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Professional Experience

Professor (with tenure), North Carolina State University, July 2019 – Present

Executive Director and Department Head, School of Public and International Affairs, July 2019 – Present

William T. Kretzer Distinguished Professor of Humanities, July 2019 – Present

Interim Director, Leadership in the Public Sector Program, January 2020 – June 2021

Interim Chair, Department of Public Administration, July 2023 – June 2024

Professor (with tenure), University of Maryland at College Park, August 2007 – June 2019

Chair, July 1, 2012 – June 2019

Interim Director, Center for American Politics and Citizenship, August 2013 – July 2015

Director of Graduate Studies, August 2007-June 2012

Associate Professor (with tenure), University of Maryland at College Park, August 2001 – August 2007

Director of Graduate Studies, July 2002-August 2007

Assistant Professor, University of Maryland at College Park, August 1998 – August 2001

Assistant Professor, Texas Tech University, August 1994 – July 1998

Education

Ph.D. (Political Science), August 1994 – UNC-Chapel Hill

Dissertation: **Congress, the President, and the Federal Reserve: The Politics of American Monetary Policymaking**

Prof. William Keech, Advisor

Major Field: American Politics

Minor Fields: Public Policy/Public Administration, Methodology

M.A. (Political Science), August 1991 -- UNC-Chapel Hill

B.A. (Political Science -- magna cum laude), June 1989 -- Furman University

Phi Beta Kappa—Gamma Chapter of South Carolina, Inducted 1989

Books

Partisan Places: Movers and Stayers Across America. 2025. Oxford University Press.

Movers, Stayers, and the Partisan Transformation of 21st Century Southern Politics. 2021. Oxford University Press.

Winner of the Southern Political Science Association's 2022 V.O. Key Award for the best book on Southern politics.

Reactionary Republicans: How the Tea Party in the House Paved the Way for Trump's Victory. 2018. With Bryan Gervais. Oxford University Press.

The Rational Southerner: Black Mobilization, Republican Growth, and the Partisan Transformation of the American South. 2012 (Paperback edition, 2014). With M.V. Hood III and Quentin Kidd. Oxford University Press.

The American Presidency. 2010. Cambridge University Press. (Textbook)

Politics from Anarchy to Democracy: Rational Choice in Political Science. Edited volume with Joe Oppenheimer and Karol Soltan. 2004. Stanford University Press.

Votes, Money, and the Clinton Impeachment. 2002. Westview Press (Transforming American Politics Series).

Congress, the President, and the Federal Reserve: The Politics of American Monetary Policymaking. 2000 (updated 2002). The University of Michigan Press.

Articles

Does Inflammatory Rhetoric Boost Support for Political Violence? Considering the Role of Geographic Context. 2025. With Bryan Gervais. **Political Research Quarterly**.78(4):1544-1558.

- Partisan Politics in the 21st Century South: The Fading Impact of Antebellum Slavery. 2022. **American Politics Research**. 50:743-751.
- State Sponsored Health Insurance and State Economic and Employment Growth. With Shanna Pearson-Merkowitz and Liam C. Malloy. 2016. 44:945-975. **Politics and Policy**.
- Tea Leaves and Southern Politics: Explaining Tea Party Support Among Southern Republicans. With M.V. Hood III and Quentin Kidd. 2015. 96:923-940. **Social Science Quarterly**.
- Race and the Tea Party in the Old Dominion: Split-Ticket Voting in the 2013 Virginia Elections. With M.V. Hood III and Quentin Kidd. 2015. **PS: Political Science and Politics**. 48:107-114.
- Reading the Tea Leaves: Understanding Tea Party Caucus Membership in the House of Representatives. With Bryan Gervais. 2012. **PS: Political Science and Politics**. 45: 245-250.
- The Impact of Presidential Campaigning on Presidential Support in the U.S. House of Representatives. With Paul S. Herrnson and John McTague. 2011. **Legislative Studies Quarterly**. XXXVI(1): 99-122.
- Explaining Presidential Greatness: The Roles of Peace and Prosperity? With Jill Gloekler Curry. 2010. **Presidential Studies Quarterly**. 40(3): 515-530.
- Two Sides of the Same Coin? A Panel Granger Analysis of Black Electoral Mobilization and GOP Growth in the South, 1960-2004. With M.V. Hood III and Quentin Kidd. 2008. **Political Analysis**. 16(3): 324-344.
- Presidential Campaigning in the 2002 Congressional Elections. With Paul S. Herrnson. 2007. **Legislative Studies Quarterly**. XXXII(4): 629-648.
- A Mighty Fortress: The Social and Economic Foundations of the American Megachurch Movement. 2007. With Kimberly Karnes, Shanna Pearson-Merkowitz, and Wayne McIntosh. **Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion**. 46:261-268.
- Running to Lose?: John C. Breckinridge and the Presidential Election of 1860. With Jeffrey Jenkins. 2006. **Electoral Studies**. 25:306-328.
- Casino Gambling and Income Inequality in the States. With Elizabeth Freund. 2006. **Policy Studies Journal**. 34: 265-276.
- The Lottery and Income Inequality in the States. 2005. With Elizabeth A. Freund. **Social Science Quarterly**. 86: 996-1012.
- Turnout and the Local Age Distribution: Examining Political Participation Across Space and Time. 2004. With James G. Gimpel and David R. Armstrong. **Political Geography**. 23(1): 71-95

- A Report on the Reintroduction of the *Elephas maximus*¹ in the Southern United States: Explaining the Rise of Republican State Parties, 1960-2000. 2004. With M.V. Hood III and Quentin Kidd. **American Politics Research**. 32: 68-101.
- The Key Issue: Constituency Effects and Southern Senators' Roll-Call Voting on Civil Rights. 2001. With M.V. Hood III and Quentin Kidd **Legislative Studies Quarterly**. November: 599-622.
- Regulation and Rent-Seeking: Understanding Attorney Certification. With Grant Neeley. 2001. **State and Local Government Review**. 33:42-51.
- African American Voting on Proposition 187: Rethinking the Prevalence of Interminority Conflict. 2000. **Political Research Quarterly**. 53:77-98.
- Brother, Can You Spare a Dime: Racial/Ethnic Context and the Anglo Vote on Proposition 187. With M.V. Hood III. 2000. **Social Science Quarterly**. 81(1):194-206.
- Pork, Partisanship, and the Public Interest: The Reality of the President's Line-Item Veto. With M.V. Hood III and Grant Neeley. 1999. **Political Research Quarterly**. 52:753-766.
- Of Byrd[s] and Bumpers: Using Democratic Senators to Analyze Political Change in the South, 1950-1995. 1999. With M.V. Hood III and Quentin Kidd. **American Journal of Political Science**. 43:465-487.
- First Branch, or Root? The Congress, the President, and the Federal Reserve. 1998. With Michael Munger. **Public Choice**. 96:363-380.
- Boll Weevils and Roll Call Voting: A Study in Time and Space. 1998. With M.V. Hood III. **Legislative Studies Quarterly**. May: 245-269.
- Give Us Your Tired, Your Poor, . . . But Make Sure They Have a Green Card: The Effects of Documented and Undocumented Migrant Context on Anglo Opinion Towards Immigration. 1998. With M.V. Hood III. **Political Behavior**. March: 1-15.
- Quedate o Vente!:* Uncovering the Determinants of Hispanic Public Opinion Towards Immigration. With M.V. Hood III and Kurt Shirkey. 1997. **Political Research Quarterly**. September 50(3):627-674.
- Amigos o Enemigos?:* Racial Context, Racial Attitudes, and White Public Opinion Towards Immigration. With M.V. Hood III. 1997. **Social Science Quarterly**. June 78(2): 309-323.
- Appointments, Presidential Power, and the Federal Reserve. With Bill Keech. 1997. **Journal of Macroeconomics**. Spring 19(2): 253-267.

¹Common Name: Asiatic Elephant

On the Coexistence of Directional and Proximity Voters. With George Rabinowitz. 1997. **Journal of Theoretical Politics**. 9(1): 75-88.

Electoral Pressures, Constituency Interests, and Policymaking: Monetary Policy Signaling and the Senate Banking Committee. 1995. **Social Science Quarterly**. 76(4): 902-910.

Book Reviews

Review of **Presidential Control over Administration: A New Historical Analysis of Public Finance Policymaking, 1929-2018** by Patrick R. O'Brien (2022, University of Kansas Press, Lawrence, KS). 2022. 49(3): 400-401. **Congress & the Presidency**.

Review of **American Discontent: The Rise of Donald Trump and Decline of the Golden Age** by John L. Campbell (2018, Oxford University Press, New York, NY). 2019. **Perspectives on Politics (Critical Dialogues)**. 17: 212-214.

Review of **Black Republicans and the Transformation of the GOP** by Joshua D. Farrington (2016, University of Pennsylvania Press, Philadelphia, PA). 2019. **Perspectives on Politics**. 17: 274-275.

Review of **The President and American Capitalism since 1945** edited by Mark H. Rose and Roger Biles (2017, University Press of Florida, Gainesville, FL). 2018. **Congress & the Presidency**.

Review of **Presidential Pork: White House Influence over the Distribution of Federal Grants** by John Hudak (2014, Brookings Press, Washington, D.C.). 2015. **Congress & the Presidency**. 45: 339-341.

Review of **Impeaching Clinton: Partisan Strife on Capitol Hill** by Nicol C. Rae and Colton C. Campbell (2004, University of Kansas Press: Lawrence, KA). 2006. **Party Politics**. 12: 568-569.

Review of **Appointing Central Bankers: The Politics of Monetary Policy in the United States and the European Monetary Union** by Kelly H. Chang (2003, Cambridge University Press: Cambridge). 2004. **Perspectives on Politics**. 2(2): 369-370.

Review of **To Form a More Perfect Union: A New Economic Interpretation of the United States Constitutions** by Robert A. McGuire (2003, Oxford University Press: Oxford. 2004. **Law & Politics Book Review** (published at <http://www.bsos.umd.edu/gvpt/lpbr/>). 14(3).

Review of **The Macro Polity** by Robert S. Erikson, Michael B. MacKuen, and James A. Stimson (2002, Cambridge University Press: Cambridge). 2004. **Journal of Politics**. 66(1): 304-306.

Review of **The International Origins of the Federal Reserve System** by J. Lawrence Broz (1997, Cornell University Press: Ithaca). 1998. **Journal of Politics**. 60(4):1226-1228

Why (and Why Not) Government? A Review of **Free Markets and Social Justice** by Cass R.

Sunstein (1997, Oxford University Press: New York). 1998. **Regulation**. 21(1):75-78.

Review of **Strategic Disagreement: Stalemate in American Politics** by John B. Gilmour (1995, University of Pittsburgh Press: Pittsburgh). 1996. **Congress and the Presidency**. 23(1):77-78.

Book Chapters

Conservatives and Anger. With Bryan T. Gervais. 2021. In **Conservative Political Communication: How Right-Wing Media and Messaging (Re)Made American Politics**. Edited by Sharon Jarvis. New York: Routledge.

The Clinton Impeachment: Where are They Now? With Nicholas S. Miras. 2018. In **The Politics of Impeachment**. Edited by Margaret Tseng. Washington, DC: Westphalia Press (Policy Studies Organization).

Partisan Change in the American South: From Radical Fringe to Conservative Mainstream. With M.V. Hood III and Quentin Kidd. 2012. In **Oxford Handbook on Southern Politics**. Edited by Charles Bullock III and Mark Rozell. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

A Report on the Reintroduction of the *Elephas maximus*² in the Southern United States: Explaining the Rise of Republican State Parties, 1960-2006—An Update. With M.V. Hood III and Quentin Kidd. 2010. In **Controversies in Voting Behavior**. 5th edition. Edited by David C. Kimball, Richard Niemi, and Herbert Weisberg. Washington, DC: CQ Press.

Central Banks. Entry for **The Encyclopedia of Political Science**. 2010. Washington, DC: CQ Press.

Other Publications

Response to John L. Campbell's Review of **Reactionary Republicanism: How the Tea Party in the House Paved the Way for Trump's Victory**. **Perspectives on Politics (Critical Dialogues)**. 17: 216

Visits for Victory: Presidential Campaign Appearances Can Make a Difference. With Paul Herrnson. 2005. **Campaigns & Elections**. October/November: 34-35.

Conference Papers and Posters

Political Incivility, Moral Disengagement, and Support for Political Violence. With Bryan Gervais. 2026. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, MA.

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Partisan Shifts in the Sunbelt Suburbs: Movers and Stayers Beyond the Rural-Urban Divide. 2026.
Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

Partisan Shifts in the Sunbelt Suburbs: Movers and Stayers Beyond the Rural-Urban Divide. 2026.
Presented at the Citadel Symposium on Southern Politics, Charleston, SC.

Short-Term Shifts in Partisan Tides: Bluer Blues and Redder Reds in the Old North State. 2025.
Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

Shifting Partisan Tides in the Old North State: Bluer Blues and Redder Reds in the Quintessential Purple State. 2025. Presented at the North Carolina Political Science Association/North Carolina Public Administration Alliance, Raleigh, NC.

Population Dynamics and Partisan Attachment: The Political Ramifications of Growth and Decline in the South and the Midwest. 2024. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

Population Dynamics and Partisan Attachment: The Impact of Growth in the Non-South. 2024.
Presented at the North Carolina Political Science Association/North Carolina Public Administration Alliance, Asheville, NC.

Population Dynamics and Partisan Attachment: Is Southern Politics Still Distinctive. 2024.
Presented at the Citadel Symposium on Southern Politics, Charleston, SC.

Movers and Stayers in State and Nation: How Population Change is Shaping 21st Century American Voting. 2023. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

Movers and Stayers in State and Nation: How Population Change is Shaping 21st Century American Voting. 2023. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, St. Petersburg, FL.

Partisan Politics in the 21st Century South: White Attitudes and Antebellum Slave Context. 2022.
Presented at the Citadel Symposium on Southern Politics, Charleston, SC.

Rhetoric and Political Violence: Considering the Role of Neighborhood Context. With Bryan Gervais. 2022. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, San Antonio, TX. Hybrid panel.

Partisan Politics in the 21st Century South: Reassessing the Localized Effects of Slavery. 2022.
Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Seattle, WA. Hybrid panel.

Rhetoric and Political Violence: Considering the Role of Neighborhood Context. With Bryan Gervais. 2021. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Seattle, WA. Virtual panel.

Movers and Stayers and the Transformation of Southern Politics. 2021: Geographic Polarization in the 21st Century. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Virtual.

The Politics of Pandemic Response: Does Gubernatorial Partisanship Matter? 2021. With Kristina Bell. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Virtual.

Movers and Stayers and the Transformation of Southern Politics. 2020. Presented at the Citadel Symposium on Southern Politics, Charleston, SC.

Movers, Stayers, and the Partisan Transformation of Southern Politics. 2019. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC.

When Parties Tweet: Assessing and Explaining Incivility in State Legislatures. 2019. With Bryan Gervais. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Austin, TX.

When Parties are Uncivil: Understanding Social Media Style in State Legislative Caucus Twitter Feeds (iposter). 2018. With Bryan Gervais. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Boston, MA.

The Rhetoric of Tea Party Legislators: Angrier, More Uncivil, and More Anti-Deliberative? 2017. With Bryan Gervais. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

Electoral Implications of Racial Resentment in the South (and Beyond): The Case of Clinton v. Trump. 2016. With M.V. Hood III and Quentin Kidd. Presented at Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA.

Candidate Race and Perceptions of Candidate Ideology: The Tea Party, Racial Resentment, and the 2014 Elections in the Palmetto State. 2016. With M.V. Hood III and Quentin Kidd. Presented at the Citadel Symposium on Southern Politics, Charleston, SC.

Presidential Unilateralism and the Value of Time: The Case of Recess Appointments. With Anne Cizmar. 2016. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Tea(s) and Coffee: Understanding the Variation in Attachment to the Tea Party Among Members of Congress. With Bryan Gervais. 2015. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Western Political Science Association, Las Vegas, NV.

Race and the Tea Party in the Palmetto State: Tim Scott, Nikki Haley, Bakari Sellers and the 2014 Elections in South Carolina. With M.V. Hood III and Quentin Kidd. 2015. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA.

- Polarization and Recess Appointments. With Anne Cizmar. 2015. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA.
- Black Tea, Green Tea, White Tea, and Coffee: Understanding the Variation in Attachment to the Tea Party Among Members of Congress. With Bryan Gervais. 2014. Paper prepared for presentation at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C.
- Race and the Tea Party in the Old Dominion. With M.V. Hood III and Quentin Kidd. 2014. Presented at the Biennial Citadel Symposium on Southern Politics. Charleston, SC.
- Race and the Tea Party in the Old Dominion: Down-Ticket Voting and Roll-Off in the 2013 Virginia Gubernatorial Elections. With M.V. Hood III and Quentin Kidd. 2014. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA.
- A District at a Time: Changing Rules, Changing Campaigns. With Anne Cizmar. 2014. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA.
- A District at a Time: The Role of Electoral College Allocation Schemes in the Growth of Partisan Polarization. With Anne Cizmar. 2013. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- Tea Leaves and Southern Politics: Explaining Tea Party Support Among Southern Republicans. With M.V. Hood III and Quentin Kidd. 2013. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Orlando, FL.
- Partisan Polarization and the Presidential Vote: The Economic Foundations of Modern Presidential Elections. With Dror Yuravlivker. 2013. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Orlando, FL.
- Polarized Parties and the Presidential Vote: The Macroeconomic Foundations of Modern Presidential Elections. With Dror Yuravlivker. 2012. Prepared for presentation at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA. Paper uploaded to conference website in lieu of presentation due to meeting cancellation.
- Black Mobilization in the Modern South: Whither Empowerment. With M.V. Hood III and Quentin Kidd. 2012. Presented at the Biennial Citadel Symposium on Southern Politics, Charleston, SC.
- Health Care and Economic Growth in the States. With Shanna Pearson-Merkowitz. 2011. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.
- The Sub-State Dynamics of Southern Republican Growth: The Cases of Louisiana and North Carolina. With M.V. Hood III and Quentin Kidd. 2011. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA.

The Effect of the U.S. Economy on Presidential Elections, 1828-2008. With Jill Gloekler Curry. 2010. Paper presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, D.C.

Black Mobilization and Republican Growth in the South: The More Things Change the More They Remain the Same?. With M.V. Hood III and Quentin Kidd. 2010. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Atlanta, GA.

Explaining Presidential Greatness: The Roles of Peace and Prosperity?. With Jill L. Gloekler. 2009. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Toronto, Canada.

The Impact of Presidential Campaigning on Congressional Support for the President's Agenda. With Paul Herrnson and John McTague. 2009. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

The Impact of Presidential Campaigning on Presidential Support in the House of Representatives. With Paul Herrnson and John McTague. 2008. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

A Little Help From a Friend: Explaining Presidential Campaign Visits and their Impact on Congressional Elections. With Paul Herrnson. 2007. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

Party Polarization and Economic Policymaking. 2007. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. New Orleans, LA.

Presidential Campaigning in the 2002 Congressional Elections. With Paul Herrnson. 2006. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA.

Personalismo Politics: Partisanship, Presidential Popularity and 21st Century Southern Politics. With Trey Hood and Quentin Kidd. 2006. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA.

With a Little Help from His Friends: The Impact of Presidential Campaign Visits on Congressional Roll-Call Votes. With Paul Herrnson. 2006. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Atlanta, GA.

Black Mobilization and the Growth of Southern Republicanism: Two Sides of the Same Coin? With Trey Hood and Quentin Kidd. 2006. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Atlanta, GA.

A Mighty Fortress: The Social and Economic Foundations of the American Megachurch Movement. With Kimberly Karnes, Wayne McIntosh, and Shanna Pearson-Merkowitz. 2005. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC.

The Lottery and Income Inequality in the States. With Elizabeth A. Freund. 2004. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Public Choice Society, Baltimore, MD.

The Numbers Game: Lotteries and Income Inequality in the States. With Elizabeth A. Freund. 2004. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, IL.

Studying Central Bank Independence: The Problem of Missing Data. With David A. Armstrong II. 2003. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Philadelphia, PA.

Megachurches in Maryland: The Demographics of Church Location Patterns and Their Implications for Community Development (poster for poster session). With Wayne V. McIntosh and Lynne Garcia. 2003. Poster prepared for the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. Philadelphia, PA.

Missing Data and the Measurement of Central Bank Independence. With David A. Armstrong II. 2002. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. Savannah, GA.

Race and Southern Gubernatorial Races: A 50-Year Assessment. With Quentin Kidd and M.V. Hood III. 2002. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. Boston, MA.

Generational Replacement, Turnout Deficits and Partisan Advantage in the South and Midwest. With James G. Gimpel and David A. Armstrong II. 2002. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. Boston, MA.

Measuring Central Bank Independence: A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to an Valid Indicator. With David A. Armstrong II. 2002. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southwest Political Science Association. New Orleans, LA.

Key 50 Years Later: Understanding the Racial Dynamics of 21st Century Southern Politics. With M.V. Hood III and Quentin Kidd. 2001. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. Atlanta, GA.

The VRA and Beyond: Understanding African-American Political Mobilization in the Modern American South. With Trey Hood and Quentin Kidd. 2001. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. San Francisco, CA.

The VRA and Beyond: Understanding Black Political Mobilization in the Modern American South. With Trey Hood and Quentin Kidd. 2000. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. Atlanta, GA.

Conventional Politics in Exceptional Times: Representation, Impeachment, and the Power of Money (revised and updated). 2000. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American

Political Science Association. Washington, DC.

Conventional Politics in Exceptional Times: Representation, Impeachment, and the Power of Money. 2000. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Public Choice Society. Charleston, SC.

Running to Lose: Breckinridge and the Presidential Election of 1860. With Jeffrey Jenkins. 2000. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Public Choice Society. Charleston, SC.

Regulation, Transaction Costs, and Market Failures: Understanding Attorney Certification. With Grant Neeley. 1999. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. Savannah, GA.

Where Have All the Democrats Gone?: A State-level Study of Southern Republicanism. 1999. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. Savannah, GA.

Elephants in Dixie: A State-level Analysis of the Rise of the Republican Party in the Modern South. With M.V. Hood III and Quentin Kidd. 1999. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. Atlanta, GA.

Natural Disaster: The Politics of Relief. With Grant Neeley. 1999. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Political Science Association. San Antonio, TX.

Games Policymakers Play: Preferences, Institutions, and Information in the formation of American Monetary Policy. 1999. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Public Choice Society. New Orleans, LA.

Courting the Regulators: A State-Level Study of Attorney Certification. 1998. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. Atlanta, GA.

The Multi-Institutional Model Meets the Real World: The Case of Monetary Policymaking in the U.S. 1998. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. Boston, MA.

Revisiting Political Control of American Monetary Policy: Congress, the President, and the Federal Reserve. 1998. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Public Choice Society. New Orleans, LA.

Re-Thinking the "Racial/Ethnic Diversity" Interpretation of State-level Policymaking: The Devil is in the Details. With M.V. Hood III. 1997. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. Norfolk, VA.

The Transmission and Use of Information: Who Knows Whom and Who Knows What in Two State Legislatures. With John J. Hinderer. 1997. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. Norfolk, VA.

Interminority Conflict and Migration Policy: Thoughts on Data on African Americans' Opinions Toward Immigration. 1997. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. Washington, D.C.

Re-Thinking the Principal-Agent Model or The New Politics of Organizations. 1997. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Public Choice Society. San Francisco, California.

Of Byrd(s) and Bumpers: A Pooled Cross-Sectional Study of the Roll-Call Voting Behavior of Democratic Senators from the South, 1960-1995. With M.V. Hood III and Quentin Kidd. 1996. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Atlanta, Georgia.

Pest Control: Southern Politics and the Eradication of the Boll Weevil. With M.V. Hood III. 1996. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, San Francisco, California.

Amigo o Enemigo? The Impact of Racial Context on White Public Opinion Towards Immigration. With M.V. Hood III. 1996. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois.

Quedate o Vente! Uncovering the Determinants of Hispanic Public Opinion Towards Immigration. With M.V. Hood III Hood and Kurt Shirkey. 1996. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Political Science Association, Houston, Texas. Nominated for Best Paper award.

Cosponsorship in the U.S. Senate: Reconsidering the Campbell and Regens Theses and Recommendations for Improvement. With John Hinderer and Daniel Krejci. 1996. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Political Science Association, Houston, Texas.

Amigo o Enemigo? Ideological Dispositions of Whites Residing in Heavily Hispanic Areas. With M.V. Hood III. 1995. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Tampa, Florida.

Downs Meets the Boll Weevil: When Southern Democrats Turn Left. With M.V. Hood III. 1995. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Tampa, Florida.

First Branch, or Root? The Congress, the President, and the Federal Reserve. With Michael C. Munger. 1995. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois.

Sharpening the Ax: Closing Military Bases and Congressional Politics. With Terry Gilmour and Ken Hansen. 1995. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Social Science Association, Dallas, Texas.

Formal and Informal Institutional Change and Central Bank Independence: The Case of the 1951

Fed-Treasury Accord. With William Keech. 1995. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Public Choice Society and the Economic Science Association, Long Beach, California.

Congressional Dominance, Executive Control, or Bureaucratic Independence: The Case of the Federal Reserve. 1994. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Atlanta, Georgia.

Electoral Pressures, Constituency Interests, and Policymaking: Monetary Policy Signaling and the Senate Banking Committee. 1993. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Savannah, Georgia.

Issue Voting and the Coexistence of Directional and Proximity Voters. 1993. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Washington, DC.

Congress, the President, and Agency Independence: The Case of the Federal Reserve. 1993. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association, Chicago, Illinois.

Issue Voting in a Complex World: When Directional Voters Meet Proximity Voters. 1993. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southwestern Political Science Association, New Orleans, Louisiana.

Institutional Limitations on Presidential Influence over the Federal Reserve. With William Keech. 1991. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, Tampa, Florida.

Doctoral Students

Quentin Kidd (1998): Christopher Newport University, Dean of the College of Social Sciences and Director of the Judy Ford Wason Center for Public Policy

Elizabeth Freund (2007): Albright College, Assistant professor (first position)

Andrea Bertone (2008): Elliott School of International Affairs (George Washington University), Professorial Lecturer

Christopher Whitt (2010): Augustana College, Associate Professor and Chair

John McTague (2010): Towson University, Associate Professor

Ann Marie Cizmar (2011): Eastern Kentucky University, Associate Professor

Jill Curry (2014): Utah State Board of Education, Program Analyst

Joseph Wantz (2014): General Dynamics Information Technology, Senior Functional Analyst

Julia Joh Elligers (2014): Federal Strategy at Deloitte & Touche LLP

Martin Kobren (2015): University of Maryland, Adjunct Professor of Political Science

Konrad Mugglestone (2017): Institute for Higher Education Policy, Senior Research Analyst

Gilbert Nunez (2017): Community Change, Electoral Data Manager

Raymond Williams (2018): Congressional Research Service, Social Science Research Assistant

Matthew Burger (2020): Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Lab

Professional Service and Related Activities

Served on the Emerging Scholar Award Committee for the Presidents and Executive Politics Section of the American Political Science Association. 2026.

Served as chair for the “Political Geography and Intergovernmental Politics” at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. April 2026, Chicago, IL.

Served as discussant for the “Undergraduate Panel 1” at the Citadel Symposium of Southern Politics. March 2026, Charleston, SC.

Served as chair and discussant for the “Race and Local Politics” panel at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. April 2025. Chicago, IL.

Served as chair and discussant for the “State Executives and Elections” panel at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. April 2025. Chicago, IL.

Member of the Southern Political Science Association’s V.O. Key book award committee. 2024.

Served as chair and discussant for the “American Politics II” panel at the Annual Meeting of the North Carolina Political Science Association/North Carolina Public Administration Alliance, March 2024. Asheville, NC.

Gave keynote address, “The End of Southern Politics? Movers and Stayers in State and Nation” at the 2024 Citadel Symposium of Southern Politics, March 7-8.

Served as chair and discussant for the “Voting in U.S. Presidential Elections” panel at the Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. April 2023. Chicago, IL.

Served as chair and discussant for the “Analyzing Specific Elections” panel at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. January 2023. St. Petersburg, FL.

Served as chair and discussant for the “Political Polarization” panel at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. January 2023. St. Petersburg, FL.

Served as discussant for the “Southern Institutions” panel at the Citadel Symposium on Southern Politics. March 2022. Charleston, SC.

Served as chair and discussant for the “Identities, Politics, and Groups” panel at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. January 2022. Hybrid.

Served as chair for the “Innovations in Data Science” panel at the 20th Annual Social Equity Leadership Conference. June 2021. Virtual.

Served as discussant for the “Subnational Governments and the COVID-19 Pandemic” panel at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. January 2021. Virtual.

Served as chair and discussant for the “Voting and Elections in the U.S. States: State Politics” panel at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. January 2019. Austin, TX.

Served as co-chair for the “Authors Meets Critics: Reactionary Republicanism” panel at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. January 2019. Austin, TX.

External reviewer for the Political Science Program at Towson University. March 2017.

External reviewer for the Political Science Program at the University of Maryland, University College. January 2016.

Participated in “Campaign 2016: Behind the Scenes of the Presidential Election” sponsored by the Smithsonian Associates Program. November 10, 2016

External reviewer for the Political Science Program at the University of Maryland, University College, January 2016.

Participated in “A Voters Guide to the Election Season 2016” sponsored by the Smithsonian Associates Program. January 19, 2016

Member of the Political Economy Section’s Mancur Olson Best Dissertation Award. 2015.

Participated in “Roundtable on the 2014 Midterm Elections in the Rim South” at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association, New Orleans, LA, January 15-17, 2015.

Chair of the Southern Political Science Association’s V.O. Key book award committee. 2014.

Program Chair for the Presidency and Executive Politics Section for the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. 2014.

Discussion leader for the “Presidents and the Constitution: George Washington” colloquium co-sponsored by the Ashbrook Center at Ashland University and the Liberty Fund. Mount Vernon, VA. February 2014.

Chair of the Presidency and Executive Politics Research Group’s Founder’s Award Committee (best APSA paper award). 2013.

Participated in the “Post-mortem on the 2012 Elections” sponsored by the Center for American Politics and Citizenship at the University of Maryland. November, 2012.

Discussion leader for the “Presidents and the Constitution: George Washington” colloquium co-sponsored by the Ashbrook Center at Ashland University and the Liberty Fund. Mount Vernon, VA. November 2012.

Discussion leader for the “George Washington and the American Founding” colloquium co-

sponsored by the Ashbrook Center at Ashland University and the Liberty Fund.
Cincinnati, OH. September 2011.

Participated in the “Post-mortem on the 2010 Congressional Elections” sponsored by the Center for American Politics and Citizenship at the University of Maryland. November 9, 2010.

Moderated a panel for conference on the “Tea Party and the 2010 Elections” sponsored by the Center for American Politics and Citizenship at the University of Maryland. October 20, 2010.

Director of the “Liberty and the Foundations of the Executive Branch” colloquium sponsored by the Liberty Fund. October 2010. Indianapolis, IN.

Member of the Presidential Research Group’s Founder’s Award Committee (best APSA paper award). 2009.

Director of the “Liberty and the Imperial Presidency” colloquium sponsored by the Liberty Fund. January 2009. Tampa, FL

Chair of the Southern Political Science Association’s V.O. Key book award committee. 2009.

Invited participant in the “Republican Liberty and the Origins of the Federal Judiciary” colloquium sponsored by the Liberty Fund. October 2008. Indianapolis, IN.

Invited participant in the “Educating for Liberty and Happiness” colloquium sponsored by the Liberty Fund. June 2008. Big Sky, MT.

Invited participant in the “Liberty and the Power to Coin Money” colloquium sponsored by the Liberty Fund. March 2008. Indianapolis, IN.

Director of the “George Washington and the American Founding” colloquium sponsored by the Liberty Fund. February 2007. Atlanta, GA.

Member of the Presidential Research Group’s Richard E. Neustadt Award Committee (best book award). 2007.

Chair of the Money and Politics section for the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. 2007.

Directed the “Revolution, Secession, and Liberty: American Independence, The Civil War, and Beyond” colloquium sponsored by the Liberty Fund. September 2005. Big Sky, MT.

Invited participant in the “Liberty, Responsibility, Free Blacks, and Reconstruction” colloquium sponsored by the Liberty Fund. January 2005. Key West, FL.

Chair of the Southern Political Science Association’s Pi Sigma Alpha Award Committee (best paper at the annual meeting). 2004.

Invited participant in the “Property Rights and Liberty” colloquium sponsored by the Liberty Fund. October 2004. Mountain Sky, MT.

Participated in “God and Mammon: Political Economy of Fundamentalism” rountable at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, September 2004.

Invited participant in the “Liberty and Skepticism: A Re-Assessment of the Work of Frank H. Knight” colloquium sponsored by the Liberty Fund. February 2004. Richmond, VA.

Invited participant in the “Political Economy in the Scottish Enlightenment” colloquium sponsored by the Liberty Fund and the Institute for Political Economy at Utah State University. September 2002. Bozeman, MT.

Served as discussant for the “Parties and Roll Call Voting in Congress” panel at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. November 2000. Atlanta, GA.

Served as discussant for the “Congressional Floor Behavior” panel at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association. August 31-September 3, 2000. Washington, DC.

Served as discussant for the “Voting Studies III: Political History” panel at the Annual Meeting of the Public Choice Society. March 2000. Charleston, South Carolina.

Participated in “Impeachment” roundtable at the Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. November 1999. Savannah, Georgia.

Invited participant in the “Technology and Liberty: The Thought of George Grant” colloquium sponsored by the Liberty Fund and the Institute for Political Economy at Utah State University. May 1999. Savannah, Georgia.

Served as discussant for the “Comparative Policy Development: The U.S. and Europe” panel at the 1998 Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association. October, 1998. Atlanta, GA.

Served as chair and discussant for the “Ticket-Splitting and Divided Government” panel at the 1998 Annual Meeting of the Public Choice Society. March 1998. New Orleans, LA.

Invited participant in the “Humboldt and Godwin on Law, Liberty, and the State” colloquium sponsored by the Liberty Fund and the Institute for Political Economy at Utah State University. March 1998. Pasadena, California.

Invited participant in the “Political Economy and Public Choice” colloquium sponsored by the Liberty Fund and the Institute for Political Economy at Utah State University. August 1997. Gleneden Beach, Oregon.

Served as chair and discussant for the “State Public Finance” panel at the 1996 Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association.

Served as discussant for the “Formal Models of Political Institutions” panel at the 1995 Annual Meeting of the Southern Political Science Association.

Served as reviewer for the **American Journal of Political Science**; **American Political Science Review**; **Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization**; **Journal of Politics**; **Journal of Public Administration Research and Theory**; **Journal of Public Policy**; **Journal of Theoretical Politics**; **Legislative Studies Quarterly**; **Political Research Quarterly**; **Politics, Groups, and Identities**; **Polity**; **Public Choice**; **Social Forces**; **Social Problems**; **Social Science Quarterly**; **Southeastern Political Review**; Bloomsbury Press, Cambridge University Press, the Mellon Press; Oxford University Press, Palgrave Press; Roxbury Press; the University of Michigan Press; and the National Science Foundation.

Lectures

“George Washington and **The Constitution**.” George Washington Teacher Institute. Mount Vernon. Summer 2015.

“George Washington and **The Constitution**.” George Washington Teacher Institute. Mount Vernon. Summer 2014.

“John Breckinridge and the Election of 1860.” Presented at the Loudoun County Civil War Round Table. September 14, 2010.

“George H.W. Bush: The Last Cold Warrior.” Presented as part of the Smithsonian Associate’s *Presidents at War* series. November 13, 2007.

“Abraham Lincoln and the Civil War.” Presented as part of the Smithsonian Associate’s *Presidents at War* series. October 9, 2007.

Grants

2007—Retrocession and the District of Columbia—The Impact on Maryland (Center for American Politics and Citizenship, Trellis Fund, \$90,000). PI-Irwin L. Morris, Co-PI-Paul S. Herrnson.

1999—Graduate Research Board Summer Research Award, Graduate School, University of Maryland

1996-1997—Research Enhancement Grant for “State Legislature Staff Study” Office of Research Services, Texas Tech University

1996—Distance Education Grant -- Division of Continuing Education -- Texas Tech University -- with graduate students Quentin Kidd and M.V. Hood III. Created a web-based course entitled American Public Policy.

Awards

2012—University of Maryland Graduate School's Outstanding Director of Graduate Studies Award.

2007—University of Maryland College of Behavioral and Social Sciences' Excellence in Mentoring and Teaching Award.

2000—University of Maryland College of Behavioral and Social Sciences' Excellence in Teaching Award

1997—Texas Tech University's Dads and Moms Association Hemphill-Wells New Professor Excellence in Teaching Award (university-wide award)

1996—Professor of the Year -- Texas Tech University Graduate Student Association (Department of Political Science)

Areas of Research Interest

Presidency

Public Policy

Congress

Southern Politics

Race and Ethnic Politics

Political Economy

Courses Taught

American Government (undergraduate)

American Government—Honors—(undergraduate)

American Public Policy (graduate and undergraduate)

Congress (graduate)

Data Analysis (graduate)

Introduction to Formal Theories of Politics (graduate)

Introduction to Government and Politics (undergraduate)

Legislation (undergraduate)

Policy Experts, Regular People, & the Purpose of Government: Making Institutional and Policy Choices in the next Millennium—Honors—(undergraduate)

Presidency and the Executive Branch (graduate and undergraduate)

Public Policy Analysis—Honors—(undergraduate)

Public Policy: Governments, Markets, and Civic Society (undergraduate)

Research and Writing in Political Science (graduate)

Scope and Methods in Government and Politics (graduate)

Southern Politics (undergraduate)

Departmental, College, and University Service

Executive Director, School for Public and International Affairs (SPIA)- 2019-
Interim Chair of the Department of Public Administration - 2023-2024
Member of the Associate Dean for Research and Engagement Search Committee - 2023-2024
Member of the Institute for Emerging Issues Director Search Committee -- 2022
Chair of the Department of Sociology and Anthropology Head Search Committee - 2022-2023
Interim Director, Leadership in the Public Sector - 2020-2021
Member of the CHASS Steering Committee - 2020-2021
Member of the Office of Undergraduate Research Advisory Committee - 2021 -
Member of the Hunt Intern Search Committee - 2021
Member DELTA Grants Review Committee for CHASS -- 2021
Member of the University College RPT Committee -- 2021
Chair of the SPIA Undergraduate Advisor Search Committee - 2021
Member of the SPIA Student Services Specialist Search Committee -- 2020
Member of the CHASS Distinguished Professor Selection Committee -- 2019
Chair of the SPIA Business Services Coordinator Search Committee -- 2019
Department Chair, GVPT - 2012-2019
Interim Director, Center for American Politics and Citizenship - 2013-2015
Director of Graduate Studies - 2002-2012
Chair of the GVPT Graduate Studies Committee - 2002-2012
Chair of the GVPT Graduate Admissions Committee - 2002-2012
Chair of the GVPT Political Economy Field - 2008- 2011
Chair of the ECON Chair Review Committee - 2016
Chair of the ECON Chair Search Committee - 2018-19
Chair of the Tenure and Promotion Committee (Hanmer) -- 2010
Member of the BSOS Ad Hoc Committee on BSOS Plan of Organization - 2010 - 2011
Member of the BSOS Aesthetics Committee - 2014-15
Member of the BSOS Diversity Advisory Committee - 2006 - 2008
Member of the BSOS Journalism Building Renovation Working Group - 2008-2011
Member of the BSOS Mentorship Award Committee -- 2016
Member of the BSOS Phillips Award Committee - 2003 and 2004
Member of the BSOS Program Manager Search Committee - 2002-2003
Member of the BSOS Teaching Awards Selection Committee - 2001, 2005
Member of the Faculty Affairs Committee -- 1994 - 1996 (Texas Tech University)
Member of the Graduate Affairs Committee -- 1996 - 1998 (Texas Tech University)
Member of the GVPT American Politics Search Committee - 1998-1999, 2000-2001, 2002-2003, 2010-11
Member of the GVPT American Politics/Methodology Search Committee - 2006
Member of the GVPT American Politics/Race and Ethnic Politics Search Committee -- 2007
Member of the GVPT Conley Dillon Award Committee -- 2006
Member of the GVPT Director of Administrative Services Search Committee - 2005, 2007
Member of the GVPT Executive Committee - 2002-
Member of the GVPT Graduate Studies Committee - 2001-2012
Member of the GVPT Graduation Speaker Selection Committee - 2003-2006
Member of the GVPT Jean Elizabeth Spencer Award Committee - 2006, 2008, 2009

Member of the GVPT Promotion Committee (McIntosh) - 2008
Member of the GVPT Salary Committee -- 2001
Member of the GVPT Tenure and Promotion Committee (Layman) - 2002-2003
Member of the GVPT Undergraduate Affairs Committee - 1999-2001
Member of the UMD All in Democracy Challenge Committee - 2016
Member of the UMD Graduate Council - 2004-2007
Member of the UMD MOOC Advisory Board - 2015-2016
--Member of the Fellowship Committee of the Graduate Council - 2006-2007
--Member of the Student Affairs Sub-committee of the Graduate Council - 2004-2007
Mentor for BSOS Summer Research Initiative - 2003, 2007-2013, 2015