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Faculty and Administrative Positions

- **The Pennsylvania State University**

Professor of Public Policy and Political Science (by courtesy), Summer 2018-Present

Director, Graduate Career Diversity Program, College of the Liberal Arts, Summer 2022-Present

- Lead the college's efforts to prepare graduate students for diverse career paths

Associate Director, School of Public Policy, Summer 2018-Summer 2022

- Hired along with the Director to build an entirely new policy school, which had over 20 core and affiliate faculty by summer 2022
- Developed and managed new graduate degree programs (8 accelerated degree programs, 3 international joint degree programs), with current annual revenue of approximately \$1.5 million
- Led efforts for eventual MPP program accreditation (strategic planning, diversity planning, learning assessment, program evaluation)
- Advised and assisted the Director in managing the School

- **The University of South Carolina**

Associate Professor of Political Science, Fall 2013-Summer 2018

Director, Master of Public Administration Program, Fall 2013-Summer 2018

- Created Alumni Advisory Board and initiated first fundraising campaign
- Conducted strategic planning, created program assessment and evaluation plan and oversaw successful NASPAA reaccreditation
- Led creation of first-ever program diversity plan

- Built relationships with employers for student internship and employment opportunities
- Increased enrollment with new concentrations (disaster management) and dual degree programs (MPA/MPH)

- **Saint Louis University**

Associate Professor of Political Science and Public Policy (by courtesy), Fall 2010-Spring 2013

Director of Graduate Studies in Political Science, Fall 2010-Spring 2013

- Led reform of curriculum to include more career skills (e.g. GIS mapping)
- Built relationships with area employers for student internship and employment opportunities
- Oversaw doubling of enrollment in MA program

Assistant Professor of Political Science, Fall 2007-Fall 2010

- **California State University, Sacramento**

Assistant Professor of Government, Fall 2003-Summer 2007

Other Affiliations and Visiting Positions

- Faculty Associate, Population Research Institute, Pennsylvania State University, 2019-Present
- Research Associate, Centre for Public Management and Governance, The University of Johannesburg, June 2016-June 2017
- Visiting Professor, Chonnam National University, Gwangju, South Korea, Summer 2016
- Visiting Professor, Saint Louis University, Madrid, Spain, Summer 2008, 2010, 2012
- Instructor, Saint Louis University Prison Program, Eastern Reception, Diagnostic and Correctional Center, Bonne Terre, Missouri, Spring 2010

Education

- University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Ph.D., Political Science, 2003
Major: American Government
Minors: Public Policy and Methodology
- State University of New York, Albany, M.A., Political Science, 1998
- State University of New York, Plattsburgh, B.A., Political Science, 1996

Research

Books

- Witko, Christopher, Jana Morgan, Nathan J. Kelly and Peter K. Enns. 2021. *Hijacking the Agenda: Economic Power and Political Influence*. Russell Sage Foundation Press. **Winner of the 2022 Gladys M. Kammerer Award, given by the American Political Science Association for the best book on U.S. national policy.**
- Franko, William W. and Christopher Witko. 2018. *The New Economic Populism: How States Respond to Economic Inequality*. Oxford University Press. **Winner of the 2018 Virginia Gray Award, given by the State Politics and Policy Section of the American Political Science Association for the best book on state politics and policy.**

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

- Franko, William W. and Christopher Witko. 2022. “Unions, Class Identification and Policy Attitudes.” Accepted at *Journal of Politics*.
- Franko, William W. and Christopher Witko. 2022. “Class, Policy Attitudes and U.S. Presidential Voting in the Post-Industrial Era: The Importance of Issue Salience.” Accepted at *Political Research Quarterly*.
- Arnold, Gwenn B., Rachel M. Krause, Le Anh Long, Tima T. Moldogaziev, Tatyana Ruseva, Christopher Silvia and Christopher Witko. 2022. “Support for the Environment Post-Transition? Material Concerns and Policy Tradeoffs.” Forthcoming at *Review of Policy Research*.
- Moldogaziev, Tima T. and Christopher Witko. 2022. “Revisiting the Role of Civic Organizations in Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, and Tajikistan: Confidence, Membership, and Democratic Practice.” Forthcoming at *Public Administration and Development*.

- Allern, Elin Haugsgjerd, Vibeke Wøien Hansen, Lise Rødland, Maiken Røed, Heike Klüver, Cal Le Gall, David Marshall, Simon Otjes, Simon, Thomas Poguntke, Anne Rasmussen, Sabine Saurugger and Christopher Witko. 2022. “Introducing the Party-Interest Group Relationships in Contemporary Democracies (PAIRDEM) Datasets.” (Research Note) Forthcoming at *Party Politics*
- Werfel, Seth, Christopher Witko and Tobias Heinrich. 2022. “Public Support for Assistance for Workers Displaced by Technology.” (Research Note) Forthcoming at *Research & Politics*.
- Heinrich, Tobias and Christopher Witko. 2022. “Technology Threats to Employment, Issues and Party and Candidate Preferences in the U.S.” Forthcoming at *Political Research Quarterly*.
- Elin Haugsgjerd Allern, Heike Klüver, David Marshall, Simon Otjes, Anne Rasmussen and Christopher Witko. 2022. “Policy Positions, Power and Interest Group-Party Lobby Routines.” *Journal of European Public Policy* 29(7): 1029-1048.
- Nelson, Michael J. and Christopher Witko. 2022. “The Economic Costs of Democratic Backsliding? Backsliding and State Location Preferences of U.S. Job-seekers.” *Journal of Politics* 84(2): 1233-1238 (Short Article).
- Fenelon, Andrew and Christopher Witko. 2021. “Emerging Political and Demographic Divides: State Politics, Welfare Generosity, and Adult Mortality in U.S. States 1977-2017.” *Health and Place* 71: Article 102644.
- Heinrich, Tobias and Christopher Witko. 2021. “Technology-Induced Job Loss and the Prioritization of Economic Problems in the Mass Public.” *Review of Policy Research* 38(2): 164-179.
- Nelson, Michael J. and Christopher Witko. 2020. “Government Reputational Effects of COVID-19 Public Health Actions: A Job Opportunity Evaluation Conjoint Experiment.” *Journal of Behavioral Public Administration* 3(1).
- Epperly, Brad, Christopher Witko, Ryan Strickler and Paul White. 2020. “Rule by Violence, Rule by Law: Lynching, Jim Crow, and the Continuing Evolution of Voter Suppression in the U.S.” *Perspectives on Politics* 18(3): 756-769.
- Giger, Nathalie, Heike Klüver and Christopher Witko. 2020. “Electoral Vulnerability, Party Affiliation and Dyadic Constituency Responsiveness in U.S. Legislatures.” *American Politics Research* 48(4):484-491.
- Darmofal, David, Nathan J. Kelly, Christopher Witko and Sarah Young. 2019. “Federalism, Government Liberalism and Union Weakness in America.” *State Politics and Policy Quarterly* 19(4): 428-50.
- Tolbert, Caroline J. Christopher Witko and Cary Wolbers. 2019. “Public Support for Higher Taxes on the Wealthy: CA’s Prop 30.” *Politics and Governance* 7(2): 351-364.

- Moldogaziev, Tima T., Jamie Monogan and Christopher Witko. 2018. “Income Inequality and the Growth of Redistributive Spending in the U.S. States: Is There a Link?” *Journal of Public Policy* 38(2): 141-163.
- Miller, Susan, Christopher Witko and Neal D. Woods. 2018. “How the Unorganized Mass Public (Sometimes) Gets Represented in Regulatory Politics.” *Political Research Quarterly* 71(1): 88-101.
- Kulesza, Christopher, Michael Miller and Christopher Witko. 2017. “State Responses to U.S. Supreme Court Campaign Finance Decisions.” *Publius: The Journal of Federalism* 47(3): 467-490.
- Witko, Christopher. 2017. “Regulation and Upper Class Bias in Campaign Finance Systems.” *Election Law Journal* 16(1): 6-20.
- Witko, Christopher. 2016. “The Politics of Financialization in the United States, 1949-2005.” *British Journal of Political Science* 46(2): 349-370.
- Franko, William F., Nathan J. Kelly and Christopher Witko. 2016. “Class Bias in Voter Turnout, Representation and Inequality.” *Perspectives on Politics* 14(2): 351-368.
- Kulesza, Christopher, Christopher Witko and Eric N. Waltenberg. 2016. “Reform Interrupted? State Innovation, Court Decisions and the Past and Future of Campaign Finance Reform in the States.” *Election Law Journal* 15(2):143-159.
- Kelly, Nathan J. and Christopher Witko. 2014. “Government Ideology and Unemployment in the U.S. States.” *State Politics and Policy Quarterly* 14(4): 389-413.
- Enns, Peter K., Nathan J. Kelly, Jana Morgan, Thomas Volscho, and Christopher Witko. 2014. “Conditional Status Quo Bias and Top Income Shares: How U.S. Political Institutions Have Benefited the Rich.” *Journal of Politics* 76(2): 289-303.
- Peters, Kristen E., Jin Huang, Michael G. Vaughn and Christopher Witko. 2014. “Breastfeeding and Trajectories of Children’s Cognitive Development.” *Developmental Science* 17(3): 452-461.
- Franko, Willam F., Caroline Tolbert and Christopher Witko. 2013. “Inequality, Self-Interest and Public Support for “Robin Hood” Tax Policies.” *Political Research Quarterly* 66(4): 922-936.
- Gill, Jeff and Christopher Witko. 2013. “Bayesian Analytical Methods: A Methodological Prescription for Public Administration.” *Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory* 23(2): 457-494.
- Witko, Christopher. 2013. “Party Government and Variation in Corporate Influence on Agency Decision Making: OSHA Regulation, 1981-2006.” *Social Science Quarterly* 94(4): 894-911.

- Peters, Kristen E., Jin Huang, Michael G. Vaughn and Christopher Witko. 2013. “Does Breastfeeding Contribute to the Racial Gap in Reading and Math Test Scores?” *Annals of Epidemiology* 23(10): 646-651.
- Vaughn, Michael G. and Christopher Witko. 2013. “Does the Amount of School Choice Matter for Student Engagement?” *The Social Science Journal* 50(1): 23-33.
- Kelly, Nathan J. and Christopher Witko. 2012. “Federalism and American Inequality.” *Journal of Politics* 74(2): 414-26.
- Witko, Christopher. 2011. “Campaign Contributions, Access and Government Contracting.” *Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory* 21(4): 761-78.
- Witko, Christopher and Adam J. Newmark. 2010. “The Strange Disappearance of Investment in Human and Physical Capital in the U.S. States.” *Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory* 20(1): 215-32.
- Witko, Christopher. 2009. “The Ecology of Party-Organized Interest Relationships.” *Polity* 41(2): 211-34.
- Cox, James H. and Christopher Witko. 2008. “School Choice and the Creation of Social Capital Reexamined.” *American Journal of Political Science* 52(1): 142-55.
- Witko, Christopher and Sally Friedman. 2008. “Business Backgrounds and Congressional Decision-making.” *Congress and the Presidency* 35(1): 71-86.
- Witko, Christopher. 2007. “Explaining Increases in the Stringency of State Campaign Finance Regulation, 1992-2002.” *State Politics and Policy Quarterly* 7(4): 370-94.
- Newmark, Adam J. and Christopher Witko. 2007. “Pollution, Politics and Preferences for Environmental Spending in the States.” *Review of Policy Research* 24(4): 291-308.
- Witko, Christopher. 2006. “PACs, Issue Context and Congressional Decision-making.” *Political Research Quarterly* 59(2): 283-95.
- Witko, Christopher. 2005. “Measuring the Stringency of State Campaign Finance Regulation.” *State Politics and Policy Quarterly* 5(3): 295-310.
- Witko, Christopher and Adam J. Newmark. 2005. “Business Mobilization and Public Policy in the U.S. States.” *Social Science Quarterly* 86(2): 356-367.
- Witko, Christopher. 2003. “Cold War Belligerence and U.S. Public Opinion Toward Defense Spending.” *American Politics Research* 31(4): 379-403.

Book Chapters

- Franko, William W. and Christopher Witko. “Fiscal Policies: Taxing and Spending in the States.” In press. In *Politics in the American States: A Comparative Analysis*, Thad Kousser, Jamila Michener and Caroline Tolbert, eds. Washington, D.C.: Congressional Quarterly Press.
- Witko, Christopher. 2017. “Still So Happy Together? The Relationship Between Labor Unions and the Democratic Party.” In *Left-of-Centre Parties and Trade Unions in the Twenty-First Century*, Elin Allern and Tim Bale, eds. Oxford, UK: Oxford University Press.
- Witko, Christopher. 2015. “Case Study Approaches to Studying Organization Survival and Adaptation.” In *The Organizational Ecology of Interest Communities Reconsidered*, David Lowery, Darrin R. Halpin and Virginia Gray, eds. New York, NY: Palgrave Macmillan.
- Witko, Christopher. 2013. “When does Money buy Votes? Campaign Contributions and Policy-making.” In *New Directions in Interest Group Politics*, Matt Grossmann, ed. New York, NY: Routledge.
- Witko, Christopher. 2013. “Regulating Interest Groups in the States.” In *CQ’s Guide to State Politics*, Joshua Dyck and Richard Niemi, eds. Washington, D.C.: Congressional Quarterly.
- Witko, Christopher. 2011. “Professional Associations”, in *CQ’s Guide to Interest Groups and Lobbying*, Peter L. Francia, Burdette Loomis and Dara Strolovitch, eds. Washington, D.C.: Congressional Quarterly.
- Witko, Christopher. 2010. “The California Legislature and Decline of Majority Rule,” in *Remaking California: Reclaiming the Public Good*, R. Jeffrey Lustig, ed. Berkeley, CA: Heyday Press.
- Friedman, Sally with Christopher Witko. 2007. “National Parties, Individual Choices,” in *Dilemmas of Representation: Local Politics, National Factors, and the Home Styles of Modern U.S. Congress Members* by Sally Friedman. Albany, N.Y.: SUNY Press.

Other Scholarly/Research Publications

- Liu, Cheol, Tima T. Moldogaziev and Christopher Witko. 2022. “Special Issue Introduction: Experiments in Public Administration Research in the Asia-Pacific Region.” Editors’ Introduction to the Experimental Research Methods Symposium in the *Asia Pacific Journal of Public Administration*.
- Witko, Christopher. 2019. Review of “State Capture: How Conservative Activists, Big Business, and Wealthy Donors Reshaped the American States.” Oxford University Press. *Governance* 32: 821-22.

- Zhu, Ling, Christopher Witko and Kenneth J. Meier. 2019. “The Public Administration Manifesto II: Matching Methods to Theory and Substance.” Editors’ Introduction to the Research Methods Symposium in *Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory* 29(2): 287-298.
- Witko, Christopher. 2017. “Upper Class Bias and Class Conflict in America.” *The Forum* 15(1): 127-149.
- Witko, Christopher. 2015 (2012). “The Impact of Campaign Contributions on Congressional Behavior.” In *Oxford Bibliographies in Political Science*. Sandy Maisel, ed. (Rick Valelly, 2012 ed.). New York: Oxford University Press.
- Witko, Christopher. 2008. “Political Action Committees,” in *The Encyclopedia of Campaigns, Elections and Electoral Behavior*, Kenneth Warren, ed. Thousand Oaks, CA: Sage Publications.
- Friedman, Sally, Christopher Witko, et al. 1999. “Dilemmas of Representation: The Home Styles of New York State Representatives in the 1990’s.” in *Extension of Remarks 22: 2-4*. APSA Legislative Studies Section.
- Janis Veeder, Christopher Witko et al. 1998. “Alternative Commutation by Commuter Rail: An Examination of the Reverse and Intra-suburban Commuting Programs of the Five Commuter Railroads with Recommendations for Increased Intermodal Suburban Transit Usage.” NY State Senate Commission on Critical Transportation Choices.

Recent Op-eds and Popular Writing

- Christopher Witko. 2022. “The U.S. Tax System is Grossly Unfair to the Middle Class.” *Penn Live Patriot News*, April 18th.
- Jana Morgan and Christopher Witko. 2021. “What’s Stopping Congress From Raising the Minimum Wage.” *The Hill*, July 20th.
- Smith, Candis Watts and Christopher Witko. 2020. “Your Most Important Assignment: Vote.” *Onward State*, September.
- Witko, Christopher. 2019. “States are on the Front Lines of Fighting Inequality.” *The Conversation* (picked up by a number of newspapers), January 16.
- Witko, Christopher. 2016. “How Wall Street Became a Big Chunk of the U.S. Economy- and When the Democrats Signed On.” *The Washington Post, The Monkey Cage*, March 29.
- Franko, William, Nathan J. Kelly and Christopher Witko. 2014. “Tom Perkins is Winning: The Rich Already Vote More.” *Talking Points Memo*, February 26.

Awards and Grants

- Gladys M. Kammerer Award for the best book on U.S. national policy given by the American Political Science Association for *Hijacking the Agenda: Economic Power and Political Influence*.
- Center for the Study of Federalism - “Is the Culture War Exacerbating Brain Drain? State Economic Development, Federalism, and Interstate Migration Decisions.” Co-principal Investigator (with Michael J. Nelson), May 2022 (\$14,000)
- One of the “Most Influential Articles” (Among the Highest Altmetric Scores) for 2019 in *Perspectives on Politics* for “Rule by Violence, Rule by Law: Lynching, Jim Crow, and the Continuing Evolution of Voter Suppression in the U.S.” 2019.
- Virginia Gray Best Book Award given by the State Politics and Policy Section of the American Political Science Association for *The New Economic Populism: How States Respond to Economic Inequality*. 2018.
- Distinction in Advising Award, MPA Student Association, University of South Carolina, 2018
- Provost’s Research Award - “Technology-induced Job Loss and American Policy Preferences.” Co-principal Investigator (with Tobias Heinrich), University of South Carolina, July 2018-June 2020 (\$16,819).
- Research Council of Norway/University of Oslo - “Party-Interest Group Relationships in Contemporary Democracies.” Core Research Team Member (Principal Investigator Elin H. Allern, University of Oslo), 2015-2019 (Total project award = 7 million NOK, approx. \$1.2 million US).
- Russell Sage Foundation - “The Power of Economic Actors and the Economic Agenda.” Co-principal Investigator (with Peter K. Enns, Nathan J. Kelly and Jana Morgan), July 2016-July 2017 (Total project award = \$70,000).
- Russell Sage Foundation - “Campaign Funding, Political Rhetoric, and the Public (Non)Response to Rising Inequality.” Co-principal Investigator (with Peter K. Enns, Nathan J. Kelly and Jana Morgan), August 2013-August 2016 (Total project award = \$192,163).
- Political Research Quarterly Outstanding Reviewer Award, 2014 and 2015
- Saint Louis University President’s Research Fund - “Evaluating Institutions and Outcomes in State Supreme Courts.” Co-principal Investigator (with Matthew Hall, Jason Windett and Michael Wolff), 2012-2013 Academic Year (\$49,636).
- Charter School Sponsorship Faculty Grant Program - “School Choice, Exit and Voice.” Saint Louis University, Summer 2012 (\$3,500).
- Provost’s Faculty Research Leave - “Corporate-Party Relationships and Public Policy, 1979-2006.” Saint Louis University, Fall 2009 (One Semester Leave with Full Pay).

- Summer Research Award - “School Choice, School Institutions and Student Achievement.” Saint Louis University, Summer 2009 (\$3,500).
- Faculty Travel Grant, Office of Research and Sponsored Projects, California State University, Sacramento, 2004 (\$1,500).
- Graduate Student Travel Grant, State Politics and Policy Section of the American Political Science Association, 2003 (\$250).
- Summer Research Grant, American Politics Research Group, University of North Carolina, 2000 and 2002. (\$3,000 each time)

Recent Research and Conference Presentations (*Invited Presentation)

- * “Business Influence in the U.S. Policy Process: Implications for the Drug and Alcohol Industries.” 2021. Panelist for “When Institutions and Strategies Fail - A Time to Rethink Public Health Approaches to Industries that Harm” at the American Public Health Association Annual Meeting, Virtual, October.
- * “Hijacking the Agenda: Economic Power and Political Influence.” 2021. Book Panel at the Inaugural American Political Economy Conference, Virtual, August.
- “Exposure to Automation in the Workplace and Citizen Policy Priorities.” 2020 (with Tobias Heinrich). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, Virtual, November.
- * “Empowering Voters: An Accessible and Full Ballot Box.” 2020. Roundtable Participant University of Maryland School of Public Policy, Virtual, October.
- “The Economic Costs of Democratic Backsliding? Backsliding and State Location Preferences of U.S. Job Seekers.” 2020 (with Michael Nelson). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, San Juan, PR, January.
- “The State of the State Politics and Policy Subfield.” 2020. Roundtable participant at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, San Juan, PR, January.
- * “The Strengths and Limitations of Experiments in Public Policy and Public Administration in an Era of Big Problems.” 2019. 2019 International Conference on Experimental Research in Public Management (EXPMR), Seoul, South Korea, December.
- * “Neglected but Important: Defense Policy in Public Policy Schools.” 2019. Roundtable participant at the Association of Public Policy Analysis and Management, Denver, CO, November.
- * “Hijacking the Agenda: How Campaign Donations Influence Congress.” 2019. Penn State University, Center for American Political Responsiveness, October.

- **“Hijacking the Agenda: Economic Power and Political Influence.”* 2019. University of North Carolina, Charlotte, NC, September.
- *“Unions and Class Identification.”* 2019 (with William Franko). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., August.
- *“The Fox and the Hen House? Ideology and the Appointment of Industry Insiders to Regulatory Positions.”* 2019 (with Susan Miller). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., August.
- *“Crowdsourcing to Fill Data Gaps.”* 2018 (with Edward Lawson). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Network of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration, Atlanta, GA, October.
- *“Class Status and Policy Attitudes.”* 2018 (with William Franko). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, MA, August.
- *“Explaining Relationships between Political Parties and Interest Groups.”* 2018 (with Elin Allern, Heike Kløver, David Marshall, Simon Otjes and Anne Rasmussen). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, MA, August.
- **“State Policy Responses to Economic Inequality.”* 2018. Coastal Carolina University, Conway, SC, March.
- **“State Policy Responses to Economic Inequality.”* 2018. The University of North Texas, Denton, TX, February.
- **“The New Economic Populism.”* 2017. Gothenburg University, Gothenberg, Sweden, November.
- *“Electoral Competition, Confusion and Policy Responsiveness: Evidence from U.S. State Legislatures.”* 2017. Paper presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, September.
- *“Using the Congressional Record to Measure Attention to Economic Problems.”* 2017. Polinformatics Workshop, Bainbridge Island, WA, August.
- *“Federal Inaction and State Responses to Economic Inequality: The Minimum Wage.”* 2017. State Politics and Policy Conference, Saint Louis University, St. Louis, MO, June.
- **“The New Economic Populism: State Policy Responses to Growing Economic Inequality.”* 2017. Department of Political Science, University of Iowa, Iowa City, IA, February.
- *“Inequality, Regulation and Bias in Campaign Finance Systems.”* 2016. Paper presented at the ECPR Annual Meeting, Prague, CZ, September.

- *“The Political Power of Economic Actors and the Economic Agenda.” 2016 (with Peter Enns, Nate Kelly and Jana Morgan). Paper presented at the Purchasing Power Workshop, Ford Foundation, New York, NY, June.
- *“The Political Power of Economic Actors and the Economic Agenda.” 2016 (with Peter Enns, Nate Kelly and Jana Morgan). Paper presented at the Cornell University Conference on Economic Inequality, Ithaca, NY, April.
- “Lynching and Black Disenfranchisement in the South.” 2016 (with Brad Epperly, Ryan Strickler and Paul White). Paper presented at the Citadel Symposium on Southern Politics, Charleston, SC, March.
- “The Power of Political Elites and the Congressional Economic Agenda.” 2016 (with Peter Enns, Nate Kelly and Jana Morgan). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, San Juan, PR, January.
- *“What MPA Directors at Small Programs Need to Know.” 2015. Presentation at the NASPAA Annual Meeting, Brooklyn, NY, October.
- “Money and the Supply of Political Rhetoric: Understanding the Congressional (Non-) Response to Growing Economic Inequality.” 2015 (with Peter Enns, Nate Kelly and Jana Morgan). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA, April.
- “Income Inequality and Redistributive Spending in the U.S. States.” 2015 (with Tima Moldogaziev and Jamie Monogan). Paper presented at the Public Management Research Association Annual Conference, Minneapolis, MN, June.
- “The Congressional (Non-) Response to Growing Economic Inequality.” 2015 (with Peter Enns, Nate Kelly and Jana Morgan). Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April.
- *“The Congressional (Non-)Response to Growing Economic Inequality.” 2015. School of Public and International Affairs, University of Georgia, Athens, GA, January.
- *“The Politics of Financialization in the United States.” 2014. Politics Program, Sheffield Hallam University, Sheffield, U.K., October.
- “Developing Measures of the Ideology of Congressional Rhetoric Over Time.” 2014 (with Peter Enns, Nate Kelly, Jana Morgan, and Jayce Prince). Paper presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., August.
- “Industry Power and Electoral Incentives: How the Mass Public (Sometimes) Gets Represented in Regulatory Politics.” 2014 (with Susan Miller and Neal Woods). Paper presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C., August.

- *“Still So Happy Together? The Evolving Relationship between the Democratic Party and Labor Unions.” 2014. Parties and Trade Unions Workshop, University of Oslo, Oslo, Norway, April.
- “The Ideological Content of Congressional Rhetoric Over Time.” 2014 (with Peter Enns, Nate Kelly and Jana Morgan). Paper presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, April.
- “Buying Justice? Campaign Contributions and Judicial Decisionmaking in the States.” 2013 (with Matt Hall and Jason Windett). Paper presented at the Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Orlando, FL, January.
- *“Federalism, State Institutions and the Effect of Government on Employment in the United States.” 2012. Department of Political Science, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL, March .
- “A Bayesian Spatio-Temporal Hierarchical Model of Partisan Effects on Deindustrialization at the State Level.” 2012. (with Jeff Gill). Paper presented at the Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, January.
- “Accountability Reforms and the Narrowing of the Curriculum.” 2012. (with James H. Cox). Paper presented at the Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting, January.
- *“School Accountability Reforms and the Narrowing of the Curriculum.” 2011. Truman School of Public Affairs, University of Missouri, October.
- *“Exit, Voice and School Choice.” 2011. Department of Political Science, University of Georgia, September.

Other Presentations

- “Government Responses to Economic Inequality in the U.S.” 2019. Lunch with Honors, Pennsylvania State University, University Park, PA, November.
- “The Future of American Politics.” 2017. The Shepherd’s Center of St. Andrews, Irmo, SC, June.
- “The 2016 Presidential Election in the U.S.” 2016. Gwangju International Center, Gwangju, South Korea, June.
- “Let’s Play Moneyball in South Carolina.” 2016. Presentation to the SC Association of Certified Public Managers, Columbia, SC, April.
- “The New Populism.” 2010. Panel Participant at the Mid-America Press Institute, St. Louis, MO, October.

Courses Taught

The Public Policy Process (MPP); Capstone Seminar (MPP and MPA); Bureaucracy and the Policy Process (MPP); Politics, Policy and Inequality in America (Undergrad); Research Methods (MA and Undergrad); Quantitative Research Methods (MA and MPA); Environmental Politics and Policy (MA); Business and American Politics and Policy (MA); U.S. Institutions (MA); Intro to American Government (Undergrad); California State and Local Government (Undergrad); U.S. Labor Politics (Ind. Study); U.S. State and Local Government (Undergrad); Political Parties and Interest Groups (MA and Undergrad); Problems of Representation (Undergrad); Politics of the Underrepresented (Undergrad); The Legislative Process (Undergrad); Public Financial Administration (MPA).

University and Department Service

- Member, MPP Program Admissions Committee, 2018-2022
- Chair, School of Public Policy Student and Faculty Awards Committee, 2021-2022
- Member, Graduate School Ad Hoc Committee on Professional Master's Degree Policies, Penn State, Fall 2020-Spring 2021.
- Member, College of the Liberal Arts Sustainability Council, Penn State, Spring 2020-Present.
- Chair, Professor of Practice Search Committee, Penn State, Fall 2019
- Member, Environmental Policy Search Committee, Penn State, Fall 2019.
- Member, Social Policy Search Committee, Penn State, Fall 2019.
- Member and Co-chair, Faculty Search Committee for several positions, Penn State, Fall 2018-Spring 2019.
- Member, University of South Carolina Faculty Advisory Committee, Summer 2017-Summer 2018.
- Advisor, Masters of Public Administration Student Association, University of South Carolina, Fall 2014-Summer 2018.
- Member, Department Faculty Annual Review Committee, University of South Carolina, Fall 2013-Spring 2014.
- Member, Department of Political Science Advisory Committee, University of South Carolina, Fall 2013-Summer 2018.
- Chair, Policy Analysis Faculty Search Committee, University of South Carolina, Fall 2014.
- Chair, State Politics and Policy Faculty Search Committee, Saint Louis University, Fall 2011.

- Member, College of Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee, Saint Louis University, 2010-2012.
- Member, College of Arts and Sciences Finance Committee, Saint Louis University, 2008.
- Member, Labor Studies Program Faculty Advisory Council, CSU, Sacramento, 2005-2007.
- Member, Comparative Politics Search Committee, CSU, Sacramento, Fall 2006.
- Member, Outstanding Service Award Committee, College of Social Sciences and Interdisciplinary Studies, CSU, Sacramento, 2005.
- Member, Government Department Curriculum Committee, CSU, Sacramento, 2003-2007.
- Graduate Student Representative, University of North Carolina, U.S. National Institutions Search Committee, 2002.

Professional Service

- External Consultant for MPP Program State Approval Process, The College of New Jersey, Summer 2022
- Member, APSA Public Policy Section, Excellence in Mentoring Award Committee, 2021
- APPAM Mentor Matching Program, 2020-21
- Co-editor, *Asia Pacific Journal of Public Administration* Experimental Methods Symposium (with Tima Moldogaziev and Cheol Liu), 2020-21
- Co-editor, *Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory* Research Methods Symposium (with Kenneth J. Meier and Ling Zhu), 2018-19
- Member, APSA Class and Inequality Section, Best Paper on Entrepreneurship Award Committee, 2019
- Chair, APSA Public Policy Section, Best APSA (2018) Paper on Public Policy Award Committee, 2019
- Chair, APSA State Politics and Policy Section, 2019 Virginia Gray Book Award Committee, 2019
- Editorial Board Member, *State Politics and Policy Quarterly*, June 2015-Present
- SPSA Annual Meeting Program Committee, Bureaucratic Politics Section Chair, 2017
- APSA Annual Meeting Program Committee, State Politics and Policy Section Chair, 2013

- Member, Best Conference Paper Committee, APSA State Politics and Policy Section, 2012
- Conference Panel Chair, MPSA 2015, APSA 2013, SPSA 2012, MPSA 2008, MPSA 2009
- Conference Panel Discussant, KDI Conference on Experimental Public Management Research 2020, APSA 2018, SPSA 2016, SPPC 2015, MPSA 2015, APSA 2013, SPSA 2012, SPPC 2011, APSA 2010, MPSA 2009, WPSA 2009, MPSA 2008
- Manuscript Reviewer: Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory, Regulation and Governance, Asia-Pacific Journal of Public Administration, Journal of Public Policy, European Journal of Political Economy, Policy Studies Journal, Journal of Policy History, Journal of Politics, Public Budgeting and Finance, American Sociological Review, American Journal of Political Science, Perspectives on Politics, American Politics Research, Political Studies, Interest Groups and Advocacy, Journal of Experimental Political Science, Social Science Quarterly, Social Science Research, Socio-Economic Review, Legislative Studies Quarterly, Congress and the Presidency, Public Opinion Quarterly, Party Politics, Journal of Race, Ethnicity and Politics, Electoral Studies, State Politics and Policy Quarterly, State and Local Government Review, Political Behavior, Political Research Quarterly, American Political Science Review, British Journal of Political Science (partial list)

PhD Advising

- Nathaniel Flemming, Pennsylvania State University, Co-chair
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Public Service and Professional Experience

- Co-founder and Co-leader, Central Pennsylvania Chapter of the Scholars Strategy Network, 2020-Present
- March 2018 - Applied Data Analysis with R Workshop for the South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services
- June 2016-May 2018 - Member, South Carolina Planning Education Advisory Committee (Appointed by Governor Nikki Haley)
- Summer 2000-Spring 2002 - White House 2001 Project (Nomination Forms Online), Professor Terry Sullivan.
- Summer 2001-Spring 2002 -State Interest Group Survey, Professors David Lowery and Virginia Gray.

- Summer 1998-Summer 1999 - Youth Programs Specialist, Suffolk County Department of Labor, Hauppauge, NY.
- Summer 1996 and Summer 1997 (and part time during academic year) - Analyst, New York State Senate Legislative Commission on Critical Transportation Choices (Senator Norman J. Levy, Chair), Albany, NY.
- Spring 1996 - Intern, The Campaign for New Priorities, Washington, D.C
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