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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Political Science, University of Pittsburgh, 1980

Dissertation: *“Changing United States Foreign Policy: Negotiating New Panama Canal Treaties, 1958-1978”* – winner of the 1981 Helen Dwight Reid Award for the best doctoral dissertation in International Relations, Law and Politics, American Political Science Association. Committee: Charles O. Jones, Richard Cottam, and Robert S. Walters

MA Political Science, University of Pittsburgh, 1975

BA Politics, *cum laude*, with Honors, Randolph-Macon Woman’s College, 1972

EMPLOYMENT

1978- University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Department of Political Science, tenured full Professor, 1992-present; tenured Associate Professor, 1983-92; Assistant Professor, 1978-8

1977-78 Foreign Policy Studies Research Fellow, The Brookings Institution, Washington, DC

GRANTS AND AWARDS

2012 Quality Matters Award 2012 for POLS 1310 American National Government online

2007 Teaching with Technology Grant, UALR, \$3,000

2003 Donaghey Foundation Grant, Presidential Studies Initiatives at UALR, \$20,000

2002 Donaghey Foundation Grant, Presidential Studies Initiatives at UALR, \$35,000; Chancellor’s award for Presidential Studies Area in Ottenheimer Library, \$5,000

2001 UALR Faculty Excellence Award for Teaching, \$10,000

2001 College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences, Faculty Excellence Award for Teaching, \$1,000

2000 Information Service Specialist Grant for Seminar on Pluralism and the American Political System, American University of Managua, Nicaragua, \$2,400

1999 US Information Service Specialist Grant for Workshops on Democratization and Civil Society in Panama, \$2,400

1998 Fulbright Grant for Lecturing and Research in Panama, \$20,000

- 1994 UALR Faculty Research Grant for research on Performance of Panama's Electoral Tribunal in 1994 National Elections, \$3,000
- 1992 Albert Einstein Institution Fellowship for full-time research on "NonViolent Conflict: Civilians versus the Military in Panama, 1987-1989," \$40,000
- 1991 US Institute of Peace Fellowship for research on "The National Civic Crusade: Panama's Non-Violent Opposition," \$30,000
- 1991 Fulbright-Hayes Research Fellowship for field research in Panama, \$16,000

BOOKS

Robert L. Butterworth, with Margaret E. Scranton. *Managing Interstate Conflict, 1945-74, Data with Synopses*. Pittsburgh: University Center for International Studies, 1976.

Margaret E. Scranton. *The Noriega Years: US-Panamanian Relations, 1981-1990*. Boulder: Lynne Rienner, 1991.

William L. Furlong and Margaret E. Scranton. *Making United States Foreign Policy: The President, the Congress and the Panama Canal Treaties*. Boulder: Westview, 1984.

CHAPTERS IN BOOKS

"The Clinton Dynasty," in Modern American Political Dynasties: A Study in Power, Family and Political Influence. Ed. Kathleen A. Gronnerud and Scott J. Spitzer, Praeger, 2018, Chapter 3, pp. 39-66.

"Hillary's Arkansas Comeback: Achieving Educational Reform in Arkansas." Ed. Michele Lockhart and Kathleen Mollick. *Hillary Rodham Clinton and the 2016 Election* Lanham, MD: Lexington Books, 2015.

"Electoral Reform and the Electoral Tribunal in Post-Invasion Panama." Ed. Orlando Perez, ed., Post-Invasion Panama: Challenges to Democratization in the New World Order. New York: Rowman & Littlefield, 2000, Chapter 6, pp. 101-124.

"Electoral Observation and Panama's Democratic Transition," in Electoral Observation and Democratic Transitions in Latin America. Ed. Kevin J. Middlebrook. La Jolla: Center for U.S.-Mexican Studies, University of California at San Diego, 1998.

"Panama, Civic Crusade, 1987-1989" in *Protest, Power, and Change: An Encyclopedia of NonViolent Action*. Ed. Roger S. Powers and William B. Voegelé. New York: Garland, 1997, pp. 396-400.

"External Observers in Central American Elections: Panama," in Elections in Central America Revisited, Ed. John A. Booth and Mitchell A. Seligson. Chapel Hill: University of North Carolina, 2nd ed., 1995), Chapter 8.

"Panama," in Intervention into the 1990s. Ed. Peter J. Schraeder. Boulder: Lynne Rienner, 1992, pp. 343-360.

ARTICLES

- Co-author with Johanna Miller Lewis and Belinda Blevins-Knabe, "New Female Chairs, Three Case Studies within a College," The Department Chair: A Resource for Academic Administrators, 13(Summer 2002):19-22.
- "Advisor Analysis/Guest Commentary on UN Human Development Report for Panama," Latin America Advisor, March 4, 2002, pp. 4-5.
- "Re-election in Panama? NO." Hemisphere 9:1 (January 1999): 6-9.
- "Dreams and Reality: Panama Canal, 1977 and 1997," in El Canal de Panama en el Siglo XXI. Panama: CELA, CEAPSA, UP, UTP, USMA, Ciudad del Saber, 1998.
- "Panama's First Post-Transition Election," Journal of Interamerican Studies & World Affairs 37(Spring 1995):69-99.
- "Consolidation after Imposition: Panama's 1992 Referendum," Journal of Interamerican Studies & World Affairs 35(Fall 1993):65-102.
- "Panama's Democratic Transition," American Review of Politics 13 (Spring 1992): 107-128.
DOI: <https://doi.org/10.15763/issn.2374-7781.1992.13.0.107-128>

CONSULTANT REPORTS

- 2004 Expert Consultant, Democratization in Panama, legal research for political asylum cases
- 2000 *Special National Intelligence Report on Panama*, US government
- 1999 International Foundation for Election Systems (IFES), *Report on 1999 Presidential Election in Panama*

CONFERENCE PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

- "Communism in Panama, a Post-Hoc Assessment," Paper Presented at the 1st Congress of History, Anthropology and Cultural-Historical Tourism Celebrating the 500th Anniversary of the Foundation of Panama City, Panama City, Panama, September 2-6, 2019.
- "Rosalynn Carter as a Bridge Builder: A Preliminary Report on The First Lady's Mission to Latin America". Paper presented at the 65th meeting of the Midwest Association for Latin American Studies, October 8-10, Millersville University, Lancaster, PA., 2018
- "A Tale of Two Trips: Rosalynn Carter as Presidential Envoy," Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Arkansas Political Science Association, University of Arkansas-Monticello, Arkansas, February 26-27, 2016.
- "1977 Panama Canal Treaties: A Case of Peaceful Territorial Change?" Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Latin American Studies Association, Panama City, Panama, November 20-22, 2014.
- "Possible Threats to Panama's Democratization in the Early 1990s," Paper presented at the 128th annual meeting of the American Historical Association," Washington, D.C., January 2-5, 2014.

“Consoler in Chief: Presidential Rhetoric after Mass Shootings, from Reagan to Obama,” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Political Science Association, New Orleans, March 27-29, 2013.

“ERA Rhetoric of Diane Kincaid: What Did She Say and Why?” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Arkansas Political Science Association,” Arkadelphia, AR, February 1-2, 2013.

“Understanding and Misunderstanding Hillary: Commencement Speeches at Wellesley, 1969,” Paper Presented at the annual meeting of the Arkansas Political Science Association, University of Central Arkansas, Conway, AR, February 24-25, 2012.

“Using Assessment to Promote Persistence in Upper-Level Courses,” Presentation to the UALR Academy of Teaching Excellence and Learning, Little Rock, AR, Spring 2012

“Hillary Clinton: Modern First Lady,” class lecture and presentation, C-SPAN American History series, televised Feb. 19, 2011, available at <http://www.c-span.org/Events/Lectures-in-History-Modern-First-Ladies/10737419607-1/> .

“Presidential Rhetoric over Time; A Century of Speeches on Canal Policy,” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Georgia Political Science Association, Hilton Head Island, South Carolina, February 22-24, 2001.

“Knowing When to Fold a Bad Hand: Negotiating US Bases in Panama,” Paper presented at the meeting of the Latin American Studies Association, Miami, Florida, March 16-18, 2000.

“Ambiguous Conflict in Darien, Panama,” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Arkansas Political Science Association, Pine Bluff, Arkansas, February 12-13, 1999.

“Evaluating the 1978 Panama Canal Treaties: Too Late, Just in Time or Before Their Time?” Paper presented at the Conference on the Carter Presidency, Emory University, Atlanta, February 21-23, 1997.

“External Observation and the Democratic Transition in Panama,” Paper presented Conference on Electoral Observation and Democratic Transitions in Latin America, Center for U.S.-Mexican Studies, University of California-San Diego, and the Electoral Assistance Division of the United Nations, January 23-25, 1997.

“Where Are They Now? Assimilating Old Regime Leaders in Consolidating Democracies,” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Midwest Association for Latin American Studies, Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas, September 26-28, 1996. “From Infamy to Legitimacy: Panama’s Electoral Tribunal,” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the Latin American Studies Association, Washington, DC, September 28-October 1, 1995.

“Women in Panamanian Politics,” Paper presented at the 1995 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, August 31-September 3, 1995.

“An Eclectic Model of Bargaining during Regime Change: The Panamanian Case.” Paper presented at the 1994 meeting of the Latin American Studies Association, Atlanta, March, 1994.

“National Reconciliation: Extrapolations from Panama.” Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Association of Latin American Studies, St. Louis, September 29-October 1, 1994.

“Transformational Politics: The Panamanian Case.” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, September 1-4, 1993.

“The Clinton Administration and the Use of Force.” Paper presented at a Conference on The Clinton Presidency, Gannon College, Erie, PA., November 1993.

“Elections as a US Policy Option: The Case of Panama,” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, August 30-September 2, 1990.

“Washington Perspective on Panama Invasion: Patterns in US Perceptions and Actions,” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the International Studies Association,” Washington, DC, April

11-14, 1990.

“Limits of Leverage: How Panama Outmaneuvered the United States,” Paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Atlanta, August 31-September 3, 1989.

“Congressional Actions and Executive Use of Force,” paper presented at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC, September 1-4, 1988.

GUEST LECTURER

American University of Managua, Nicaragua, 2000 and 2002
Auburn University: 1993
Clinton School of Public Service, 2017
Harvard University Center for international Studies, Program on NonViolent Sanctions in Conflict and Defense, 1992, 1994
Utah State University: 1983, 1985, 1990
University of Central Arkansas Honors College: 1985
University of Arkansas at Fayetteville: 1986, 1990, 1999
University of Panama: 1991, 1992, 1994, 1998
University of Alabama: 1993

SELECTED PROFESSIONAL, UNIVERSITY, AND PUBLIC SERVICE

Faculty Senate, 1994-96, 2012-present. Planning and Finance Committee, 2017-2018;
Appeals Committee, 2016-present

Chancellor’s Task Force on Retention, 2014

UALR Critical Thinking Task Force, 2012

College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences Faculty Team on Student Technology Sources, 2009-2012

College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences Faculty Team on Teaching with Technology, 2008-2009

Chair, Chancellor’s Task Force on Retention, 2008

Donaghey Scholars Policy Council, 2007-2017

Creator and Coordinator, Presidential Studies Minor at UALR, 2002-2005

US Presidential Delegation to the Inauguration of President Mireya Moscoso, September 1999

International Election Observer, International Foundation for Election Systems, Panama, May 1999

University of Arkansas Teaching Scholar in Distance Learning, 1999-2000

Chancellor’s Task Force on Admissions and Retention, Chair, 1995-96

National Board of Pi Sigma Alpha, Political Science Honor Society, 1992-1996

Elderhostel, annual Little Rock Visit, presentation on Clinton Presidency, 2001-2008

U.S. Institute for Peace, Application Evaluator, 1992

Little Rock Committee on Foreign Relations, 1980 – 1996; Arkansas Committee on Foreign Relations, 2003- 2006

Atlantic Council, Academic Associate, 1987 – 2000

American Association of University Women, Field Reviewer for Fellowship Proposals, 1987-88

Arkansas Endowment for the Humanities, President of the Board of Directors, 1988-89, Member of the Board of Directors, 1980-91, 1983-89.

OTHER PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

NVIVO Software, Beginning and Intermediate Training, QSR International, 2007 and 2008

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