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**EDUCATION**

- Ph.D., Political Science, University of Houston, Houston, TX, August 2006  
Fields: American Politics, Public Policy, Political Methodology  
Dissertation: *"The Policy Innovation and Diffusion of Charter School Legislation"*  
Committee: Gregory R. Weiher (Chair), Ernesto Calvo, Harrell R. Rodgers & Jon Lorence (Sociology)
- M.A., Political Science, University of Houston, Houston, TX, December 2003
- M.A., Second and Foreign Language Education with Concentration in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages, Soka University of America, Calabasas, CA, December 1995
- B.A., Government and History (double major), The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX, May 1994

**ACADEMIC POSITIONS**

- Associate Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Central Arkansas, Fall 2012-present  
Courses: PSCI 3361 Public Policy Analysis\*, PSCI 4386 Education Policy\*, PSCI 4350 Public Policy and Program Evaluation\*, PSCI 4340 Women and Politics, PSCI 4199 Electoral Behavior, PSCI 1330 US Government and Politics\*, LEAD 8338 Public Policy Theories (graduate course); \* course includes service learning component
- Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Central Arkansas, 2006-2011  
Courses: PSCI 3361 Public Policy\*, PSCI 4340 Education Policy\*, PSCI 4340 Policy Analysis and Program Evaluation\*, PSCI 4340 Women and Politics, PSCI 4399 Electoral Behavior, PSCI 1330 US Government and Politics\*, \* course includes service learning component
- Lecturer, Department of Political Science, University of Houston, 2005-2006  
Courses: Education Policy\*, Introduction to Public Policy\*, Introduction to American Government; \* course includes service learning component
- Research Assistant, Department of Political Science, University of Houston, 2001-2005  
Grants worked on: US Department of Education GEAR-UP Grant and Texas Education Agency (\$93,016); Harris County Department of Education (\$89,629); and National Science Foundation Grant, 98-1371 (\$149,546).
- Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science, University of Houston, 2000-2005  
Graduate courses: Seminar in Education Policy, Fundamentals of Policy Analysis, Research Design and Quantitative Methods II, Research Design Quantitative Methods I  
Undergraduate courses: State Government and Politics, The Presidency, U.S. Government: Congress, President and Courts, U.S. and Texas Constitution and Politics, Race, Gender, and Ethnic Politics  
Professors: Gregory R. Weiher, Keith Poole, Harrell R. Rodgers, Christopher Wlezien, Christine LeVeaux, Bill Barnes

## **PUBLICATIONS**

### **Journals**

"Helping Students Become Civically Engaged Through Service Learning Courses" with Keith Nitta. *The Midsouth Political Science Review*. Volume 13 (1), 2012, pp. 177-185.

"No Child Left Behind: Perceptions and Challenges for Rural Arkansas Educators" with Sharon Wrobel. *The Midsouth Political Science Review*. Volume 12, 2011, pp. 1-20.

"Implementing Change in an Urban School District: A Case Study of the Reorganization of the Little Rock School District" with Sharon Wrobel and Keith Nitta. *Public Administration Review*. Vol. 70 (6), November/December 2010, pp. 934-941.

"Leading Change of a School District Reorganization" with Sharon Wrobel, Keith Nitta, and Ellen Eddings. *Public Performance and Management Review*. Volume 32 (3), March 2009, pp. 463-488.

"The Little Rock School District: A Community and School Board Divided" with Keith Nitta. *Electronic Hallway*, Evans School of Public Affairs, University of Washington. 2008.

"Hispanic College Attendance and the State of Texas GEAR UP Program" with Gregory Weiher, Noah Kaplan, and Christina Hughes. *Review of Policy Research*, Volume 23 (5), September 2006, pp. 1035-1051.

### *In Progress*

"Raising Local Revenue: The Use and Adequacy of Voluntary Property Taxes in Arkansas" with Kim Hoffman. *Journal of Public Budgeting, Accounting & Financial Management*. Submitted revised manuscript December 2015.

"A House Divided: The Role of Job Commitment and Satisfaction in Employee Support for a School District's Reorganization" with Sharon Wrobel and Keith Nitta.

### **Book Chapters**

"Political Parties, Civil Society, and American Federalism" with Gary D. Wekkin. In *Political Parties and Civil Society in Federal Countries*, ed. John Kincaid. Toronto, Canada: Oxford University Press Canada. Global Dialogue on Federalism Series, Volume 9. 2015.

"Political Parties, Civil Society, and American Federalism" with Gary D. Wekkin. In *Dialogues on Political Parties and Civil Society in Federal Countries*, eds. Rupak Chattopadhyay and Karl Nerenberg. Ottawa, Canada: Forum of Federations. A Global Dialogue on Federalism Booklet Series, Volume 9, 2011, pp. 47-49.

### **Technical Reports**

"Arkansas Tobacco Settlement Commission: Annual Evaluation Report, 2014-2015" (report to the Arkansas Tobacco Settlement Commission), with Darshon Anderson, Ron Bramlett, Art Gillaspay, Betty Hubbard, Rhonda McClellan, Ed Powers, Jacquie Rainey, and Tucker Staley. Little Rock, Arkansas, July 2015.

"Little Rock School District Evaluation Report" (report to the Little Rock School District Board of Education), with Ellen Eddings, Keith Nitta, and Sharon Wrobel. Little Rock, Arkansas, February 2008.

"Texans Getting Academically Prepared: Sixth-Year Evaluation" (report to the Texas Education Agency and the U.S. Department of Education), with Gregory Weiher and Christina Hughes. Austin, Texas: Texas Center for Education Research, 2006.

"Texans Getting Academically Prepared: Fifth-Year Evaluation" (report to the Texas Education Agency and the U.S. Department of Education), with Gregory Weiher and Christina Hughes. Austin, Texas: Texas Center for Education Research, 2005.

"Texans Getting Academically Prepared: Fourth-Year Evaluation" (report to the Texas Education Agency and the U.S. Department of Education), with Gregory Weiher and Christina Hughes. Austin, Texas: Texas Center for Education Research, 2004.

### **Journal Editor**

*The Midsouth Political Science Review*, Volume 16 (2015), pp. 1-106.

*The Midsouth Political Science Review*, Volume 15, no. 2 (2014), pp. 1-112.

*The Midsouth Political Science Review*, Volume 15, no. 1 (2014), pp. 1-123.

*The Midsouth Political Science Review*, Volume 14 (2013), pp. 1-133.

### **SPONSORED RESEARCH**

Arkansas Tobacco Settlement Commission, (\$175,000/year) "Evaluation of Arkansas Tobacco Settlement Commission Funded Programs" with Darshon Anderson, Ron Bramlett, Art Gillaspay, Betty Hubbard, Rhonda McClellan, Ed Powers, Jacquie Rainey, and Tucker Staley. Prepare quarterly, annual, and biennial reports. November 2014-present. Principal program evaluator for the Tobacco Settlement Medicaid Expansion Program.

Little Rock School District Board, (\$65,000) "Evaluation of Little Rock School District Reorganization" with Keith Nitta, Sharon Wrobel, and Ellen Eddings. March 2007–February 2008.

US Department of Education GEAR-UP Grant and Texas Education Agency (\$93,016). Six Year Evaluation of Texans Getting Academically Prepared (TGAP), Principal Investigator: Gregory R. Weiher. Fall 2001-Summer 2005.

Harris County Department of Education (\$89,629). Evaluation of the Cooperative for After School Enrichment (CASE), Principal Investigator: Gregory R. Weiher. Fall 2001-Summer 2002.

### **CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION**

Participant, Annual Meeting of the Arkansas Political Science Association, Monticello, AR, February 26-27, 2016.

Participant, "Civic Engagement Across the Disciplines and Across the Campus" Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association Conference of Teaching and Learning, Portland, OR, February 12-14, 2016.

Presenter, "Raising Local Revenue Funds: The Use and Adequacy of Voluntary Property Taxes in Arkansas" with Kim Hoffman. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 16-19, 2015.

Participant, Annual Meeting of the Arkansas Political Science Association, Conway, AR, February 27-28, 2015

Presenter, "Raising Local Revenue Using Voluntary Property Taxes in Arkansas" with Kim Hoffman. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 3-6, 2014.

Participant, Annual Meeting of the Arkansas Political Science Association, Harding, AR, February 28-March 1, 2014.

Presenter, "Raising the Funds: The Use of Voluntary Taxes by Local Governments" with Kim Hoffman. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Society for Public Administration, New Orleans, LA, March 15-19, 2013.

Section Chair, Public Policy and Public Administration Section, Annual Meeting of the Arkansas Political Science Association, Arkadelphia, AR, March 1-2, 2013.

Participant, "Civic Engagement II: Experiential Learning Track." Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association Conference of Teaching and Learning, Washington, D.C., February 17-19, 2012.

Participant, Annual Meeting of the Arkansas Political Science Association, Conway, AR, February 24-25, 2012.

Presenter, "A House Divided: The Role of Job Commitment and Satisfaction in Employee Support for a School District Reorganization" with Sharon Wrobel and Keith Nitta. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, March 31-April 3, 2011.

Presenter, "Helping Students Become Civically Engaged Through Service Learning Courses" with Keith Nitta. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Arkansas Political Science Association, Little Rock, AR, March 4-5, 2011.

Invited Presenter, "A Global Dialogue on Federalism Political Parties and Civil Society in Federal Countries." Sponsored by Forum of Federations and Konrad Adenauer Foundation, Berlin, Germany, June 9-11, 2010.

Presenter, "No Child Left Behind? A Rural Perspective on the Legislation." with Sharon Wrobel. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 22-25, 2010.

Presenter, "No Child Left Behind: Perceptions and Challenges for Rural Arkansas Educators." with Sharon Wrobel. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Social Science Association, Houston, TX, March 31-April 3, 2010.

Participant, Annual Meeting of the Arkansas Political Science Association, Jonesboro, AR, February 26-27, 2010.

Co-organizer, "Political Parties and Civil Society in Federal Countries" with Gary D. Wekkin. Forum of Federations' Global Dialogue on Federalism Theme IX, Conway, AR, November 6, 2009.

Presenter, "Implementing Change in a Urban School District: A Case Study of the Reorganization of the Little Rock School District." with Sharon Wrobel and Keith Nitta. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Vancouver, BC, Canada, March 19- 21, 2009.

Panel Chair, "Public Policy and Public Administration Panel 2" Annual Meeting of the Arkansas Political Science Association, Russellville, AR, February 27-28, 2009.

Participant, Gulf South Summit on Service-Learning and Civic Engagement through Higher Education, Nashville, TN, March 13-15, 2008.

Presenter, "Leading Change in an Urban School District: An Application of Kotter's Eight Steps to Transforming an Organization to Schools." with Sharon Wrobel, Keith Nitta, and Ellen Eddings. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Society for Public Administration, Dallas, TX, March 7-11, 2008.

Section Chair, Public Policy and Public Administration Section, Annual Meeting of the Arkansas Political Science Association, Fayetteville, AR, February 22-23, 2008.

Moderator, "Education Policy Roundtable." Annual Meeting of the Arkansas Political Science Association, Fayetteville, AR, February 22-23, 2008.

Panel Chair and Discussant, "Undergraduate Student Research I." Annual Meeting of the Arkansas Political Science Association, Conway, AR, February 16-17, 2007.

Participant, "Civic Engagement and Education Track I." Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association Conference of Teaching and Learning, Charlotte, NC, February 9-11, 2007.

Participant, Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 7-10, 2005.

Presenter, "Strategic Repositioning? Member Response to Constituency Change." with Craig Goodman. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA, January 8-10, 2004.

Presenter, "The Gender Gap in Texas Voting." Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Savannah, GA, November 6-9, 2002.

Presenter, "Strategic Behavior of House members: Post-Census, Pre-Redistricting." with Jeffrey May. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 25-28, 2002.

Presenter, "Congressional Adaptation to Minority Population Changes." With Jeffrey May. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA, March 27-30, 2002.

Participant, Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Political Science Association, Ft. Worth, TX, March 15-18, 2001.

### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

Editor: *The Midsouth Political Science Review*, 2014-present

Interim Editor: *The Midsouth Political Science Review*, 2013-2014

Associate Editor: *The Midsouth Political Science Review*, 2013

Journal and Textbook Reviewer: *The Midsouth Political Science Review*; W.W. Norton; Cengage Learning

### **GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS**

Faculty Development Grant (\$500), Center for Teaching Excellence, University of Central Arkansas, 2016.

Evaluation Contract (\$175,000/year), Arkansas Tobacco Settlement Commission, 2014-present.

Faculty Development Grant (\$626), Instructional Development Center, University of Central Arkansas, 2012.

Faculty Development Grant, Instructional Development Center, University of Central Arkansas, 2008.

Evaluation Contract (\$65,000), Little Rock School District, 2007-2008.

Faculty Development Grant (\$675), Instructional Development Center, University of Central Arkansas, 2006.

Graduate Fellowship, Department of Political Science, University of Houston 2000-2005.

### **UNIVERSITY SERVICE**

#### **Student Activities**

Faculty Advisor, Pi Sigma Alpha, 2007-present

Member, Public Administration Club, 2006-present

Co-coordinator, Internships, Department of Political Science, 2009-13

Committee Chair, Departmental Honors Thesis, Danielle Casey, 2015-present; Blake Brizzolara 2013-14; Hallie Templeton, 2007-08

Member, Departmental Honors Thesis, Sara Bayles, 2012; Chanley Painter, 2007

Chair, Honors College Thesis, Danielle Casey, 2015-present ; Blake Brizzolara, 2012-14; Naruhiko Tsukuda, 2011-12; Josh C. Bramlett, 2009-10; Coleton Stirman, 2008-09

Member, Honors College Thesis, Dustin Ward, 2011; Robert Bowman, 2009-10; Sara Mullally, 2008-09

Co-coordinator, *Careers in Public Service Day*, With Kim Hoffman, September 19, 2007

Co-coordinator, *Public Service Day*, With Kim Hoffman, March 21, 2007

**Committees**

Member, Service-learning Advisory Committee, University, 2013- present

Member, University Calendar Committee, University, 2015-present

Member, Sabbatical Leave Review Committee, University, 2013-2015

Member, Faculty Development Committee, University, 2010-2013

Member, Health and Wellness Committee, University, 2010-2012

Member, Admissions Committee, PhD in Leadership Studies, 2011

Member, University Search Committee for Director of Leadership Studies, 2011

Member, Sabbatical Leave Review Committee, University, 2008-2010

Member, Tenure and Promotion Committee, College of Liberal Arts, 2015-present

Member, EDucating for Global Engagement (EDGE), College of Liberal Arts, 2011-2015

Member, Grants and Fundraising Committee, College of Liberal Arts, 2007-present

Member, Departmental Curriculum Committee, 2006-present

Member, Department Search Committee for Assistant Professor, 2015; 2014; 2013; 2011; 2010

Member, Department Search Committee for Visiting Assistant Professor, 2014; 2013; 2012; 2011; 2008

**OTHER TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

April 1997 – March 2000 Full-time Lecturer, Department of English, Soka University of Japan.

April 1998 – March 2000 Lecturer, Department of English, Tokyo University of Pharmacy

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

American Political Science Association

American Society for Public Administration

Arkansas Political Science Association

Midwest Political Science Association

American Association of University Professors