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Professional profile

Teaching: Environmental governance and policy, inter-disciplinary seminars in environmental science, institutional analysis, research methods, American political institutions, policy analysis

Advising: First-year and sophomore student advising, capstone research project advising for undergraduates and master's degree candidates, departmental advising in political science, program advising for the master's degree in public policy

Research: Political theory and policy analysis, policy implementation, voter turnout, markets for ecosystem services

Fields of study: Public law and policy, American political institutions, and environmental law and policy

Business practice: Program manager, consultant, and investor in land and resource conservation

Education

Indiana University

Doctor of Philosophy in Political Science

Bloomington IN

January, 2000

Harvard University

Master of Public Administration

Cambridge MA

June, 1990

Yale University

Bachelor of Arts in Economics

New Haven CT

May, 1978

Teaching and advising

Director of Undergraduate Studies for the Environmental Studies Major

Lecturer in Political Science, Ethics, Politics, and Economics, and Biospheric Studies

Yale University, Department of Political Science

New Haven, Connecticut

Lecturer 2007-present, appointed DUS for EVST in 2018

Courses taught at Yale University

EPE 390/EVST 212/PLSC 212—Democracy and Sustainability, 2007-present

EPE 248/PLSC 256—American Political Institutions, 2007-present

Advising at Yale

Berkeley College First-Year and Sophomore Adviser (recipient of the 2017 Berkeley College

Mentoring Award)

Department of Political Science, senior essay adviser (average of three to four advisees per year), general departmental advising (on request)

Environmental Studies Major, senior thesis adviser, 2016, 2017, DUS, 2018-19

Fulbright Program Adviser, 2017

Marshall/Mitchell/Rhodes Scholarship Advising, primary academic reference for one Rhodes winner (2012) and two finalists (2011, 2014)

Visiting Assistant Professor

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Trinity College, Public Policy Graduate Program
Hartford, Connecticut, 2000-present

Courses taught at Trinity College

ES 401—Advanced Seminar in Environmental Science (co-taught with science faculty), 2006-2011
PBPL 806—Methods of Research, Fall 2018
PBPL 828—Theory of Democratic Institutions, 2000-2014
PBPL 828—Institutions and Public Policy, Spring 2018
PBPL 846—Policy Analysis, 2008-present
POLS 241—Empirical Political Methods and Data Analysis, 2006-2012
POLS 357—Politics of U.S. Environmental Policy, 2000

Advising at Trinity

Public Policy Graduate Program, program academic advising, 2012-present
Public Policy Graduate Program, capstone research project advising, 2000-present

Selected papers, publications, and lectures

1997. "The Regulation of Coal Surface Mining: an Exploration of Sabatier's 'Acceptability Space' and the Emergent Properties of Policy Implementation." Paper prepared for presentation at the 69th Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Norfolk, Virginia, November 6-8, 1997.

1998. "Group Activity and the Variation of State Efforts to Implement the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977." Paper prepared for presentation at the 1998 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, Massachusetts, September 3-6, 1998.

2000. *Organized Interests and the Implementation of Environmental Policy*, Doctoral dissertation, submitted to the faculty of the University Graduate School at Indiana University, January 2000.

Fall 2000. "Shared Beliefs, Group Interests, and the Coordination of Advocacy Coalitions," *Policy Currents*, 10(3):6-8.

with Mark Franklin, September 30, 2002. "Naïve Political Science and the Paradox of Voting." Revision of a paper prepared for presentation at the annual meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois, April 25-28, 2002.

contributor to Mark N. Franklin, 2004. *Voter Turnout in Established Democracies since 1945*. New York: Cambridge University Press.

with Bradford S. Gentry, Shimon C. Anisfeld, and Quint Newcomer (Guest editors), 2007. *Journal of Sustainable Forestry*, Volume 25 (1/2) (3/4) entitled *Emerging Markets for Ecosystem Services: A Case Study of the Panama Canal Watershed*. Binghamton NY: Haworth Press.

with A. Hovani, 2007. "Policy Alternatives to Increase the Demand for Forest-based Carbon Sequestration" in *Emerging Markets for Ecosystem Services: A Case Study of the Panama Canal Watershed*. B. Gentry et al. (eds.).

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with Q. Newcomer and F. Chou, 2007. "Assessment of Existing Demand for Watershed Services in the Panama Canal Watershed" in *Emerging Markets for Ecosystem Services: A Case Study of the Panama Canal Watershed*. B. Gentry et al. (eds.).

with Q. Newcomer and R. Kuppalli, 2007. "Policy Alternatives to Improve Demand for Water-Related Ecosystem Services in the Panama Canal Watershed" in *Emerging Markets for Ecosystem Services: A Case Study of the Panama Canal Watershed*. B. Gentry et al. (eds.).

2012. "Operational Polycentricity: Sustainable Governance and Governance for Sustainability." Lecture delivered October 25, 2012 at the University of Maine, Orono ME, sponsored by Maine's Sustainability Solutions Initiative & School of Marine Sciences.

2013. "Remarks Introducing Vincent Ostrom's Revolutionary Science of Association." Prepared for presentation to the Yale Center for the Study of Representative Institutions, February 19, 2013.

2013. "Vincent Ostrom's Revolutionary Science of Association." Working paper presented at The Vincent and Elinor Ostrom Workshop in Political Theory and Policy Analysis on April 22, 2013 as part of the Colloquium Series Spring 2013, Indiana University Bloomington.

2013. Panel moderator, "The New Climate Architecture," *Rio+20 to 2015: a New Architecture for a Sustainable New World*, conference sponsored by the Natural Resources Defense Council, hosted by the Yale School of Forestry & Environmental Studies, November 1-2, 2013.

2014. "Counter-Intentional Policy Outcomes: Workshop analytics and the diagnosis of 'foreseeable but unanticipated consequences,'" Working paper prepared for presentation at the F. A. Hayek Program for Advanced Study in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics of the Mercatus Center at George Mason University, March 24, 2014.

2015. "Vincent Ostrom's Revolutionary Science of Association," *Public Choice: the Journal of the Public Choice Society*. 50th Anniversary Symposium. 163(1-2):67-83.

2016. "Obvious Political Facts that Are Wrong," Remarks prepared for the Conservative Party at Yale, Yale University, January 29, 2016.

2016. Panel moderator, "Collaborative Leadership in a Multi-Polar World," sponsored by the United States Army War College, Carlisle Scholars Program, hosted by the Jackson Institute for Global Studies, Yale University, December 6, 2016.

2017. "Public Goods and the Diagnosis of Counterintentional Policy Outcomes." In Filippo Sabetti and Dario Castiglione (Eds.), *Institutional Diversity in Self-Governing Societies: The Bloomington School and Beyond*, (pp. 213-38). Lanham MD: Lexington Books.

"Reconstruct, Don't Deconstruct the Administrative State," (*working paper*, July 2017)

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“Electoral College or Direct Election: Structural Incentives in U.S. Presidential Coalitions,”
(*working paper*, September 2017)

“Civil Society and Civil Rights: Lessons from Tocqueville and Martin Luther King,” Remarks
prepared for presentation at *Human Rights in the Current Shifting Landscape*, a program of The
Academy of Lifelong Learning at Trinity College, October 28, 2017

Other work experience

Director of Protection, The Nature Conservancy Connecticut Chapter
Middletown, Connecticut, 2000-2004

Associate Instructor, Indiana University, Department of Political Science
Bloomington, Indiana, 1994-1996

Acting State Director, The Nature Conservancy
Charleston, West Virginia, 1994

Small business owner and consultant
Charleston, West Virginia, 1990-1994

State of West Virginia, Charleston, West Virginia, 1985-1989
Director, West Virginia Public Energy Authority, 1986-1989
Deputy Director, West Virginia Department of Natural Resources, 1985-1986
Staff Assistant, Governor Arch A. Moore, Jr., 1984-85

Energy sales and marketing, 1978-84

Affiliations, community service, other credentials

2001-present, preserve volunteer, Burnham Brook Preserve, The Nature Conservancy
2003-8, Guest Lecturer, Yale School of Forestry and Environmental Studies
2005-present, Board of Directors, Connecticut Farmland Trust (Vice-President 2008-11, President
2012 to 2016)
2007, Grassland Habitat Conservation Initiative Technical Working Group, Connecticut
Department of Environmental Protection
2007-present, Associate Fellow, Berkeley College, Yale University
2008-11, Connecticut Fuel Oil Conservation Board (Governor’s appointee)
2012-present, Board of Directors and Faculty Volunteer, Warrior-Scholar Project
2012-2014, Graduate Studies Council, Trinity College
2014, Subject matter expert, United States Department of the Army, Ft. Polk, Louisiana
2014-present, Faculty Advisory Committee, Energy Studies Special Academic Program, Yale
College
2017, Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI Program), Social and Behavioral
Research-Basic, (course completed on January 3, 2017, certification expires January 3, 2021)