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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Candidate, University of Houston, expected completion: May 2013

Fields of Study: Political Theory, American Politics, and Public Law

Dissertation Title: *The Constitutional Incorporation of Political Parties*

Dissertation Committee: Jeremy Bailey (Chair), Jeffery Church, Richard Murray, and Michael Zuckert

M.A., University of Chicago, 2008

B.A., Brigham Young University (Political Science and Sociology), 2006

SCHOLARSHIP

Ross, Robert and Matthew Lang. "Skowronek Revisited: A Note on the Role of Articulators in the Presidential Arena". *Under Review*

Ross, Robert. "What Does Religion Add to Politics?: Puritan Thought and America's First Founding". *Under Review*

Ross, Robert, "Political Parties and Executive Prerogative: America's Solution to an Extra-Constitutional Conundrum". *Under Review*

Robert Ross, "Early Party Principles: How James Madison Believed Parties Would Improve Politics" *Working Paper*

Robert Ross, "Creating a Party System: The Movement Towards the 'Unit Rule' in State Electoral College Vote Allocation". *Working Paper*

Robert Ross, "In Search of Burke: Edmund Burke's Influence in American Political Party Development". *Working Paper*

AREA OF SPECIALIZATION

Political Theory: American Political Thought, History of Political Thought, American Political Development, The American Founding and Constitutional Convention

American Politics: Presidency, Political Parties

Public Law: Constitutional Law, Constitutional Development

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science, University of Houston, 2009-present

Adjunct Faculty, Department of Political Science, Lone Star Community College, 2010-present

Adjunct Faculty, Department of Political Science, Boise State University, 2008-2009

Adjunct Faculty, Department of Political Science, College of Western Idaho, 2008-2009

COURSES TAUGHT

The University of Houston

Introduction to Political Theory, Fall 2012

Guest Lecturer for Introduction to Political Theory, Spring 2010, Fall 2010

Guest Lecturer for American Political Thought, Fall 2010

Lone Star Community College

American Government I and II, Summer 2010, Summer 2011, Summer 2012

Boise State University

American National Government, Fall 2008, Spring 2009

College of Western Idaho

Introduction to American Government, Spring 2009, Summer 2009

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant for Professor Jeremy Bailey, Summer 2011, assisted in research on presidential proclamations by Andrew Jackson and Woodrow Wilson. Edited book chapter on Thomas Jefferson

Research Assistant for Professor Susan Collins, Fall 2009, Spring 2010, assisted in manuscript preparation of Dr. Collins' translation of Aristotle's *Nicomachean Ethics*

FELLOWSHIPS AND HONORS

Intercollegiate Studies Institute, Salvatori Fellowship, 2012-2013

Graduate Assistant Tuition Fellowship, University of Houston, 2009-2014

Presidential Fellowship, University of Houston, 2009 – 2011

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

Invited Participate at the Colloquium on Law, Liberty, and the Rise of the West. Co-Sponsored program of the Intercollegiate Studies Institute and the Liberty Fund, Inc., September 2012

“Giving ‘Form and Body to the Floating Ardor of Our Countrymen’: Jefferson’s and Madison’s Uses of Inaugural Addresses” at the SWPSA 2011

“John Locke and Recognizing the Abuse of Executive Power” at the SPSA 2011

“The Pacified Mind: Towards an Understanding of the Current Question of Centralization”
at the SWPSA 2010

“Passions Within the Constitutional Frame in Locke’s Second Treatise: A Response to
Benjamin Kleinerman” at the 2nd Annual Texas Political Science Student Conference
2010

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Political Science Association

Southern Political Science Association

Southwestern Political Science Association

Intercollegiate Studies Institute

LANGUAGES

Spanish, fluent

Ancient Greek, proficient reading

REFERENCES

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