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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

California State University, Fullerton, Division of Politics, Administration & Justice

Assistant Professor of Political Science 2006-present
*Teaching large 200+ sections of Introduction to American Politics; upper level courses on the Presidency and Media & Politics; MA student seminars in American Politics and American Political Development
Lecturer, full-time, Department of Political Science 2005 - 2006
Lecturer, Part-Time, Department of Political Science 2002 - 2003

Chapman University

Assistant Professor of Political Science 2003 – 2005
*Taught 4 undergraduate courses per semester, including: Introduction to American Politics; Introduction to Political Science, The U.S. Presidency; Media and Politics; the Policymaking Process; Race & Ethnicity in American Politics; and the Road to the White House (fall 2004).
Instructor, part-time 2002 - 2003

Seton Hall University

Assistant Professor of Political Science 2000 – 2002
* Taught courses in political science and public policy, including: Introduction to Political Science, Introduction to Public Policy, Race & Ethnicity in American Politics, and The Politics of U.S. Social Welfare Policy.

Columbia University:

**Academic and Teaching Assistant for Professor David N. Dinkins,
School of International and Public Affairs** 1994 - 1999
*In close consultation with Professor Dinkins, former New York City Mayor, designed and administered two different graduate level public policy courses for fall and spring semesters.

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Political Science, Columbia University 2000

Dissertation: “The Liberal Dilemma: Welfare and Race, 1960-1975”

* Awarded with Academic Distinction

Nominated for:

* Bancroft Award, Columbia University

* APSA Lasswell Award for Best Dissertation in the field of Public Policy

* Center for Presidential Studies Award for Best Dissertation on the American Presidency

Committee: Robert Y. Shapiro (Advisor); Esther R. Fuchs (chair); Charles V. Hamilton;
Robert C. Lieberman; Lawrence Brown (Mailman School of Public Health)

**B.A. *cum laude*, English and American Literature, with Department Honors
Brandeis University**

1987

RESEARCH

Journal Articles:

“Nixon’s New Deal: Welfare Reform for the Silent Majority.” 2012. *Presidential Studies Quarterly* 42 (3): 455-481.

“The Emergence of Race in Congressional Welfare Policymaking: the 1962 and 1967 Amendments to AFDC.” 2012. *The Sixties: A Journal of History, Politics and Culture* 5 (1): 75-112.

Other publications:

“Race and Ethnicity in California Politics,” 2015. Chapter 5 in *California Politics in National Perspective, 8th edition*, edited by Yuan Ting, Shelly Arsneault, and Stephen Stambough. New York: Kendall Hunt Publishing.

“The Governor of California and the American President,” 2015. Chapter 7 in *California Politics in National Perspective, 8th edition*, edited by Yuan Ting, Shelly Arsneault, and Stephen Stambough. New York: Kendall Hunt Publishing.

“Executive Leadership: The Governor of California and the American President,” 2011. Chapter 7 in *California Politics in National Perspective, 7th edition*, edited by Yuan Ting, Shelly Arsneault, and Stephen Stambough. New York: Kendall Hunt Publishing.

“Welfare,” 2011. Pp. 819-826 in *Governing America: Major Decisions of Federal, State and Local Governments from 1789 to the Present, Volume I*, edited by Paul J. Quirk and William Cunion. New York: Facts on File.

“The ‘New’ Nixon Library.” 2010. *The Western: Newsletter of the Western Political Science Association* 2 (Spring): 3-10.

“Executive Leadership: The Governor of California and the American President.” 2009. Chapter 7 in *California Politics in National Perspective, 6th edition*, edited by Phillip Gianos and Yuan Ting. New York: Kendall Hall Publishing, 2009.

“Welfare Policy,” 2008. Pp. 875-879 in *Encyclopedia of American Government and Civics*, edited by Michael Genovese and Lori Cox Han. New York: Facts on File.

“5 Common Fallacies About EZ’s” and “Conversations with Empowerment Zone Executives,” 1995, *Metropolitica*, 1: pp. 1-5. Barnard/Columbia Center for Urban Public Policy.

Book Reviews:

Review of Michael Nelson, *Resilient America: Electing Nixon in 1968, Channeling Dissent, and Dividing Government* (Lawrence: University Press of Kansas, 2014). *Political Science Quarterly*, forthcoming in fall 2015 issue.

Review of Sean J. Savage, *JFK, LBJ, and the Democratic Party*. Albany: State University of New York Press. *Congress and the Presidency*, 33 (Autumn 2006): 100-102.

Review of Rusk, David, *Inside Game/Outside Game: Winning Strategies for Saving Urban America*, (Washington, D.C.: Brookings Institution, 1999). in *Publius*, 31 (Fall 2001): 140-143.

Works in Progress

Book manuscript being revised:

From the War on Poverty to the Silent Majority: Race, and the Origins of Modern Conservative Welfare Politics. Currently being revised for submission to University of Pennsylvania Press, Series on American Governance: Politics, Policy, and Public Law (AMG), edited by Peter Agree.

Articles being revised:

“Untangling the “Tangle of Pathology”: the Moynihan Report and the Development of Federal Social Policy,” being revised for submission to *Politics, Groups and Identities*.

“Reagan's Silent Majority: Conservative Welfare Politics after Nixon,” Prepared for 2013 WPSA, being revised for submission to *Polity*.

“The Nixon Administration and the Origins of the Modern Presidency,” being revised for submission to *Presidential Studies Quarterly*.

“Responding to Racial Dynamics in the War on Poverty: LBJ and the Demise of a Universalist Social Policy,” being revised for submission to *Perspectives on Politics*.

Academic Conference Presentations

“Inspiring American Politics Students with a Town Hall Meeting,” with Lori Weber, CSU Chico. Poster presented at the APSA Annual Meeting, September 2015, San Francisco, CA.

“Engaging Introduction to American Politics Students with a Town Hall Meeting Course Redesign,” with Karalee Etheridge, CSU Fullerton. Presented at the WPSA Annual Meeting, April 2015. Las Vegas, NV.

“The War on Poverty 50 Years Later: Political and Policymaking Legacies,” presented at the MPSA Annual Meeting, Politics and History Section, April 2014, Chicago, IL.

“Reagan’s Silent Majority: Conservative Welfare Politics after Nixon,” presented at the WPSA Annual Meeting, Executive Politics Section, March 2013, Hollywood, CA.

Discussant for panel on “Executive Influence: Administrative and Policy Management,” WPSA Annual meeting, Executive Politics Section, March 2013, Hollywood, CA.

“Reagan's Silent Majority: Conservative Welfare Politics after Nixon,” Prepared for presentation at the APSA Annual Meeting, Politics and History Section, September 2012, New Orleans, LA (*cancelled because of Hurricane Issac*)

“Institutionalizing the Political Presidency: Nixon and the Origins of the Modern White House,” Presented at the WPSA Annual Meeting, Politics and History section, March 2012, Portland, OR.

“The Nixon Administration and the Origins of the Modern Presidency,” Presented at the APSA Annual Meeting, Executive Politics Section, September 2011, Seattle, WA.

“Giving Welfare a Bad Name: Presidential Politics and the Media Framing of Welfare in the 1960s and ‘70s,” Presented at the MPSA Annual Meeting, Politics and History and Executive Politics Sections, April, 2011, Chicago, Illinois.

“Nixon’s Northern Strategy: Welfare Reform and Race after the Great Society,” Presented at the APSA Annual Meeting, Politics and History Section, September 2009, Toronto, Canada.

“Nixon’s Welfare Reform and the Northern Strategy,” Presented at the WPSA Annual Meeting, Politics and History Section, March 2009, Vancouver, Canada.

“Responding to Racial Dynamics in the War on Poverty: LBJ and the Demise of a Universalist Social Policy,” Presented at the APSA Annual meeting, Politics and History section, August 2007, Chicago, CA.

“The Emergence of Race in Congressional Welfare Policymaking: the 1962 and 1967 Amendments to AFDC,” Presented at the WPSA Annual Meeting, Politics and History section, March 2007, Las Vegas, NV.

“Untangling the “Tangle of Pathology”: Race and Poverty in Moynihan’s Great Society Work,” Presented at the Conference on Race and U.S. Political Development, University of Oregon, May 2006, Eugene, OR.

“Untangling the “Tangle of Pathology”: Daniel P. Moynihan and the Shifting Politics of Race and Welfare in the 1960s,” Presented at the WPSA Annual Meeting, Politics and History section, April 2006, Albuquerque, NM

“Racial Politics and Welfare Retrenchment during the Reagan Presidency,” Presented at the MPSA Annual Meeting, Politics & History section, April 2005, Chicago, Ill.

“Presidential Silences and Symbols: Racial Politics and Welfare Retrenchment during the Reagan Presidency,” Presented at the WPSA Annual Meeting, Public Policy section, March 2005, Oakland, CA.

“Racial Politics and Welfare Policy: Policymaking Feedbacks in the Reagan administration’s OBRA 1981,” presented at the WPSA Annual Meeting, Public Administration section, March 2004, Portland, OR.

SERVICE

California State University, Fullerton Service:

Faculty Advisor, Hillel at Cal State Fullerton	2015-16
Member of Division of Politics, Administration and Justice Curriculum Committee	2014-15
Member of Division of Politics, Administration and Justice Personnel Committee	2013-15
Lead Faculty, CSU Chancellor’s Grant for Promising Course Redesign <i>Engaging POSC 100 Students through a Town Hall Meeting</i>	2013-15
Member of University Librarian Search Committee, Spring 2014	2014
Coordinator and lead faculty instructor for American Democracy Project, Cal State Fullerton Town Hall Meeting, April 25, 2014	2014
Produced Town Hall Meetings with POSC 100 course students, December 2012; April 2013	2012/13
Produced first and second annual <i>Student Research Conferences on Richard Nixon and His Era</i> , at the Richard Nixon Presidential Library and Museum: April 27, 2012; May 3, 2013.	2012/13
Member of Executive Committee, Division of Politics, Administration & Justice	2011/12
Member of Division Assessment Committee, attended Department Assessment Workshop, January 19-20, 2011, TSU; Drafted Department of Political Science Curriculum Map, Rubric, and Assessment Plan with other members of the committee.	2011

Grant Reviewer for the Spring 2011 Faculty-Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity Grants, Faculty Development Center	2011
Chaired Faculty Hearing Committee and Drafted final report, Grievance R03-2010-452, May 16, 2011, MH-141.	2011
Organizer for 2010 CSUF Constitution Day event: Lecture by Joe Mathews and Mark Paul, authors of <i>California CrackUp: How Reform Broke the Golden State and How We Can Fix It</i> , Thursday, September 16, 2010, Cal State Fullerton, TSU.	2010
Organizer for CSUF lecture by Dr. Timothy Naftali, Director of the Richard Nixon Presidential Library, and Mindy Farmer, Education Specialist from the Nixon Library, "Public History, Public Trust: Remaking the Nixon Library," October 21, 2010, PLS-360	2010
Panel participant, "Inaugural Insights," with political science faculty at CSUF, May 5, 2009	2009
Producer and moderator for 2008 CSUF Constitution Day event: Lecture by Eric Lichtblau, Pulitzer Prize winning <i>New York Times</i> Journalist, September 18, 2008	2008
Organizer for CSUF lecture by Dr. Timothy Naftali, Director of the Richard Nixon Presidential Library and Museum, "Meet the New Director of the Nixon Library," for H&SS Administration, Chairs, and Faculty, February 6, 2008.	2008
Academic Senate, elected member, California State University and Member of University Elections Committee	2006 - 2008
Organized and participated in Constitution Day Panel: "Contemporary Challenges to the U.S. Constitution," CSUF Campus Quad, September 20, 2007.	2007
Co-organized and moderated Constitution Day Event: "An Evening with Al Jerome, CEO of KCET-TV," at Cal State Fullerton, September 2006.	2006

Professional and Community Service

Invited presentations:

- Panelist for *Southeast Asian Legacies* conference commemorating 40 years of Southeast Asian Diasporas. Panel on "The Fall of Saigon: Political Background and Military Context," California State University, Fullerton, March 6, 2015
- Panelist with Congressman Ed Royce and Professor Mohammed Wattad, "Uprisings in the Arab World: A Symposium," Temple Beth Tikvah, Fullerton. February 2015.
- Panelist for Santa Ana School District Middle and High School Teachers, "Writing for University courses in Political Science," Spurgeon Intermediate School, Santa Ana. October 14 & 16, 2014; January 8, 2015.
- Panelist for Housing and Residence Life Black History Month event, "Power of the "N" Word" Residence Life, Juniper 111, California State University, Fullerton. February 2014.
- Seminar for Placentia-Yorba Linda School District Teachers, "From Reagan to Obama: Modern Challenges Related to Civil Rights." Yorba-Linda School District Headquarters, May 2013.

“Orange County Residents’ Opinions About Inequality.” Presented at California State University, Fullerton President’s Symposium on *Confronting Inequality*, May 2012.

Seminar for California State University, Fullerton Student Teachers. “Presidential Power: Constitutional Origins and Political Development.” Richard Nixon Presidential Library and Museum, April 25, 2012.

Panelist for The 5th Annual Black History Month Community Dialogue, “Is There a Black Political Voice in 2012?” African American Resource Center of California State University, Fullerton. February 2012.

Seminar for Placentia-Yorba Linda School District Teachers, “The Presidency and the Constitution”. Richard Nixon Presidential Library and Museum, November 8, 2011

Moderator for panel on “Politics”. *Understanding Richard Nixon and His Era: A Symposium*. Richard Nixon Presidential Library, July 2011.

Participant in panel on “Civility in Politics.” South Orange County Democratic Club Party. San Juan Capistrano. February 2011.

Orange County Bureau of Jewish Education’s *Dinner with a Scholar*, “Obama’s First Year... Typical or Unique for an American President.” January 2010.

California State University, Fullerton’s, OLLIE Continuing Education Series, “The 2008 Election in Historical Perspective,” December, 2008.

California State University, Fullerton, Department of History, CLIO Club, Panel in memory of Dr. Harry Jeffrey, “Interpreting the Presidential Primaries and their Impact On the November Election,” April 2008.

Professional Service

Chair for Two Student Research Panels at 39th Annual Student Research Conference, **2014**
Social Science Research and Instructional Center (SSRIC), CSU Fullerton, May 8, 2014

Discussant for Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA) Politics and History **2014**
panel, “Policymaking in Historical Context,” MPSA Annual Meeting, April 4, 2014, Chicago, IL.

Discussant for MPSA Presidency and Executive Politics panel, “Dynamic Effects of **2011**
Presidential Leadership,” MPSA Annual Meeting, April 2, 2011, Chicago, Illinois.

Book discussion leader for docents at the Richard Nixon Presidential Library **2010**
- July 19, 2010 – Richard Reeves’ *President Nixon: Alone at the White House*;
- August 26, 2010 - Robert Mason’s *Richard Nixon and the Quest for a New Majority*
- September 22, 2010 – Alistair Horne’s *Kissinger, 1973: The Crucial Year*

Peer Reviewer for:

Journal of Policy History **2014**

American Politics Research (APR) **2010**

Publius **2009**

W.W. Norton & Company, Publisher **2009-2010**

Journal of Urban Affairs **2008**

Community Service

Guest Lecturer, Tarbut V'Torah Private Elementary Schyool, February 6, 2015
"How we elect our President." 2015

Guest Lecturer, Tarbut V'Torah Private Elementary School, February 7, 2012,
"How a Bill Becomes a Law". 2012

Guest Lecturer, Tarbut V'Torah Private Elementary School, February 15, 2011,
"President Obama's State of the Union Address". 2011

HONORS, AWARDS, GRANTS

Support for Travel to Middle East for background research to Create a CSUF Study
Abroad Course in Israel, VP of Extended Education, \$2,000.00 2014

Honored, along with Cantor Marcia Tilchin (spouse), for a Decade of Service to
Congregation B'nai Israel, Annual Fundraising Gala Event. 2011

Nominated for 2010-2011, College of Humanities and Social Sciences Award for
Outstanding Untenured Faculty member 2011

California State University, Special Fund for Research, Scholarship and Creative Activity,
Minigrant for: "The Prevalence of Racial Imagery in National Welfare Politics" 2010

California State University, Fullerton, Faculty Development Center 2010

- Faculty Enhancement and Instructional Development Grant (FEID) –
Student Research Conference at the Richard Nixon Presidential Library
- 3 WTU's Release

- FEID – Student Research at the Nixon Library – 3 WTU's Release 2009

- International Travel Grant – WPSA Annual meeting in Vancouver, CA 2009

Research Grant - Lyndon B. Johnson Foundation 1995

Goldsmith Research Award - Joan Shorenstein Barone Center on the Press,
Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University 1992

Presidential Fellowship for Advanced Graduate Students - Columbia University 1993

Presidential Fellowships - Columbia University 1988/89

David Alexander Award for Social Activism - Brandeis University 1987

Brandeis Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa 1987

RELATED EXPERIENCE

Research Positions:

Children and Families Futures (CFF), Irvine CA - Consultant 2003

*Provided research for A Strategic Plan for Irvine's Children and Families.

Research Positions – continued

**The National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse (CASA) at
Columbia University - Research Associate**

1999-2000

* Projects addressed: substance abuse and welfare reform; schools; and HIV/AIDS.

Barnard/Columbia Center for Urban Policy – Research Fellow 1995–1996

* Projects focused on Harlem Federal Empowerment Zone and Social Services Delivery

Harlem Empowerment Zone Proposal Research Team - consultant 1994

John Jay College for Criminal Justice 1992

Associate Evaluator for Federal Office of Substance Abuse Prevention Evaluation Team

Freedom Forum Media Studies Center 1991-92

Research Assistant

*For Mercedes De Uriarte (former LA Times Editor & Professor of Media Studies at University of Texas, Austin)

Administrative Positions:

Assistant to the Executive Director - The Educational Planning Institute 1996 - 1998

*Provided overall administration for non-profit agency with four programs aimed at serving the social service and educational needs of disadvantaged youth and adults in New York City.

Program Coordinator for the MLK Project for Black-Jewish Relations - Interns for Peace 1996

Program Assistant - Human Serve/100% Vote, Richard Cloward and Francis Fox Piven, Directors 1991

People's Equal Action and Community Effort (P.E.A.C.E.), Syracuse, NY 1990
Coordinator/Advocate for Southwest Community Center -

PROFESSIONAL/ACADEMIC MEMBERSHIPS:

- American Political Science Association (APSA)
- Western Political Science Association (WPSA)
- Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA)
- Phi Beta Kappa
- Brandeis University Alumni Organization