA.

1999. “Challenging Deliberative Democracy” with Adam Simon. Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL.
1997. “Contested Local Elections and Active Campaigns: The Effects of Cumulative Voting and Districting” with Todd Donovan, Shaun Bowler, and David Brockington. Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC.

Additional Education:

ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods, 2000

ISPP Summer Institute in Political Psychology, 1999

Professional Service:

Program Co-Chair, 2011 Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting

Member, APSA E.E. Schattschneider Award Committee, 2009-2010

NSF Political Science Dissertation Advisory Panel, 2009

Secretary/Treasurer, APSA Legislative Studies Section, 2007-2009, 2009-2011

Chair, APSA Legislative Studies Section Fenno Prize Committee, 2006-2007

Chair, APSA Legislative Studies Section CQ Press Award Committee, 2005-2006

Advisory Board, Political Science Network, eJournal on Legislatures, 2007-present

Reviewer, *American Political Science Review*, *American Journal of Political Science*, *Journal of Politics*, *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, *American Politics Research*, *Political Research Quarterly*, *Congress & the Presidency*, *Harvard International Journal of Press/Politics*, *Perspectives on Politics*, National Science Foundation, Cambridge University Press, University of Illinois Press

Chair and/or Discussant, American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2005; Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2007; Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2001

College and Departmental Service:

College:

LAS Awards Committee, 2009-2011

Department:

Advisory Committee (elected) (2004-2005; 2005-2006; 2006-2007; 2007-2008; 2008-2009; 2009-2010)

Political Economy Faculty Recruitment Committee (2008-2009)

Political Institutions Faculty Recruitment Committee (2005-2006; 2006-2007; 2007-2008)

Alumni Affairs Committee (2007-2008)

Instructional Programs Committee (2006-2007)

Graduate Programs Committee (2004-2005; 2005-2006)

Teaching and Student Awards Committee (2003-2004; 2004-2005)

Director of Undergraduate Studies Search Committee (2003)

Teaching Experience:

Graduate Seminars:

Democratic Political Institutions
Campaigns and Elections

Undergraduate Courses:

Introduction to Political Science
Introduction to U.S. Government and Politics
Campaigns and Elections
Communication and Governance
Mass Media and Politics in the United States
Introduction to Political Behavior
Introduction to Research Methods

References available upon request