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**Academic Employment:**

- Instructor, Department of Politics and IR, Florida International University, August 2013- Present
- Lecturer, Department of Political Science, West Virginia University, August 2012-August 2013
- Graduate Lecturer, Department of Political Science, West Virginia University, May 2008-August 2012

**Education:**

- PhD, West Virginia University, May 2014
  - *Dissertation: Venue Shopping: Domestic Interests in Global Politics*
- MA, Political Science/IR/Comparative Politics, West Virginia University, May 2006
  - *Thesis: German Multi-Level Governance in the European Union*
- BA Political Science, West Virginia University, May 2004

**Teaching Experience:**

*Classes developed and taught in the virtual online classroom using Blackboard*

- Florida International University- American Government
- Florida International University- American Federalism & Intergovernmental Relations
- Florida International University- Interest Group Politics
- Florida International University- Legislative Process
- Florida International University- Environmental Politics
- Florida International University- Special Topics: The 2016 Presidential Election
- West Virginia University- Global Political Issues
- West Virginia University- Introduction to American Government
- West Virginia University- State and Local Politics (Teaching Assistant)
- West Virginia University- Introduction to Policy Analysis-(Teaching Assistant)
- West Virginia University- West Virginia Politics (Teaching Assistant)
- West Virginia University- Introduction to Public Administration (Teaching Assistant)
- West Virginia University- American Federalism(Teaching Assistant)

*Classes taught in traditional classroom:*

- West Virginia University- Capstone Senior Paper
- West Virginia University- Introduction to Policy Analysis
- West Virginia University- Introduction to American Government

**Special Skills:**

- Course development and production in Blackboard Online Course Management System
- Adobe Connect virtual classroom software
- Blackboard Collaborate virtual classroom software
- Respondus Software
- Turn-It-In Originality Software

**Working Papers & Book Chapters:**

- The Pluralization of Domestic Reproductive Policy: Assessing the Impact of Transnational Advocacy Networks
- Challenging the Status Quo: How Domestic Environmental Groups Use the International Arena to Challenge Domestic Emission Standards
- American Government Online v Traditional Classroom: An Evaluation of Student Learning & Satisfaction

**Conference Participation:**

- *Track Moderator- Online Learning.* APSA Teaching & Learning Conference, Portland, OR, February 2016
- *Session Discussant- The Effects of the Advocacy Environment.* Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL April 2015
- *"Transnational Venue Shopping: The Motivation, Tactics, & Strategies of Organized Interests in a Global World."* Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL April 2015
- *"Track Discussant: Distance Learning Track."* APSA Teaching & Learning Conference, Washington DC, January 2015
- *"The Political Science Online Classroom: Innovation and Design."* APSA Teaching & Learning Conference, Philadelphia, February 2014
- *"Challenging the Status Quo: How Domestic Environmental Groups Use the International Arena to Challenge Domestic Emission Standards."* International Studies Association, San Francisco, April 2013
- *"The Structure of Transnational Lobbying."* Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, January 2011
- *"The Structure of Transnational Lobbying."* ACSUS, San Diego, November 2009.
- *"The Multiple Levels of Transnational Lobbying."* Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2009.
- *"The Two Levels of European Security."* Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2008.
- *"The Effects of Comparative Agenda Setting On International Arms Trade."* Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, January 2008. (With Anthony Fleming & Paul Rutledge)
- *"European Union security and terrorism policy and the future of the CFSP."* Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2007.
- *"IGO and International Arms Trade."* Northeast Political Science Association, Boston, November 2006. (With Anthony Fleming)
- *"German involvement in the European Union."* Northeast Political Science Association, Boston, November 2006.
- *"German Federalism and European Union Integration."* University of Pittsburgh Annual European Union Conference, Pittsburgh, October, 2006.

**Professional Development:**

- 2016 APSA Teaching & Learning Conference Planning Committee
- Oxford Publishing Review- We the People, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition. December 2015
- Oxford Publishing Review- Introduction to Global Politics, 4<sup>th</sup> Edition. May 2015
- Pearson Publishing Manuscript Review-American Government Textbook Proposal. September 2014
- Oxford Publishing Review- Introduction to Global Politics, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition. September 2012
- Pearson Publishing Review- Global Perspectives, 4<sup>th</sup> Edition. December 2011
- Pearson Publishing Review- Living Democracy, Brief Edition, 3e. May-June 2011
- Soomo Publishing Supplemental Material Review- American Government, Spring 2011
- CQ Press Manuscript Review: Keeping the Republic. 5<sup>th</sup> Edition 2011
- HERF Fellowship, 2008-2009
- Philip V. McGance Public Fellowship recipient, 2005
- Pi Sigma Alpha, National Political Science Honorary, October, 2003

**Teaching and Research Interests:**

- American Government
  - ○ Public Policy
- Organized Interests/Group Behavior
  - ○ Comparative Politics
  - ○ Policy Convergence/Divergence
- Western Democracies
- Global Issues
- International Institutions