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Academic Positions

University of Houston, Department of Political Science

Assistant Professor of Methodology, July 2008 – present

Research Associate, Center for Public Policy, July 2008 – present

State University of New York (SUNY) at Stony Brook, Department of Political Science

Assistant Professor, August 2001 – June 2008

Director, M.A. in Public Policy Program, January 2003 – August 2007

Stanford University, Social Science History Institute & Department of Political Science

Postdoctoral Research Fellow, August 2000 – July 2001

Education

University of California, San Diego, Ph.D. in Political Science, 2001

Dissertation: “Checks and Balances: Party Politics and Judicial Power”

Mathew McCubbins (Chair), Gary Cox, Gary Jacobson, Joel Sobel, Michael Parrish

Exams: Formal Theory and Methodology; American Politics; Comparative Politics

University of California, Los Angeles, B.A. *cum laude* in Political Science, 1995

Thesis: “Effects of Factor Mobility and Partisanship on Intergovernmental Fiscal Relations:
Tax Policy in the American States, 1966-1992” (High Honors in Political Science)

Scholarly Publications

“Candidates, Campaigns, or Partisan Conditions? Reevaluating Strategic Politicians Theory,” with Michael Ensley. *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, 32, 3: 361-394 (August 2007)

“Ambivalence, Information, and Electoral Choice,” with Howard Lavine. *American Political Science Review*, 99, 2: 169-184 (May 2005).

“Remodeling the Competition for Capital: How Domestic Politics Erases the Race to the Bottom,” with Mark Hallerberg. *American Political Science Review*, 98, 2: 261-276 (May 2004)

★ Winner of the APSA Luebbert Prize for Best Article in Comparative Politics in 2003 or 2004

“Regulating Slavery: Deck-Stacking and Credible Commitment in the Fugitive Slave Act of 1850,” *Journal of Law, Economics, & Organization*, 19, 2: 307-342 (October 2003).

“Globalization and Tax Reform: An Updated Case for the Importance of Veto Players,” with Mark Hallerberg. *Politische Vierteljahresschrift*, 40, 4: 618-627 (Dezember 1999).

“Internationalization and Changes in Tax Policy in OECD Countries: The Importance of Domestic Veto Players,” with Mark Hallerberg, *Comparative Political Studies*, 31, 3: 321-352 (June 1998).

Book Reviews

“Review of *The Affect Effect: Dynamics of Emotion in Political Thinking and Behavior*.” *Political Psychology* 29, 5: 789-791 (August 2008).

Current Submissions and Recent Conference Papers

“Endogenous Dichotomous Explanatory Variables in Regression Analysis,” with Michael Ensley.

“Voter Response to Congressional Campaigns: New Techniques for Analyzing Aggregate Electoral Behavior,” with Damon Cann and Michael Ensley.

“Advice or Contempt? The Changing Politics of Federal Judicial Nominations,” with Maxwell Mak.

“Southern Comfort: Incumbency and Realignment in Congress,” with Helmut Norpoth.

“Campaign Advertising, Credit Claiming, and *Fenno’s Paradox*,” with Andrew Sidman.

“Voter Perception in a Presidential Election.”

“The Psychology of Strategic Bargaining Experiments: ‘Prosocial’ and ‘Parochial’ Personalities,” with Pazit Ben Nun.

Newspaper Publications

“Blocked by War,” with Howard Lavine. *Newsday*, Sept. 29, 2002. (p. A26, Currents.)

“Why this Congressional District Defied Convention.” *The Village Times Herald*, Nov. 14, 2002. (p. 8.)

Teaching Experience

Ph.D. Courses

Mathematical Methods for Political Scientists

Game Theory / Public Choice

Experimental Game Theory

Law and Economics

Legislative Politics

American Politics

American Political History

M.A. and B.A. Courses

Administrative Law

Congress

American Democracy / Introduction to American Politics