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Academic Positions

Professor, School of Public Affairs, 2022-present
Director, Little Rock Congregations Study, 2012-present
Coordinator, Middle Eastern Studies Program, 2012-2014
Associate Professor, School of Public Affairs, 2015-2022
Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, 2009-2015
University of Arkansas at Little Rock

Speaking & Consulting

Professional Development, Teaching and Learning, Student Retention, Rapport-building, 2017-present
Survey Research and Development, 2020-present
Data Analytics, 2021-present
Religion and Community, Community-engaged Research, 2022-present

Education

- 2009 Ph.D., Political Science, University of California Santa Barbara
Committee: Rose McDermott (chair), M. Kent Jennings, Wade Clark Roof (religious studies)
- 2006 M.A., Political Science, University of California Santa Barbara
- 2005 Summer Institute in Political Psychology, Stanford University
- 2004 B.A., Liberal Studies, California State University Channel Islands
Transferred to California State University Channel Islands from the University of Redlands, 2002

Research and Teaching Interests

Religion and Politics, Race and Ethnicity, Political Communication, Community-based Research, Pedagogy

Books

Faith and Community: How Engagement Strengthens Members, Places of Worship, and Society, Temple University Press, 2024.

Connecting in the Online Classroom: Building Rapport between Teachers and Students, Johns Hopkins University Press, 2021.

Peer-Reviewed Publications

“Linking Community-based Research and Faith-based Racial Justice” With Gerald Driskill and Owen Haynes (undergraduate student coauthor). Forthcoming at *Sociological Focus*.

“Race and Faith: The Role of Congregations in Racial Justice.” With Gerald Driskill and Dominika Hanson (graduate student coauthor). Forthcoming at the *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*.

“A Multi-Method Approach to the Future of the Scholarship of Teaching and Learning.” *Journal of Political Science Education*. Published Online April 22, 2024.

“The Long-Term Effects of COVID-19 on Teaching in Political Science and International Relations.” With Cherie Strachan. *PS: Political Science & Politics*, Volume 56, Issue 3, Pages 349-356, July 2023.

“African American Pastors: Navigating Dialectics in the Collaborative Process.” With Kirk Leach and Gerald Driskill, *Journal of Applied Communication Research*, Volume 51, Issue 3, Pages 243-261, 2023.

“Engaging Students in Collaborative Data Projects: How Collective Contribution and Personalized Feedback can Improve Learning and Rapport.” With Matthew Pietryka. *Education Sciences*, Volume 12, Issue 12, 2022.

“Instructor Presence and Student Satisfaction Across Modalities: Survey Data on Students Preferences in Online and On-campus Courses.” With Heidi Harris, *The International Review of Research in Open and Distributed Learning*, Volume 22, Issue 2, Pages 77-98, 2021.

“Self-Coding: A Method to Assess Semantic Validity and Bias when Coding Open-Ended Responses.” With Jessica Feezell and Amber Boydston, *Research & Politics*, Volume 8, Issue 3, 2021.

“Online Teaching, Student Success, and Retention in Political Science Courses.” With Kerstin Hamann, Philip H. Pollock, and Bruce M. Wilson. *European Political Science*. Volume 20, Pages 427-439, 2021.

“Framing, Identity, and Blame: Do Episodic vs. Thematic Framing Effects Vary by Target Population?” With Amber Boydston and Jessica Feezell. *Politics, Groups, and Identity*, Volume 9, Issue 2, Pages 347-368, 2021.

“Making Human Connections in Online Teaching.” *PS: Political Science and Politics*, Volume 54, Issue 1, 2021.

“Teaching through Community-based Research: Undergraduate and Graduate Collaboration on the Little Rock Congregations Study.” With Warigia Bowman. *Journal of Political Science Education*, Volume 17, Issue 2, Pages 234-252, 2021.

“How Teaching with Rapport Can Improve Online Student Success and Retention: Data from Two Empirical Studies.” With Heidi Harris. *Quarterly Review of Distance Education*, Volume 21, Issue 4, 2021.

“Using Social Media to Advance Community-based Research.” With Morgan Paige Topping (undergraduate student coauthor). *PS: Political Science and Politics*, Volume 54, Issue 2, 2021.

“What Drives Student Success? Assessing the Combined Effect of Transfer Students and Online Courses.” With Kerstin Hamann, Philip H. Pollock, and Bruce M. Wilson. *Teaching in Higher Education*, Volume 26, Issue 6, 2021.

“Connecting with Community and Facilitating Learning through the Little Rock Congregations Study.” With Gerald Driskill and Kirk Leach. *Metropolitan Universities*, Volume 31, Issue 3, Pages 22-43, 2020.

“When Spiritual and Material Meet: Explaining Congregational Engagement in the Local Community.” With Emilie Street (graduate student coauthor). *Interdisciplinary Journal of Research on Religion*, Volume 16, Article 6, Pages 2-35, 2020.

“The Differential Impact of Religion on Political Activity and Community Engagement.” *Review of Religious Research*, Volume 62, Issue 1, Pages 1-26, 2020.

“Age, Gender, and Student Success: Mixing Face-to-Face and Online Courses in Political Science.” With Kerstin Hamann, Philip H. Pollock, and Bruce M. Wilson. *Journal of Political Science Education*, published online March 20, 2019.

“Media, Information, and Political Participation: The Importance of Online News Sources in the Absence of a Free Press.” With Suveyda Karakaya. *Journal of Information Technology & Politics*, Volume 16, Issue 3, 2019.

“In the Wake of a Terrorist Attack, Do Americans’ Attitudes Toward Muslims Decline?” With Amber Boydston and Jessica Feezell. *Research and Politics*, Volume 5, Issue 4, 2018

“Acting for God? Types and Motivations of Clergy Political Activity.” *Politics and Religion*, Volume 11, Issue 4, 2018.

“How Religion Influences Peacemaking.” *Peace and Conflict Studies*, Volume 25, Number 2, 2018.

“Providentiality: A New Measure of Religious Belief.” *Interdisciplinary Journal of Research on Religion*, Volume 13, Article 3, 2017.

“Building Rapport to Improve Retention and Success in Online Classes.” *Journal of Political Science Education*, Volume 12, Issue 4, 2016.

“For God or Country? Comparing the Sources of anti-American and anti-Muslim Attitudes.” With William Miller. *Islam and Christian-Muslim Relations*, Volume 27, Issue 2, 2016.

“Bridging Religion and Politics: The Impact of Providential Religious Beliefs on Political Activity.” *Politics and Religion*, Volume 8, Issue 3, 2015.

“Real-Time Reactions to a 2012 Presidential Debate: A Method for Understanding Which Messages Matter.” With Amber Boydston, Matt Pietryka, and Philip Resnik (graduate student coauthor). *Public Opinion Quarterly*, Volume 78, Special Issue, 2014.

“Colleague Crowdsourcing: A Method for Fostering National Student Engagement and Large-N Data Collection.” With Amber Boydston, Jessica Feezell, Timothy Jurka, and Matt Pietryka (graduate student coauthor). *PS: Political Science and Politics*, Volume 47, Number 4, 2014.

“Satire and Efficacy in the Political Science Classroom.” *PS: Political Science and Politics*, Volume 47, Number 4, 2014.

“Divine Direction: How Providential Religious Beliefs Shape Foreign Policy Attitudes.” *Foreign Policy Analysis*, Volume 9, Issue 2, 2013.

“A Two-Tiered Method for Identifying Trends in Media Framing of Policy Issues: The Case of the War on Terror.” With Amber Boydston. *Policy Studies Journal*, Volume 41, Number 4, 2013.

“Playing to the Crowd: Agenda Control in Presidential Debates.” With Amber Boydston and Matt Pietryka (graduate student coauthor). *Political Communication*, Volume 30, Issue 2, 2013.

“Agenda Control in the 2008 Presidential Debates” With Amber Boydston and Claire Phillips (undergraduate student coauthor). *American Politics Research*, Volume 41, Number 5, 2013.

“The President, the Press, and the War: A Tale of Two Framing Agendas.” With Amber Boydston. *Political Communication*, Volume 29, Issue 4, 2012.

“Running Simulations without Ruining Your Life: Simple Ways to Incorporate Active Learning into Your Teaching.” *Journal of Political Science Education*, Volume 7, Issue 4, 2011.

“Just Intervention in Genocide: Extending the Theoretical Application of Just War Theory.” *Genocide, War Crimes, & Crimes Against Humanity*, Volume 3, Issue 1, 2008.

“Contemporary Islamism: Trajectory of a Master Frame.” With Matthew Cleary. *The American Journal of Islamic Social Sciences*, Volume 24, Issue 2, 2007.

Other Publications

“Revisioning the International Studies Classroom: Online Teaching.” In *Oxford Handbook of International Studies Pedagogy*, Heather A. Smith, Mark A. Boyer, and David J. Hornsby, eds. Oxford University Press, forthcoming 2024.

“Taking Community-Based Research Online: Benefit and Drawbacks for Researchers and Students.” In *Palgrave Handbook of Teaching and Research in Political Science*, Charity Butcher, Tavishi Bhasin, Elizabeth Gordon, and Maia Hallward, eds. Palgrave Macmillan, Pages 219-229, 2023.

“Teaching Online During a Crisis: What Matters Most for Students.” In *Teaching International Relations During Disruptive Times*, Andrew Szarejko, ed. Palgrave, 2022.

“Scalable Multidimensional Response Measurement using a Mobile Platform.” With Amber Boydston, Matt Pietryka, and Philip Resnik. In *Political Communication in Real Time: Theoretical and Applied Research Approaches*, Dan Schill, Rita Kirk, and Amy Jasperson, eds. Routledge, 2016.

“America’s Missions: Religion and Foreign Policy in the 21st Century and Beyond.” In *Companion to Religion and Politics in the United States*, Barbara McGraw, ed. Wiley-Blackwell, 2016.

“Teaching International Relations.” In *Handbook of Teaching and Learning in Political Science and International Relations*, John Ishiyama, Eszter Simon, and William Miller, eds. Edward Elgar, 2015.

“Religion and Realism: Charting a Middle Path for International Relations Theory.” In *Religion and the Realist Tradition: From political theology to International Relations theory and back*, Jodok Troy, ed. Routledge, 2013.

“Thomas C. Schelling.” In *Arms Control: History, Theory, and Policy*. Robert E. Williams and Paul R. Viotti, eds. Praeger Security International, 2012.

“Simple Simulations: How to Incorporate Active Learning into Teaching.” *Political Methodology: a Working Paper Series of the Committee on Concepts and Methods*, published online, December 2009.

“Religiously Motivated Political Violence in Iraq.” In *Religion, Conflict, and Military Intervention*. Rosemary Durward and Lee Marsden, eds. Ashgate, 2009.

“Genocide: An Obligation to Fight?” In *Rethinking the 21st Century: ‘New’ Problems, ‘Old’ Solutions*. Amy E. Eckert and Laura Sjoberg, eds. Zed Books, 2009.

Journal Manuscripts in Progress

“Banning the Veil: The Effect of Religious Clothing Restrictions on Attitudes towards Muslims and Immigrants in Europe.” With Christopher J. Williams and Leon Kockaya (graduate student coauthor). Under review.

“Differential Effects among Broadcast News: Public Opinion Change and Black Lives Matter Protests.” With Jessica Feezell and Amber Boydston. Under review.

“Conspiratorial Thinking and the Consequences for Democracy.” With David Weaver.

“Interfaith Experiences as a Means to Increase Understanding and Tolerance.” In collaboration with the Interfaith Center of Arkansas. Data collection in development.

Public Scholarship and Community Outreach

Central Arkansas Library System, October 2, 2024, Legacies & Lunch Speaker, "[Faith and Community in Little Rock](#)."

Deseret News, July 6, 2024, "[Are congregations the key to stemming America's rising tide of polarization?](#)"

Cotham Lecturer, Westover Hills Presbyterian Church, December 9-10, 2023, "Faith and Community: How Engagement Helps Everyone" and "Why and How Religion Can Lead on Race"

"Engaging Students Through Collaborative Research Projects." Teaching in Higher Ed Podcast, [Episode 459](#), March 30, 2023.

"Keep on Teaching" January and February, 2023, panels on student engagement and faculty burnout hosted by The Chronicle of Higher Education.

Global Ties Arkansas, November 28, 2022. "Religious Freedom and Racial Justice."

Little Rock Race and Faith Summit for Religious Leaders, hosted by the Little Rock Congregations Study, Little Rock, Arkansas, November 2, 2022.

Keynote Speaker, Southeast Faith and Health Equity Summit, August 4-5, 2022. "The Role of Faith Communities in Health Equity."

Coalition of Urban and Metropolitan Universities, March 29, 2021. "Building Collaborative Relationships to Improve Race Relations."

Global Ties Arkansas, October 8, 2020. "Religious Freedom and Countering Extremism."

Helix Education, September 3, 2020. "Preventing a Student Retention Crisis this Fall." [Podcast available here](#) and [cartoon short available here](#).

Little Rock City Connections, July 14, 2020. "Religion and Engagement in Little Rock."

Human Rights Media, August 21, 2020. "Framing of Religious Minorities and Restrictions of Religious Freedom." [Video available here](#).

UA Little Rock Ed Talk, August 16, 2019. "Retaining Online Students." [Video available here](#).

Religious Leaders Summit on Issues Facing Little Rock, hosted by the Little Rock Congregations Study, Little Rock, Arkansas, April 11, 2019. [Media coverage available here](#).

Arkansas Democrat Gazette, Guest Editorial, April 4, 2019. "To better serve: Faith, service can heal communities." [Available online here](#).

Additional Academic Training

University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Service Learning Academy, Summer 2010.

University of California San Diego, Institute for Global Cooperation and Conflict, Public Policy and Nuclear Threats Summer Training Program, Summer 2009.

University of Oklahoma, Summer Workshop on Teaching about Terrorism, Summer 2008.

Calvin College, Graduate Student Workshop, "Pollsters and Parishioners: Seminar on Survey Research and American Religion." Summer, 2008.

University of California San Diego, Institute for Global Cooperation and Conflict, Public Policy and Biological Threats Summer Training Program, Summer 2007.

Georgetown University, Women in International Security Summer Symposium, Summer 2007.

Stanford University, Summer Institute in Political Psychology, Summer 2005.

University of California Santa Barbara, fulfilled skills requirement through coursework to demonstrate competence in statistics and data analysis. Proficient in Stata and SPSS.

Fellowships, Research Grants and Awards, and Teaching Awards

Craig L. Brians Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Research & Mentorship from the Political Science Education Organized Section of the American Political Science Association, 2024

American Political Science Association Distinguished Award for Civic and Community Engagement, 2023.

One of EdTech Magazine's "30 Higher Ed IT Influencers to Follow in 2023"

University of Arkansas at Little Rock Faculty Excellence in Research and Creative Activity Award, 2022-2023.

College of Communication, Humanities, Arts, Social Sciences, and Education Faculty Excellence in Research and Creative Activities Award, 2022-2023.

College of Communication, Humanities, Arts, Social Sciences, and Education Summer Research Grant, funding awarded for data analysis of "Community Conversations" research project, summer 2023.

Second Presbyterian Church, 2022. Global Witness, Local Offering. Funding awarded in support of the Little Rock Race and Faith Summit, hosted by the Little Rock Congregations Study.

Methodist Foundation of Arkansas. 2022. Grant awarded in support of the research of the Little Rock Congregations Study.

College of Communication, Humanities, Arts, Social Sciences, and Education Summer Research Grant, funding awarded for case studies of Little Rock Congregations, summer 2022.

University of Arkansas at Little Rock Student Government Association Faculty Member of the Year Award, 2021-2022.

University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Faculty Jumpstart Teaching Grant, funding awarded for course innovations in the pedagogy of care, spring 2022.

University of Arkansas at Little Rock Mentored Signature Experience Grant, 2022-2023. Awarded for the mentorship of Dominika Hanson.

College of Communication, Humanities, Arts, Social Sciences, and Education Faculty Excellence in Teaching Award, 2021-2022.

University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Faculty Jumpstart Grant, funded course release for research, spring 2022.

Society for the Scientific Study of Religion, Jack Shand Research Grant, 2021. Funding awarded for the project "Race and Faith: The Role of Congregations in Racial Justice."

Practicum Team partnership with the Clinton School of Public Service, 2021-2022, for work on the Little Rock Congregations Study's race and faith project.

College of Communication, Humanities, Arts, Social Sciences, and Education Summer Research Fellowship, 2021. Funding awarded for research on faith-based efforts to further racial justice in Little Rock.

University of Arkansas at Little Rock Mentored Signature Experience Grant, 2020-2021. Awarded for the mentorship of Landon DeKay.

Methodist Foundation of Arkansas. 2021. Grant awarded in support of the research of the Little Rock Congregations Study.

American Political Science Association, Small Research Grant, 2020. Funding awarded for research on the long-term effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on teaching in political science.

Co-leader, American Political Science Association Summer Workshop on Innovative Online Teaching, 2020.

Practicum Team partnership with the Clinton School of Public Service, 2020-2021, for work on the Little Rock Congregations Study's 2020 data collection.

University of Arkansas at Little Rock Student Government Association Faculty Appreciation Award, College of Social Science and Communication, 2020.

Global Religion Research Initiative, University of Notre Dame, Curriculum Development Grant, 2019. \$4,000 awarded to develop the course "International Religious Freedom."

University of Arkansas at Little Rock Mentored Signature Experience Grant, 2018-2019. Two awards: one for the mentorship of Jordan Wallis and one for the mentorship of Paige Topping.

University of Arkansas at Little Rock Research and Creative Activity Seed Grant, 2018-2019, with Heidi Harris.

College of Social Science and Communication, Graduate Research Assistantship Grant, University of Arkansas at Little Rock.

- 2020, Funding awarded to hire a graduate research assistant for the Little Rock Congregations Study.
- 2019, Funding awarded to hire a graduate research assistant for the Little Rock Congregations Study.
- 2018, Funding awarded to hire a graduate research assistant for the Little Rock Congregations Study.
- 2017, Funding awarded to hire a graduate research assistant for research on online teaching and learning.

University of Arkansas at Little Rock Faculty Excellence in Research and Creative Activity Award, 2017-2018.

College of Social Science and Communication Faculty Excellence in Research and Creative Activity Award, 2017-2018.

University of Arkansas at Little Rock Student Government Association Faculty Member of the Year Award, 2016-2017.

Alma Ostrom and Leah Hopkins Awan Civic Education research grant, administered by the American Political Science Association's Centennial Center for Political Science and Public Affairs, 2016. Funding awarded for the 2016 Little Rock Congregations Study

Women in STEM Faculty Development Grant, University of New Mexico. Funding awarded for collaboration with Jessica Feezell and Amber Boydston on the project "Experimental Analysis of Framing Effects on Blame Attributions and Attitudes Towards Muslim Americans"

Bilateral US-Arab Chamber of Commerce TEACH Fellowship, 2015 (deferred)

College of Social Science and Communication Teaching Excellence Award, 2014-2015

College of Social Science and Communication Faculty Research Grant, University of Arkansas at Little Rock

- 2015, funding awarded for 2016 Little Rock Congregations Study

- 2016, funding awarded for research on building rapport in the online classroom
- 2018, funding award for survey research on congregation and non-profit partnerships

Malone Fellowship, National Council on US-Arab Relations, October 2014. Funding awarded for study visit to Qatar.

Arkansas State Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF). Fellowship awarded for research on drone strikes and mentorship of Luis Miguel Lopez, 2014.

College of Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences Summer Research Grant, University of Arkansas at Little Rock

- Summer 2014, funding awarded for research on the 2012 presidential debates
- Summer 2013, funding awarded for research on the 2012 presidential debates
- Summer 2012, funding awarded for research on religiously motivated political behavior in the 2012 elections
- Summer 2010, funding awarded for research on presidential and media framing of the “war on terror”

Distinguished Teaching Fellow Medallion, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, May 2013.

Best Conference Paper, “Whose ‘Clash’? Comparing anti-American and anti-Muslim Attitudes” with William Miller, Arkansas Political Science Association Annual Conference, Conway, AR, February 2012.

Arkansas State Undergraduate Research Fellowship (SURF). Fellowship awarded for research on religion and identity politics and mentorship of Carli Steelman, 2012.

Political Science Education Section Best Conference Paper, “Satire and Efficacy in the Political Science Classroom.” American Political Science Association Annual Conference, Seattle, WA, September 2011.

Presidential Studies Center Faculty Research Grant, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Fall 2011, Fall 2012, Fall 2013—funding awarded for research on foreign policy framing and agenda setting in presidential debates. Fall 2014—funding awarded for research on foreign policy framing via church websites and social media. Fall 2016—funding awarded for the 2016 Little Rock Congregations Study.

Faculty Exchange Fellowship, Karl-Franz University in Graz, Austria, May, 2011. Funding awarded for a two-week fellowship.

Best Faculty Paper, “Beyond Belonging: the Influence of Providential Religious Beliefs on Foreign Policy Attitudes.” Midwest International Studies Association Annual Conference, St. Louis, November 2010.

Middle Eastern Studies Faculty Research Grant, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Fall 2010. Funding awarded for research on presidential debate statements regarding the Middle East.

Student Success Grant, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Fall 2010. Funding awarded for hosting career informational sessions to promote student success.

Undergraduate Research Grant, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Fall 2010. Funding awarded for the purchase of qualitative research materials to support undergraduate research.

Time-Sharing Experiments in the Social Sciences, funding awarded through a competitive, peer-reviewed process for surveys and experiments on religion and foreign policy, 2008.

Teaching Experience

Professor, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Fall 2022-present

Associate Professor, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Spring 2015-Spring 2022

Assistant Professor, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, Fall 2009-Spring 2015

Introduction to Political Science, Fall 2009, Spring 2010, Summer 2010, Fall 2010, Spring 2011, Summer 2011, Fall 2011, Spring 2012, Summer 2012, Fall 2012, Spring 2013, Summer 2013, Fall 2013, Spring 2014, Summer 2014, Fall 2014, Spring 2015, Summer 2015, Fall 2016, Spring 2017, Summer 2017

Introduction to International Politics, Fall 2017, Spring 2018, Fall 2018, Spring 2019, Spring 2020, Fall 2020, Spring 2021, Fall 2021, Spring 2022, Spring 2023, Fall 2023, Spring 2024, Summer 2024

International Studies Senior Research Proposal, Presentation, and Paper, Fall 2014, Spring 2015, Fall 2016, Spring 2017, Fall 2017, Fall 2020, Spring 2021, Spring 2022

American National Government, Fall 2023

Survey Research Methods, Fall 2018

International Religious Freedom, Spring 2020

Calderwood Seminar on Religious Freedom, Spring 2024

Model Arab League Travel Course to Washington DC, Spring 2014, Spring 2015, Spring 2016, Spring 2017, Spring 2018, Spring 2019, Spring 2020, Spring 2022, Spring 2023, Spring 2024

Model Arab League Travel Course to Morocco, Fall 2016, Fall 2019

Migration, Identity, and a Changing Europe, Travel Course, Summer 2018

Islam and Migration in Modern and Historical Spain, Travel Course, Summer 2022, Summer 2023

US Foreign Policy, Spring 2010, Spring 2011 (service learning), Fall 2011, Spring 2013, Spring 2016 (service learning), Spring 2019, Fall 2020, Fall 2021, Spring 2023, Summer 2024

International Relations, Fall 2009, Fall 2010, Spring 2012, Fall 2013

Research Practicum: Religion and Electoral Politics, Fall 2012, Fall 2016

Research Practicum: Religion and Politics, Fall 2014

Research Practicum: US War on Terror, Spring 2011

Research Practicum: Religion and Community, Fall 2020

International Organizations, Spring 2012, Spring 2021

Religion and International Relations, Spring 2010

International Simulations, including advising the International Simulation Association student organization, Fall 2011, Spring 2012, Fall 2012, Spring 2013, Fall 2013, Spring 2014, Fall 2014, Spring 2015, Spring 2016, Spring 2017, Spring 2018

Instructor, University of California Santa Barbara, 2007-2008

International Relations Theory, Summer 2008

Presidential Rhetoric and the War on Terror 2001-2005, Independent Research Course, Fall 2007

Selected Conference Presentations

“Race and Faith: The Role of Congregations in Racial Justice” Presented at the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion + Religious Research Association Annual Conference, Salt Lake City, UT, October 20-22, 2023.

“Centering Student Connection” Short Course taught at the American Political Science Association Teaching and Learning Conference, Baltimore, MD, February, 2023.

“Yes, You Can Improve Online Retention in Just Ten Minutes!” Presented at the HighEdWeb Conference, Little Rock, AR, October, 2022.

“Race and Faith: The Role of Congregations in Racial Justice.” Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Montreal, Canada, September, 2022.

“Differential Effects among Broadcast News: Public Opinion Change and Black Lives Matter Protests.” With Jessica Feezell and Amber Boydston. Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Montreal, Canada, September, 2022.

“A Method to Assess Semantic Validity and Bias When Coding Open-ended Responses.” With Jessica Feezell and Amber Boydston. Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA, October, 2021.

“Improving Retention in Online Courses.” Short Course, American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Virtual, September 8, 2020.

“Common Traits of the Best Online and Face-to-face Classes: Evidence from Student Surveys.” With Heidi Harris. Presented at the American Political Science Association Teaching and Learning Conference, Albuquerque, New Mexico, February, 2020.

“Code Yourself: A Method for Using Respondents’ Self-Coding of Open-Ended Answers to Improve Semantic Validity and Reduce Cost.” With Jessica Feezell and Amber Boydston. Presented at the Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting in San Juan, Puerto Rico, January, 2020.

“Banning the Veil: The Effect of Religious Clothing Restrictions on Attitudes towards Muslims and Immigrants in Europe.” With Christopher J. Williams. Presented at the European Political Science Association Conference in Belfast, Northern Ireland, June, 2019.

“I Do Not Think It Means What You Think It Means: Evaluating the Validity of Coding Open-Ended Survey Responses.” With Jessica Feezell and Amber Boydston. Presented at the European Political Science Association Annual Meeting in Belfast, Northern Ireland, June, 2019.

“Religion and Politics among Southern Millennials: A Comparative Analysis.” With Brian Gregory. Presented at the Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting in Austin, Texas, January, 2019.

“Social Media and Political Participation in Turkey.” With Suveyda Karakaya. Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, September, 2018.

“The Influence of Demographics and Course Modality on Student Success.” With Kerstin Hamann, Philip H. Pollock, and Bruce M. Wilson. Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, September, 2018.

“Framing, Identity, and Blame: Do Episodic vs. Thematic Framing Effects Vary by Target Population?” With Amber Boydston and Jessica Feezell. Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, September, 2017.

“Online Learners in Political Science: Understanding the Context of Success.” With Kerstin Hamann, Philip H. Pollock, and Bruce M. Wilson. Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, September, 2017.

“In the Wake of a Terrorist Attack, Do Americans’ Attitudes Toward Muslims Decline?” With Amber Boydston and Jessica Feezell. Presented at the European Political Science Association Annual Meeting in Milan, Italy, June 2017.

“Civic Engagement through Community-based Research: Undergraduate and Graduate Collaboration on the 2016 Little Rock Congregations Study.” With Warigia Bowman. Presented at the American Political Science Association’s Teaching and Learning Conference, Long Beach, CA, 2017.

“Religion and Peacemaking.” Presented at the International Studies Association Annual Conference in Atlanta, GA, March, 2016

“Rapport in the Online Classroom.” Presented at the American Political Science Association’s Teaching and Learning Conference, Portland, OR, February, 2016.

“Building Rapport to Improve Retention in Online Classes.” Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA, September 2015.

“Providential Religious Beliefs: Toward a Better Understanding of Religiously-motivated Political Behavior.” Presented at the International Studies Association-Midwest Annual Conference, St. Louis, MO, November 2014.

“The Effects of Rapport-Building Strategies in the Online Political Science Classroom.” Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Conference, Washington, DC, August 2014.

“Comparing the Sources of anti-American and anti-Muslim Attitudes.” With William Miller. Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, IL, April 2014.

“Religion and Politics in the 2012 Election: A Study of Little Rock Clergy and their Congregants.” Presented at the Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference, Chicago, IL, April 2014.

“Colleague Crowdsourcing: A Method for Incentivizing National Student Engagement and Large-N Data Collection” with Amber Boydston, Jessica Feezell, Timothy Jurka, and Matt Peitryka. Presented at the APSA Teaching and Learning Conference, Long Beach, CA, February 2013.

“Evaluating the Effectiveness of Religious Peacemakers.” Presented at the International Studies Association-Midwest Annual Conference, St. Louis, MO, November 2012.

“Whose ‘Clash’? Comparing anti-American and anti-Muslim Attitudes” with William Miller. Presented at the Arkansas Political Science Association Annual Conference, Conway, AR, February 2012. Awarded Best Conference Paper.

“Satire and Efficacy in the Political Science Classroom.” Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Conference, Seattle, WA, September 2011. Awarded the Political Science Education Section's Best Conference Paper.

“Public Opinion and Media Failure after 9/11.” With Amber Boydston. Presented at the European Political Science Association Annual Conference, Dublin, Ireland, June 2011.

“Beyond Belonging: the Influence of Providential Religious Beliefs on Foreign Policy Attitudes” presented at the Midwest International Studies Association Annual Conference, St. Louis, November 2010. Awarded the best faculty paper award.

“Presidential and Media Congruence in Framing the War on Terror.” With Amber Boydston. Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Conference, Washington, DC, September 2010.

“The Shifting Tides of Presidential and Media Congruence in Framing the War on Terror.” With Amber Boydston. Presented at the International Studies Association Annual Conference, New Orleans, February 2010.

“Media (Non) Conformity to Executive Framing of the War on Terror.” With Amber Boydston. Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Conference, Toronto, August 2009.

“Running Simulations without Ruining Your Life.” Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Conference, Toronto, August 2009.

“Religious Beliefs and U.S. Foreign Policy: An Experimental Study” Presented at the International Studies Association Annual Conference, New York, March 2009.

“The Influence of Religion on Foreign Policy: Lessons from the Presidencies of Jefferson and McKinley.” Presented at the American Political Science Association Annual Conference, Boston, August 2008.

“The Power of Providence: Explaining Religious Terrorism.” Presented at the International Studies Association Annual Conference, San Francisco, March 2008.

“Using Current Events to Develop Classroom Simulations.” Presented at the American Political Science Association’s Teaching and Learning Conference, San Jose, February 2008.

“Religiously Motivated Political Violence in Iraq.” Presented at the British International Studies Association’s Working Group on International Relations, Security and Religion Conference, Royal Military Academy at Sandhurst, United Kingdom, November 2007.

“Bringing Religion into International Relations: Exploring the Effects of Providential Beliefs.” Presented at the Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association, Chicago, August 30-September 2, 2007.

“Political Islam: Trajectory of a Master Frame.” With Matthew Cleary. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the International Studies Association-West, Las Vegas, September 2005.

University and Professional Service

American Political Science Association, Virtual Research Meeting Program Committee, 2024.

American Political Science Association, Teaching and Learning Conference, Program Co-Chair, 2023.

Editorial Board Member, *PS: Political Science and Politics*, 2022-present.

Member, Chancellor’s Strategic Research Planning Sub-Committee, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, 2022-present.

Politics and Religion Program Chair, American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2021.

Chancellor’s Retention Committee Member, 2019-2021.

Winthrop Rockefeller Distinguished Lecture Series Committee, 2017-present.

Teaching and Learning Program Chair, American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, 2017.

Editorial Board Member, *Journal of Political Science Education*, 2016-present.

Chair, Research and Creative Activities Committee, College of Social Science and Communication, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, 2014-2020.

Reviews Editor, *Journal of Political Science Education*, 2012-2016.

Provost's Faculty Advisory Board, University of Arkansas at Little Rock, 2013-2017.

Editorial Board Member, *Foreign Policy Analysis*, 2012-2016.

Board Member, International Studies Association-Midwest, 2010-2012.

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