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## EDUCATION

**Ph.D. in Political Science. University of Georgia. August 2006.**

Exam Fields: *American Government, Public Policy*

Dissertation: "National and State Dimensions of Policy Change: The Reagan Revolution Reexamined"

**M.P.P. Georgetown University, McCourt School of Public Policy. May 2002.**

Policy Concentration: *Education, Social Welfare, and Family Policy*

Thesis: "Who are the people in your neighborhood? Measuring the effects of relative affluence on youth educational attainment"

**B.A. Birmingham-Southern College. May 1999.**

Major: *Political Science*; Minor: *History*

Cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa

## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2017 - present Coastal Carolina University, Professor

2011 – 2017 Coastal Carolina University, Associate Professor

2006 – 2011 Coastal Carolina University, Assistant Professor (tenured and promoted 8/2011)

## ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS

**Founding Dean, Spadoni College of Education and Social Sciences  
Coastal Carolina University**

**July 2021 - present**

Lead and manage a college of six departments housing nine undergraduate degree programs, five masters-degree programs, and one Ph.D. program. Collaborate with 76 full-time faculty, 30 adjunct faculty, and 14 staff members to provide transformative education for approximately 1200 undergraduate students and 250 graduate students.

Create new policies and procedures for the new college, from promotion and tenure policies to student grievance procedures. Establish faculty governance structure and create new communication and feedback venues. Consult with faculty to create environment that fosters excellence in research and teaching activity.

Lead college faculty, staff, and students in identifying college values, mission, and vision and creating college strategic plan.

Evaluate college's strategic position with respect to enrollment, recruitment, and retention. Work with administrative team and faculty to develop new programs and revise existing programs to meet student demand and reflect disciplinary innovation and best practices.

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Manage college finances, including an operating and personnel budget over \$5 million, endowments totaling \$1.9 million, and program accounts totaling \$1.8 million. Develop budget strategy and prepare requests for Provost and CFO. Work with Coastal Educational Foundation to update and better utilize existing gift agreements and donor funds.

Collaborate with Office of Advancement and Alumni Engagement to build relationships with alumni, donors, and community partners and solicit funds for college endowments and scholarships. Work with college Board of Visitors to champion college mission and vision in the broader community.

**Associate Provost for Strategic Initiatives and Faculty Development  
Coastal Carolina University**

**June 2019 – July 2021**

Assisted the Provost with development and execution of long-term strategy for academic innovation and excellence to enhance the University's mission and bring significant benefits to the University. Aligned efforts with the University Strategic Plan.

Ensured policy alignment and cohesion to support short- and long-term strategic initiatives. Utilized research, data analysis, and best practices in higher education to inform and guide policy, processes and procedures, and strategic development.

Supported and supervised two faculty support and academic development units: Coastal Office of Online Learning (COOL) and Center for Teaching Excellence to Advance Learning (CeTeal). Coordinated with both offices to provide effective programming, services, and access to resources for faculty while building an innovative digital learning profile and offering inclusive support for classroom teaching and student success.

Developed and managed strategic initiatives and programs to connect the University with local, state, and regional communities and partners. Included supervision of the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute's community outreach and continuing education programs, managing the Institute's endowment (\$2.1 million) and operating budgets (approximately \$175,000); and the Academic Testing Center's revenue-generating community provision of testing.

Assisted academic departments and colleges with program and curriculum development. Facilitated the university academic affairs process, working with both the Academic Affairs Committee and Faculty Senate. Served as primary liaison between the institution and the South Carolina Commission on Higher Education, particularly as it pertained to academic program changes and approvals. Collaborated with the Office of Institutional Research, Assessment, and Analysis to obtain SACS approval for new programs.

Expanded and advocated for programs to ensure that faculty were successful in their teaching, scholarly, and leadership endeavors. Duties included: working closely with stakeholders in matters related to faculty personnel and academic policies; administering internal faculty development grant programs; fostering recognition of faculty and staff internally, nationally, and internationally for teaching, scholarship, and leadership and community engagement; ensuring the recruitment, development, and retention of a diverse and talented faculty and staff, including providing support and oversight for processes related to faculty and staff advancement; and accelerating internal development of faculty leaders to maximize institutional effectiveness.

Coordinated Academic Affairs unit relationships with Facilities and ITS, including advocating for physical and operational resources for faculty, staff, and students; assigning academic spaces; and recommending renovations for academic spaces.

Duties related to COVID-19 response:

- Identified and implemented policy adjustments related to COVID-19 disruptions, including student pass/fail grading policy, optional extensions to promotion/tenure/post-tenure review processes, and adjustments to internal grant programs
- Served as chair of the Academics Reopening Planning Committee as part of the “Coastal Comeback,” responsible for developing parts of campus reopening plan related to academic operations. Served as chair of Academics Committee on COVID Operations Team, responsible for implementing and monitoring progress of elements of the plan that directly impact academic operations. Represented Provost’s Office on Emergency Operations Team. Meet weekly with committee chairs for other areas of the University and brief the Provost on situational awareness.
- Surveyed faculty regarding their experiences with emergency remote teaching (Spring 2020), needs for long-term digital instruction, and preferences regarding instructional modalities and localities for Fall 2020 and beyond. Assisted with faculty support, including coordinating and moderating Faculty Roundtables to share tips for and successes with digital and hy-flex learning.

**Associate Dean, Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts  
Coastal Carolina University**

**June 2016 – June 2019  
July 2011 – June 2012**

Managed and assisted academic departments with program and curriculum development, from initial stages through state Commission on Higher Education and SACS approval. Monitored college curriculum processes and shepherded proposals through internal three-stage approval process. Proposals included undergraduate degree programs in Music Education and Religious Studies, and graduate degree programs in Communication Advocacy and Leadership and Devised and Physical Theatre.

Managed development, implementation, and evaluation of the College-wide strategic plan. Assisted department chairs with department level evaluation of college-wide strategic plan and individual department strategic plans.

Collected, analyzed, and disseminated quantitative and qualitative data relevant to the College’s strategic goals, including, but not limited to: metrics of student enrollment, success, and retention; student credit hour production; graduation rates; and program and curricular development.

Coordinated College’s role in freshmen and transfer orientation and recruitment events and contact.

Developed and implemented special projects and initiatives that serve the strategic goals of the College. Examples include the Edwards College Student Research Fellows program (a retention initiative for high-performing freshmen) and Future Forge (a one-week immersive pre-professional workshop for rising juniors and seniors). Monitored student retention and worked with stakeholders to develop programs for improving retention.

Built external relationships, including community relations and coordination with College Board of Visitors; worked directly with friends and donors to the College to increase monetary and non-monetary resources.

Advocated on behalf of the College in an administrative liaison capacity on University-wide committees, including Admissions, Graduate Council, and Academic Affairs.

Actively assisted the Dean with administration of ten College departments, spanning disciplines from social sciences to fine arts; routinized duties include reviewing, monitoring, and processing faculty human resources paperwork and student academic paperwork (e.g., academic petitions, independent study approvals); producing the annual report of the College’s activities and achievements; and managing college-wide

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committee membership and elections. Served as a resource and support for department chairs on personnel matters, student matters, and processes and procedures.

**Chair, Dept. of Politics & Geography  
Coastal Carolina University**

**July 2012 – May 2016**

Led an academic department of 30 faculty members (23 full time, 7 adjunct instructors) and 3 staff members, housing approximately 630 students across 2 degree programs (Political Science and Intelligence & National Security Studies), 106 students across six minor programs, and an online GIS certificate program, as well as the Edgar Dyer Institute for Leadership and Public Policy, a public affairs research and teaching center. Managed growth of more than 200% in number of student majors and recruited eight new full-time, tenure-track faculty over four years.

Managed and maintained the health of two operating budgets totaling approximately \$100,000 and two endowed departmental scholarships totaling \$100,000, in addition to a \$250,000 endowment for the Dyer Institute. Assisted in raising funds for multiple endowments. Successfully obtained internal resources, nearly doubling the department's operating budget.

Implemented, evaluated, and managed changes in curriculum and student learning initiatives, including realignment of resources to support programming in service of the department's high-impact learning mission.

Led collaborative change of the departmental assessment process, including reevaluation of existing assessment instruments, addition of a student portfolio, and appointment of a departmental assessment coordinator. Worked with assessment coordinator on program implementation, evaluation, and reporting.

Facilitated, supported, and evaluated work of 23 full-time tenured and tenure-track faculty members, 3 full-time lecturers, and 7 adjunct faculty. Provided and facilitated professional development opportunities for all faculty. Advocated for additional resources for all faculty, with particular attention to improving resources for adjunct/part-time faculty.

Managed hiring, annual performance evaluations, and promotion and tenure review processes for all faculty. Led efforts to revise faculty performance expectations to include diversity of teaching activity (e.g., high impact pedagogy) and scholarly activity (e.g., public scholarship, digital scholarship).

## **ACADEMIC LEADERSHIP POSITIONS**

### **Coastal Carolina University**

Chair, QEP Writing Committee for SACS Accreditation Reaffirmation, August 2020 – July 2021

Co-chair, SACS Accreditation Reaffirmation Committee on Curricular and Program Development, September 2018 – January 2022

Co-chair, Search Team for inaugural Assistant Vice President of Diversity and Inclusion, August 2017 – May 2018

Co-founder, CCU Dialogue Fellows program, 2017

Chair, Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts Strategic Planning Committee, 2014 – 2016

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Founder, Edgar Dyer Institute for Leadership and Public Policy, 2012

Board member, Jackson Family Center for Ethics and Values, 2013 – present

Vice-Chair, Faculty Senate, 2009 – 2011

### **Professional Organizations**

HERS Alumnae Leadership Council, 2021 - 2022

Chair, Departmental Services Committee, American Political Science Association, 2016 - 2019

President, South Carolina Political Science Association, 2010 - 2011

### **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT**

#### **Harvard University Graduate School of Education, Institute for Management and Leadership in Education (MLE), June 21 – July 1, 2022**

MLE is a two-week residential program designed to help higher education administrators to understand and overcome the challenges of organizational change while mastering leadership in complex academic settings. Coursework includes change management, thinking and acting strategically, assessing the impact of changes in the higher education environment, and fostering institutional cultures that prioritize equity, inclusion, and belonging.

#### **Harvard University Graduate School of Education Organizational Change Leadership Program, Summer 2021**

Led by faculty from the Harvard Graduate School of Education (HGSE), this institute is designed for administrators who are responsible for change agendas within higher education – from initial strategy to implementation and evaluation.

#### **Higher Education Resource Services (HERS) Bryn Mawr Summer Institute, July 11 – 23, 2016**

The HERS Bryn Mawr Summer Institute is a two-week, immersive professional development program for women academic leaders in higher education. Acceptance into the program is competitive and requires demonstrated leadership potential and recommendation by the president and chief academic officer of the participant's institution. Seminar topics include leadership and change management, university budgeting, trends in higher education, and legal issues in higher education, among others. The Bryn Mawr class of 2016 consisted of 64 women in higher education from across the United States.

#### **Kansas State University-IDEA Academic Chairpersons Conference, Participant, 2014-2016; Presenter 2017**

This annual forum brings together academic chairpersons, administrators, and faculty from all disciplines and institutional types to celebrate their successes, share best practices and innovative strategies, and collaborate with a network of campus leaders. The emphasis of every conference is to provide practical, usable information in a climate of open discussion and collaborative exchange.

## PUBLICATIONS

### PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

2018. “Women Rule: Gendered Leadership and State Supreme Court Chief Justice Selection” (with Mikel Norris). *Journal of Women, Politics & Policy* 39(1):104-125.

2012. “Are They Living What They Learn? Assessing Knowledge and Attitude Change in Political Science” (with Pam Martin and Min Ye). *Journal of Political Science Education* 8(2): 201-223.

2012. “Judicial Innovation and Sexual Harassment Doctrine in the U.S. Courts of Appeals” (with Laura Moyer). *Political Research Quarterly* 65(4):784-798.

2010. “Assessing the Impact of State Judicial Structures on Citizen Litigiousness: Do Institutions Really Matter?” (with Jeff Yates and Paul Brace). *Political Research Quarterly* 63 (December): 796-810.

### EDITOR-REVIEWED ARTICLES, REPORTS, ESSAYS, AND BOOK REVIEWS

2021. “Using Facebook Live to Reach Parents and Families in the Age of COVID-19.” *The Academic Leader* (October 18, 2021). <https://www.academic-leader.com/topics/leadership/using-facebook-live-to-reach-parents-and-families-in-the-age-of-covid-19/>

2007. “Inside the Judicial Process.” *Law and Politics Book Review*, 17(1): 66-70.

2006. “Community-Based Learning” (with Elizabeth Bennion and Patrick McKinlay). *PS: Political Science and Politics* 39(3): 315-316.

### BOOK CHAPTERS AND REPRINTS

2008. “What is Family? Defining the Terms of the Welfare State.” In *The American Family: Understanding Its Changing Dynamics and Place in Society*, ed. Dennis Wiseman. Springfield, IL: Charles C. Thomas. Pp. 21 – 38.

— Reprinted in *Family and Childrearing: Russia and the USA, A Cross-Cultural Analysis*, eds. R. Zhukov, L. Mardahaev, D. DeCenzo, & D. Wiseman. Moscow, Russia: Russian State Social University Press, 2009: pp. 33 – 46.

2008. “What You Can Do and You Decide.” Chapter civic engagement and learning activities in *Living Democracy, 2/E*, eds. Daniel M. Shea, Joanne Green, and Christopher Smith. Upper Saddle River, NJ: Pearson Education. Various pages. (with Laura Moyer)

2007. “Strategies for Service Learning.” *Living Democracy Instructor’s Manual, 1/E*, eds. Daniel M. Shea, Joanne Green, and Christopher Smith. Upper Saddle River, NJ: Pearson Education. Various Pages. (with Laura Moyer).

### PUBLIC SCHOLARSHIP, POLICY REPORTS, AND CONSULTING

2017. “Analysis of Horry County Voter Precincts in Elections 2008 – 2016.” Commissioned by Horry County Democratic Party, August 2016. Delivered February 23, 2017.

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2015. “Analysis of Voting Patterns and Distribution of Transportation Projects in Horry County” (with student assistant Rodney Miller). Commissioned by the Horry County Council’s Ride III Committee, October 2014. Delivered April 15, 2015.

2014. “University Charter School Sponsorship Study” (with student assistants Amy Miller, Lauren Santianello, and Rodney Miller). Commissioned by the Board of Trustees of Coastal Carolina University, September 2014. Delivered December 15, 2014.

## **WORKING PAPERS**

“Cost of Attendance: Polarization, Immigration, and the Diffusion of In-state Tuition Policies”

“Public Value and Public Values in State Legislative Institutions.”

“Revisiting Squire and Lewis-Beck’s ‘New Era to New Deal Test.’”

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

### **NATIONAL AND REGIONAL CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

Panel Chair, “Thinking Outside the Box: Applied Careers in Political Science.” 2019 Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C. August 28 – September 1, 2019.

Panelist and Critic, “Author Meets Critics: Women Officeholders and the Role Models Who Pioneered the Way,” by Karen L. Owen. Commentary provided at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Austin, TX, January 17 – 19, 2019.

“Succession Planning: Finding Your Replacement as Department Chair.” Presented at the 2017 Academic Chairpersons Conference, New Orleans, LA, February 8 – 11, 2017.

“Public Value and Public Values in State Legislative Institutions.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 6 – 10, 2016.

“Women Rule: Selection of the Chief Justice in State Supreme Courts” (with Mikel Norris). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 14 – 17, 2015.

“Keeping up with the Joneses: Professionalization and Competition in State Institutions,” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Orlando, FL, January 2 – 5, 2013.

“Determinants of Women’s Legislative Success,” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 12 – 15, 2012.

“Assessing Presidential Greatness: Colombia and the USA” (with Jim Henderson). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southeastern Council of Latin American Studies, Gainesville, FL, March 29 – 31, 2012.

“Deep Cuts: Policy Implications of the State Budget Crisis,” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, September 2 – 5, 2010.

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“Developing the Law of Sexual Harassment: A Network Analysis of Precedents in the U.S. Courts of Appeals” (with Laura Moyer and Kathleen Bratton). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 22-25, 2010.

“Policy Diffusion & Sex Discrimination Doctrine in the U.S. Courts of Appeals” (with Laura Moyer). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Atlanta, January 7 – 9, 2010.

“State Professionalization across Institutions.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Vancouver, March 2009.

“Are They Living What They Learn? Assessing Knowledge and Attitude Change in Political Science” Presented at the American Political Science Association’s Annual Teaching and Learning Conference, Baltimore, February 2009.

“The Intergovernmental Lobby: Gubernatorial Influence and the U.S. Congress.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Mid-West Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2008.

“Following the Leader: State and National Dimensions of Policy Change.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Mid-West Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2007.

“Fighting Apathy: A Course Plan for Civic Education” (with Laura Moyer). Presented at the American Political Science Association’s Teaching and Learning Conference, Washington D.C., February 2006.

“National and State Dimensions of Major Policy Change: The Reagan ‘Revolution’ Re-examined.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, January 2006.

“Do Institutions Really Matter? Assessing the Impact of Court Professionalism on Citizen Litigiousness,” (with Jeff Yates and Paul Brace). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington D.C., September 2005

“Policy Change and the Electoral Divide.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington D.C., September 2005.

“Good Ol’ Gal’s Network? The Role of Women’s Political Organization in U.S. Senate Elections, 1972-2002.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, January 2005.

“The End of a Regime? The Election of Shirley Franklin as Atlanta’s First Female Mayor” (with Jennifer Custer Seitz). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Portland, March 2004.

“Gendered Job Characteristics, Gender Roles, and Differences in the Political Ideology of Men and Women” (with Guy Dalto and Bob Slagter, Birmingham-Southern College). Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2000.

## **STATE AND LOCAL CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

“Professionalization and Competition in State Institutions.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the South Carolina Political Science Association, Lander University, March 2011.



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“Are They Living What They Learn? Assessing Knowledge and Attitude Change in Political Science.”  
Presented at the Annual Meeting of the South Carolina Political Science Association, Coastal Carolina University, March 2010.

“Who Has the Most Say? Education Policy in the American States.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the South Carolina Political Science Association, Furman University, February 2009

## **TEACHING**

### **UNDERGRADUATE COURSES TAUGHT**

American National Government  
American Politics in Literature and Film  
American Studies: The US Presidential Election  
The Discipline of Political Science (Senior Capstone), theme: Polarization and Populism  
Education Policy  
Introduction to American Government  
Introduction to Political Science  
Introduction to Public Administration  
Legislative Process  
Public Policy  
Regulatory Policy  
The Scope of American Politics  
Social Policy  
State Politics  
The American Chief Executive: Presidents and Governors  
Women, Gender, and Public Policy

### **GRADUATE COURSES TAUGHT**

Research Methods  
Public Policy  
Social Policy  
American Evolution: Politics, History, and Culture

## **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND AWARDS**

### **SELECTED INVITED LECTURES AND ADDRESSES**

Keynote Speaker, Zonta International District 11 Conference, October 12 – 14, 2017

Keynote Speaker, Georgetown Chamber of Commerce Women’s Equality Day Annual Luncheon, August 25, 2016

Panelist, Philosophy Department panel on The Ethics of Political Participation and Voting, January 27, 2016

“Facts and Figures about Poverty in Horry County.” Jackson Family Center for Ethics and Values Poverty Conference. Coastal Carolina University, April 25, 2014.

Presentation on “Becoming a Leader” for Jackson Center Ethics Academy (sponsored by the Jackson Family Center for Ethics and Values), February 26, 2014.

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“Tomorrow is the Best Day of Your Life.” August Commencement address. Coastal Carolina University, August 10, 2013.

Panelist, Java Jabber on The Ethics of Grades and Grading (sponsored by CCU Department of Philosophy and Religion and the Jackson Family Center for Ethics and Values), April 10, 2013.

“The Importance of Being Henrietta Lacks.” Freshman Convocation keynote address. Coastal Carolina University, August 17, 2012.

Presentation to Women in Philanthropy and Leadership on Women in Politics (Horry County, SC), Pawley’s Island, SC, March 17, 2012.

Speaker, program commemorating Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Day, January 12, 2010

“Troy Davis and the Supreme Court’s Interpretation of ‘Cruel and Unusual Punishment.’” Coastal Carolina chapter of the NAACP, October 15, 2009.

“Who’s In Charge Here? The Constitution and Executive-Legislative Conflict.” Constitution Day Address, Coastal Carolina University, September 15, 2009.

“You Jump, I Jump, Jack: Integrity and Leadership.” Omicron Delta Kappa induction address, Coastal Carolina University, October 2008.

“Who’s In Charge Here? The Constitution and Executive-Legislative Conflict.” Constitution Day Address, Horry Georgetown Technical College, September 10, 2008.

## **INTERNAL GRANTS**

“CCU Dialogue Fellows,” Student Achievement Funding, Provost’s Office, Spring 2018, \$24,000

“Edwards College Future Forge,” Student Achievement Funding, Provost’s Office, Spring 2018, \$11,000

Graduate Program Development grant, Office of Graduate Studies, Spring 2016, \$6000

Scholarly Reassignment, Fall 2015. Resulted in national conference paper presentation and peer-reviewed journal publication.

“Assessing the Politics Major: Course-Mapping and Focus Groups”, Provost’s Assessment Grant, Coastal Carolina University, 2011, \$2500

Professional Enhancement Research Grant, Coastal Carolina University, 2009-2010, \$4000

“Phase 2: Assessing Content Knowledge and Student Attitude Change in POLI 101 and POLI 201,” With Pamela Martin and Min Ye, Provost’s Assessment Grant, Coastal Carolina University, 2009, \$4200

“Assessing Content Knowledge and Student Attitude Change in POLI 101 and POLI 201,” With Pamela Martin and Min Ye, Scholarship of Teaching and Learning Grant, Coastal Carolina University, 2008-2009, \$7500

Professional Enhancement Research Grant, Coastal Carolina University, 2006-2007, \$2700

## **AWARDS**

Coastal Carolina University Pat Singleton Young Student Advocate Award, awarded by the Student Government Association, 2016-2017

Coastal Carolina University Faculty Advisor of the Year, awarded by the students and Student Government Association, 2014-2015.

Coastal Carolina University Distinguished Professor of the Year, awarded by the students and Student Government Association, 2012-2013.

Distinguished Excellence in Service Award, College of Humanities and Fine Arts, Coastal Carolina University, 2009 – 2010.

Coastal Carolina University Distinguished Professor of the Year, awarded by the students and Student Government Association, 2008-2009.

Apple Award for Outstanding Advising, awarded by the students of the College of Humanities and Fine Arts, Coastal Carolina University, 2008 – 2009 and 2009 - 2010.

Distinguished Excellence in Teaching Award, College of Humanities and Fine Arts, Coastal Carolina University, 2007 – 2008

Apple Award for Outstanding Teaching, awarded by the students of the College of Humanities and Fine Arts, Coastal Carolina University, 2007–2008, 2008-2009, 2009–2010, 2010-2011.

## **SERVICE**

### **CCU UNIVERSITY-WIDE**

Advisor, Student Chapter of the NAACP, September 2020 - present

Chair, QEP Writing Committee for SACS Accreditation Reaffirmation, August 2020 – July 2021

Co-chair, SACS Reaffirmation Committee on Curricular and Program Development, September 2018 - present

Co-founder and Co-director, CCU Dialogue Fellows, AY2017-2018 - present

Co-chair, Search team for new Assistant Vice President of Diversity and Inclusion, August 2017 – May 2018

Member, Search team for new Associate Provost of Assessment and Accreditation (internal search), April – May 2017

Member, University-wide Strategic Planning Implementation Committee on Improving Student Academic Success, AY 2016-2017

Academic Representative at CCU Football Recruiting Luncheon, January 2015 and January 2014

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Member, Women's and Gender Studies Program Events and Community Connections Advisory Committee, 2013 – 2016.

Faculty Secretary, Omicron Delta Kappa, 2013-2016

Parliamentarian, Faculty Senate, 2011-2012

Vice Chair, Faculty Senate, 2009-2011

Member, Kimbel Lecture Series Committee, 2009 - 2010

Member, Faculty Welfare and Development Committee, 2008 – 2010

Faculty Senate Liaison to Board of Trustees Legislative Affairs Committee, 2008 - 2012

Member, Subcommittee on Academic Integrity, Spring 2009

Chair, Search Committee for Coordinator of Greek Life, Spring 2009

Speaker, Omicron Delta Kappa Induction Ceremony, Fall 2008

Member, Strategic Planning Steering Committee, Appointed by University president, Spring 2008

Presentation at 2008 Celebration of Inquiry, "Family Policy in the US: a Brief History."

Presentation at 2008 Celebration of Inquiry, "The Legal Status of Abortion in the United States."

Member, Academic Affairs Committee, Fall 2007

Member, Faculty Senate, AY 2007 - 2012

Member, University Presidential Inauguration Committee/Faculty Subcommittee, Summer 2007

## **EDWARDS COLLEGE OF HUMANITIES AND FINE ARTS**

Co-director, Edwards College Future Forge, 2017 - 2019

Chair, Search Committee for new Director of the Jackson Family Center for Ethics and Values, Fall 2017

Chair, Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts Strategic Planning Committee, 2014 - 2016

Member, Board of Directors, Jackson Family Center for Ethics and Values, Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts, 2013 - present

Member, Dean's Search Committee, Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts, AY 2010-2011 and AY 2011-2012

Member, Review Committee, Nancy Smith Distinguished Visitor in Residence program, Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts, AY 2007 – 2008.

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Member, Curriculum Committee, Edwards College of Humanities and Fine Arts, Coastal Carolina University, AY 2006-2008.

## **DEPARTMENT OF POLITICS**

Chair, Department of Politics and Geography, AY12-13 through AY14-15 (first term) and AY15-16 (left second term for promotion to Associate Dean).

Advisor, South Carolina Student Legislature (SCSL) Team, Fall 2008 - 2010

Advisor, Pi Sigma Alpha Political Science Honor Society, AYs 2006 - 2008

Faculty Library Liaison for Department of Politics and Geography, Coastal Carolina University, AY 2006-2008

Member of New Faculty Search Committee, Department of Politics and Geography, Coastal Carolina University, AY 2006-2007, AY 2007-2008, AY 2009 – 2010, AY 2014-2015.

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY**

### **Boards and Organizations\***

Member, HERS Alumnae Leadership Council, 2021 - 2022

Member, Board of Directors, Rape Crisis Center of Horry County, March 2018 – December 2021

Member and Secretary, Board of Directors, Emerge South Carolina (affiliate of Emerge America), October 2017 – present.

Member, Conway Chamber of Commerce Government Relations Committee, 2014-2015.

\* Service not undertaken in my capacity as an employee of Coastal Carolina University.

### **Discipline-related Speeches, Presentations, and Media Appearances**

Interviewed for article on civil dialogue, “Follow a more charitable path to redemption in the new year,” The Catholic Miscellany, January 4, 2021. (<https://themiscellany.org/2021/01/04/follow-a-more-charitable-path-to-redemption-in-the-new-year/>).

“ ‘A Charming Form of Government’: Forms and Functions of Democracy,” CCU Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, November 2, 2019.

Presentation on Political Polarization and Women’s Leadership, American Association of University Women, September 19, 2019.

Presentation on U.S. Immigration Policy to the Conway Rotary Club, January 11, 2018

Presentation on the US Presidential Election to the North Myrtle Beach Rotary Club, August 9, 2016

Political Analyst for WMBF News Channel 10 (NBC Affiliate), Myrtle Beach, September 2008 - present.

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Frequent on-air interviews for WPDE New (ABC Affiliate) and WBTW News (CBS affiliate), Myrtle Beach, SC, September 2011 – present.

Workshop presentation on state legislative ethics to Council of State Governments (Southern Office) Center for the Advancement of Leadership Skills Annual Conference, September 26, 2011.

Keynote speaker, Zonta International Regional Conference, Savannah, GA, October 2, 2010

Presentation on women's political participation to the Zonta Club of Myrtle Beach, March 15, 2010

Presentation to the "Up for Discussion" community dialogue series at CCU's Waccamaw Higher Education Center in Litchfield, December 16, 2009

Conducted community forum on health care reform in the U.S., Little River United Methodist Church, October 11, 2009.

Discussant, *Let's Talk About It* series, North Myrtle Beach Public Library, January 15, 2009.

Panelist, 2008 Presidential Election Issues Forum, sponsored by Yoav Wachsmann, Coastal Carolina University, October 29, 2008.

Moderated discussion of PBS's *Election Day* documentary, Chapin Memorial Library, Myrtle Beach, September 30, 2008.

Panelist and Co-coordinator (with Julinna Oxley), Screening of *Running in High Heels* documentary, Coastal Carolina University, September 25, 2008.

Interviewed regarding women's political participation, Women's Entertainment TV on-line ([www.wetv.com](http://www.wetv.com)), Posted May 2008.

Panelist, 2008 Presidential Candidates Forum, sponsored by Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, Coastal Carolina University, March 24, 2008 and January 17, 2008.

Expert, *SheSource.org* Online Database of Female Experts for Media Outlets, Rutgers University & Fenton Communications, January 2008 – January 2012.

Interviewed regarding CCU election forum, "CCU hosts election issues discussion." *Myrtle Beach Sun News*, January 18, 2008.

Interviewed regarding 2008 presidential election, CNN Headline News/Time Warner Cable, 4 Air Dates: January 2008.

Interviewed regarding 2008 presidential election, Time Warner Cable, *Palmetto People*, Air Date: January 15, 2008.

Interviewed regarding state and local politics, "Keeping goals not always an easy task." *Myrtle Beach Sun News*, January 8, 2008.

Interviewed regarding local economic development, "City, county share goals and gridlock for airport growth." *Myrtle Beach Sun News*, December 9, 2007.

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Interviewed regarding Barack Obama visit to CCU, "Obama impresses crowd at CCU." *Myrtle Beach Sun News*, August 24, 2007.

## **DISCIPLINARY**

### **Committees and Organizations**

Inaugural Editor, Department Chairs' Quarterly Newsletter (blog), American Political Science Association, September 2020 – July 2022

Chair, Departmental Services Committee, American Political Science Association, August 2016 – August 2019.

Secretary, South Carolina Political Science Association, 2011 – 2012.

President, South Carolina Political Science Association, 2010 - 2011.

Conference Chair, Annual Meeting of the South Carolina Political Science Association, hosted by Coastal Carolina University, March 5 – 6, 2010.

### **Manuscript Reviews**

*American Politics Research*, 2016, 2017

*Journal of Political Science*, 2015

*Political Research Quarterly*, 2014, 2015

*Politics and Religion*, 2018

*Publius: The Journal of Federalism*, 2013

*State Politics and Policy Quarterly*, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2022

*Social Science Journal*, 2017, 2018, 2020

McGraw-Hill, 2013

Oxford University Press, 2014

Routledge Press, 2017

### **Conference Participation**

Panel Chair, Department Chair's Workshop on Faculty Hiring and Recruitment, Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C., August 28 – September 1, 2019.

Panel Chair, Non-Academic Jobs Roundtable, Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, MA, August 29 – September 1, 2018.

Panel Chair, Department Chair's Workshop on Fundraising and Development, Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, MA, August 29 – September 1, 2018.

Panel Chair, Non-Academic Jobs Roundtable, Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA, August 30 – September 2, 2017.

Panel Chair, Department Chair's Workshop on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion, Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, CA, August 30 – September 2, 2017.

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Panel Chair and Discussant, Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 6-10, 2016.

Discussant, Annual Meeting of the South Carolina Political Science Association, Conway, SC, March 22, 2014.

Panel Chair and Discussant, Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL, April 12 – 15, 2012.

Panel Chair and Discussant, Annual Meeting of the South Carolina Political Science Association, hosted by Coastal Carolina University, March 5 – 6, 2010.

Panel Chair, Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Vancouver, March 2009.

Panel Paper Discussant, Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Vancouver, March 2009.

Judge for Byrd Award for Best Undergraduate Paper, South Carolina Political Science Association, February 2009.

Panel Paper Discussant, Annual Meeting of the Mid-west Political Science Association, Chicago, April 2008.

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