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Career

- 1986-present **Claremont McKenna College, Department of Government.**
Roy P. Crocker Professor of American Politics (2005-present); professor (2001-present); associate professor (1994-2001); assistant professor (1986-1994; on leave 1989-91).
- 1989-1991 **Research Department, Republican National Committee.**
Acting director (1990-1991); deputy director (1989-1990), during leave from Claremont McKenna College. Responsible for policy statements and briefings.
- 1984-1986 **US House Republican Research Committee.**
Senior domestic policy analyst. Responsible for background papers and public statements on a variety of domestic and economic issues.
- 1983-1984 **American Political Science Association.**
Congressional Fellow. Second-half assignment: Representative Dick Cheney (WY). Prepared briefing material for House Republican Policy Committee, chaired by Rep. Cheney. First-half assignment: Senator Alfonse D'Amato (NY). Served as legislative assistant for environmental issues.
- 1978-1980 **New York State Senator John R. Dunne.**
Legislative assistant (1979-1980); Legislative Fellow (1978-1979). Conducted research on insurance regulation and public authorities; managed procedure for the State Senate Corporations Committee.

Education

Yale University. Department of Political Science.

Ph.D. (1985); M. Phil. (1981); M.A. (1978). Fields: American politics, public policy, and political psychology. Dissertation: "Hazardous Politics: Toxic Waste and American Government." Advisor: Theodore Marmor.

Union College, Schenectady, New York.

B.A. in political science (1977; co-valedictorian).

Courses Taught

Government 20	Introduction to American Politics
Government 101	United States Congress
Government 102	American Presidency
Government 104	Electoral Process
Government 106	Politics of Interest Groups
Government 115	Politics of Journalism
Government 116	Public Policy Process
Government 123	American Political Parties
Government 124	Cases in American Political Leadership
Government 191	Public Policy Since the New Deal

Current Committee and Administrative Assignments

Faculty liaison, Washington Semester Program.
 Editor, Government Department Facebook page
 National Awards Committee.
 Interim Secretary, Phi Beta Kappa, Tau of California

Scholarly Writing

Books

Read My Lips: George H.W. Bush and the 1990 Budget Agreement (Lawrence, Kansas: University Press of Kansas, 2026). Forthcoming.

The Comeback: The 2024 Elections and American Politics (New York: Bloomsbury, 2025). With Andrew E. Busch.

Divided We Stand: The 2020 Elections and American Politics (Lanham, Maryland: Rowman and Littlefield, 2021). With Andrew E. Busch.

Un-American: The Fake Patriotism of Donald J. Trump (Lanham, Maryland: Rowman and Littlefield, 2020).

After Reagan: Bush, Dukakis, and the 1988 Election (Lawrence, Kansas: University Press of Kansas, 2019).

Is Congress Broken? The Virtues and Defects of Partisanship and Gridlock (Washington: Brookings, 2017). Co-edited with William F. Connelly, Jr. and Gary J. Schmitt.

Defying the Odds: The 2016 Elections and American Politics (Lanham, Maryland: Rowman and Littlefield, 2017, with 2019 update). With James W. Ceaser and Andrew E. Busch.

The Politics of Autism: Navigating the Contested Spectrum (Lanham, Maryland: Rowman and Littlefield, 2015).

American Government: Deliberation, Democracy and Citizenship, 2d ed. (Boston: Wadsworth, 2014). With Joseph M. Bessette.

After Hope and Change: The 2012 Elections and American Politics (Lanham, Maryland: Rowman and Littlefield, 2013). With James W. Ceaser and Andrew E. Busch.

Epic Journey: The 2008 Elections and American Politics. (Lanham, Maryland: Rowman and Littlefield, 2009). With James Ceaser and Andrew Busch.

The Art of Political Warfare (Norman, Oklahoma: University of Oklahoma Press, 2000).

Congress' Permanent Minority? Republicans in the US House (Lanham, Maryland: Rowman and Littlefield, 1994). With William F. Connelly, Jr.

Book Chapters

“What is Trumpism?” in William Mayer and Andrew Busch, *The Elephant in the Room*, (Lanham, Maryland: Rowman and Littlefield, 2022).

“George W. Bush and Congress,” in Michael Nelson, Barbara Perry and Russell Riley, eds., 43: *Inside the George W. Bush Presidency* (Lawrence, Kansas: University Press of Kansas, 2022).

“Trump, Trouble, and Teaching,” in *Trumping Ethical Norms: Teachers, Preachers, Pollsters, and the Media Respond to Donald Trump*, edited by L. Sandy Maisel and Hannah E. Dineen (Routledge, 2018).

“Introduction” and “A Return to Madisonian Republicanism,” chapters in *Is Congress Broken? The Virtues and Defects of Partisanship and Gridlock*, edited by William F. Connelly, Jr., John J. Pitney, Jr., and Gary Schmitt (Washington: Brookings, 2017). With William F. Connelly, Jr.

“Obama and Washington: Fallen Hopes and Frustrated Change,” chapter in *Debating the Obama Presidency*, edited by Steven Schier (Rowman and Littlefield, 2016).

“Autism,” chapter in *Issues and Controversies in Science and Politics*, edited by Brent Steel (Washington; CQ Press, 2014).

“The Iron Law of Emulation,” chapter in *Interest Groups Unleashed*, a reader on the impact of *Citizens United*, edited by Paul Herrnson, Clyde Wilcox, and Christopher Deering (Washington: CQ Press, 2012).

“Asymmetric Warfare: Supporters and Opponents of President Obama,” chapter in *Transforming America: Barack Obama in the White House*, edited by Steven Schier. (Rowman and Littlefield, 2011).

“Organ Transplants,” in *Governing America: Major Policies and Decisions of Federal, State, And Local Government*, edited by Paul J. Quirk and William Cunio (New York: Facts on File, 2011).

“California: The Great Exception,” in *Pendulum Swing*, edited by Larry J. Sabato (New York: Longman, 2011).

“Resolved, the Senate Should Represent People, not States – Con,” in *Debating Reform*, edited by Richard J. Ellis and Michael Nelson (Washington: CQ Press, 2011).

“The Culminating Point: Democrats versus Republicans in the Bush Years,” in *Ambition and Division: Legacies of the George W. Bush Presidency*, edited by Steven E. Schier (Pittsburgh: University of Pittsburgh Press, 2009).

“Political Warfare During Wartime,” in *High Risk and Big Ambition: The Presidency of George W. Bush*, edited by Steven E. Schier (Pittsburgh: University of Pittsburgh Press, 2004) Originally presented as a paper at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, August 30, 2003.

“Nixon, California, and American Politics,” in *The California Republic: Institutions, Statesmanship and Policies*, edited by Brian P. Janiskee and Ken Masugi (Lanham, Maryland: Rowman and Littlefield, 2004). Reprint from *Nexus: A Journal of Opinion* (Chapman University School of Law) 6 (Spring 2001). Originally presented as a paper at a conference on “Democracy in California,” Salvatori Center and Claremont Institute, Claremont, California, October 27, 2000.

“Bipartisanship,” “Contempt of Congress,” “Delegation of Legislative Power,” in *The Encyclopedia of the American Presidency*, edited by Michael Genovese (New York: Facts on File, 2004).

“Intellectual Challenges Facing the Republican Party,” in *The Politics of Ideas*, 2d ed., edited by John White and John C. Green (Albany: SUNY Press, 2001).

“Clinton and the Republican Party,” in *The Postmodern Presidency: Bill Clinton's Legacy in U.S. Politics*, edited by Steven E. Schier (Pittsburgh: University of Pittsburgh Press, 2000).

“The House Republicans: Lessons for Political Science,” *New Majority or Old Minority? The Impact of Republicans on Congress* (Lanham, Maryland: Rowman and Littlefield, 1999), edited by Nicol C. Rae and Colton C. Campbell. With William F. Connelly, Jr. Originally presented as a paper at “The Impact of the New Majority: Republican Control of Congress,” Florida International University, Miami, January 31, 1998

“Fascism in *Gabriel over the White House*” and “Anti-Fascism in *Citizen Kane*,” in *Reelpolitik : Political Ideologies in 30s and 40s Films*, edited by Beverly Merrill Kelley (Westport, Connecticut: Praeger, 1998). Originally presented as papers at the annual meeting of the Speech Communication Association, San Diego, November 23, 1996.

“‘Permanent Minority’ No More: House Republicans in 1994,” in *Midterm: The Elections of 1994 in Context*, edited by Philip A. Klinkner (Boulder, Colorado: Westview Press, 1996). With William F. Connelly, Jr.

“From Ward Heelers to Public Relations Experts: The Parties’ Response to Mass Politics,” in *Broken Contract? Changing Relationships Between Citizens and Their Government in the United States*, edited by Stephen C. Craig (Boulder, Colorado: Westview Press, 1996). With Paul S. Herrnson and Kelly Patterson.

“Ideas and the President’s Party,” research note in *The Politics of Ideas*, edited by John White and John C. Green (Lanham, Maryland: Rowman and Littlefield, 1995).

“The Speaker: A Republican Perspective,” in *The Speaker: Leadership in the US House of Representatives*, edited by Ronald M. Peters, Jr. (Washington: CQ Press, 1994). With William F. Connelly, Jr.

“FHP Health Care PAC,” in *Risky Business: PAC Decisionmaking and Strategy in 1992*, edited by Robert Biersack, Paul S. Herrnson and Clyde Wilcox (Armonk, NY: M.E. Sharpe, 1994). Originally presented as a paper at the University of Maryland, April 30, 1993.

“A Congress Restored,” in *Rethinking Political Reform*, edited by Ruy Teixeira (Washington: Progressive Foundation, 1994).

“Republican Elites Under Reagan and Bush,” in *A Conservative Revolution? The Thatcher-Reagan Years in Perspective*, edited by Andrew Adonis and Timothy Hames (Manchester, UK: Manchester University Press, 1994).

“Republican Alternatives to the Great Society,” in *Politics, Professionalism and Power*, edited by John C. Green (Lanham, Maryland: University Press of America, 1994). Originally presented as a paper at the Ray C. Bliss Institute of Applied Politics, Akron, Ohio, September 13, 1991.

“Conservatism,” in *Encyclopedia of the American Presidency*, volume I, edited by Leonard W. Levy and Louis Fisher (New York: Simon and Schuster, 1994).

“Frames, Wedges, Magnets and Silver Bullets: Republican Strategies,” in *American Political Parties and Constitutional Politics*, edited by Peter W. Schramm and Bradford P. Wilson (Lanham, Maryland: Rowman and Littlefield, 1993). Originally presented as a paper at the John M. Ashbrook Center for Public Affairs, Ashland, Ohio, November 10, 1990.

“What If There Were Three Major Parties?” in *What If the American Political System Were Different?* edited by Herbert M. Levine (Armonk, New York: M.E. Sharpe, 1992).

“What If There Were No Welfare State?” in *What If the American Political System Were Different?* edited by Herbert M. Levine (Armonk, New York: M.E. Sharpe, 1992).

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“The Many Faces of Incumbency,” in *The New Federalist Papers*, edited by J. Jackson Barlow, Dennis J. Mahoney and John G. West, Jr. (Lanham, Maryland: University Press of America, 1988).

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“Class Connections: Congressional Classes and the Republicans of 1994,” *The Forum* 12 (October 2014). With Nichol C. Rae.

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Short Essays

“Thirty Years After the House GOP Takeover,” *The Public Discourse*, July 30, 2024, <https://www.thepublicdiscourse.com/2024/07/95510>.

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“War on the Floor,” *APSA Legislative Studies Section Newsletter* 24 (January 2001).

“The House GOP's Civil War: A Political Science Perspective,” *PS: Political Science and Politics* 30 (December 1997). With William F. Connelly, Jr.

“The Study of a Fickle Political Universe,” *Chronicle of Higher Education*, December 15, 1995.

“What Scholars Don't Know About Term Limits,” *Chronicle of Higher Education*, April 28, 1995.

“The Dearth of Scholarship on Republicans,” *Chronicle of Higher Education*, September 7, 1994. With William F. Connelly, Jr.

“The Mixed Blessings of Graduate School,” *PS: Political Science and Politics* 23 (September 1990).

“Bile Barrel Politics: Siting Unwanted Facilities,” *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management* 3 (Spring 1984).

Book Reviews

Verlan Lewis, *Ideas of Power: The Politics of American Party Ideology Development*, in *Party Politics* (online, October 31, 2021).

Louis Fisher, *President Obama: Constitutional Aspirations and Executive Actions*, in *Perspectives on Politics* 17 (March 2019): 256-258.

Donald T. Critchlow, *Republican Character: From Nixon to Reagan*, in *Political Science Quarterly* 133 (Winter 2018-2019): 778-780.

Jamie L. Carson and Jason M. Roberts, *Ambition, Competition, and Electoral Reform*, in *Perspectives on Politics* 13 (June 2015): 529-530.

Thomas E. Mann and Norman J. Ornstein, *It's Even Worse Than It Looks: How the American Constitutional System Collided with the New Politics of Extremism*; Robert Draper, *Do Not Ask What Good We Do: Inside the US House of Representatives*, in *The Forum* 10 (July 2012).

Seth E. Masket, *No Middle Ground: How Informal Party Organizations Control Nominations and Polarize Legislatures*, in *The Forum* 7 (2009), No. 4, Article 12, at <http://www.bepress.com/forum/vol7/iss4/art12/>

Andrew Wroe, *The Republican Party and Immigration Politics: From Proposition 187 to George W. Bush*, in *Political Science Quarterly* 124 (Summer 2009): 373-373.

Sean J. Savage, *JFK, LBJ, and the Democratic Party* in *Review of Politics* 68 (Spring 2006).

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Peter J. Wallison, *Ronald Reagan: The Power of Conviction and the Success of His Presidency*; Peter Schweizer, *Reagan's War: The Epic Story of His Forty Year Struggle and Final Triumph Over Communism*; in *Political Science Quarterly* 118 (Fall 2003).

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V. Lance Tarrance, Jr. and Walter DeVries, *Checked and Balanced: How Ticket-Splitters are Shaping the New Balance of Power in American Politics*, in *Political Science Quarterly* 114 (Fall 1999).

Mary C. Brennan, *Turning Right in the Sixties: The Conservative Capture of the GOP*, in *Political Science Quarterly* 111 (Summer 1996).

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Irene Rubin, *The Politics of Public Budgeting*; and Charles Stewart, *Budget Reform Politics*; in *American Political Science Review* 84 (December 1990).

Stanley Bach and Steven Smith, *Managing Uncertainty in the House of Representatives*, in *Corruption and Reform* 4 (1989).

Conference Papers

“Autism and Accountability,” American Political Science Association, September 11, 2020.

“A Return to Madisonian Republicanism,” at “Congress, the Constitution, and Contemporary Politics,” American Enterprise Institute, Washington, DC, October 16, 2015. With William F. Connelly, Jr. Connelly and I co-moderated the conference, which took place October 15-16.

“The Politics of Autism American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, August 30, 2014.

“Autism Politics: A Research Agenda,” Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 22-25, 2010.

“Political Science and the Art of Political Warfare,” American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, August 29, 1997.

“Understanding Newt Gingrich,” American Political Science Association, San Francisco, August 29, 1996.

“Republican Policymaking After Bush,” Western Political Science Association, Albuquerque, March 12, 1994.

“House Republican Responses to Permanent Minority Status,” Southern Political Science Association, Atlanta, November 7, 1992. With William F. Connelly, Jr.

“Republican Factionalism in the House of Representatives,” American Political Science Association, Chicago, September 5, 1992. With William F. Connelly, Jr.

“The House Republicans' Electoral Base,” Western Political Science Association, San Francisco, March 19, 1992.

“Madison v. Clausewitz: Structural Barriers to the Nationalization of House Elections,” Western Political Science Association, Seattle, March 22, 1991.

“Republican Party Leadership in the US House,” American Political Science Association, San Francisco, September 1, 1990.

“Comparing the National Party Platforms of 1960 and 1988,” Western Political Science

Association, Salt Lake City, March 31, 1989.

“The War on the Floor: Partisan Conflict in the US House of Representatives,” American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, September 1, 1988.

“The Conservative Opportunity Society,” Western Political Science Association, San Francisco, March 12, 1988.

Articles in Newspapers, Magazines, and Websites

“*Violencia política en Estados Unidos*,” *La Tercera* (Chile), September 20, 2025.

“Bashing the Bloodlines of Migrants,” Bay Area News Group, August 25, 2025.

“*Unos ataques de poco impacto en Estados Unidos*,” *La Tercera* (Chile), June 28, 2025.

“*Los aranceles de Trump: El final Feliz*,” *La Tercera* (Chile), April 12, 2025.

“*Los desafíos de Trump*,” *La Tercera* (Chile), January 18, 2025.

“I’m a ‘Never Trump’ Conservative Who Voted Third-Party In 2016. Here’s Why I Won’t Make That Mistake This Time,” *Los Angeles Times*, October 1, 2024.

“Project 2025’s Hidden Threat to Students with Disabilities,” Medium, September 14, 2024.

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“Trump and Vaccine Hesitancy,” Medium, January 3, 2022.

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“Trump Saying Biden Would ‘Hurt the Bible’ and ‘Hurt God’ is the Height of Hypocrisy,” *The Bulwark*, August 7, 2020.

“A Wistful 30th ADA Anniversary with Trump, Who Doesn’t Care about People with Disabilities,” *USA Today*, July 24, 2020.

“Trump’s Mt. Rushmore Patriotpalooza,” *The Bulwark*, July 3, 2020.

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Lectures, Panels, and Roundtables

- Chair, panel on Trump presidencies, annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Vancouver BC, September 11, 2025.
 Chair, panel on unilateral executive action, annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, September 7, 2024.
 Chair, panel on far-right parties, annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Los Angeles, August 31, 2023.
 Discussant, panel on Primo and Milyo's Campaign Finance and American Democracy, annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Los Angeles, August 31, 2023.
 Chair, panel on the presidency and parties, annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Montreal, September 17, 2022.
 Discussant and acting chair, panel on the presidency and electoral connections, American Political Science Association, Seattle, October 2, 2021.
 Chair, panel on parties and changing organizations, American Political Science Association, Seattle, October 1, 2021.
 Discussant, online panel on Teles and Saldin, *Never Trump*, American Political Science Association, September 12, 2020.
 Chair, panel on active learning, American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, August 30, 2019.
 Chair, panel on White House and congressional politics, American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, August 29, 2019.
 Panelist, roundtable on polarization and governance, Travers Conference On Ethics and Accountability In Government, University of California at Berkeley, April 12, 2019.
 Chair, panel on the evolving context of political engagement, American Political Science Association, Boston, August 30, 2018.
 Panelist, roundtable on unified government, American Political Science Association, San Francisco, August 31, 2017.
 Lecture on the politics of autism, Autism Law Summit, Albuquerque, October 8, 2016.
 Discussant, panel on political angles of the presidency, American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, September 2, 2016.
 Panelist, roundtable on Progressivism and Congress, Bradley Foundation conference on Progressivism, Philadelphia, May 21, 2015.

Instructor, Seminar on Congress, the Constitution, and Contemporary Politics, Robert H. Smith

Center for the Constitution at James Madison's Montpelier, April 10-12, 2015.

Chair, panel on presidential persuasion, pork barrel and public opinion, American Political Science Association, Chicago, August 31, 2014.

Panelist, roundtable religious and secular institutions, Christians in Political Science, American Political Science Association, Chicago, August 29, 2014.

Panelist, roundtable on post-2012 conservatism, American Political Science Association, Chicago, August 31, 2013.

Chair, panel on 2012 election, American Political Science Association, Chicago, August 29, 2013.

Panelist, roundtable on prospects for the 2012 election, American Political Science Association, Seattle, September 3, 2011.

Chair, panel on autism politics and policy, American Political Science Association, Seattle, September 1, 2011.

Lecture on classroom technology, Long Beach City College, March 16, 2011.

Panelist, roundtable on President Obama, University of California, Berkeley, March 14, 2011.

Panelist, roundtable on midterm election, annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, September 3, 2010.

Discussant, panel on classroom simulations, annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, September 2, 2010.

Panelist, roundtable on conservatism, Asian American Journalists Association, Los Angeles, August 6, 2010.

Lecture on classroom technology, annual conference of the Texas Community College Teachers Association, Houston, March 5, 2010.

Discussant, panel on William F. Buckley, Jr., annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Toronto, September 6, 2009.

Lecture on classroom technology, Cengage Learning presentation, annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Toronto, September 3, 2009.

Discussant, panel on parties and presidents, annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, August 30, 2008.

Chair, panel on representation and political elites, annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, August 31, 2007.

Discussant, panel on 2008 election, annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, August 31, 2007.

Discussant, panel on Bush legacy, annual meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Las Vegas, March 9, 2007.

Discussant, panel on crisis and the presidency, annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, September 1, 2006.

Discussant, panel on 2006 elections, annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, September 1, 2006.

Panelist, with Newt Gingrich, "Revisiting the Republican Revolution: 10 Years of Republican Rule," Furman University, October 12.

Chair and discussant, panel on partisan brand names, American Political Science Association,

- Washington, DC September 3, 2005.
- Panelist, conference on the polarization of American politics, Woodrow Wilson School at Princeton University, December 4, 2004.
- Chair, panel on theory and practice of presidential elections, American Political Science Association, Chicago, September 4, 2004.
- Chair, panel on congressional committee research, American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, August 30, 2003.
- Chair and discussant, panel on Congress and ideology, American Political Science Association, Boston, August 31, 2002.
- Discussant, panel on term limits, American Political Science Association, San Francisco, September 2, 2001.
- Discussant, panel on race, ethnicity and diversity in the 2000 elections, Western Political Science Association, Las Vegas, Nevada, March 16, 2001.
- Chair and discussant, panel on the pedagogy of citizenship, American Political Science Association, Washington, DC September 2, 2000.
- Chair, panel on the Christian right, annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, September 2, 2000.
- Lecture tour in Japan: lecture on American political parties (Doshisha University, Kyoto), May 26, 2000; symposium on presidential election (Doshisha University, Kyoto), May 27, 2000; lecture on presidential election (sponsored by US consulate in Sapporo), May 30, 2000; panel on presidential election (sponsored by US consulate in Osaka), May 31, 2000.
- Lecturer on legislative-executive relations, Heritage Foundation, Washington, DC, April 7, 2000.
- Discussant, panel on partisan realignment and regionalism, Western Political Science Association," San Jose, March 25, 2000.
- Chair, panel on incumbency effect in congressional elections, American Political Science Association, Atlanta, September 5, 1999.
- Discussant, panel on opposition and minor parties, American Political Science Association, Atlanta, September 4, 1999.
- Chair and discussant, panel on political leadership and the media, Western Political Science Association, Seattle, March 25, 1999.
- Panelist, colloquium on political movies, California Lutheran University, Thousand Oaks, California, March 15, 1999.
- Lecturer, C-SPAN seminar for professors, Washington, DC, January 7-8, 1999.
- Discussant, panel on party change, American Political Science Association, Boston, September 4, 1998.
- Discussant, panel on campaign finance, Western Political Science Association, Los Angeles, March 20, 1998.
- Chair, panel on parties and social cleavages, Western Political Science Association, Los Angeles, March 19, 1998.
- Panelist, roundtable on the 105th Congress and 1998 elections, Center for Economic and Policy Education, St. Vincent College, Latrobe, Pennsylvania, March 4, 1998.
- Chair, roundtable on campaign finance reform, American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, August 30, 1997.

Chair, panel on Congress and Presidency in the 1990s, Western Political Science Association, Tucson, Arizona, March 14, 1997.

Lecturer, C-SPAN seminar for professors, Washington, DC, January 6-7, 1997.

Panelist, roundtable on the 1996 election, Pacific Research Institute, San Francisco, October 17, 1996.

Panelist, colloquium on the 1996 election, University of California at Irvine, October 11, 1996.

Chair, roundtable on future of the Republican Party, American Political Science Association, San Francisco, August 30, 1996.

Lecturer, C-SPAN advanced workshop for professors (Tocqueville program), Washington, DC, July 31-August 2, 1996.

Panelist, roundtable on Republican Congress, Western Political Science Association, San Francisco, March 15, 1996.

Chair and discussant, panel on party activists and ideology, Western Political Science Association, San Francisco, March 14, 1996.

Panelist, roundtable on 104th Congress, Southern Political Science Association, Tampa, November 4, 1995.

Chair, panel on 1996 election, American Political Science Association, Chicago, September 2, 1995.

Discussant, panel on congressional legislation, Western Political Science Association, Portland, Oregon, March 17, 1995.

Panelist, roundtable on 1994 elections and Congress, Western Political Science Association, Portland, Oregon, March 17, 1995.

Chair, panel on Republican Party in California, California Studies Conference, Sacramento, February 2, 1995.

Speaker, Oklahoma City University Mid-Year Institute, January 5, 1995.

Participant, C-SPAN Advanced Workshop for Professors, Washington, DC, June 13-14, 1994.

Coauthored educational materials for reenactment of Lincoln-Douglas debates.

Chair, panel discussion of the "New Paradigm," American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, September 4, 1993.

Participant, C-SPAN Seminar for Professors, Washington, DC, August 2-3, 1993.

Panelist, discussion of policy internships, Western Political Science Association, Pasadena, March 18, 1993.

Panelist, discussion on teaching presidential elections, American Political Science Association, Chicago, September 4, 1992.

Chair, panel discussion of budget politics, American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, August 31, 1991.

Panelist, discussion on party organizations, Political Parties and Organizations Workshop, American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, August 28, 1991.

Chair, panel discussion of congressional realignment, American Political Science Association, San Francisco, August 31, 1990.

Lecturer, Brookings Institution Conference for Federal Executives, Williamsburg, Virginia, April 23, 1990.

Panelist, discussion of political scientists in presidential campaigns, American Political Science Association, Atlanta, September 1, 1989.

Participant, Sloan Foundation workshop on elections and social choice theory, Union College, Schenectady, New York, July 31-August 5, 1988.

Chair, panel discussion of national party platforms, American Political Science Association, Chicago, September 1987.

Manuscript or Proposal Referee

Book Publishers

Bloomsbury/Rowman and Littlefield: November 2025, August 2025, September 2020, July 2016, May 2012, September 2001, July 1995.

Cambridge University Press, April 2021.

Columbia University Press, November 2018.

Johns Hopkins University Press, October 2005.

Longman/Addison Wesley Longman: November 2007, April 1998, January 1997.

McGraw-Hill: January 2007, October 2000.

M.E. Sharpe: November 1994.

New York University Press, November 2015.

Oxford University Press: May 2021, June 2017, October 2010, February 2003.

Palgrave Macmillan, June 2015, August 2014.

Prentice Hall: June 2003, September 2002, June 2001.

Routledge, December 2023, October 2023, March 2018.

Sage/CQ Press, June 2017, May 2017, October 2015.

St. Martin's Press: January 1997, November 1992.

Texas A&M University Press: October 2001.

University of British Columbia Press, April 2018.

University of Michigan Press: September 2024, May 2005.

University of Oklahoma Press: November 2005, April 2001, April 1998, December 1994.

University Press of Florida: May 1999

University Press of Kansas, December 2023, January 2022, July 2020, June 2020, November 2018, May 2018

Westview Press, August 2016, June 2012, March 2008.

Journals

British Journal of Political Science, October 2022.

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American Politics Research: August 2013, March 2010, February 2009, December 2007, March 2006, July 2005, November 2003.

Journal of Politics, April 2008.

California Politics and Policy (Pat Brown Institute): June 2003, May 2002 and May 2001.

Polity: August 2003, September 2002, July 2001, August 2000, January 2000, August 1999, May 1999, February 1999, October 1998, July 1998, January 1998, May 1997, November 1995, August 1994.

Congress and the Presidency: September 2021, July 2013, August 2011, May 2005, May 2004, May 2002, July 2000, November 1999, January 1998, September 1996, October 1993.

Legislative Studies Quarterly: July 2000, March 2000.

Southeastern Political Review: January 2000, August 1999, October 1996.

American Journal of Political Science: February 1999

PS: Political Science and Politics: August 2000, September 1998, April 1998.

Political Science Quarterly: October 2023, June 2011, November 2009, December 2006, July 2000, March 2000, August 1997.

Western Political Quarterly: October 1992.

Presidential Studies Quarterly: April 1998, March 1997.

Professional Affiliations

American Political Science Association.

Grants and Awards

The Presidential Award, Claremont McKenna College, 2013.

Named one of 300 best professors in the United States, *Princeton Review*, April 3, 2012.

Glenn R. Huntoon Award for Superior Teaching, 1995, 2000, 2004.

Convocation speaker, Claremont McKenna College, 1992 and 2002.

Honorary life membership, Claremont McKenna College Alumni Association, May 18, 2001.

Excellence in Education Award, Saratoga Central Catholic High School, June 13, 2000.

Commencement speaker, Saratoga Central Catholic High School, June 10, 2000.

Claremont McKenna College grant for research on Republican intellectual history, 1995.

Gould Humanities Center, summer grant for research on the "New Paradigm," 1992.

Richard M. Shure Award for excellence in teaching, Claremont McKenna College, 1988.

Gould Humanities Study Center, summer grant for research on party platforms, 1988.

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