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Education:

B.A. Pennsylvania State University, PA, May 1990 (Political Science).

Ph.D. Cornell University, January 1997 (Government).

Teaching and Research Interests:

American Government: United States Congress; Public Opinion and Elections; Fiscal Policy and Federal Expenditures.

Political Methodology: Research Design; Quantitative Analysis; Formal Theory.

Teaching and Research Experience:

Associate Professor, Columbia University (7/2002–present).

Assistant Professor, Columbia University (7/1996–6/2002).

Visiting Scholar, Harvard University (8/1998–8/1999).

Honors, Awards, Fellowships, and Grants:

CQ Prize for best paper presented in the Legislative Studies Section at the 2002 APSA meeting.

John M. Olin Faculty Fellowship, 2001–2002 Academic Year.

Institute for Social and Economic Theory and Research Seed Grant, Columbia University (\$9,960).

Council for the Humanities and Social Sciences Grant, Columbia University (\$6,000).

E.E. Schattschneider Award for Best Dissertation in American Politics, American Political Science Association.

Milton J. Esman Award for Best Dissertation, Department of Government, Cornell University.

Mellon Foundation Graduate Fellowship.

Publications:

Legislative Entrepreneurship in the U.S. House of Representatives (University of Michigan Press; hardcover 2000, paper 2001).

Filibuster: Obstruction and Lawmaking in the United States Senate (with Eric Schickler) (Princeton University Press, 2006).

“A Panel Probit Analysis of Campaign Contributions and Roll Call Votes.” *The American Journal of Political Science* 45:563–579 (July 2001).

“Estimating Dynamic Panel Models in Political Science.” *Political Analysis* 10:25–48 (Winter 2002).

“Where’s the Pivot?: Obstruction and Lawmaking in the Pre-cloture Senate” (with Eric Schickler). *The American Journal of Political Science* 48:758–774 (October 2004). Winner of the CQ Prize for the 2002 APSA meeting.

“Institutional Dynamics on the U.S. Court of Appeals: Minority Representation Under Panel Decision-Making” (with Sean Farhang). *Journal of Law, Economics, & Organization* 20:299–330 (Fall 2004).

“Peculiar Institutions: Slavery, Sectionalism, and Minority Obstruction in the Antebellum Senate.” *Legislative Studies Quarterly* XXX:163–91 (May 2005).

“Analyzing American Politics.” Essays in Theodore Lowi and Benjamin Ginsberg, *American Government: Freedom and Power, 6th edition* (W.W. Norton).

Works in Progress/Professional Presentations:

“Analyzing Cross-Country Survey Data: Results from Monte Carlo Experiments” (with Eduardo Leoni). Paper presented at the 2005 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association.

- “Direct Election, Obstruction, and Cloture Reform” (with Eric Schickler). Paper presented at the 2004 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association and the 2005 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association. Nominated for the CQ Prize.
- “On the Robustness of Panel Corrected Standard Errors in Dynamic Specifications with Unobserved Heterogeneity” (with Ida Pagter Kristensen). Paper presented at the 2003 meeting of the Society for Political Methodology.
- “The Development of Legislative Institutions and Legislative Productivity in the U.S. Congress, 1789–1989” (with Eric Schickler). Working paper.
- “The Filibuster in Theory and Practice” (with Charles Cameron). Working paper.
- “Is All Politics and Economics Local? National Elections and Local Economic Conditions” (with Charles Himmelberg). Paper presented at the 2001 annual meetings of the Midwest Political Science Association, the American Political Science Association, and the Society for Political Methodology.
- “Let’s Not Be Laggard When Estimating Dynamic Panel Data Models in Political Science or What to Do (and Not Do) With Dynamic Panel Data in Political Science.” Paper presented at the 2000 Summer Methods Meeting.
- “Why Do Members of Congress Change their Votes?” (with Noah Kaplan). Paper presented at the 1999 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.
- “A Dynamic Panel Analysis of Campaign Contributions” (with Charles Himmelberg). Paper presented at the 1998 Summer Methods Meeting and the 1998 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association.
- “Legislative Entrepreneurship and Campaign Finance.” Paper presented at the 1997 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association and the 1997 Summer Methods Meeting.
- “Legislative Entrepreneurship and Career Concerns: Analyzing Advancement in the House of Representatives.” Paper presented at the 1996 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.
- “Legislative Entrepreneurship and Career Concerns: A Preliminary Analysis of Advancement in the House of Representatives.” Paper presented at the 1995 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association.
- “Legislative Entrepreneurship in the U.S. House of Representatives.” Poster presented at the 1995 Summer Methods Meeting.

“The Politics of Impoundment: A Switching Tobit Analysis of Impoundment Control Mechanisms in the Reagan Era” (with Walter R. Mebane). Paper presented at the 1995 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.

“Genetic Monte Carlo Cross-Validation” (with Walter R. Mebane). Paper presented at the 1994 Summer Methods Meeting and at the 1994 Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association.

“The Political Development of Impoundment: Presidential Discretion and Congressional Control.” Paper presented at the 1994 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.

“Pork Barrel Politics in Presidential Elections” (with Walter R. Mebane). Paper presented at the 1993 Annual Meeting of the Midwest Political Science Association.

Invited Workshops/Presentations:

Columbia University (1996), Cornell University (2004), Indiana University (2006), Massachusetts Institute of Technology (2003), New York University (1996, 2002, 2003), Princeton University (1996), Stanford University (2004), University of California, San Diego (2003), University of California, Los Angeles (2003), University of Chicago (2001), University of Colorado, Boulder (1995), University of Michigan, Ann Arbor (2004), University of Rochester (1995), University of Wisconsin, Madison (2001), Washington University in St. Louis (1996), Yale University (2002, 2004).

Courses Taught:

Advanced Topics in Quantitative Methods: Limited and Qualitative Dependent Variables (Fall 1997, 1999, 2000, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005).

The American Congress (Spring 1997, 1998, 2000, 2003).

American Government and Politics (Spring 1998, 2000, 2003).

Data Analysis for Policymaking (Spring 1997).

Multivariate Political Analysis (Spring 2005).

Senior Seminar on the U.S. Congress (Fall 1996, 1997).

Theories and Debates in American Politics (Fall 1999, 2000, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005).

Advanced Topics in Maximum Likelihood; Estimation for Generalized Linear Models, ICPSR Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research (2004, 2005).

Service to the profession:

Section head for the Legislative Studies Section, 2004 Midwest Political Science Association Meeting.

Steering committee for the History and Congress conferences.

Selection committee for the CQ Prize for best paper presented in the Legislative Studies Section at the 2003 APSA meeting.

Referee for *The American Journal of Political Science*, *The American Political Science Review*, *American Politics Research*, *British Journal of Political Science*, *Journal of Politics*, *Legislative Studies Quarterly*, *Political Analysis*, *Political Behavior*, *Political Research Quarterly*, *Social Science Quarterly*, *State Politics and Policy Quarterly*, Columbia University Press, the National Science Foundation.