

## RESUME' of THOMAS A. BRESLIN

**Administrative Experience:**

**Interim Dean, University Libraries**, September 2012—July 2013

**Chair, Faculty Senate; Member, Board of Trustees**, Florida International University, August 2008—July 2012

**Director of Graduate Studies**, International Relations, January 2008—August 2009

**Vice Provost for Academic Affairs**, Nov, 2003—Aug. 2006

Led Division of Academic Affairs' successful effort to establish a medical school at Florida International University (FIU).

**Vice President for Research**, (FIU), Miami, FL, Aug. 2000—Nov. 2003

**Vice President, Research & Graduate Studies**, FIU, Acting, Oct. 1996-Aug. 1998; Confirmed, Aug. 1998—Aug. 2000.

**Vice Provost**, FIU, Jan. 1988-Oct. 1996

**Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs**, FIU, May, 1987-Jan.1988.

**Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs**, FIU, 1985-1987.

Oversaw research program planning, development, and delivery at one of nation's 25 largest universities; led successful drive to become Carnegie Doctoral Research Extensive University ("R1") (2000); secured external public & private support for program and faculty development; oversaw all academic facilities and technology transfer; responsible for \$75.5 million in annual contract and grant income, up 2400% in 21 years; ex-officio member, University Research Council (Institutional Review Board for Human Subject Research), Jan. 1984-Nov. 2003; member, University Executive Committee, Aug. 1998-Nov. 2003; president, FIU Research Foundation, Nov. 2002—Dec. 2003.

**Director, Div. of Sponsored Research and Training**, FIU, Feb. 1982-Sept. 1993.

Overhauled procedures for contract and grant management; increased C&G funding from \$2.9 million in FY 82 to \$15.86 million in FY 93; led successful efforts to establish Title III and Minority Biomedical Research program status worth more than \$6 million to institution.

**Associate Dean, International Affairs Center**, FIU, Oct. 1977-Feb. 1982.

Developed and supervised technical and professional training programs in the Caribbean and Latin America; prepared and supervised Center budgets; wrote 20-year plan for the university's international activities; co-developed campus-based International Banking and Finance Program, Global Awareness Social Studies Program, Title VI Undergrad Latin American and Caribbean Studies Center.

**Teaching and Related Scholarly Experience:**

**Professor (tenured), Politics & International Relations Department**, FIU.

Previously, Professor, Assoc., Asst. Prof., INR Dep't; Vis. Asst. Prof, History Dept, FIU, 1976; Vis. Instructor, History Dept., St. Joseph's College, Phila., Pa., 1974. Have taught Chinese, Japanese, U.S., and international relations history.

**Member, Board of Advisors, University Presses of Florida**, 1980-82.

**Publications:** 4 books in field; 1 co-edited book; 2 book chapters; 10 articles; reviews.

**Education:** Ph. D., History, 1972; M.A., History, 1969, University of Virginia  
B.A., History, 1968, Fordham University

## **CURRICULUM VITAE of THOMAS A. BRESLIN**

### **I. Education**

Ph.D., (U.S. and Chinese History), University of Virginia, 1972  
 M.A., (History), University of Virginia, 1969  
 B.A., (History), Fordham University, 1968

Intensive Chinese language study, Mandarin Center, National Normal University, Taipei, Taiwan, fall 1971

Language Skills: Speak: Spanish, Chinese (Mandarin), German and French

Read: Greek, Latin, French, German, Chinese, and Spanish

Honors: Teaching Fellow, Danforth Foundation/University of Virginia, 1968-72

Fellow, American-East Asian Relations Committee, American Historical Association, 1971-72

Fellow, Institute for Humane Studies/Liberty Fund, summer 1975

Gregory B. Wolfe Faculty Member Award, Student Government Association, Maidique Campus, April 2010.

FIU, University Service Medallion, August 6, 2013

FIU, President's Council, 3rd Prize, World's Ahead Faculty Competition, October 2014

### **II. Administrative Experience**

Interim Dean, University Libraries, FIU, Sept. 2012-July 2013  
 Chair, Faculty Senate; Member, FIU Board of Trustees, August 2008—July 2012

Member, Advisory Council of Faculty Senates, State University System of Florida, August 2008—July 2012

Departmental Director of Graduate Studies, January 2008—August 2009

Vice Provost for Academic Affairs, FIU, Nov. 2003—Aug. 2006

Vice President for Research, FIU, Aug. 2000—Nov. 2003

Vice President, Research & Graduate Studies (Acting), FIU, Oct. 1996—Aug. 1998; confirmed, Aug. 1998—Aug. 2000.

President, FIU Research Foundation, Inc., Nov. 2002—Nov. 2003

Member, University Executive Committee, FIU, Aug. 1998-Nov. 2003

**Administrative Experience**, continued

Vice Provost, FIU, Jan. 1988 to Oct. 1996.

(retitled, Vice Provost for Research & Graduate Studies, September, 1994)

Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs, FIU, May, 1987—Jan. 1988

Assistant Vice President for Academic Affairs, FIU, Jan. 1985 - May, 1987

Director, Division of Sponsored Research and Training, FIU, Feb. 1982 to Sept. 1993.

Member, Board of Directors, Center for Health Technologies, a biomedical business incubator facility in Miami, Florida, 1991-1997. Co-chair, Affiliate Advisory Committee, 1992-1994; chair, 1994-1997; member, Facilities Committee, 1993-1997; Executive Committee, 1994-1997.

Member, Council of Sponsoring Institutions, Oak Ridge Associated Universities, 1994-2003

Member, Development Committee, Southeastern Universities Research Association, 2003.

Associate Dean of International Affairs, FIU, Oct. 1977-Feb. 1982.

Coordinator of International Affairs, FIU, Mar.-Sept. 1977.

Chairman, University Research Committee (IRB), FIU, 1980-1982.

Member, Board of Advisors, University Presses of Florida, 1980-1982.

Project Director and Research Coordinator of lead-based paint poisoning study conducted by the Massachusetts Advocacy Center, Boston, 1973.

Managing Editor, *Virginia Weekly*, U. of Virginia, Charlottesville, Va., 1969-1970.

### III. Teaching Experience

Florida International University, Prof. 2003—Present; Associate Professor, 1981 - 2003; Assistant Professor, International Relations\*, 1977- 1981; Visiting Assistant Professor, History, 1976. (\*Combined with Pol. Sci., 2009)

Doctoral Dissertations Directed/Co-Directed

Zenel Garcia, "China's Eurasian Foreign Policy: Region-Building through State-Building since 1991." August 2018.

Yuanyuan Fang, "Balance of Power in Regional Institutional Framework: "Reassessment of the U.S.-China-Japan Trilateral Relationship." August 2017.

Tristan X. Di Montenegro, "China's Interest in Africa: Conflict or Stability?" April 2017.

Vanessa Leon, "Status Competition Between the U.S. and China on the Stage of Africa." May 2016.

Elyktra C. Eisman, "GIS-Integrated Mathematical Modeling of Social Phenomena at Macro- and Micro-Levels—A Multivariate Geographically-Weighted Regression Models for Identifying Locations Vulnerable to Hosting Terrorist Safe Houses: France as Case Study." December 2015.

Reza Sanati, "Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) and the International System: A Political History of Organizational Behavior," June 2014, co-director: Mohiaddin Mesbahi.

Courses taught:

U.S. history survey; modern Chinese history; recent U.S. history; Chinese history survey; Afro-American history; modern Japanese history; history of education; world history; contemporary dynamics of international relations; international relations of China; geography of China; international relations of the U.S; US Foreign Policy.

St. Joseph's College (now St. Joseph's University), Philadelphia, PA, Visiting Instructor, History, spring 1974, American history survey.

## Teaching Experience (continued)

University of Virginia, Teaching Assistant, 1970 – 1971,  
American history survey.

Reading Skills Teacher, Higher Achievement Program, Bishop's  
Latin School, Pittsburgh, PA, summer 1968.

Tutor, Upward Bound Program, Fordham University, Bronx, N.Y.,  
1967-1968.

## IV. Scholarship

Publications:

Authored and Co-Authored Books:

*The Great Anglo-Celtic Divide in the History of American Foreign Relations*. (Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-Clio/Praeger, 2011).

*Beyond Pain: The Role of Culture and Pleasure in the Making of Foreign Affairs* (Westport, CT: Praeger, 2002).

Translated into and published in Greek as *Pera Apo Ton Pono* (Athens: Polutropon A.E., 2007).

*An Ordinary Relationship: American Opposition to Republican Revolution in China* (Miami, FL: Florida International University Press & University Presses of Florida, 1986) (with Daniel M. Crane). "An almost perfect book"-*Pacific Historical Review*, 1987.

*China, American Catholicism, and the Missionary* (Pennsylvania State University Press, 1980). "The book deserves a place among the basic studies of the missionary movement in China." *China Quarterly*, 1982.

*State of Danger: Childhood Lead Paint Poisoning in Massachusetts* (Boston: Massachusetts Advocacy Center, 1974) (with Stephen R. Bing).

## Scholarship (continued)

### Book Chapters:

"Promoting a Medical School," in Thomas A. Breslin and Barbra A. Roller, editors. *Anatomy of a Dream: The Making of FIU Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine*, (Florida International University, 2016).

"The Administration of International Education at Florida International University," in Earl Backman, ed., *Approaches to International Education*, (Macmillan, 1984).

### Co-edited Book:

Thomas A. Breslin and Barbra A. Roller, editors. *Anatomy of a Dream: The Making of FIU Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine*, (Florida International University, 2016).

### Articles:

Elyktra Eisman, Jennifer Gebelein, and Thomas A. Breslin, "Developing a geographically weighted complex systems model using open-source data to highlight locations vulnerable to becoming terrorist safe-havens," *Annals of GIS*, 21 Sep 2017, pp. 1-17. <http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/19475683.2017.1368705>

Zenel Garcia and Thomas A. Breslin, "Biting the Cow's Tongue: Securitization and Capacity Building in the South China Sea," *Journal of Asian Security and International Affairs* 3(3) (2016) 1-22.

"The Influence of Presidential Ethnicity on American China Policy." *Chinese Studies Forum* V (2005), pp. 35-48.

"Reaching out to a Chinese Sub Group: American Catholics and the Hakka of Guangdong Province," *Chinese Studies Forum* II (2001), pp. 119-28.

"Mystifying the Past: Establishment Historians and the Origins of the Pacific War," *Bulletin of Concerned Asian Scholars* 8:4 (Oct.-Dec. 1976).

### Scholarship (continued):

"Brainwashing and Managed Group Experiences: Converging 'New' Techniques?" *Reason Papers: A Journal of Interdisciplinary Normative Studies* 2 (Fall 1975) (with William Marina).

"Trouble Over Oil: America, Japan, and the Oil Cartel, 1934-1935," *Bulletin of Concerned Asian Scholars* (July-Sept. 1975).

"Roman Catholic Mission to China: Victim of Religious Myopia," *Holy Cross Quarterly* 7: 1-4 (June 1975).

Articles published by *Encyclopedia Americana* (1971 ed.):  
 "Jacques Bruyas;" "Lorenzo Campeggio;" "Conon, Pope;"  
 "Dorothy Day."

### Book Reviews:

*Inquiry, Records of the Catholic Historical Society of Philadelphia, Pacific Historical Review, The Historian, Journal of American History, H-Diplo; Southeast Review of Asian Studies, Canadian Journal of History*

### Manuscript Reviews:

Pennsylvania State University Press; University Presses of Florida; CQ Press; Cambridge University Press

### Grant Proposal Reviews:

Coalition of Urban & Metropolitan Universities' Lynton Research Grants and Mulhollan Dissertation Award, 2000, 2001

### Scholarly Papers Delivered

"Biting the Cow's Tongue: Securitization and Capacity Building in the South China Sea," (co-author Zenel Garcia), the International Studies Association South Conference, Tampa, FL, October 24, 2015

**Scholarship:** Scholarly Papers Delivered (continued)

"The South China Sea: Cauldron of War, Neighborhood Hot Pot, or Academic Exercise?" Southeast Conference, Association for Asian Studies, Charlottesville, Virginia, January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2015

"Establishing Early Twentieth Century Claims to the South China Sea," Association of Chinese Political Studies, San Francisco, CA, September 23, 2012.

"Uncle John Bull and Chinese Claims to Sovereignty Over the Paracel Islands Before the Pacific War." Southeast Conference of the Association for Asian Studies, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, January 16, 2011

"The Influence of Presidential Ethnicity on U.S. China Policy." Annual Conference on Chinese Studies, Florida-China Linkage Institute, Tampa, FL, September 2004. Published in Henry C. K. Chen, ed., *Chinese Studies Forum V* (2005), (Pensacola: Florida China Linkage Institute, University of West Florida), pp. 35-48.

"Rum, Whiskey, and Tea: The Influence of Presidential Ethnicity on U.S. Asian Policy", Southeast Conference, Association for Asian Studies, Gainesville FL, Jan. 2004.

"Reaching out to a Chinese Sub Group: American Catholics and the Hakka of Guangdong Province," Sixth Annual Conference on Chinese Studies, Florida China Linkage Institute, Tampa, FL, April 2000. Published in Henry C. K. Chen, ed., *Chinese Studies Forum II* (2001), (Pensacola: Florida China Linkage Institute, University of West Florida), pp. 119-28.

"Church People by the Numbers: Comparing Chinese and Foreign Catholic Priests," Southeast Conference, Association for Asian Studies, Durham, NC, Jan. 2000.

"American Catholics and the Growth of Catholic Elementary Education in Pre-WWII China," Southeast Conference, Association for Asian Studies, Athens, Ga., Jan. 1999.



**Scholarship:** Scholarly Papers Delivered (continued):

"Catholic Elementary Education in Pre-WWII China," 5th Annual Conference on Chinese Studies, Florida-China Linkage Institute, Tampa, May 1998.

"Some Issues Surrounding the Non-Publication of 'Humani Generis Unitas,' a Draft Encyclical Against Racism," panel presentation, "The Hidden Encyclical of Pius XI," Holocaust Memorial Museum, Washington, D.C., Jan. 26, 1998.

"The Great Anglo-Celtic Divide in the History of American Foreign Relations," International Studies Association-South, Annual Conference, Florida International U., North Miami, Florida, Oct. 1997.

"Overcoming the Challenge of Chinese Monism to Christianity," Southeast Conference, Association for Asian Studies, Savannah, Ga., Jan. 1997.

"Strategies for Teaching about Japan: Problems and Antidotes." Global Issues Workshop: Japan Today, Florida International University, Feb. 1980.

"The 1920's As a Mirror on our Near Future," Prospects for World Peace Conference, Florida Atlantic University, Aug. 1979.

The Role of Catholicism in the First Chinese Revolution," Southeast Conference, Association for Asian Studies, Greensboro, N.C., Jan. 1978.

"The Reaction of American Catholics to Chinese Nationalism," China Panel, National Council of Churches, New York, N.Y., Nov. 1974.

"Corporatist Vision and Liberal Tactics: The American Catholic Missionaries in China, 1918 - 1937," Western Conference, Association for Asian Studies, Bozeman, Montana, Oct. 1970.

**Scholarship:** Special Professional Studies and Presentations:

Panelist, "Contemporary EU-China Relations," Miami-Florida Jean Monnet Center of Excellence: European and Eurasian Studies Program, Florida International University, October 22, 2018.

Panelist, "Global Hot Spots: A Discussion with FIU Faculty Experts," FIU Foundation Board of Directors, SIPA, January 25, 2019.

Panelist, "Will Europe Ever Change China as Much as China has Changed Europe?" Panel I: The Long Arc of European-Asian Relations, The Rising Importance of EU-Asia Relations, A Conference of the Miami-Florida Jean Monnet Center of Excellence, Feb. 12, 2019.

Presenter, China's anti-Muslim Activities in Xinjiang Autonomous Region, United States Army War College International Fellows Program, Florida International University, March 1, 2019.

"China's Emergence on the Geopolitical Stage and How It Affects American Interests," Rise of the Dragon: China on the World Stage, Teacher Workshop, FIU Gordon Institute/Miami-Dade Public High Schools, January 23, 2018.

China's 'Belt Road Initiative' (BRI), Latin America, and U.S. Interests," U.S. Southern Command, January 5, 2018.

"China and the South China Sea," FIU Army War College International Fellows Program, March 2, 2016.

"Problematic Deep Patterns in US and Chinese Foreign Policy," FIU Army War College International Fellows Program, Keynote Address, March 18, 2014.

"Building Your Program of Research: How to and Why You Should Want to," FIU College of Education Faculty Seminar, October 17, 2007.

"Today's China and 'Please Vote For Me': Capturing a Sprout of Democracy on Film?" a presentation to Hands On Miami at Miami Beach Cinematheque, September 20, 2007.

**Scholarship:** Special Professional Studies and Presentations  
(continued):

"China's International Relations," Seminar Presentation, Duke in China Program, Kunming, Yunnan, China, May 16, 2007.

"China's International Relations," Aventura [FL] Classic Residence Lecture Series, October 26, 2005.

"Research Defines our Civilization and the University," Keynote Address, Fourth Annual Faculty and Student Research Symposium," St. Thomas University, Miami, FL, April 26, 2005.

"China in the Year of the Rooster," Miamintelligence, February 25, 2005.

"Gold, Sex and Other Pleasures in the History of International Relations," Miamintelligence, September 29, 2004.

Panel Chair, "Challenges and Issues Facing HBCUs and Minority Institutions," National Council of University Research Administrators, November 2003.

Panelist, "One World or One Empire: The United States, the United Nations, and the World Community," United Nations Association, May 18, 2003, Coral Gables, FL.

"Cross-Strait Relations between the People's Republic of China and the Republic of China on Taiwan," United Nations Association of the USA, Greater Miami Chapter, May 6, 2000.

"U.S.-China Relations After Clinton's June-July 1998 Visit," United Nations Association of the USA, Greater Miami Chapter meeting, Miami, Fl., Sept., 19, 1998.

"Writing Winning Research Grant Proposals: Workshop on Research Grant Proposals," Production and Operations Management Society, Eighth Annual Meeting, April 14, 1997, Miami Beach, Florida.

"Florida International University at the Gateway to Latin America and the Caribbean: An Institutionalized Response to Regional Need," presentation to Higher Education and Regional Economic Development: An International Perspective Seminar sponsored

**Scholarship:** Special Professional Studies and Presentations  
(continued):

by the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), the Programme on Institutional Management in Higher Education (IMHE), and the Center for International Business and Information Transfer of Florida Atlantic University, Ft. Lauderdale, FL, May 15, 1997.

"The Jewish Holocaust and the Vatican's Grave Silence," Florida International University, The Jack D. Gordon Institute for Public Policy and Citizenship Studies, Faculty Lunchtime Symposium Address, September 19, 1996.

"Research Makes the Difference Between University and College Teaching," Florida International University, Convocation Seminar Paper, October 4, 1991. (Published in *Journal for the Art of Teaching* I: 1 (Winter 1992), Florida International University).

"Building A Research University in Hard Times," Faculty Forum Florida International University, January 15, 1991.

"Pursuing Research University Status" [FIU Strategic Plan for Research Development], June 1990.

"Academic Freedom," Seminar Paper, Florida International University Convocation Seminar Paper, October 1989.

**Research in progress:**

Historical Claims to the South China Sea

Presidential Ethnicity as a Force in American Foreign Relations

Relative Effectiveness of Chinese and Foreign Catholic Missionaries in China

**V. University Service**

Member, Faculty Senate, 2007-2012; 2014--; chair, 2008-2012

Member, Senate Steering Committee, 2016--

Member Senate Academic Integrity Committee, 2013--

Member, Senate Library Committee, 2016—

Senator, FIU chapter of United Faculty of Florida, 2014—

### **University Service (continued)**

Member, UFF contract bargaining team, 2014-18

Member, Steven J. Green School of International and Public Affairs, Faculty Assembly Steering Committee, 2017—

Chair, Steven J. Green School of International and Public Affairs Promotion and Tenure Committee, 2017—

Member, Steven J. Green School of International and Public Affairs Phase II Building Committee, 2017

Member, Dean Search and Screen Committee, Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine, 2017—18

Interview Panel, Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine, 2009—2013

Member, Board of Advisors, University Presses of Florida, 1980-82.

### **VI. Community Service/Experience**

Five-gallon blood donor

Member, Antonio Jorge Economic and Social Development Council, Miami-Dade County Commission, 2013--present

Board Member, Treasurer, Multiple Sclerosis Centers of Florida Foundation, Inc., now Neuroscience Centers of Florida Foundation, Inc., 2007—present

Member, Community Needs Task Force, Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce, 2004—2007

Member, Healthcare and Bioscience Committee, Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce, 2004-2006

Member, Education Committee, Greater Miami Chamber of Commerce, 2005—2006

Member, Health Disparities Task Force, National Conference for Community and Justice. 2003-2005

### **Community Service/Experience** (continued)

Advisory Board Member, Miami Peace Center, 1992

Vice-President, Miami Sane-Freeze, 1989-1991

Member, Technology Licensing Committee, Florida Seed Capital Board, State of Florida, 1989

Member, Board of Directors, Dade County Nuclear Freeze, Inc., 1985, 1988-1991

Member, Board of Directors, Japan-America Society of South Florida, 1981

Board Member, Monticello Area Community Action Agency, 1972.  
(Representative of local chapter, Virginia Council on Human Relations)

Organizer and Participant, Volunteer Visitation Program, Wernersville State Hospital, Wernersville, PA, 1964-1966.

### **VII. Professional Associations**

Society for Historians of American Foreign Relations  
Association for Asian Studies  
American Historical Association  
American Political Science Association  
Association of Chinese Political Studies  
Authors Guild

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