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EDUCATION

Ph.D. University of Virginia. 2008.

B.A. Davidson College. 2000.

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

University of Montana.

- Director, Mansfield Ethics and Public Affairs Program, The Maureen and Mike Mansfield Center, 2020 present.
- Professor, Department of Political Science, 2017 present. (Associate Professor, 2012 2017, Assistant Professor, 2008 2012.)
- Mansfield Fellow in Ethics and Public Affairs, The Mansfield Center, 2013 2020.
- Director, The Project on American Democracy and Citizenship.
- Coordinator, President's Lecture Series, 2018 present.

Harvard University. Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Scholar. 2010 – 2012.

Johns Hopkins University. Patrick Henry Postdoctoral Fellowship. 2007 – 2008.

Miller Center of Public Affairs at the University of Virginia. Fellow. 2006 – 2007.

University of California, Berkeley. Visiting Scholar. Institute of Governmental Studies. 2005 – 2007.

BOOKS

NeverTrump: The Revolt of the Conservative Elites, with Steven Teles (Oxford University Press, 2020).

When Bad Policy Makes Good Politics: Running the Numbers on Health Reform (Oxford University Press, 2017).

War, the American State, and Politics since 1898 (Cambridge University Press, 2011).

SCHOLARLY ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

- "For Nobility, Justice, Right, 'and Besides, Because it Will Pay': The Spanish-American War and the Debate on American Imperialism," in *War, Justice, and Peace in American Political Thought*, Bryan-Paul Frost, Paul Carrese, and Stephen Knott, eds., Johns Hopkins University Press (forthcoming).
- "Foreign Policy on the Homefront: War and the Development of the American Welfare State," in Warfare and Welfare: Military Conflict and Welfare State Development in Western Countries, Herbert Obinger, Klaus Petersen, and Peter Starke, eds., Oxford University Press, 2018.
- "On a Need Not to Know Basis: Why Presidents Sometimes Do Not Use Intelligence Information," with Patrick S. Roberts, *Political Science Quarterly*, Winter 2016/2017.
- "Not Such a CLASS Act: America's Long-Term Care Problem," The Forum 13:1 (2015).
- "What War's Good For: Minority Rights Expansions in American Political Development" in *New Directions in American Politics*, Raymond La Raja, editor (Routledge, 2013).
- "William McKinley and the Rhetorical Presidency," Presidential Studies Quarterly 41:1 (2011).
- "Healthcare Reform: A Prescription for the 2010 Republican Landslide?" The Forum 8:4 (2010).
- "Foreign Affairs and Party Ideology: The Case of Democrats and World War II," *Journal of Policy History* 22:4 (2010).
- "World War I and the 'System of 1896," Journal of Politics 72:3 (2010).
- "Foreign Affairs and the 2008 Election," *The Forum* 6:4 (2008).
- "American State Building in the Post-9/11 and Iraq Era," *PS: Political Science and Politics* 41:1 (2008).
- "A New Measure of Party Strength," with James Ceaser, *Political Research Quarterly* 58:2 (2005).
- "Executive Power and the Constitution in Times of Crisis," White House Studies 4:4 (2004).

OTHER WRITINGS (SELECTED)

- "The Future is Faction," *National Affairs*, with Steven Teles, Fall 2020.
- "Don't Blame Never Trumpers for the Left's Defeat," *The New Republic*, with Steven Teles, Aug. 7, 2020.

- "Our Takeaways from the Salvatori Center Symposium," Joint Niskanen Center/Salvatori Center Symposium on Never Trump, with co-author Steven Teles and contributors Megan McArdle, Johnathan Rauch, George Thomas, and David Karol, Aug. 3, 2020.
- "The Never Trumpers' Next Move," The Atlantic, with Steven Teles, May 2020.
- "These Conservatives Knew Trump Would Be a Disaster in a Crisis," *New York Times*, with Steven Teles, March 20, 2020.
- "The Future is Faction," Niskanen Center, with Steven Teles, Nov. 25, 2019.
- "The Schism Between Reagan and the Modern GOP," Washington Monthly, Aug. 3, 2017.
- "Trump and the IC: The Costs of Ignoring Intelligence," *The American Interest*, Jan. 31, 2017.
- "Meet the Trump Appointee Liberals Might Not Hate," The Washington Post, Dec. 16, 2016.
- Book review: America's Bitter Pill, by Steven Brill, The Forum 13:4 (2015).
- "Ignoring the Not-So-Obvious in Obama's Negotiations with Iran," *The Hill*, with Patrick S. Roberts, July 16, 2015.
- "Gaming the Congressional Budget Office," National Affairs, Fall 2014.
- "What Max Baucus's Departure Means for the Montana Senate Race," with David Parker, *The Washington Post*, Monkey Cage blog, Dec. 19, 2013.
- "The Origins of 'Big Government': FDR's Welfare or Warfare?" World Affairs, Mar./Apr. 2013.
- "Wartime: Foreign Conflict and Domestic Rights," World Affairs, July/August 2012.
- "Strange Bedfellows: War and Minority Rights," World Affairs, March/April 2011.
- "In Defense of the Filibuster," with Andrew Rotherham, New York Daily News, March 3, 2010.
- Book review: *On the Side of Angels: An Appreciation of Parties and Partisanship*, by Nancy L. Rosenblum, *American Review of Politics* 31:1 (2010).
- Book review: *Congress and the Cold War*, Robert David Johnson, *Journal of Politics* 69:1 (February, 2007).
- Book review: *The End of Southern Exceptionalism: Class, Race, and Partisan Change in the Postwar South*, by Byron Shafer and Richard Johnson, *New York Post*, April 9, 2006.

TEACHING

Regular Courses and Teaching Interests

Introduction to American Government

The American Political System

The Presidency

American Foreign Policy

Public Policy Process

Political Parties and Elections

Health Policy

Social Policy

American Government Graduate Seminar

Ethics, Citizenship, and Democracy

Global Leadership Initiative Freshman Seminar

Experiential Learning Courses

Presidential Inauguration Seminar, in Washington, DC

National Party Conventions, on location at Democratic/Republican national conventions

Academic Director, Study of the U.S. Institute summer program, "American Studies Through the Lens of Democracy and Citizenship," 2014 – 2016 and 2018 – present

- funded by U.S. Department of State grants, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs Exchange Program
- hosted by the Mansfield Center, University of Montana
- participants: 20 international secondary school teachers per year
- locations: Western Montana; Yellowstone; Charleston, SC; Washington, DC

Academic Director, Study of the U.S. Institute (summer program for international teachers). U.S. State Department grant. Mansfield Center.

Pedagogy Project Teaching Fellow (2009 – 2010 and 2012 – 2013).

SERVICE (SELECTED)

Coordinator, President's Lecture Series, 2018 – present.

Fellow, Maureen and Mike Mansfield Center and Director, The Project on American Democracy and Citizenship.

Montana Public Radio. "Campaign Beat" and "Capitol Talk," weekly political analysis shows, 2016 – present.

Faculty Advisory Board. Davidson Honors College. 2009 – present.

University Athletic Committee. 2014 – 2018.