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Curriculum Vitae

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Children: Rachael Rebecca (May 31, 1972)

Jesse Caldwell (September 7, 1974)

Naval Service: October, 1969 - October, 1976

Education:

September, 1979 - May, 1984

[Washington University](#) in St. Louis

Ph.D., Political Science, August, 1985

Dissertation: *A Theory of Urban Political Boundaries*

January, 1978 - May, 1979

Quincy College, Quincy, Illinois

[Bachelor of Arts](#), Political Science

January, 1977 - August, 1978

University of Missouri, Columbia

September, 1966 - May, 1969

Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Illinois

Selected Sponsored Research:

Texas Education Agency, 2000-2001 (\$46,800) "Fourth-year Evaluation of Open-enrollment Charter Schools in Texas," Co-principal Investigator

Texas Education Agency, 2000-2001 (\$93,016) Second-year Evaluation, "Texans Getting Academically Prepared" (US Dept. of Education GEAR-UP Grant), Principal Investigatory

Harris County Dept. of Education, 2000-2001, (\$89,629) Evaluation of The Cooperative for After School Enrichment (CASE), Principal Investigator

Houston Independent School District, 2000, (\$8,000) "Survey of HISD Campus Charter School Parents," (US Dept. of Education GEAR-UP Grant) Principal Investigator.

Texas Education Agency, 1999-2000 (\$93,072), First-year Evaluation, "Texans Getting Academically Prepared," Principal Investigator

Texas Education Agency, 1999-2000 (\$136,000), "Third-year Evaluation of Open-Enrollment Charter Schools in Texas," Principal Investigator

Galleria Chamber of Commerce, 1997-98 (\$86,000), Houston Metropolitan Study, Co-principal Investigator.

Texas State Board of Education, 1997-98 (\$15,000), "Evaluation of Open-Enrollment Charter Schools in Texas," Co-Principal Investigator

Galleria Chamber of Commerce, 1997 (\$12,000), Houston Metropolitan Study: Preliminary Analysis, Co-principal Investigator.

Texas State Board of Education, 1996-97 (\$15,000), "Evaluation of Open-Enrollment Charter Schools in Texas," Co-Principal Investigator

City of Houston, 1996-1997 (\$420,000), "Intelligent Renewal of Urban Wastewater Systems," Co-Principal Investigator in charge of Community Outreach (\$40,563)

Harris County Department of Housing and Community Development, 1996 (\$50,000), "Survey of the Homeless in Harris County," Principal Investigator

Veteran's Administration, 1996 (\$10,000), "Enumeration of the Homeless in Houston/Harris County," Principal Investigator

City of Houston, Department of Housing and Community Development, 1995 (\$125,000), "Enumeration of the Homeless in Houston," Principal Investigator

National Science Foundation, 1995-1997 (\$911,195), "Intelligent Renewal of Urban Wastewater Systems," Co-principal Investigator in charge of Community Outreach (\$183,626)

Metropolitan Transit Authority of Houston/Harris County, 1994 (\$25,000). Applied Research into Demographic Forecasting. Principal Investigator.

Harris County, Texas, 1994 (\$25,000). Applied Research into Demographic Forecasting. Principal Investigator.

City of Houston, 1994 (\$25,000). Applied Research into Demographic Forecasting. Principal Investigator.

Urban Mass Transit Administration, 1987 (\$85,000). "The Impact of Automation of Management Systems on Productivity at the Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County, Texas." Co-principal Investigator

Publications:

Kent Tedin, Richard Matland, and Gregory R. Weiher. "Race, Self-Interest, the Collective Interest and Financing Public Schools Through Referenda," forthcoming, [*Journal of Politics*](#), 2000.*

Gregory R. Weiher, "Minority Student Achievement: Passive Representation and Social Context in Schools," Forthcoming, *Journal of Politics*, August, 2000.*

Bretten Kleitz, Gregory R. Weiher, Kent Tedin and Richard Matland. "Choice, Charter Schools, and Household Preferences," forthcoming, *Social Science Quarterly*, September, 2000.*

Gregory R. Weiher and Chris E. Cookson (1999), "Educational Governance in the Local Place: Citizenship v. Community," in *Dilemmas of Size and Democracy*, Martha Derthick, ed. New York: Cambridge University Press for the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars.

Robert Crew and Gregory R. Weiher (1996), "Gubernatorial Popularity in Three States: A Preliminary Model," *Social Science Journal* 33:1 (Jan.).*

Gregory R. Weiher (1995), "Post-Cold War Social Welfare Policy: Limited Options," in *Post-Cold War Policy*, William Crotty, ed. Chicago, Nelson-Hall Publishers.

Gregory R. Weiher (1992), "A Natural History of Educational Finance in Texas," in *Perspectives on U.S. and Texas Politics* (3rd ed.), Kent Tedin and Edward Fuchs, eds. Dubuque, IA: Kendall-Hunt Publishers.

Richard Murray and Gregory R. Weiher (1992), "Ann Richards: 45th Governor of Texas," in *New Governors in Hard Times*, Thad Beyle, ed. Washington, D.C.: CQ Press.

Gregory R. Weiher and Jon Lorence (1991), "Growth in State Government Employment: A Time Series Analysis," *Western Political Quarterly* (June): 373-388.*

Gregory R. Weiher (1991), *The Fractured Metropolis: Political Fragmentation and Metropolitan Segregation*. Albany: State

University of New York Press. (Recipient, Gustavus Myers Center, Outstanding book on human rights in the United States, 1992.)

Gregory R. Weiher (1989), "Public Policy and Patterns of Residential Segregation," *Western Political Quarterly* 42 (December): 651-677.*

Harrell Rodgers, Jr., and Gregory R. Weiher, eds. (1989), *Rural Poverty: Special Causes and Policy Reforms*. Westport, CT: Greenwood Press. (Recipient: *Choice Magazine*, Outstanding Academic Book Award, 1989.)

Gregory R. Weiher (1989), "Rumors of the Demise of the Urban Crisis Are Greatly Exaggerated," *Journal of Urban Affairs* 11:3: 225-242.*

Harrell R. Rodgers, Jr., and Gregory R. Weiher, guest eds. (1988), "Rural Poverty and Urban Poverty," [*Policy Studies Review* 7](#) (Summer).

Gregory R. Weiher (1988), "Why Redistribution Doesn't Work: State Educational Reform Policy and Governmental Decentralization in Texas," *American Politics Quarterly* 16 (April): 192-210.*

Gregory R. Weiher and the Policy Workshop, Graduate Program in Public Administration, University of Houston (1987), "The Politics of Educational Reform in Texas," in *Perspectives on American and Texas Politics*, Donald Lutz and Kent Tedin, eds. Dubuque, IA: Kendall-Hunt Publishers.

Harrell Rodgers, Jr., and Gregory R. Weiher (1986), "Rural Poverty in America: A Statistical Overview," [*Policy Studies Journal* 15](#) (December): 279-90.*

Convention Papers and Papers Under Review:

Kent Tedin, Richard Matland, and Gregory R. Weiher. "Race, Self-Interest, and the Collective Interest in Financing Public Schools: An Exploratory Analysis of Turnout Patterns in a School Bond Referendum," presented at the annual meetings of the

Southern Political Science Association, Savannah, Georgia, November, 1999.

Gregory R. Weiher and Kent L. Tedin. "Does Choice Lead to Segregated Schools? Charter Schools and Household Preferences," to be presented at the annual meetings of the Midwest Political Science Assn., Chicago, Illinois, April 2000.

Technical/Research Reports:

Gregory R. Weiher and others (October, 2000), "Texans Getting Academically Prepared: First-Year Evaluation" (report to the Texas Education Agency and the U.S. Department of Education), Austin, Texas: Texas Center for Education Research.

Gregory R. Weiher and others (August, 2000), "Texas Open-Enrollment Charter Schools: Third Year Evaluation, Part Two," (report to the Texas State Board of Education) Houston, Texas: Center for Public Policy, University of Houston.

Gregory R. Weiher and others (March, 2000), "Texas Open-Enrollment Charter Schools: Third Year Evaluation, Part One," (report to the Texas State Board of Education) Houston, Texas: Center for Public Policy, University of Houston.

Gregory R. Weiher and others (December 1998), "Texas Open-Enrollment Charter Schools: Second Year Evaluation," (report to the Texas State Board of Education) Houston, Texas: Center for Public Policy, University of Houston.

Richard Murray, Robert Stein, and Gregory R. Weiher (1998), "The Houston Metropolitan Study: an Entrepreneurial Community Looks Ahead," Houston, Texas: Center for Public Policy, University of Houston.

Gregory R. Weiher and others (December, 1997), "Texas Open-Enrollment Charter Schools: Year One Evaluation" (report to the Texas State Board of Education) Houston, Texas: Center for Public Policy, University of Houston

Richard Murray, Robert Stein, and Gregory R. Weiher. 1996. *The Regional Dilemma*. Houston, Texas: The [Greater Houston Partnership](#).

Gregory R. Weiher, Lalita Sen, and Judy Durand. (September, 1996) "The Homeless in Houston/Harris County," summary report to the Department of Housing and Community Development, City of Houston; The Department of Housing and Community Development, Harris County; The U.S. Veteran's Administration. Houston, Texas. Center for Public Policy, University of Houston.

Gregory R. Weiher. 1995. "Report to: The Charter Review Advisory Committee for the City of League City, Texas." Houston: Center for Public Policy, University of Houston.

Robert E. Crew, Jr., and Gregory R. Weiher. *Automation in the Metropolitan Transit Authority of Harris County, Texas, and its Effect on Productivity*. Washington, D.C.: Urban Mass Transportation Administration, Office of Technical Assistance and Safety, February, 1989.

Op-ed Pieces:

"Maybe time city, county looked at metropolitan government," *Houston Chronicle*, Sunday, August 11, 1991.

"City Council expansion: down, but not out," *Houston Business Journal*, August 26, 1991.

"Houston must plan for its bigger role, too," *Houston Chronicle*, Thursday, September 24, 1992.

"Houston is badly in need of a housing policy," *Houston Chronicle*, Monday, June 13, 1994.

Administrative Appointments:

Director, Center for Public Policy, University of Houston
(January, 1991 - December, 1995)

Academic Appointments:

Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Houston (September, 1991 - present)

Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Rice University (1989 - 1990)

Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Houston (September, 1984 - May, 1991)

Instructor, Department of Political Science, [Washington University](#) in St. Louis (1983 - 1984)

Courses Taught:

- Introductory Statistics (Graduate)
- Intermediate Statistics (Graduate and Undergraduate)
- [Urban Politics](#)
- State and Local Government (Graduate and Undergraduate)
- American Government (honors and general enrollment)
- American Political Thought (honors and general enrollment)
- Democratic Political Theory (honors and general enrollment)
- Applied Policy Analysis (Graduate)
- Fundamentals of Policy Analysis (Graduate)

Teaching and Research Interests:

- [Urban Politics](#) and Policy
- Education Policy
- Social Welfare Policy
- Comparative State Politics
- Political Theory
- Introductory and Intermediate Statistics

Awards and Honors:

Gregory R. Weiher, *The Fractured Metropolis: Political Fragmentation and Metropolitan Segregation*, chosen by the Gustavus Myers Center as an Outstanding Book on the subject of human rights in the United States, 1992

Harrell Rodgers, Jr., and Gregory R. Weiher, editors, *Rural Poverty: Special Causes and Policy Reforms*, chosen by *Choice Magazine* as an outstanding academic book, 1989

American Political Science Association, William Anderson Award (best dissertation submitted in 1986 in intergovernmental relations, state and local government, or federalism)

Washington University, Gellhorn Fellowship, 1983-84

Washington University, McCandless Fellowship, 1979-80

Professional Activities:

Section Head:

State and Local Government Section, Southwest Political Science Association Annual Meetings, Galveston, March, 2000

Journal Referee:

- *American Journal of Political Science*
- *Journal of Urban Affairs*
- *American Politics Quarterly*
- *Legislative Studies Quarterly*
- *Western [Political Quarterly](#)*
- *Journal of Policy History*
- *Urban Affairs Review*
- *[Journal of Politics](#)*

Book Reviewer:

- *American Political Science Review*
- *Publius: The Journal of Federalism*

Professional Memberships:

- American Political Science Association
- Midwest Political Science Association
- Southern Political Science Association
- Southwest Social Science Association

Boards and Committees:

- [Greater Houston Partnership](#), Research Advisory Committee, 1991
- Texas Department of Human Services, Corporate Advisory Council, Research Committee
- Texas Department of Commerce, University Committees on Free Trade – Macroeconomics
- Board of Directors, Advocates for Housing – Vice President, 1995-96
- Board of Directors, Institute for African-American Policy Research, University of Houston

- Steering Committee, Urban Land Institute, Houston District Council, 1994-1998
- Board of Directors, Galleria Chamber of Commerce, 1998 – ;
Section Vice-president, Community Issues, 1999-
- Greater Houston Partnership, Technical Advisory Subcommittee, Workforce Committee, 1999-
- Information Systems Subcommittee, Techforce 2000, May-August, 2000