

Curriculum vita

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Education

B.A. 1999, Virginia Commonwealth University, Magna Cum Laude, Political Science, minor in International Studies

M.A. 2002, University of Virginia, Government and Foreign Affairs
Thesis: Nationalism and the Causality of Critical Juncture Theory: US Foreign Policy in Vietnam, 1944-1945

Ph.D. program, University of Virginia, 1999-2005, Department of Politics, International Relations (degree not completed)

Professional Positions

Virginia Commonwealth University, 2002-present
Collateral Faculty: Teaching Instructor, Political Science

Virginia Commonwealth University, August 2007-August 2013
Assistant Director for Student Engagement, L. Douglas Wilder School of Government and Public Affairs

Virginia Commonwealth University, 2006-August 2013
Director of Undergraduate Honors Program, L. Douglas Wilder School of Government and Public Affairs

Henrico County, Virginia, Mills Godwin High School--Teacher
Honors American and Virginia History--Summer 2002

Virginia Commonwealth University
Office of New Student Programs – Adjunct Instructor
VCU 101: Introduction to the University- *Fall 2001*

University of Virginia, Department of Government and Foreign Affairs 2000-2002
Graduate Teaching Assistant
GFIR 101: Introduction to International Relations
GFIR 311: International Law
GFIR 321: International Organizations and Institutions

Research Assistant, University of Virginia Department of Government and Foreign Affairs, 1999-2002. Worked on several research projects for professors in the department. Duties included primary research, document searches, interviewing, copyediting, and administrative tasks for Professors' Joshua Dienstag, Gerard Alexander, Kenneth Thompson, and David Waldner.

Research Associate, Performance Management Group, George Mason University, 1998-1999.
Conducted data collection, entry, and analysis for project using academic departments to help implement strategic planning for Virginia Department of General Services

Honors/Awards (date, awarding organization/agency, purpose of honor or award)

Golden Key Honor Society 1997

Outstanding Student in Political Science, VCU/CHS 1997-1998, 1998-1999

Outstanding Student in International Studies VCU/CHS 1997-1998, 1998-1999

Phi Kappa Phi Honor Fraternity 1998

Pi Sigma Alpha, APSR Award Recipient, Department of Political Science and Public Administration, Virginia Commonwealth University, 1998.

Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges 1998, 1999

President's Doctoral Fellowship, University of Virginia 1999-2002

University of Virginia College of Arts and Sciences Doctoral Fellowship, 1999-2002

Woodrow Wilson Department of Government and Foreign Affairs Graduate Fellowship, University of Virginia, 1999-2002

Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant Fellowship, 2000-2002

Who's Who in The United States of America, 2008, 2010

VCU Athletic Department, Outstanding Teaching Award, 2009

John Borgard Award, VCU, 2009

Research Presentations:

"Conflicts in the International System: The Role of Natural Resources." Presented at the Virginia Commonwealth University International Studies Student Research Conference, April 1997.

"UN Peacekeeping in Cambodia: Was UNTAC a Success?" Presented at the Virginia Commonwealth University International Studies Student Research Conference, April 1998.

"Models of Foreign Policy Decision-Making: The Nixon-Kissinger Decision to Invade Cambodia." Presented at the Virginia Commonwealth University International Studies Student Research Conference, April 1998.

"A Multicausal Analysis of the US Military Intervention in Vietnam: A Jollian Application of Causality." Presented at the Virginia Commonwealth University International Studies Student Research Conference, Causes of War Roundtable, April 1999.

"International Consensus and Domestic Consent: Critical Junctures and the UN Intervention in Cambodia." Presented as part of the Intervention Forum at the Miller Center for Public and International Affairs, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Virginia, July 2000.

“Can International Relations Theory Explain Non-State Security Threats?”
Old Dominion University International Studies Graduate Research Conference, February 2002.

“State Sovereignty in the Twenty First Century” Invited talk for the VCU Multicultural Studies Program, November, 2003

“Cambodia: From Pol Pot to WTO” Invited talk to VCU Honors program; Debate on International Politics, November 2004

“The Electoral College: Is it Still Valuable?” Henrico County Public Schools (October 2004)

“International Law and The International Criminal Court” Gayton Public Library, Henrico County, Feb. 2005

“Genocide and State Interest: Cambodia and Rwanda” World Issues Roundtable Lecture, VCU, March 2005

“U.S. Foreign Policy” Henrico County Public Schools: (October 2005)

“Foreign Policy, Decision-making, and State Interest” Governor’s School, Commonwealth of VA, University of Richmond, Summer 2005

The Prospects for Peacekeeping in the Darfur, Sudan VCU World Issues Roundtable, Fall 2005

College of Humanities and Sciences, Moderator for Student Debate on War in Iraq, April 2006

College of Humanities and Sciences, Moderator for Student Debate on Voting, March, 2008

College of Humanities and Sciences, Moderator for Student Debate, April 2008

VCU Honors College: The Kurdish “Problem” and PKK in Turkey and Iraq: An Implication of US Foreign Policy? October 2008

Berglund Honors Lecture, VCU Honors College: “U.S. Foreign Policy: The Whole in American Democracy” November, 2009

VCU-University of Richmond Roundtable Discussion: Current States of Human Rights: Cambodia’s Rise to Normal Violator, October 2012

VCU Department of Political Science: Perspectives on the 2012 US Presidential Election: Forecasting the Impact of Obama’s Foreign Policy on World Affairs, November 2012

Berglund Honors Lecture, VCU Honors College: “Cambodia: The Charisma of Norodom Sihannouk, Pol Pot, and Hun Sen” November 2013

Professional Conference Presentations

“Socialization and the Critical Role of World Affairs Education in 21st Century American Democracy” April 2007 Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, ILL

“Keeping Democracy Strong: Education as the Key to Democracy and Security”
June 2007, 2nd Annual TNP International Conference on Democracy and Security, Istanbul, Turkey

“Teaching International Relations: Beyond the Core Course” December 2007, Virginia Political Science Association, Richmond, Virginia

“International Relations in the Secondary Curriculum: A Necessary Expansion in the Post-9/11 United States” March 2008: International Studies Association Annual Conference, San Francisco, California

“The Writing on the Wall: Maintaining the Intellectual and Policy Integrity of Political Science in the Broader School Format” April 2008: Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, ILL.

“Identity and Power in the War on Terrorism: PKK, Turkey, and US Foreign Policy” April 2008 Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, ILL

“Perception and Misperception in International Relations: Russian-US Perceptions in Politics and Society from The Cold War to the Present” May 21, 2008 St. Petersburg State University’s 17 Annual US-Russian Relations Forum, St. Petersburg, Russia

“Teaching International Relations: Strengthening American Democracy” February 2, 2009. American Political Science Association, Teaching and Learning Conference, Baltimore, MD

“Realism and Identity in the Global War on Terror: The US, Turkey, and the PKK in Iraq” April 2, 2009 Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, IL

“Teaching Political Science and International Relations in the Public Affairs Model” (w/John A. Aughenbaugh, April 4, 2009 Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, IL

“Some Observations on Teaching Political Science in the Public Affairs Model” (w/Deborah M. Brock, John A. Aughenbaugh, and William Newmann, April 22, 2010 Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, IL

“Teaching Research Design to Advanced Undergraduate Political Science Students: Implications for Question Based Assignments” April 24, 2010 Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, IL

Panel Chair: Teaching Political Science, April 22, 2010 Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, IL

“Managing Large Classes Against Teaching Objectives in the Sub-Fields of Political Science” April, 2011, Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, IL

Panel Chair: “Film as Instruction: International Relations and The Movies” April 2012, Midwest Political Science Association Conference, Chicago, IL

“Small Farms and Political Attitudes: The Political Strange Bedfellows of Agricultural Policy” April, 2013 Virginia State Social Science Association Annual Conference

Publications

Winter 2007

Book review: Martin Gill, “The Handbook of Security” *Security Journal*

The Handbook of Security

Martin Gill (ed.)

New York, NY, Palgrave Macmillan, 2006

ISBN: 0230006809

Security Journal (2008) **21**, 134 – 136. doi: 10.1057/palgrave.sj.8350077

Summer 2008

Book review: Thomas Weiss, “Humanitarian Intervention”

New York, NY, Polity Press, 2007

Genocide Studies and Prevention: An International Journal, (3:1, Spring 2008)

Courses taught

POLI 103, Introduction to US Government

POLI/INTL 105, Introduction to International Relations

POLI 310 Public Policy

POLI/INTL 352, European Government and Politics

POLI/INTL 358, Concepts of Comparative Politics

POLI/INTL 361, Issues in World Politics

POLI/INTL 362, International Organizations and Institutions

POLI/INTL/HONR 365, International Political Economy (writing intensive)

POLI/INTL 452, Seminar in Politics of Developing Areas

POLI 490, Senior Seminar in Political Science (writing intensive)

GVPA 490, Wilder Honors Seminar (writing intensive)

New courses taught

POLI 361 is a topics course that changes each semester

POLI 105 Honors Variant, Fall 2007

HONORS MODULE, “Cambodia From Genocide to World Trade Organization” Fall 2008

Service

UNIVERSITY

VCU Faculty Senate: 2004-2005

VCU Undergraduate Honor Council, 2004-present

VCU UHC revision committee, 2005-2006

VCU: Hiring Committee, University Honor and Academic Integrity Officer, 2007-2008

VCU Hiring Committee, University Director of Online Education, Fall 2012

VCU: Undergraduate Honor Council Executive Board, 2009-present

Faculty Learning Community: Teaching Large Classes (I presented and wrote the chapter on Academic Integrity and Cheating in Large Classes for the FLC/TLC Manual

VCU Selection Committee for the VCU collective book: selected a single book for the entire university community, 2005-2006, 2006-2007, 2007-2008, 2008-2009, 2009-2010, 2010-2011, 2011-2012

Reported to the University Undergraduate Curriculum Committee for Wilder School, April, 2006

University Task Force, Office of the Provost: Teaching Research Methods

VCU General Education Revision Committee, Grant approved for 2007-2009

VCU Undergraduate Research Opportunities Committee, 2010-present

Center For Teaching Excellence: Faculty Learning Community—Blended Learning and Teaching, 2012-2013

VCU Quality Enhancement Planning (QEP) Committee Member, March 2013-January 2014

Committee Co-Chair: VCU QEP General Education and Core Curriculum Committee, April 2013-November 2013

COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND SCIENCES

Grade appeal Fall 2004

Grade appeal, Spring 2006

Grade appeals Spring 2007

Grade appeal Fall 2007

Grade appeal chair 2010

Grade appeal Fall 2011

DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

Wilder School Faculty Evaluation Committee, 2006-2007, 2007-2008, 2009-2010, 2010-2011

Wilder School Faculty Council, 2004-2007 (Secretary)

Wilder School Faculty Council, Non-tenure 2007-2008, 2012-2013

Wilder School Awards Committee member (appointed)

Wilder School Honors and Research Program Committee

Wilder School Election chair

Wilder School Representative, Political Science Representative, VCU Open House, Fall 2007

Wilder School Representative, Political Science Representative, VCU Open House, Spring 2008

Political Science Representative, VCU Open House, Fall 2007, Fall 2008

Department of Political Science, Student Engagement Program (former Director for Student Engagement, L. Douglas Wilder School of Government and Public Affairs) 2007-present

Graduate Program Admissions Committee: Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness, (appointed) 2008-2011

Interim Co-Director of Student Advising, December 2013-May 2014
Search Committee: Political Science and Sociology Advising Faculty Spring 2014
APSA, Pi Sigma Alpha, VCU Chapter, National Honor Society in Political Science, Xi Pi Chapter
Advisor (current)

STUDENT SERVICE

Faculty advisor: World Issues Roundtable (WIRT) 2004-2006
Facilitated lecture series, contacted scholars, government officials, etc.
WIRT published a student research journal fall, 2005 (copy included), which I directed

Faculty advisor: VCU Model UN (current)
Model UN Hosted a conference, Spring 2006, and won awards at a national conference, Fall 2006

Faculty Advisor, Americans For Informed Democracy (current)

Pi Sigma Alpha, VCU Chapter, National Honor Society in Political Science, Xi Pi Chapter Advisor

Director, Political Science Student Research Conference, 2007-present

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:

International Studies Association

- Peace studies section
- Human rights section

American Political Science Association

- Teaching and Learning Section
- International Relations Section

Midwest Political Science Association

Virginia Social Science Association

(Information Current as of January, 2014)