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Education

Ph.D. in Government & Politics, University of Maryland, 2011

Primary Field: American Politics

Second Field: Quantitative Methods

Dissertation Title: Information Control: Leadership Power in the U.S. House of Representatives

Dissertation Committee: Frances E. Lee (chair), Paul S. Herrnson, Irwin L. Morris, Sarah A. Binder, Christopher H. Foreman

M.A. in Government & Politics, University of Maryland, 2009

B.S. in Political Science, College at Brockport, State University of New York, 2006

Honors: *Summa Cum Laude*, Pi Sigma Alpha

Employment

2011 – 2012: APSA Congressional Fellow, Office of Representative Daniel Lipinski (D-IL)

2007 – 2011: Research Assistant, Center for American Politics and Citizenship

Summer 2009, 2011: Instructor, University of Maryland, College Park

Publications

Refereed Journal Articles

“Issue Voting and Partisan Defection in Congressional Elections.” 2011. w/ Paul S. Herrnson. *Legislative Studies Quarterly* 36:2; 281-307.

Book Chapters

“Issue Voting in the 2006 Elections for the U.S. House of Representatives.” 2008. w/ Paul S. Herrnson. *Congress Reconsidered*, 9th Edition. CQ Press.

Encyclopedia Entries

“Maryland.” 2008. *Political Encyclopedia of U.S. States and Regions*. Editor, Donald P. Haider-Markel. CQ Press.

Other Publications

Analyses and Reports on Campaign Finance in Maryland
Editor and Author

Available at: <http://www.mdelections.com/campaign-finance-reports/>
Published by *The Center for American Politics and Citizenship*

Awards & Honors

Ann G. Wylie Dissertation Fellowship, 2011

Roger H. Davidson Award in American Politics, 2011

University of Maryland, Graduate Student Summer Research Fellowship, 2010

APSA Graduate Student Travel Grant, 2009

University of Maryland, Department of Government & Politics, American Politics Field Funding to attend ICPSR Summer Program, 2008

Professional Presentations

“The Impact of District Magnitude on Campaign Fundraising.” w/ Paul S. Herrnson and Jeffery A. Taylor. Presented at the 69th Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association; April 1, 2011.

“Information and Majority Leadership Power in the U.S. House of Representatives.” Presented at the 69th Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association; March 31, 2011.

“Information and Leadership Power in the U.S. House: Information Control as a Leadership Tool.” Presented at the 2011 D.C.-area Graduate Student Conference at Georgetown University; February 18, 2011.

“I’m Your Puppet: The Changing Role of the House Committee on Rules.” w/ Jill L. Curry. Presented at the 68th Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Associations; April 26, 2010.

“The Hidden Gatekeepers: Early Money and Individual Donors in Congressional Campaigns.” w/ Melissa A. Bell and Kimberly A. Karnes. Presented at the American Political Science Association 2009 Annual Meeting; September 4, 2009.

“The Competing Roles of House Appropriators: Committee Norms, Partisanship, and Members of the House Appropriations Committee.” Presented at the Southern Political Science Association 2009 Annual Meeting; January 10, 2009.

“A New England Brand of Liberalism: Regionalism in the U.S. House of Representatives.” Presented at The State of New England: People, Politics, and Policy Conference at Stonehill College; March 28, 2010.

Congressional Experience

Fellow with the House of Appropriations Committee, Subcommittee on Financial Services and General Government, Summer 2007.

Intern with the Office of Senator Richard J. Durbin, January-May 2005.

Professional Service & Memberships

Member:

American Political Science Association, Legislative Studies Section

Midwest Political Science Association

University of Maryland, Graduate Student Association

Dept. of Government & Politics, Methods Field Student Representative (2008-2011)

Dept. of Government & Politics, Graduate Studies Committee Student Representative (2011)

Manuscript Reviewer

American Politics Research

Legislative Studies Quarterly

Teaching Experience

Instructor:

The Presidency and the Executive Branch (online)

Guest Lecturer:

Presidential Nominations and Elections

Teaching Assistant:

Introduction to American Politics

Professional References

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